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JAPS SUNK THE SHIP.

TOGO'S REPORT SAYS MAKAROFF HIT ONE OF HIS MINES.

Japanese Admiral Says He Lost No Men or Ships Must Be Attributed Largely to Heavenly Assistance—Other News.

Tokio, April 16.—The long awaited report of Vice-Admiral Togo, describing the seventh Japanese attack on Port Arthur reached the navy department tonight. The report is as follows:

"The attack opened April 11. Two destroyer divisions of our torpedo flotilla and one steamer reached the mouth of the river at midnight, April 12. Despite the enemy's searchlights, they succeeded in sinking mines quickly in several places. Another destroyer flotilla, with the special mission of drawing out the enemy, while reconnoitering April 13, southeast of the Liao Thie Shan promontory outside the harbor, encountered a four-masted destroyer of the enemy, which they attacked and sunk in ten minutes.

"About the same time they observed another destroyer coming from the direction of Liao Thie Shan. They attacked it, but owing to the long range did not succeed in sinking it. It fled and took refuge in the harbor. Our casualties were only two sailors slightly wounded. We had no time to pick up the enemy's drowning owing to the approach of the enemy's cruiser Bayan.

"The third squadron reaching outside the harbor at 8 o'clock in the morning, protected the second destroyer flotilla and reconnoitered at the same time. At 9 a. m. the cruiser attacked us at long range. The enemy's cruisers Novik, Akold and Diana, together with the battle ships Petropavlovsk, Pobieda, Poltava and other vessels joined the Bayan and attacked us. The third squadron gave battle and gradually drew the enemy to the southeast for about 15 miles.

"At this time the first squadron which was hidden in a fog 30 miles distant, received a wireless message, quickly advanced and attacked the enemy, who retreated. We chased them to the harbor entrance, where a ship of the Petropavlovsk type was seen blown up by a mine, sunk by us the night before at 10:30.

Two other of the enemy's ships seeing this showed utter confusion. Another ship also was seen blown up by mines, but she could not be identified, owing to the confusion which prevailed for about an hour.

"The remaining of the enemy's ships, shooting water from both sides, gradually went into the harbor, and by noon none of the enemy's ships was seen outside the harbor.

"There were no casualties in the third squadron. The enemy's loss likely is slight. Our first squadron had not reached the gun range at 1 o'clock in the afternoon of the same day and our squadron left the mouth of the harbor for our temporary rendezvous.

"Again after preparation at 4 p. m., April 14, we went toward Port Arthur with the second, fourth and fifth destroyer flotilla. The ninth torpedo flotilla reached the mouth of the harbor at 3 o'clock in the morning, April 15, and succeeded in effecting its mission. At 7 a. m. the third squadron appeared before the harbor, but was not observed by the enemy. The squadron found the inner harbor quiet. The first squadron reached Port Arthur at 9 o'clock the same morning. Observing three floating mines laid by the enemy, the squadron shot and sank them.

"At 10 a. m. the cruisers Nisshin and Kasaga were detached to go under the Liao Thie Shan promontory and open an indirect cannonade on the inner harbor, which was kept up for about an hour. The enemy's forts and ships inside replied but without damage. These two ships in their first trial against the enemy must have had good effect, as the new fortress west of Liao Thie Shan was silenced by them. At half past 1 in the afternoon they ceased firing and returned to the fleet.

Pensacola, Fla., April 16.—Information received today from the

battleship Missouri throws little additional light upon the cause of the recent explosion, all agreeing that the rapid firing was the primary cause. Two of the men now in the hospitals will receive recognition from the department for valiant service. These two men are Seamen McDade and Welles. They were in the magazine when the first explosion occurred and sparks began dropping from the turret to their magazine. At the time the trough through which powder is passed was opened and about four charges of powder on the outside. McDade saw the danger. Knowing the powder on the outside would catch and unless the opening in the magazine was closed that too would explode, he reached his arm through the opening and attempted to unfasten the catch to close the opening, but it refused to work. He then placed his body in the opening until Welles could empty a large powder can, and when this was done the can was shoved into the opening, partly closing it. The men then filled all the cracks with swab, thus preventing any flames from penetrating the magazine.

On deck, the men stood at their posts like real heroes. Not a man flinched, although death stared every one in the face.

Pensacola, Fla., April 16.—In a riot here tonight between police and bluejackets from the warships and a few artillerymen from Fort Barrancas, one enlisted man named Banks, of the Seventh artillery, was killed, and four bluejackets from the Iowa and Alabama were wounded, although not seriously.

Three police officers were at the patrol call box when a petty officer from one of the ships blew a whistle signal in use on the ships for the men to assemble. Fully 300 men assembled and rushed the policemen, separating them. Two of the policemen backed away from the crowd, firing as fast as possible at the advancing bluejackets, who were hurling stones, bottles and other missiles at them. It was during this shooting that the artilleryman was killed.

Reinforcements from the police station arrived at this juncture, and partly dispersed the bluejackets. Later, owing to many threats of the men from the warships to kill the police, Admiral Barker ordered marine guards from two of the ships ashore, and they quelled the riot and prevented the trouble.

Paris, April 16.—All the papers necessary for the transfer of the Panama canal to the United States are now completed. They include inventories and schedules of the property belonging to the company in Panama, here and elsewhere. These have been carefully gone over and checked by W. A. Day and Charles W. Russell, the assistant attorney-generals who came from Washington to assist in the transfer of the property and the officers of the company. The most important paper is the contract for the sale.

London, April 16.—While it is authoritatively stated that the Japanese have no submarine navy at the present time, and therefore it is impossible that the Russian battle ship Petropavlovsk could have been sunk by a boat of this class, it is understood that the Japanese arsenals and navy-yards are working over time on two or more submarine boats, which will be ready before the Russian Baltic squadron reaches the Far East.

Paris, April 16.—The Matin's St. Petersburg correspondent sends an interview which he had with Grand Duke Vladimir, in which, after giving the details of a telegram from Grand Duke Boris relating to the escape of Grand Duke Cyril, Vladimir said:

"Here we all believe that the catastrophe to the Petropavlovsk was caused by a Japanese submarine vessel. It must have been a submarine that discharged a torpedo, which, striking the battle ship near the engine room, caused an explosion of the boilers. We knew that the Japanese had two submarine vessels, but we could not imagine that they would be mad enough to send such little boats so far from fleet, or that they would even risk them at the entrance of Port Arthur harbor. The submarine which effected the destruction of the battle ship must certainly have sunk

A HERO PATIENT.

PATIENT SAVES MANY LIVES AT A HOSPITAL FIRE.

Pulls Patients Away from Windows and Pilots Them to a Safe Retreat—A Fatal Four Story Plunge—Other News.

Indianapolis, April 17.—While the city fire department, reinforced by companies from the suburbs, was being taxed to its utmost fighting the Occidental hotel fire this morning, an alarm was turned in from St. Vincent's hospital. When the first fire company arrived one life had been lost and several were seriously injured in the panic that followed.

For time it seemed that the flames, which started in a pile of rags under the east stairway, would find their way to the upper floors, resulting in a frightful holocaust. At every window on the third and fourth floors were crowded the panic-stricken men and women screaming for help to those on the street below.

The panic that raged on the third and fourth floors continued until long after the fire had been extinguished.

Patients who had just undergone surgical operations rushed from their beds to the windows and attempted to throw themselves to the ground.

Harriet Leaby, an old employee of the hospital, leaped from a window on the fourth floor, and when picked up was dead. In the rear the men and women were making ropes of bedclothing by which they escaped to the ground below. Kate Beach, less fortunate than the rest, lost her hold and fell from the third floor, and is now in a critical condition from internal injuries sustained.

An unusual number of surgical operations were performed in the hospital on Saturday. Many of the patients carried from their beds in the rescues were in a critical condition, and both physicians in charge fear that many fatalities may result. The patients were carried to the male ward, which is on the first floor, and was not seriously affected by the panic which raged in the upper floors.

Improvised cots and mattresses were brought into use and a general call for medical assistance sent throughout the city. Within a short time about 100 physicians arrived and the patients were cared for.

Harry Nichols, who underwent an operation for appendicitis a few hours before the outbreak of the fire jumped from his bed and ran down four flights of stairs into the street. His condition is critical.

James Dawson, an emaciated patient, worked heroically among the panic-stricken men and women on the third floor. One after another he pulled away from the windows those who were preparing to jump to the street below and piloted them through the smoke to places of safety on the first floor.

After saving 27 nurses and patients from possible injury in this manner, he lost consciousness and was carried into the male ward, where medical attention was given him. For a time it was thought that he could not undergo the terrible strain to which he had been subjected.

The fire which for almost two hours threatened to destroy the principal retail district was discovered at an early hour this morning in the Occidental hotel. Every fire company in the city, as well as those from outlying suburbs, was summoned. The house was filled with guests, and a panic was narrowly averted.

There were many narrow escapes from the flames and suffocation, the inmates being compelled to leave the building clad only in their night-clothes.

The hotel, which fronts for half a block on Illinois street, south of Washington street, is valued at \$100,000, and is gutted. The loss is estimated at \$75,000.

Owing to the fire proof construction of the hospital the actual loss to the building will not exceed a \$1,000.

Berkeley, Cal., April 17.—A masked man displaying two revolvers entered the saloon of Chris Warren on the country road north of

here to night. In the saloon were Warred, Mrs. Warren and Frank Lewis. The stranger ordered them to throw up their hands.

The men obeyed, but Mrs. Warren ran out the back door and ran around to the front entrance, where the robbers fired a shot at her, the bullet hitting her in the right side, penetrating the lung. Warren then grappled with the criminal and succeeded in ejecting him, and the robber escaped. Mrs. Warren is dangerously wounded.

New York, April 15.—Girls jumping from upper windows, out of which dense columns of smoke were pouring and tongues of flame were shooting, was the scene that appalled hundreds of spectators that an alarm of fire had gathered this morning about the burning dye works conducted by William Neiste in Williamsburg.

The fire broke out on the third floor of the building and it is learned that all but three persons who worked there were successful in gaining the second story. When so near safety it was ascertained that the fire had swept down the elevator shaft and had consumed the stairs leading to the floors above.

Then there was a panic, and before firemen could raise ladders, frantic women were leaping to the ground below.

Those who jumped from second story windows escaped with slight injuries.

Simon Trotter, a dyeman employed on the top floor, jumped, and was crushed on the pavement below. He was followed by a young girl, who plunged headlong from a window on the upper floor and met a like fate. A second girl jumped from the same window and was caught in a net held by four firemen. She sustained no injury.

Washington, April 15.—Secretary Shaw has advised Senator Mitchell that Oregon gold will be used in the Lewis and Clark souvenir dollars, unless some other senator asks that a portion of them be struck from golds in other states that is equally good. Secretary Shaw says: "I will put as much sentiment into the proposition as possible.

St. Petersburg, April 15.—A telegram from Grand Duke Boris to Grand Duke Vladimir, dated at Liao Yang yesterday, gives Grand Duke Cyril's account of his escape from death in the disaster to the Petropavlovsk. According to his story, Cyril fell at the moment of the explosion to the port side of the bridge, and from there he lowered himself to the deck. He was then swept away by an immense wave and sank to a considerable depth, but succeeded in regaining the surface. By his own efforts he caught a floating fragment of the Petropavlovsk's steam launch to which he clung for about ten minutes, when he was picked up by the destroyer Bezshumi. The telegram adds that Cyril's aide-de-camp, Lieutenant Von Kube, perished.

Baker City, Or., April 15.—Powder is still rising here in the city. Water is overflowing one bridge and the river is out of its banks in several places. The cellars are filled with water. The Sumpter Valley railway is still unable to run trains.

Heavy rains in the mountains reported last night may increase the flood. Another O. R. & N. bridge over Burnt river near Durkee, 20 miles east of here went out this morning.

Eastbound No. 6, which left Portland last night, is tied up here, and orders have been issued to sell no eastbound tickets for three days. It is the most serious situation in many years.

Kobe, Japan, April 15.—It is asserted in naval circles here that the Japanese arranged to lay 30 mines at the entrance of Port Arthur, and then entice the Russians out. The mines were placed in position, and Port Arthur was bombarded April 13. Several Russian ships besides the Petropavlovsk were damaged.

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