ussian Troops Are Leaving Niu Chwang.

C CUNS LOADED ON CARS

Il Transportation Facilities Have Been Requisitioned.

HABITANTS FEAR BANDITS

venous Horde Hang on the Outskirts Ready to Pillage Before the Japanese Can Succeed.

iving here on the stenmer Petrarch n Nin Chwang say that when they Nin Chwang the Russians had enced to evacuate. Some guns had taken from the forts and many ops had already gone. In other pects, Niu Chwang was quiet.

he passengers understood before ir departure that the Japanese had the railway, but they learned no

ONDON, May 9 .- The Morning Post's anghai correspondent reports that lay was captured Friday, while the correspondent of the Daily Telraph, cabling under date of Sunday,

Daluy was invested yesterday." The Daily Matl's correspondent at a Chwang, in a dispatch dated May

Yesterday most of the Russins ps retired to Tushikichno, and durthe night most of the guns were reved from the fort and sent to Line ng, where all the Russian forces are entrating. A conference of the il and military authorities was held afternoon and it was decided to oure to leave at a moment's notice."

HU CHWANG, May 7, 9 P. M .- Ther ry Indication that the Russians have ded to evacuate Niu Chwang. Troops been leaving here all day long. The is have been dismantled and all the lery has been placed on board trains, the local transportation has been ered by the Russian authori-

re is current here a native rum st Japanese transports are in Foochau suls and about 60 miles north of rt Arthur), but this report lacks con-

fear is held here that if the Rusns leave and the Japanese do not once take possession of Niu Chwang who are now across the near Yingkow, will pillage the The foreign residents are preto resist the brigands should they

he British Cousul has requested that boat be sent to Niu Chwang. The dans probably will destroy the gun-Sivouch before leaving. The vesis at Nin Chwang

Fire at Fleeing Train.

anese troops fired on what probably the last train out of Port Arthur passed near Port Adams. Thes artillery and small arms and killed unded several Chinese. is reported here that Vicerov Alexieff

dightly wounded prior to his departfrom Port Arthur. He barely escaped n there before the Japanese closed es of communication. ie Russian general staff has moved

Line Yang to Mukden. Russians. will not talk of the situation for that they may impart some inforn. They do not consider that the

orces here are sufficient to hold this secion of the country. It is probable that the Russian troops will withdraw to Har-

are leaving hurriedly and many natives are fleeing the city in the fear that they will be subjected to maltreatment at the hands of the brigands.

GREAT GLOOM IN RUSSIA.

Probable Movement of the Enemy a Source of Anxiety.

ST. PETERSBURG, May 9, 3:30 A. M .-Two official dispatches, calculated to inrease the depression existing among all ircles in Russia were given out last night. From the point of view of the progress of the campaign, the most important is that regarding the capture by the Japanes without opposition of Feng Wang Cheng. m May 6. The second gives details conerning the killed, wounded and missing mong the troops under the command of Licutenant-General Zassalltch, as the resuit of the fighting on the Yalu, the num er of which totals 2397 officers and men Now that General Kuroki is established

at Feng Wang Cheng, the Russians are curried as to what move he will make ext. The fact that he sent two compa ies to Daliandiapu Tso, ten miles north east of Feng Wang Cheng, might indicate his purpose to proceed along this road to Ting Chang Gien, 90 miles north from where he would march due west to Line Yang. This would permit an effective flanking movement, but it is not considered probable, the likelihood being that he will move along the road by which the Russians retreated toward Lino Yang.

Means Loss of Niu Chwang.

This road branches off at Chats Chang 30 miles westward of Feng Wang Cheng and continues almost directly west of Hai Cheng, which was captured by the Japan eso during the Chino-Japanese War. A march on this place would compel the vacuation of Niu Chwang, as the force there would be in danger of destruction or of being subjected to a siege by the arnies converging from Hai Cheng and the southern part of the Line Tung Peninsula

There is no confirmation up to the presnt of the report that the Russians preparing to evacuate Niu Chwang, but few would be surprised if it should turn out to be correct. The effect of a march along the road to Hai Cheng would be to place absolutely in the control of the ese all Manchuria between the Yalu and the Liao Tung Peninsula with the ex-ception of Port Arthur.

The Russians admit that at this stage of the war the Japanese control the terri-tory mentioned, the Russky Invalid, the army organ, making this concession. The remainder of the press is silent.

Russians Movements Velled.

Where General Kuropatkin's main force is now stationed has not been anpunced, though General Zassalitch states that the eavalry left for Schtindjane. There continues to be the greatest ignorance regarding the plans of the Commander-in-Chief, who is taking every precaution to prevent information respect ing the enemy, the censor at Liao Yang refusing to pass a single press dispatch which in any way indicates the Russian novements. Messages from other points are strictly censored

It is believed that General Kuroki, instead of proceeding to Hat Cheng will move northwest along the road to Lino Yang, He will find the Russians entrenched at Tien Chort Chan Pass, west of Mao Tien Ling Pass.

It is pointed out that the abandonn of Southern Manchuria will be beneficial to the Russians, as it will enable the complete concentration of the forces which have heretofore been scattered as'a consequence of ignorance as to what the nemy proposed to do.

Chance to Exercise Patience.

Though the people are tried by the General's withdrawal, it is recalled that General Kuropatkin counselled patience before he left St. Petersburg for Manchuria. No word of criticism of his conduct is heard, everyone recognizing that he knows all the conditions and is better able to judge as to when he can safely offer bat-

tle to the enemy. The gruesome figures in the Russian losses on the Yalu are higher than had been reported by Major-General Kashtalinsky, who himself appears to have been rounded by a flying stone. The list enables an exact statement of the forces under General Zassalitch, which were and included the Ninth, Tenth, Eleventh, (Concluded on Page Three.)

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Impression Is Given That the Leading Democratic Candidate for the Presidency is Coloriess, Timid and Flabby.

THE HANDICAP.

SILENCE-Judge Parker will not declare his attitude on great public

PERRY BELMONT-Multi-millionaire in touch with the great corporations

JOHN C. SHEEHAN-Trust corporation lawyer, whose interests center solely in a small patch of the East. P. H. M'CARREN-Sugar trust politi-cian, who has piled up an immense

NEW YORK, May 8 .- Next to persisten Hence Judge Parker is being hurt most by his friends. His refusal to come out boldly and announce his attitude on pubic questions, standing or falling upon his utterances, is taken by many persons to nean that he is colorless, timid and flabby and that he is trying to slip into the nomination without showing his hand. Perhaps this feature is not so discouraging as the dead weight he is forced to carry in the shape of his friends. Belmont, theehan and McCarren are proving a heavy load. No one will deny that August Belmont is a good citizen and a good man to have for a friend, but he is not the sort o' friend for a Democratic Presidential candidate to have, at least not so openly. There is no doubt Bel-mont can enlist the support of the big orporations on behalf of Judge Parker, but how will the trust bursters of the

Difficulties to Overcome.

Then there is Sheehan, a trust corpora tion lawyer, who does not believe there is any country west of New York State line, and McCarren, a sugar trust politician, who has made a fortune at it. It is con sidered remarkable that David B. Hill, these men to the background and induce Judge Parker to open his mouth and say

Judge Parker will have a hard time of t at best. He must overcome his own blundering platform and his entourage state is enhanced by the fact of unholy divorce in many states. The voices of

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## this, not only to secure civil legislation, not only to enferce church discipline, but to correct the tendency, to control the inclination and to condemn the fact.

"We are pledging for the home, for th family, for the children born and to be born, for the protection of society and for the preservation of the state. We ask you to unite was us in earnest effort, so that more and more the manhood, the womanhood and the childhood of America may make itself heard and felt, in the deter mined purpose to stem the currents which are suppling the foundations of all that is best and hollest and dearest in human life."

YOUNG WENTZ'S BODY FOUND Big Reward Had Been Offered for Philadelphian.

WASHINGTON, May 8.-A dispatch to the Post from Richmond, Va., says: The body of E. L. Wentz, who disappeared Oc-tober 14, 1990, from Big Stone Gap, was found today near Kelly View, within a found today near Keily View, within a mile of the place where be was last seen alive. The body, which was lying on the ground in plain view, was in a state of preservation sufficient for identification. Young Wentz was the son of a Philadelphia millionaire, and was in charge of his father's mines in Wise County. Since his disappearance more than \$6,000 has been offered for any news of him.

Murdered by Mexican Bandits.

OAXACA, Mexico, May 8.—Othon Quin-jano, the paymaster of the National Rail-road of Tehauntepec, was assaulted by five bandits between Palo Mares and Paso de Buques. One builet went through his body and his head was cut almost in two with a machette. He died of his wounds. Two of his peons were wounded. The bandits got away with between \$2000 and

Robbers Raid Chicago Restaurant. CHICAGO, May 8.—Two well-dressed down-town district tonight, holding up the cashier. All the day's receipts, amounting to over \$1000, was secured and placed in a satchel, the men escaping before an alarm could be given.

### THE DAY'S DEATH ROLL.

Brigadier-General S. W. Groesbeck. ST. LOUIS, May 8.—Brigadier-General Stephen W. Grossbeck, U. S. A., retired, died today of pneumonia at the home of his brother-in-law here, aged 64.

When the Spanish-American war was isclared General Groeabeck was sta-tioned at San Francisco as Judge Advo-He was ordered to Cuba and was Judge Advocate there during the Cuban ampaign. Later he held the same po-ition at Governor's Island, N. Y. In the Philippines he was also Judge Advocate and remained two years, return advocate and remained two years, retaining with the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel in July, 1962. He was then stationed at Chicago as Judge Advocate of the Department of the Lakes. Last year he was promoted to the rank of Brigadler-General and, at his own request, was re-tired. He entered the Civil War as a

Yucatan Invites Immigration. MERIDIA, Yucatan, May 8.-The Legslature of this state has conceded to the mmigration society for a term of five years a premium of \$15 to every family that comes to the state for the purpose of agriculture. Each family must consist agriculture. of three members or more and must have lived in some land in the state six months before the allowance is made good.

Men Still in Burning Building. SHAMOKIN, Pa., May 8.-Rescuing parties are still at work in the Locust Gap Colliery, where five men are entombed as a result of the fire in one of the slopes. miners have been in the mine since

British Defeat Entrenched Tribesmen.

Thibetans Attack a Weakened Garrison in the Rear.

DRIVEN OFF WITH HEAVY LOSS

Tremendous Difficulties Overcome by Detachment in Clearing the Way for the Advance of Colonel Younghusband.

SPECIAL CABLE TO THE LONDON TIMES AND PORTLAND OREGONIAN. KARO PASS, Thibet, May 5, via Kalatso, May 8.-Colonel Brander, with 300 men, about two-thirds of the Gyangts garrison, reached here yesterday after a hree days' forced march, and today attacked the intrenched Thibetan position and carried it after a bayonet charge. The Thibetans had been stationed here to oppose Colonel Younghusband's progress, and Colonel Brander had been ordered to clear the way.

The Thibetans were completely routed, lespite the fact that they outnumbered the British more than three to one. Their oss was 150 killed and many wounded. The British casualties were 18, including five killed

While the major portion of the Gyangts garrison was absent, the Thibetans atacked the post, but were driven back with a less of 200 killed. They left 80 wounded behind them who are now being treated in the compound adjoining the fort. The attack was well planned and was participated in by 800 well-armed Thisetans, who had been dispatched from

Dongtse for the purpose. Garrison Beats Off Enemy

The enemy had planned a midnight attack, and it might have succeeded but for the vigilance of the guards. The garrison, under the command of Major Murray, behaved with exceeding gallantry and beat off the attack successfully, de-spite the fact that the pick of the garrison had been detailed on the Brander

After the Thibetans had been repulsed they occupied Jong, a small fort 1900 yards away, and shortly afterward large reinforcements reached them. They are now carrying on an effectual bombardnent of Gyangts. It is believed that the Thibetans are receiving secret aid from the Chinese, who are opposed to the success of the British mission

When Colonel Brander and his men reached here last night they found the Thibetans holding a wall three miles away, well fianked with field pieces and

NEWS ITEM.-"PROSPECTS ARE FOR A 50,000,000-BUSHEL WHEAT CROP IN OR EGON, WASHINGTON AND IDAHO."

a ravine between two ranges of mou were cleared out in about two and one half hours. The fighting took place in a driving hall storm, which caused much inconvenience to the British,

Taken in the Flank.

The general plan of the British attack was an outflanking movement by one ompany of Goorkhas and a direct attack by the column of pioneers. Owing to the desperate resistance of the enemy it was found necessary to detach a small force of the pioneers to scale a precipical 1200 feet high. The success of this movement enabled the British to turn the CHARGED WITH BAYONETS in full retreat. They were pursued by a body of mounted infantry, who have not

yet been recalled. Among the British dead is Captain Bethune, who commanded the ploneers Colonel Brander's column will return at once and disperse the Thibetana, who are troubling the garrison there.

DEMAND FOR PRESS SEATS.

St. Louis Convention People Embarrassed by the Number.

WASHINGTON, May 8.—The demand for press seats at the two National conven-tions far exceeds the capacity of the space set apart for the newspapers of the country. At the Chicago Convention there will be 290 seats in the press reservation and aiready there have been re-ceived 1200 applications. The demand for seats at the St. Louis Convention also is far in excess of the capacity of the space reserved for the press.

At the recent meeting here of the sub-committee having in charge the seating at Chicago, it was decided that notice should be given that applications not received prior to May 20 shall be given no consideration. Applications for seats in the press reservation at the Chicago Con-vention should be sent to Charles W. Stone, Custom-House, Baltimore, and for

Stone, Custom-House, Baltimore, and for the St. Louis Convention to Charles H, Mann, press gallery, House of Repre-sentatives, Washington, D. C. The Hon, Gilbert M. Hitchcock, of Omaha, Neb., has been designated as chairman of the press committee for the St. Louis Convention.

UNIVERSITY FOR HEBREWS. to Establish Feeders in All Parts of the Country.

NEW YORK, May 8.—Plans for the stablishment of a great Jowish uni-craity in this country were discussed at meeting held here tonight under the a meeting near nere tonight under the auspices of the New York branch of the Jewish Theological Seminary. It is also the purpose of those in charge of the movement to open high schools in this city and in other cities.

Convention of Jewish Order.

NEW YORK, May 8.—The eighteenth annual convention of the Independent Order of B'rith Abraham was held here today. More than 700 delegates, representing 71,177 memoers, were present. According to the report of the grand secretary, Jacob Shoen, the capital of the 253 lodges established in the United States aggregates \$230,688; reserve funds, \$100,125; sick benefit funds, \$5658. Over 300 members of the order have been enrolled Juring the past year.

Blo Fire in Michigan Town.

UTICA, Mich., May 8.-Seventeen business places and ten dwellings were de-stroyed by fire that wiped out half of Utica today. William Upton, who is one of the heaviest losers, fell from the roof of building and probably was fatally hurt. Loss, \$100,000.

American Counterfeiters in Yucatan. PROGRESSO, Yucatan, May 8.-In a house in this city raided by the police two Americans named Ford and Will-Thursday night and all hope of finding them silve has been abandoned. The fire elaborated preparations made to hurl down rocks on the British as they admining as flercely as ever, making it impossible to penetrate the workings.

Leading Churches Open the Campaign.

## ALARM AT THE INCREASE

Sanctity of Marriage to Be Impressed Upon Public.

### LAWS TO FOLLOW EDUCATION

Dr. Roberts, Secretary of the Inter-Church Conference, Issues the First Appeal to the Public, Referring to Question.

REPRESENTED IN CONFERENCE. Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States

Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.

Methodist Episcopal Church, Methodist Episcopal Church South, Reformed Church in America.

United Presbyterian Church. Evangelical Lutheran Church, The Baptist Church. The Congregational Churches, The Universalist Churches, The Unitarian Churches.

The Reformed Presbyterian Church,

Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

The Alliance of the Reformed Church holding the Presbyterian sys-

PHILADELPHIA, May 8.-The Inter-Church Conference on Marriage and Diorce, a body representing officially 14 leading denominations, has issued, through its secretary, Rev. William H. Roberts, D. D., an appeal to the public, calling attention to several aspects of the divorce

question. The paper is the beginning of a National ampaign of education on the subject, to be followed by efforts to secure the enactnent of laws in the State Legislatures, and ultimately, it is thought, of an amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

Already action has been taken by the onference looking toward the prevention of the remarriage, by ministers of other communions, of divorcees and whom clergymen of their own faith have refused

First United Move.

This movement is the first occasion of any sort upon which the representatives of the great denominations have officiconference, include many of the most eminent ecclesiastics and laymen in the churches, Dr. Roberts said in part:

"Before any civil legislation can be enacted which will be operative and quite apart from the accord which we are seeking to secure in the marriage regulations of the Christian churches must come the leavening of the minds of men and women which shall lift them toward a recognition of the noblest dignities of life.

"We plead for a recognition of the sanctity of marriage. We are facing a condition in our country today which threatens danger to the most sacred things. The very sanctity of human life and of human love is assaulted and profaned.

"Manhood, womanhood and childhood, the home and the family, are involved and neither civil legislation nor ecclesiastical discipline can save them, until and unless the conscience of Christian humanity is reached. Behind the monster of polygamy, behind the spectacle of the lax divorce court, with its collusions, its corruptions and its contagion, stands the said fact of ...e low ideal of marriage. Holiness of Marriage,

"Marriage is a holy thing. Marriage is the institution of God himself, and is anctioned under the solemnities of the old sanction by our blessed Lord. This is the root of the matter. Reformation must begin here. Children must be taught it. Young men and young women must be made to feel it.

"Protected in purity, boy and girl, man and woman alike, must be trained to look with reverent eyes upon the holiness of this estate; upon its mysteriousness as something higher and deeper and larger than can be measured or reached by the low ideas of convenience, of worldly advantage, of the gratification of passion, or by the light and easy estimate of the onsent of the passing personal fancy and the mutual recognition of the civil contract which it involves.

"What words can we find to express the abhorrence which ought to rise in righteous indignation against the present possibilities and the existing facts of the divorce habit in America. Just now polygamous Utah looms up large and ugly in our minds. But we must look nearer home to realize the true condition of things. The proportion of divorces to marriages in 1902 in eight states reporting statistics is as follows:

Increases in Divorces.

"In Maine, 1 to 6; in New Hampshire, 1 to 8; in Vermont, 1 to 10; in Massachusetts, 1 to 6; in Rhode Island, 1 to 8; in Ohio, 1 to 8.8; in Indiana, 1 to 7.6; in Michigan I to II. "In these states there has been a steady

and rapid increase in the divorces during the decade and this incremse is believed to be true of the country at large.

"The fear of legalizing polygamy in one

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