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THREE JAPANESE ARMIES NOW ENCIRCLE LIAO YANG

Total of 27,000 Men Lost on Both Sides in the Terrible Campaign of the Liao Yang Fight.

Russian Center Broken and Nodzu and Oku in Pursuit—Kuroki Has Crossed the Taisho and Now Surrounds Liao Yang on the North, Cutting Off Kuropatkin's Retreat to Mukden — Russians Lose 40,000 Rifles, 200 Supply Wagons Captured and 200 Destroyed—45 Russian Cannon Destroyed—Japanese Force Now Advancing From the North.

London, Sept. 1.—The Exchange Telegraph reports that official confirmation is received in London of the report that the Russian right center is in full retreat at Liao Yang with Oku and Nodzu in pursuit. Also Kuroki has succeeded in turning Kuropatkin's position from the north.

Japanese Surround Liao Yang. St. Petersburg, Sept. 1.—The report that the Japanese under Kuroki have crossed the Taisho river is confirmed in an official dispatch from Kuroki. The dispatch states that a division of foot soldiers with cavalry and artillery crossed at first and covered the advance of a further detachment.

Surrounding the Russians. St. Petersburg, Sept. 1.—Kuroki's army is crossing the Taisho river to the east and north of Liao Yang. One division has crossed on pontoon bridges and others are following.

Russian General Wounded. St. Petersburg, Sept. 1.—An official message from Liao Yang announces that General Kuroki, commanding a portion of the Russian fighting line, was seriously wounded yesterday.

Fierce Battle Raging. St. Petersburg, Sept. 1.—Reports from the Liao Yang battle say it continued until the middle of the night, full of slaughter. The Japanese succeeded in getting a column across the Taisho river north of Liao Yang, and Kuropatkin gave an order to fall back on the main works.

Stoessel Grows Enthusiastic. St. Petersburg, Sept. 1.—General Stoessel, in command at Port Arthur, reports that the Japanese made assaults on the fortress on August 23 and 25 and were repulsed in each case. He states that the garrison received the congratulations of the czar on their bravery with loud hurrahs. He adds: "Your majesty's message has doubled the forces defending Port Arthur and the heroic spirit of the troops. From today, with God's help, all assaults shall be repulsed."

Stackleberg Wounded. London, Sept. 1.—Reuters's St. Petersburg correspondent reports that the news has reached St. Petersburg that General Stackleberg was wounded in the fight at Liao Yang yesterday, but remained in the fighting line. Fighting continued until late

STRIKERS ATTACK A STREET CAR AT TAST ST. LOUIS. Reports from City Show That Only Two or Three Days' Supply of Meat is on Hand—Picketing Goes on With Vigor—Packers Say This Flurry is the Last of the Strike—New York More Seriously Threatened Than Chicago—Threat That Stock Will Be Destroyed.

Chicago, Sept. 1.—Eight hundred police are distributed about the stockyards this morning to anticipate trouble. Rigid picketing is in progress today. Donnelly declares the real struggle has only begun, and the packers assert the strike is on its last legs.

Grim Famine Threatens. A meat famine in Chicago is now declared will follow the closing of the independent packing concerns and the refusal of the strikers to permit commission men to ship cattle from the yards.

Reports from the city markets indicate the supply of meat will not last more than two or three days. As most of New York's supply of cattle goes through the Chicago yards, the former city will experience a more serious famine.

Strikers Attack Street Car. East St. Louis, Ill., Sept. 1.—Five hundred strike sympathizers today attacked a street car carrying non-union men to the packing houses. Clubs and stones were used and several were seriously wounded. Three arrests were made.

STEAMERS FROM THE NORTH. Three Alaskan Vessels Bring Many Passengers and Much Gold. Seattle, Sept. 1.—Three steamers arrived in port from Alaska this morning bringing large lists of passengers and a fortune amounting to more than half a million dollars.

On the Alaska Steamship Company's steamer Dolphin was a shipment of treasure valued at \$92,000. Three hundred thousand of this was consigned to the Canadian Bank of Commerce, and a like amount to the United States assay office in this city. The remaining \$2000 was the property of the different passengers who arrived from the inside on the vessel.

The Pacific Coast Steamship Company's steamer Valencia, also arrived in port this morning. She brought 8000 cases of salmon, 5000 being shipped from the canneries at Tonka and 3000 from the Ft. Ellis cannery. The Valencia also brought a cargo of 100 barrels of fish oil from the canneries at Killisnoo. Both vessels

Twenty-five Drowned in Gale. Athens, Sept. 1.—An excursion boat filled with people was caught in a gale near Volo today, and 25 were drowned.

LABOR DAY PROCLAMATION.

Governor Chamberlain Issues Official Call for the Holiday. Salem, Or., Sept. 1.—Governor Chamberlain has issued a proclamation setting aside Monday, September 5, Labor Day, as a holiday. The proclamation says: "Recognizing the fact that none but the friendliest relations should ever exist between labor and capital, the two great impelling forces of our civilization, I do hereby recommend that Monday, September 5, be observed by our people everywhere. That as far as possible all places of business be closed to the end that employee and employer be afforded an opportunity to meet in friendly and social intercourse."

MAJOR MAYO'S FUNERAL.

Respected G. A. R. Officer is Laid to Rest. Portland, Sept. 1.—The funeral of Major John E. Mayo, a former general of the department, and a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, took place in this city Wednesday.

DEWEY'S PRIZE MONEY.

Government Distributing Proceeds of Manila Fight After Six Years. Washington, Sept. 1.—A. W. Brown, auditor of the navy department, began the distribution of the prize money won by Dewey, his officers and men at Manila. The money amounts to \$175,000 to be distributed among 2000 persons. Dewey gets \$17,000. The money was won May 1, 1898.

PROSTRATED BY THREATS.

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PORTAGE ROAD NOW ASSURED

CONTRACTS FOR CONSTRUCTION TO BE LET AT ONCE.

Open River Commission Guarantees the State to Pay All the Cost Above the \$162,000 Available From State Appropriation — State Commission to Have Complete Control of Construction—Bids for Construction Will Be Asked at Once.

Salem, Sept. 1.—The form of contract to be entered into between the Portage Railway board and the Open River Association, looking to the building of the Dalles-Cello portage railway, having been adopted by the conference which took place yesterday afternoon between the portage board and J. N. Teal, of Portland, representing the Open River Association of Eastern Oregon, in this city, all that now remains to be done toward the accomplishment of the desired end is the approval of the contract by the executive committee of the Open River Association, the signing of the same by all parties concerned and the actual beginning of the work which will be begun immediately after all of the preliminaries have been settled.

The road will be built upon the following conditions: The board of portage railway commissioners, after all of the preliminaries are completed, entertain bids for the building of the road.

All that will cost the state, regardless of what the completion of the project will cost, will be the amount appropriated by the legislature, \$162,000, any amount in excess of that sum, according to the contract, to be met by the Open River Association.

It will be specifically understood that the portage road, on the part of the state, will have all of the constructing and necessary negotiations to attend to in the matter and the road, when completed, will be subject to the approval of the board.

The Open River Association is to have no jurisdiction in the matter whatsoever, except to fulfill its guarantee to pay all expenses in excess of the sum appropriated.

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Rockefeller Invades London. London, Sept. 1.—The Mirror says John D. Rockefeller is about to establish a bank in London. It will have a capital of many million pounds sterling.

PACKING HOUSE STRIKE SPREADS WITH NEW FURY

All Independent Plants Are Closed and Traffic Tied Up by Strike of Yards Switchmen.

All Stock Handlers Quit in Sympathy and Business is Suspended—Meat Famine Will Result From the Strike of the Employees of Independent Plants—12,000 Union Pickets Now Guard the Livestock Districts—Over 15,000 Butchers and Meat Cutters Are Called Out. 4500 of That Number in Chicago—Police Detail is Doubled Everywhere to Prevent Anticipated Trouble.

Chicago, Aug. 31.—In accordance with the plan adopted yesterday by the strike leaders to continue and extend the packing house strike, and realizing that the life of the union is at stake unless a more successful plan is struck in sympathy with the officials this morning called out the stock handlers employed by the Union Stockyards Transit Company, to the number of 650, of whom 125 are special policemen.

The remainder are employed in weighing, counting, feeding and driving cattle. It is believed the walkout of these will seriously cripple the operation of the plants.

Before going out the stock handlers took care of a large part of this morning's receipts. Donnelly aimed another blow at the packers this morning when he announced that he would immediately call out the butchers and all the workmen of the independent plants. The independent plants that will be forced to close down to day are Boyd & Lunham, Roberts & Oakes, Boors & Co.

Chicago, Aug. 31.—According to Donnelly there will be no union meat produced in the country when the latest order goes into effect tonight. This order involves 12,000 butchers and meat cutters, 4500 of them in Chicago. Twelve thousand pickets will patrol the stockyards district night and day from now on.

Switchmen Will Strike. Chicago, Aug. 31.—As a result of Donnelly's appeal, the Switchmen's Union will hold a meeting this afternoon when it is expected action will be taken on the proposed sympathetic strike.

No Strike at St. Paul. St. Paul, Aug. 31.—President Donnelly's strike order to the allied trades can have no effect here as none save the switchmen are unionized, and they have not been approached. The backbone of the strike has long been broken here.

NAN PATTERSON SEEKS FREEDOM

CLAIMS THERE IS NO CONVICTING EVIDENCE.

Counsel for the "Florodora" Opera Singer Will Make a Supreme Effort to Secure Her Release—Failing in Habeas Corpus Motion Will Ask for Reasonable Bond Pending Trial—Charged With Killing "Caesar" Young in New York.

New York, Aug. 31.—Through her counsel, Levi & Ungar, Nan Patterson is moving today to the Supreme court for a writ of habeas corpus. The argument will be heard at 10:30 tomorrow. Counsel will ask her discharge on the ground that there is not sufficient evidence to convict.

If this fails she will ask a discharge on bond, so Miss Patterson may be set free pending the trial. District Attorney Jerome, in person, will combat both motions.

Nan Patterson, a member of the "Florodora" comic opera company, is charged with complicity in the murder of "Caesar" Young, whom she claims committed suicide while riding in a cab with her, in this city two months ago. Young was a famous Oakland bookmaker for the races.

CRAZED BY WRECK.

Colorado Girl Broods Over Eden Disaster Until Her Mind Fails. Pueblo, Col., Aug. 31.—Proclaiming that she is a disciple of Carrie Nation and has been entrusted by the Kansas hatchet wielder with the mission to purge Pueblo of its saloons and dives, Miss Mamie Dunne, a pretty young woman 20 years old, was taken to the Woodcroft insane asylum this afternoon violently insane.

A few days after the Eden wreck her friends noticed that she was becoming morose. She spent hours reading the accounts of that disaster and then would go to her room and pray for an indefinite period for the salvation of the souls of those who lost their lives. Several days she went without touching food.

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METHODISTS STOP GAMBLING.

Paraphernalia Burned at Halley in Front of the Court House. Halley, Idaho, Aug. 31.—The county attorney and sheriff raided all the gambling houses in town, confiscated the paraphernalia and burned it in front of the court house.

A Methodist conference is in session there and the ministers gathered around the burning pile and sang praises to their Maker. Several speeches were made and the affair developed into one of the most spectacular camp meetings ever held in the West. A similar one was made by the same officers in Bellevue, the paraphernalia being broken in pieces with sledge hammers in the street. The Methodist minister performed a similar service.

This proceeding rids Blaine county of gambling devices. Recently a row in a gambling house aroused considerable feeling and was largely responsible for today's developments.

CHAMPION COWBOY RACES.

World's Championship Will Be Contested for at Pueblo. Pueblo, Col., Aug. 31.—The world's champion cowboy relay race will be run for the first time in the Colorado state fair here, which will be held September 28 to 30 inclusive.

The race is a five-mile event and all classes of horses will be permitted in the race. It is expected that a new record for the five-mile relay race will be established.

Thoroughbred horses instead of cow ponies, as has been used heretofore in these events, will take part in the world's championship race. The record for the distance is held by Watson brothers of Fremont county, who won the cowboy relay race last year in 9 minutes 32 1/2 seconds. B. Pratt of Syracuse, Kan., rode the race.

Killed While Swimming. La Grande, Aug. 31.—The funeral of Richard Crossen, who was killed while swimming in a natatorium in St. Louis, last week, was held yesterday at the Presbyterian church. Crossen was born and reared in this valley and was 20 years of age. He was floating on a boy diver from a height, striking Crossen in the stomach with his head, from which Crossen died two hours after wards.

Sumpter Valley Cars Burned. Baker City, Aug. 31.—Three passenger cars belonging to the Sumpter Valley railway, were destroyed by fire in the yards here yesterday evening.

Massachusetts Statesman Lingers. Worcester, Mass., Aug. 31.—There is no apparent change in Hoar's condition today.

SPokane OFFICER IS THREATENED

THREAT GREW OUT OF POLITICAL FIGHT.

Letter Accompanying Dynamite Said Assessor and Family Would Be Exploded—Assessor Stewart is Accused of Favoring the Railroads—Bitter Political Fight is Being Waged Between Two Factions of Republican Party.

Spokane, Aug. 30.—Five sticks of dynamite, accompanied by a threatening letter were found on the threshold of the residence of County Assessor D. H. Stewart last night.

The letter was written on plain, white paper and gave no clue, but threatened to exterminate the assessor and his family for the alleged favoritism shown by him to the railroads in the matter of his assessments.

It is the outcome of a bitter political fight in this county between the railroad and anti-railroad factions of the republicans, which has just had a bitter culmination in the fight over the assessments of the Spokesman Review property.

Efforts have been made to suppress the dauntless act, but the sheriff's office is now searching for a clue that will locate the criminal.

The letter stated in a few brief lines that unless the assessor switched from the railroad faction to the other side that the crime of which this dynamite was an awful hint, would be carried out.

A guard will be placed about the assessor's residence for a few days to insure his safety.

FLOGGED BY WIFE. Pretty Kentucky Stenographer Severely Beaten by Prosecuting Attorney's Fiery Spouse. Knoxville, Tenn., Aug. 31.—Goaded by jealousy of her husband's pretty stenographer, Mrs. James G. Sharp, wife of the commonwealth attorney of the Twenty-second judicial circuit of Kentucky, at Jellico, a town near the Kentucky-Tennessee line, publicly flogged Miss Ida Farris, at the latter's apartments, and removed from the younger woman a diamond ring. Mrs. Sharp said the ring had been given to her by her husband, who has afterward given it to his stenographer.

FOR CONSCIENCE FUND. Unknown Man Sends \$300 to New York State Treasurer With Explanations. Albany, N. Y., Aug. 31.—A check for \$300 was received by State Treasurer Wickersham from New York attorney, with a note stating that it is for a conscience fund. They say it was placed in their hands by Attorney John T. Doyle, of San Francisco, for a client. The check was drawn on the First National Bank of San Francisco.

Hogs Roasted to Death. Baltimore, Aug. 31.—The pork packing plant of Street & Cocker was destroyed by fire this morning; loss \$200,000. Two hundred hogs were roasted to death.

RUSSIAN COMMANDER REPORTS 3000 LOST.

Japanese Attack Has Been Most Determined and Vicious of the War—Bayonet Encounter Took Place in Trenches — Russians Report the Capture of One Japanese Battalion in the Engagement—Fight Was Carried into the Night, Darkness Only Checking the Assaults.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 31.—Lieutenant General Sakharoff reports on yesterday's battle as follows: "From 5 o'clock in the morning until 9 in the evening the Japanese attacked our front positions before Liao Yang and on the left bank of the Taisho river, both their artillery and rifle firing being intense."

Their main efforts were directed against our center positions and right flank. But their numerous attacks were repulsed along the entire line. Our troops made several counterattacks and bayonet encounters ensued. Some positions were taken by the Japs, but at the end of the battle were recaptured by our troops.

During the artillery battle our battery did some effective work. At 4 in the afternoon the enemy was observed attempting to turn our right flank with considerable forces, but several battalions of our reserve were sent forward and after a fierce engagement compelled them to retire. The Japs continued after darkness set in and only ended at 9 o'clock.

"The spirit of the troops is excellent. They received the news of the heroic behavior of the Port Arthur garrison joyfully. Our casualties today were considerable, and according to the number of wounds dressed, they will reach about 3000. The Japanese losses must have been heavy."

Japanese Are Reinforced. Tokyo, Aug. 31.—It is reported here that the Japanese have obtained a footing within the inside of the outskirts of Liao Yang. Reinforcements to the Japanese forces are continually arriving.

Wireless Station Dismantled. Washington, Aug. 31.—Consul General Fowler, at Ches. Poo, reports that the wireless telegraph station there has been dismantled.

Russians Report One Catch. St. Petersburg, Aug. 31.—General Samsonoff reports that he has captured an entire battalion of Japanese.

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Native Village Destroyed, 220 Lives Lost. 5000 Are Homeless and Property Loss Estimated at \$320,000.—Thatched Huts Were Tinder for Furious Flames—No Fire Fighting Apparatus—Town Built on Piles and All Means of Escape Cut Off—Many Families Burned.

Manila, Aug. 30.—The city of Binang, province of Laguna, in Luzon, was destroyed by fire yesterday evening and 220 people are said to have perished in the flames. At least 5000 are homeless and the property loss is \$320,000.

The city of Binang is the chief center of Laguna province and has a population of 12,000, mostly mixed-blood Filipinos. The town was built principally on the native style, the thatched dwellings being like tinder for the flames.

Many of the houses were built on piles over a slough and the natives were caught like rats in a trap. It is a rich agricultural country around Binang, and many of the natives burned to death were families of Filipino farm laborers.

The absence of any fire fighting apparatus and a high wind made the progress of the flames rapid and highly destructive.

OLYMPIC GAMES. Ralph W. Rose, of Chicago, Makes New Shot Putting Record. St. Louis, Aug. 31.—Four thousand people watched the Olympic games today. The 400 meter hurdle was won by Hillman of New York in 1:23. The mile handicap was won by John J. Daley of Ireland, time 4:27.5. Putting 16-pound shot was won by Ralph W. Rose, of Chicago, distance 48 feet 7 inches, this being a new world's record.

Noted Diplomat Dead. St. Louis, Aug. 31.—Dr. Thomas Perran, formerly a representative of Colombia at Washington, died in Loomis' sanitarium, at Liberty, N. Y., Tuesday afternoon. His wife and two sons were with him. For years previous to the trouble with Colombia over the secession of Panama, Perran was a popular figure in social and diplomatic circles at Washington.

Boodie's Wife Insane. St. Louis, Aug. 31.—As a result of brooding over the incarceration of her husband in the penitentiary, Mrs. Julius Lehman, wife of a convicted municipal boodler, is violently insane and will be taken to the asylum.

Rented His Wife for \$50. Peter Nelson, who it was stated in Justice Quinn's court, in Chicago, had agreed to rent his wife to John Fitts for a period of two months for a consideration of \$50, was held to the grand jury in \$500 bonds on a charge of larceny. The charge was made by Fitts, who is said to have hired his bargain after a week, returned the woman to her husband and demanded the return of his \$50.

Barrels of Men. Great excitement was caused in union labor circles when it was discovered that the packers were importing Greek laborers into the Chicago stock yards in empty barrels. Pickets stopped a wagon loaded with supposedly empty barrels. While they were arguing with the driver one of the Greeks poked his head out of the barrel and examination disclosed a Greek in each of the barrels. President Donnelly and the pickets decline to say what became of the Greeks but they did not reach the yards.

MURDER MYSTERY IS UNFATHOMABLE

No Possible Clues to the Cowardly Slayer of Young Ellis.

SHERIFF TAYLOR MAKING A TIRELESS SEARCH.

Last Theory Advanced is That Ellis Had Damaging Knowledge of Some Person Who Killed Him to Hide Another Crime—Young Man Had Just Earned \$70 in Harvest Field—Mystery of His Murder Recalls the Murder of May Wallace in This City Six Years Ago.

Not since the mysterious murder of Miss May Wallace, a Pendleton school teacher, six years ago, has such a perplexing crime been brought to the attention of Umatilla county officials as the killing of Christopher Columbus Ellis.

Sheriff T. D. Taylor has not been heard of by the local office since he departed yesterday morning for Weston mountain, the scene of the Ellis tragedy. He is being assisted in his search for a clue as to the assassin by Special Deputy Sheriff D. F. Layton, of Weston. The two will remain in the mountains until the affair is thoroughly sifted out.

The latest theory advanced as to the probable motive for the murder is that the slayer had committed some previous crime of which Ellis was aware. Afraid that the boy would divulge it he lay in wait and shot him down.

Young Ellis had been working in the harvest field of Harry Cockburn, on Dry creek, and received \$70 Saturday night, the evening before the murder. This money he gave to his mother and it was in the little cabin when he was murdered. Robbery is not thought to have been the object of the assassin.

The mystery surrounding the Ellis tragedy recalls the strange death of May Wallace. Miss Wallace was a teacher in the Pendleton Academy and resided on Elm street with her father and sister.

As she was standing one evening with her back to the window, someone fired a shot from without and the bullet struck her in the neck, a small of the back. She died the next morning. Miss Wallace was well known and had many friends and no clue as to the motive of the crime was ever discovered. The young woman was unable to throw any light on the matter.

A reward of \$100 was offered by citizens for the apprehension of the person who fired the fatal shot. Justice Miller's report. Justice of the Peace J. L. Miller, of Milton, who conducted the coroner's inquest over the body of Ellis, today filed his papers with the county clerk. The evidence of the witnesses examined is meagre.

K. W. Smith, a resident of the mountain, maintains the tracks of the person who evidently followed young Ellis. In his testimony Smith says the length of the stride increased after the body was trampled and that the man was evidently running. The right foot print indicated that the side of the shoe was badly worn.

Sheriff Taylor returned last night from his trip to the scene of the Ellis tragedy. A shake of his head is the answer he gives when asked if he discovered anything upon which to base a clue as to the identity of the assassin. "I must confess," he said, "that the affair is too perplexing for me. Evidence that I gathered was very meagre and the only thing that seems apparent is that the murderer and his victim walked side by side for some little distance. The wound in Ellis' head was a little to the right of the front. Evidently the murderer raised his gun and Ellis turned to face him just as the shot was fired. I don't know whether the weapon used was a revolver or a shotgun. The person who prepared the body for burial say they picked a piece of shot from the wound."

"However, the lead might have been made by a shoe with a worn sole. Had several persons been placed on the trail these tracks might have been traced so that we could gain some idea of the direction the murderer took after the killing, but this was not done. The slayer may still be in the mountains, and he may be several hundred miles away from the place where Ellis met his death. "A detective sent into the neighborhood might be able to ferret out the mystery, but for myself or any other person, who is well known to go on the mountain and find the murderer, is a labor heavily handicapped."

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