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## A BALLOON BAG RIPS

**AERONAUTS FALL ABOUT TWO HUNDRED FEET TO THE GROUND.**

One Is Killed Instantly; The Other Will Probably Die—Parachute Would not Open—Horrible Sight for a Crowd of Spectators.

Wallace, Idaho, March 19.—V. A. Middlekauf was killed and L. M. Odell seriously injured by falling 200 feet from a balloon while giving a double ascension here this afternoon. The men were seated in a parachute and when they had ascended 200 feet the lower part of the balloon tore away. The parachute would not open, and both fell among the spectators with terrific force.

A young boy was caught by the falling balloon and badly burned. Middlekauf had nearly every bone in his body broken while Odell had none. The latter is injured internally.

Several hundred people had assembled in various parts of the city to witness the ascension. Many were present from the canyon towns, the Northern Pacific train being held until after the two aeronauts had made their parachute jumps.

As soon as the balloon left the ground, to the horror of the nearby spectators, the lower part of the bag could be seen ripping away. Warnings were shouted to the two unfortunate men, but they could not hear the alarm.

Although the flight took but a few moments, Odell, who is the more expert of the two, could be seen attempting to force his parachute open, but on account of the short distance it would not yield. Both men were close together, and while Odell endeavored to open his parachute he could be observed holding his companion by the shoulder in attempt to save him if his parachute opened. Middlekauf made no movement, simply clinging to the ropes.

The thud made by the two men when they fell could be heard for over a block, the ground being indented where they alighted. Both struck the ground near one another and at the same time, both barely grazing the furnace where the balloon was inflated.

Odell fell in a more relaxed manner, and his fall was partially broken by Middlekauf, which accounts for his lesser injuries. Both were rendered unconscious by the terrible fall, but Odell soon recovered, and, although in frightful pain, was able to talk.

Portland, March 14.—Henry B. Miller, recently appointed consul-general for the United States at Yokohama, Japan, was in Portland today, and last evening delivered an illustrated lecture in the interests of the Maximas, telling of the controversy and causes that brought the present war between Russia and Japan in the Orient. Mr. Miller whose home is at Eugene, though he has large business interests at Grant's Pass, expects to leave San Francisco for his new station April 8, and declares he expects to be busy, as many problems will arise both during the war and at its conclusion. Mr. Miller was for three years, during the most turbulent times of recent history, consul at Niu Chwang, and says he watched at no great distance the preparations made by Japan to launch herself into the present struggle.

"I have taken deep interest in Oriental conditions and the circumstances creating them," said Mr. Miller soon after he arrived in Portland from Eugene this morning. "The Japanese were thoroughly ready for the combat. They prepared themselves for years, while the Russians rested firm in the belief that the Mikado would not fight. Then, when the blow came Russia was not ready."

Mr. Miller was at Shanghai during the Boxer troubles in China in 1900, and soon after the relief of the legations at Peking he went forward to that station, where he remained during what he playfully terms the "reconstruction period." While there he had abundant opportunity to compare the soldiers of the various allied forces. Later

he went to Niu Chang, where he had every opportunity to become familiar with the situation from the Russian standpoint. When hostilities opened he represented Japan at Niu Chwang, then inside the Russian lines. After the capture of the city by the Japanese Mr. Miller went to Tokio, where he witnessed a mammoth review of the soldiers of the Mikado and was thus enabled to compare the efficiency of the two contending armies.

"It was almost the unqualified opinion of the diplomatic agents, at the outbreak of the present war," said Mr. Miller, "that the Japanese would be successful. They knew what they wanted to do and were ready to do it. They began to get ready when they were forced to give up the fruits of the victory over China in 1895."

Mr. Miller says that while he does not particularly like to live in the Orient he is deeply interested in the conditions he is called upon to face there and the problems that come up to him to be solved, and he is glad of the opportunity to return there.

**Items From Southern Benton.**  
Streets of Monroe were crowded Saturday last. Women and babies being mostly in evidence, as most farmers were busy plowing or sowing.

Church at Brown's last Sabbath, Rev. Gardner of S. M. E. church delivered the sermon.

School opened on Ingram Island last week with Miss McGuffat, from near independence, as teacher.

Buelah Hewitt came home Saturday to attend school at Brown's which begins Monday with Miss Edwards from Bellfountain, as teacher.

Mrs. Mary E. Rickard, of Flat Creek, is visiting with relatives in the Barkley neighborhood.

George H. ... was in our vicinity lately as agent for Mutual Life Insurance Company.

Born to the wife of Sylvester Wooley, a son.

J. S. Wooley has been shearing goats near Irish Bend the past few weeks.

The Modern Woodmen team from Corvallis Lodge expect to visit Monroe Lodge on the evening of 25th inst. Quite a number of new members are to be initiated.

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**ATTORNEY AT LAW.**

## NOW FOR HARBIN

**OYAMA SETS DATE FOR ENTERING THE CITY.**

**Fakoman Has Been Taken—Rear-Guard Fighting Japanese Near Kaiyuan—Russians wreck Railroad—Other News.**

St. Petersburg, March 19.—The reports of the retiring commander-in-chief and the new commander in Manchuria, which were issued here yesterday, while relieving the immediate fear of the Russian people that the Manchurian army is already cut off and confirming information already received that the retreat is in full progress, throw no further light on the condition of the losses of the army, and contain no disquieting information.

The city of Fakoman, which is well in the Russian rear, has been seized by forces given out as Chinese bandits, but which may be a vanguard of Japanese regulars. From Fakoman one road leads to Kaiyuan, about 12 miles north of Tie Pass, and the great Chinese road runs northward, paralleling the railroad and offering to a force there the alternative of striking the Russian line or pushing on toward the Sungari river along the highway, which is better than the road over which General Linievitch will have to retreat. The new commander will need all the strategic qualities of Kuropatkin to effect the withdrawal in safety.

How far or how rapidly Field Marshal Oyama will be able to continue pursuit remains to be seen, but the Chinese at Harbin expect him there April 10, and if this opinion proves to be founded on a Japanese proclamation, many persons here, remembering the fulfillment of Oyama's assurances regarding the occupation of Mukden, March 10, will be inclined to name three weeks as the limit.

The lapse of a full week since the beginning of the retreat from Mukden finds Russia in almost complete ignorance of the details as to the effect of that reverse. Kuropatkin, before relinquishing his baton, professed himself unable to estimate losses, and no dispatches referring to the number of prisoners have been allowed to sift through the strict censorship. The public simply knows that the list of killed, wounded and prisoners is very great, and is prepared to believe them enormous, though one Russian correspondent expresses the belief that they will not exceed 80,000, all told. The full story of the awful retreat from Mukden to Tie Pass also remains to be told. Later reports received confirm the first statement, that the bulk of the armies retired in good order, the momentary panics affecting only the soldiers who were crowded among the transports in charge of undisciplined officers and fleeing civilians, causing the loss, however, of a great amount of supplies and a number of cannon which otherwise they would have been able to bring off.

St. Petersburg, March 17.—A dispatch from Changtufu reports that General Kuropatkin left there tonight for St. Petersburg.

Tokio, March 17.—The Japanese are still hammering away at the retreating Russian army and the losses of the enemy are declared at imperial headquarters to be simply enormous. Marshal Oyama's victorious troops, flushed with success and determined that not a single Russian shall reach Harbin, are continually attacking the Russians from front and rear and from both flanks and are given the terror-stricken hordes absolutely no rest.

A number of reports were received last night and all characterized the Russian retreat as "panic-stricken." It is believed here that Oyama is preparing another trap for the enemy, and, when it is sprung, the remnants of Kuropatkin's shattered forces will be found caught in its jaws.

The troops that occupied Ying Pass have advanced some 18 miles along the Kirin river and at last accounts were hotly engaging the enemy.

St. Petersburg, March 18.—According to a resident of the court at Tsarskoe Selo, who occupies a pri-

vate position with the czar, the sudden decision to remove Kuropatkin was due to the disaster at Tie Pass, which is considered strategically a greater blunder on the part of the Russian commander-in-chief than even Mukden. The czar's hand was forced in this affair by the war party. That a fortified position like that at Tie Pass should have fallen without any show of resistance, after the official messages telling of the orderly retreat of the Russian forces and of a supposed Russian victory at the Fan river, has absolutely dumbfounded the country.

It is thought impossible that the remnants of Kuropatkin's army can escape to Harbin, because there are no stores of food or ammunition between Tie Pass and Harbin.

"Despite the war party's triumph in the removal of Kuropatkin, peace is imminent," said Mme. Novikoff, the Russian political writer, this morning. "Linievitch who succeeds Kuropatkin cannot continue the war. The army is annihilated and there is no new army ready."

Oklahoma City, Okla., March 18.—A special from Hobart states that a cyclone struck Porch, a small town near there, last night. One man, name not given, was killed; J. E. and Charles Jones fatally injured and 16 hurt.

Sixteen houses were demolished. Details are lacking on account of inaccessibility.

## Real Estate Bargains.

No. 552—160 acres, 130 in cult; good house and barn; fine fruit and water; 120 acres now in crop; 4 horses, 10 cows, 2 hogs, 1 wagon, 2 buggies, 4 sets of harness, chickens, farm tools, and household furniture, 7 1/2 miles from Corvallis; price \$40 per acre.

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No. 554—170 acre stock ranch, 1 1/2 miles from R. R. town, 90 acres cleared and sown to grass, 60 acres nice saw timber, fair house, barn etc; good orchard; one mile to school, 2 creeks on place; price \$1300.

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No. 556—2 lots, 7 room house, woodshed and store room, choice fruit, located in Corvallis, price \$1600.

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No. 558—100 acres, 30 in cult, bal pasture and timber, good 5 room house, spring water piped to house, good orchard and small fruits, running water on place, splendid orange, telephone to house, 1 1/2 miles to school, 4 miles to store and P. O.; price \$1250.

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Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed by the County Court of Benton County, Oregon, in probate, as executrix of the last Will and testament of Louisa J. Stewart, deceased. All persons having claims against the estate of said deceased are hereby required and notified to present them, with the proper vouchers, within six months from the date of this notice to the undersigned executrix at my residence in Corvallis, Benton County, Oregon.  
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Henrietta Randall,  
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