

GOOD EVENING.
THE WEATHER
Tonight and Wednesday, fair;
warmer Wednesday; northwest
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AFTER TERRIFIC BATTLE JAPANESE ARE REPORTED TO HAVE CUT KUROPATKIN'S LINE OF RETREAT TO MUKDEN

Terrific Artillery Duel Opens at Dawn and Rages for Nearly Six Hours—Neither Side Seems to Have Gained Any Advantage.

General Frontal Attack Is Reported to Have Followed Cessation of Cannonading—Kuroki Seizes Position Near Schilikio Between Liao Yang and Mukden—Losses on Both Sides Are Very Heavy.

(Journal Special Service.)
London, Aug. 30.—(Bulletin)—After an artillery battle of nearly six hours, commencing at dawn this morning and lasting until 10 o'clock in the forenoon, the Japanese are reported to have commenced a general frontal attack on the Russian forces at Liao Yang which at last reports had attained the apparent result of cutting off the only route left open by which Kuropatkin's forces could retreat to Mukden.

Up to 10:30 o'clock by their time, dispatches were received here from Liao Yang telling of the great battle being persistently fought between the two great armies. Since that time communication from Liao Yang seems either cut off or at least intermittent and fragmentary, showing the stress of the Russian army.

The play of gunnery was brilliant, rapid and fairly effective. The mikado's forces must have suffered severely, as they had less protection than did the Russians.

(Journal Special Service.)
Liao Yang, Aug. 30.—12:30 o'clock—Like the voice of a siren, the boom of a huge cannon shattered the silence of the barely aroused camp at 4:30 o'clock this morning and, as if in answer to the ominous call, in but a few seconds the air was riven with the noise of bellowing guns around Liao Yang.

Certain it is that by tomorrow the Japanese will be in formation to deliver a frontal attack, as they are now disposing men in positions which would be most effective. On the Russian side there is no wavering and the men are holding their own gallantly and with a steadfastness that is highly commendable.

At this hour it is believed that a general advance along the whole line against the Russian front will be made by the Japanese tomorrow. It is possible that with the surprising fervor which animates the rank and file, the willingness to undergo fatigue and anxiety to bring the battle to a climax, the banners of the mikado may come surging forward today.

A battle on which may hinge not only the fate of the Russian empire but its actual possession has opened with nearly unbroken fervor. From the southeast came the solitary signal to battle, presumably from Oku's batteries.

The Russians are now changing formation, evidently with the idea that the Japanese will begin this attack, when it is called, either today or tomorrow, on those points where the fire has been the heaviest. This necessitates the shifting of men and batteries that suffices to meet the greatest dismemberment in this morning's fighting.

At 10 o'clock, as though satisfied that the artillery fire had been as effective as possible and that nothing further could be gained by such a duel, the Japanese batteries slackened their fire, the guns withdrew from the extreme front and only the heavier guns in the rear kept up an intermittent fire.

The attack had been expected and in a measure anticipated when this morning's cannonading began. The artillery men had been astir for some time.

It is reported here that the Russians to the west have driven the enemy back. The Japanese presumably referred to is about five miles west of the main camp and is at a point where darkness stopped the fighting last night. At this point the Japanese were said to have charged the Russians fiercely when the fighting began this morning doubling the Japanese back toward the main army, after which they returned to their original positions.

Other were the opposing batteries that shrapnel was used with deadly effect. A withdrawal of the Japanese batteries was announced at 10 o'clock and the presumption, according to the correspondent at the front was, at that hour, that the attack along the Russian front would probably not be made until later in the day or possibly would be deferred until tomorrow.

MURDER A BUSINESS WITH STRANGE PAIR

(Journal Special Service.)
Norwich, Conn., Aug. 30.—With snow-white hair and bending under the weight of four score years, Gersohn B. Marx is in prison here, charged with one diabolical murder and the police believe him guilty of an appalling series of bloody deeds. His pretty young wife is in prison also charged with being his accomplice.

HORNETS CAUSE BOY TO DROWN

(Journal Special Service.)
New York, Aug. 30.—Chased into the Bronx river by a swarm of hornets, Alexander Dickson, 12 years old, was drowned yesterday evening, while the lads with him fought vainly against the vicious creatures in their efforts to reach their little companion and save him. The boys were in swimming and found a hornet's nest in the brush and stung them. The furious swarm of insects attacked them and they all fled, every one being more or less stung.

BOARD VOTES TO CONTINUE STRIKE

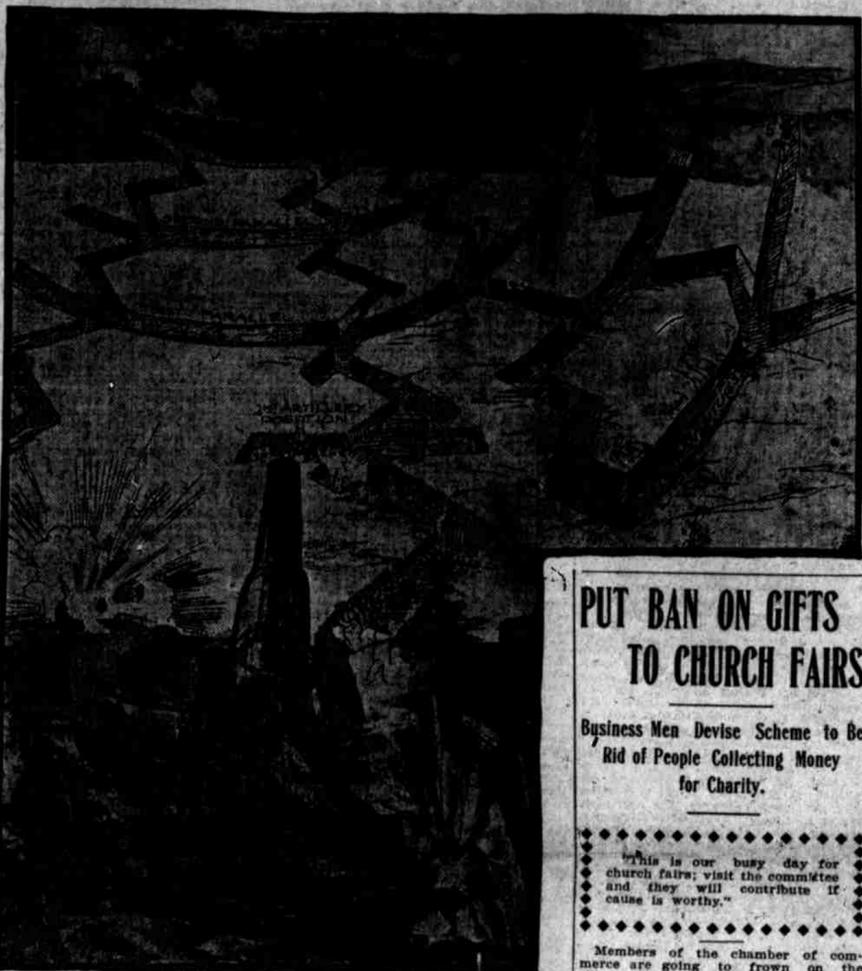
(Journal Special Service.)
Chicago, Aug. 30.—Despite the ultimatum issued by the packers yesterday declaring the strike ended so far as they were concerned, and refusing to meet the butchers' executive board, the strikers held a meeting early this morning and resolved to continue the strike indefinitely.

FIFTY DROWNED

(Journal Special Service.)
Berlin, Aug. 30.—Tageblatt reports that an over-loaded ferry boat on the Vistula river sank near Utkany, Poland, today. Fifty persons were drowned.

CHOPS LITTLE SON TO PIECES WITH AX

(Journal Special Service.)
Pittsburg, Aug. 30.—About 1 o'clock this morning, Frank Dipold, aged 48, after a night's debauch, went to his home in Heidelberg, entered the room where his eight-year-old son, Frank, was sleeping, and chopped the lad to pieces with an axe.



This photographic diagram shows the method used by the Japanese in storming the last defense at Port Arthur. By digging irregular trenches up the side of the hill the attacking force cannot be swept by the enemy's fire. The parallels are for the protection of the storming parties as they approach nearer and nearer the walls.

MORE THAN SCORE KILLED IN RIOT

(Journal Special Service.)
Madrid, Aug. 30.—Twenty-eight already dead, 79 injured, some of them probably fatally, the police powerless to cope with the infuriated participants, and troops dispatched to the scene to restore order, is the result today of a pitched battle between more than 700 men which began Sunday.

The trouble originated between the residents of two rival villages, Oyda and Fuentes, near Saragossa, over the ownership of a sewer to which both slopes lay claim. The dispute had been brewing for some time and numerous ineffectual efforts had been made by municipal and other committees appointed from each village to adjust the matter.

The failure to reach an amicable understanding by the committees at the last conference held, seemed to create the impression among the inhabitants of both towns that an end to all negotiations had been reached as every available overture and concession had been made, without avail.

MAD SULTAN MURAD DIES A CAPTIVE

(Journal Special Service.)
Constantinople, Aug. 30.—The former Sultan Murad IV of Turkey is dead. He suffered from diabetes for many years and his end was not unexpected.

Since 1876, when Murad was deposed after a week's reign, he has been kept a close prisoner in Tchedagan palace in the outskirts of Constantinople. The approaches to this gloomy abode are strictly guarded by soldiers and police, and to such an extent is the surveillance kept up that pedestrians, as well as people in carriages and on horseback, are roughly ordered to hasten when in the vicinity of the palace.

Insisted on being proclaimed as sultan, handing, however, to Midhat a written promise pledging himself to restore the throne to Murad as soon as ever he recovered his reason.

PORTAGE BOARD IN SESSION AT SALEM

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Salem, Or., Aug. 30.—The portage board met with J. N. Teal of Portland at 1:30 o'clock this afternoon and are discussing the contract for the protection

SENATOR HOAR NO BETTER

(Journal Special Service.)
Worcester, Aug. 30.—Senator Hoar's condition this morning showed no change. He is still very weak.

TO FORGET ANY FEUD

Democrats as Well as Republicans to Welcome Secretary.

SHAW ARRIVES TODAY

Two Committees, Public and Political, Will Bid Him Welcome to Portland—Commercial Club to Entertain Visitor.

A cordial reception will be accorded to Secretary of the Treasury Leslie M. Shaw, upon his arrival in Portland at 5:30 o'clock this afternoon. In addition to the committee of prominent Republicans named by Chairman Frank Baker of the Republican state central committee, several of the representative men of the Commercial club have been appointed to welcome Secretary Shaw to the city.

In recognition of the high position held by the distinguished visitor in the national government, it was deemed fitting that his coming should be regarded as of more than mere political significance, and the leading men of the city, regardless of party, will therefore join in doing him honor.

The committee appointed by President H. M. Calkins of the Commercial club to receive Secretary Shaw this afternoon is as follows: W. M. Ladd, A. L. Mills, C. H. Prescott, T. B. Wilcox, H. W. Goode, H. L. Pitcock, Colonel Jackson, J. H. Fletcher, Robert Kennedy, W. W. Cotton, Allen Lewis, Charles F. Beebe, E. L. Thompson, H. C. Branick, George Taylor, W. J. Burns, Marcus Fleischer, L. Gerlinger, J. C. Ainsworth, F. E. Boston, W. E. Coombs, H. M. Calkins, Alex. Swack, C. S. Jackson, Judge C. B. Bellinger, Frederick W. Holman.

The following reception committee has been appointed by Chairman Frank C. Baker of the Republican state central committee: Mayor George H. Williams, Harvey W. Scott, United States Senator John Mitchell, United States Senator Charles W. Fulton, National Committee Judge Charles H. Carey, Chairman Second Congressional Committee, P. L. Willis, ex-United States Senator Joseph Simon, Chairman County Central Committee Whitney L. Hoies, Delegate to National Convention W. E. Ayer, Judge John F. Carter, Mayor George H. Williams, Chariton, John C. Carson, Col. John McCracken.

The two committees will meet at the Commercial club promptly at 5 o'clock and carry out their plans for welcoming him to the city.

The evening will be devoted to an informal reception at the Commercial club from 8 to 10:30 o'clock. This reception is designed as the greeting of the commercial, industrial and civic interests of Portland to Secretary Shaw and is to be distinctly non-political in character. Leading Democrats as well as Republicans have been invited to be present. The club quarters have been handsomely decorated for the occasion and music and refreshments will be included in the program. Tomorrow evening Secretary Shaw will open the Republican national campaign in this city at the mass meeting in the Marquam Grand.

CHEMISTS TO SEEK CAUSE OF DEATH

(Journal Special Service.)
Chicago, Aug. 30.—A quantitative analysis of Mrs. J. R. McVickers' stomach will be made in Chicago. A telegram, directing that the stomach be brought to this city, was sent today to Pasadena, Cal., by Horace McVickers, stepson of the late Mrs. McVickers, Mrs. Clara B. Game, niece of Mrs. McVickers, now at Pasadena, strongly advised this step, on account of alleged new facts concerning her aunt's death. Those interested here agreed to keep its contents secret.

TRAIN KILLS TEAM

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Lind, Wash., Aug. 30.—A team belonging to T. W. Merriman was yesterday struck by a passenger train here and killed. The driver had a narrow escape.

Oyster Bay, Aug. 30.—No visitors are expected today by the president who spent the morning in Government business. He is greatly interested in the coming army maneuvers on Bull Run battlefield. He will receive daily reports from the field.