

BOERS SUFFER AT WEENER

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JOUBERT MADE A RETREAT

Burgers Loss Was 30 Killed and Over 100 Wounded—Open River is Announced.

ESTCOURT, Nov. 30.—The Twelfth Lancers are reported to have attacked Pietertief's forces at Weener, and have inflicted great loss on the Boers.

Hildyard's troops bivouaced last night at Frere. Two Boers were captured, one of them a doctor, who entered the British camp under the belief it was a Boer bivouac.

Joubert is reported to have retreated to Colenso yesterday. He traveled in an omnibus drawn by six horses. It is also rumored that he is hurrying back to oppose Colonel Baden-Powell.

Two Estcourt trains arrived at Frere last evening. There is rejoicing at the reopening of the line. Boer prisoners report that Hildyard's night attack with cold steel paralyzed the burghers, whose loss was thirty killed and over 100 wounded.

LONDON, Nov. 30.—The war office today makes the following dispatch public from the commanding general at Cape Town, under date of November 29:

"Kimberley all well to November 23. Rail and telegraph is open to Modder river. Gatacre reports the following from Bullen, dated Pietermaritzburg, Wednesday, November 29:

"Mitchell, telegrapher, has just made his way out from Ladysmith to Weener, whence he sends the following messages: "On November 9, we beat back the Boers with great loss to the enemy. Our total casualties were remarkably small. There were only eight men killed during the siege by shells and in all battles, etc., only 100 men have been killed or wounded. I left Ladysmith on the night of November 29. Since November 9 no attempt has been made to attack Ladysmith in force."

Although telegraph and railroad communication is open to the Modder river, no further news of Methuen's movements or the big fight had been given out up to 2:30 o'clock this afternoon. This is generally taken to indicate that Methuen is again on the march and that as heretofore, he will not again be heard from until he has fought another battle and gained another stage.

CAMPAIGN IN NORTHERN LUZON

The American Troops Pushing Ahead Rapidly.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29.—General Otis' advice to the war department today shows that the troops are pushing rapidly ahead, and indicate that the demoralization of the insurgents is complete. Two dispatches were received today. The first related to the operations in the north-west part of Luzon, and is as follows:

"The following from the Northwest Luzon coast: Young left San Fernando the 23d inst., where Marsh's battalion of the Thirty-third infantry arrived the 25th, on which day Young was at Nampagan, where he was supplied by the navy gunboat Samar. He marched out next day. The battle-ship Oregon landed 200 men at Vigan the 24th inst. There was no opposition. The sailors were welcomed by the inhabitants. I believe the Spanish and American

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prisoners are still in the vicinity of Bangued, guarded by a small insurgent force. Reports from the northeast indicate that 500 insurgent troops at Bayombong, Nueva Viscaya province, surrendered yesterday to Lawton's troops. He advanced by both the San Nicholas and Carrangian trails."

Millions Given Away.

It is certainly gratifying to the public to know of one concern in the land who are not afraid to be generous to the needy and suffering. The proprietors of Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, coughs and colds, have given away over ten million trial bottles of this great medicine; and have the satisfaction of knowing it has absolutely cured thousands of hopeless cases. Asthma, bronchitis, hoarseness and all diseases of the throat, chest and lungs are surely cured by it. Call on Blakeley & Houghton.

Fall Fishing Was Poor.

ASTORIA, Nov. 30.—The fall fishing season, which has just closed, has been quite as unsuccessful as was the spring season, and the pack has been very small. It was expected that, because of the lateness of the spring run, which was over a month later than usual, the fall season would be a good one, but the contrary has proved true. Several canneries operated throughout the season, among them the combine's packing-houses, but it is impossible as yet to get figures as to the pack. The shortage of the year's fishing will doubtless create a good market next year and prices in Eastern and foreign markets will be higher than they were this year.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from ten drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address, F. J. CHENEY & Co., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 75c.

River and Harbor Committee.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30.—Congressmen are now busy slating the various candidates for positions on committees. The indications are that on the rivers and harbors committee, the interests of Pacific coast states will be represented by either Congressman Thomas H. Tongue, of Oregon, or Congressman Russell J. Waters, of Southern California.

All persons wishing to take children, either boys or girls, for legal adoption or on indenture, should write to W. T. Gardner, superintendent of the Boys' and Girls' Aid Society of Oregon, at Portland, who can procure for them desirable children of all ages. All applications must be filed in advance.

EIGHT THOUSAND BOERS DEFEATED

Fight Lasted Ten Hours—A Hard, Trying Battle.

LONDON, Nov. 29.—The war office has received the following dispatch from General Buller:

"Cape Town, Tuesday, Nov. 28.—General Methuen reports: 'Modder River, Tuesday, Nov. 23.—Reconnoitered at 5 a. m. the enemy's position on the river Modder and found them strongly entrenched and concealed. No means of outflanking, the river being full. Action commenced with the artillery, mounted infantry and cavalry at 5:30 a. m. The Guards on the right and the Ninth brigade on the left attacked the position in a widely extended formation, at 6:30, and supported by the artillery, found itself in front of the whole Boer force, 8000 strong, with two large guns, four Krapps, etc. The naval brigade rendered great assistance from the railway."

"After desperate, hard fighting, which lasted ten hours, our men, without water or food and in the burning sun, made the enemy quit his position. General Pole Carew was successful in getting a small party across the river, gallantly assisted by 300 Sappers."

"I speak in terms of high praise of the conduct of all who were engaged in one of the hardest and most trying fights in the annals of the British army. If I can mention one arm particularly, it is the two batteries of artillery."

THE COMING MESSAGE

Republicans Hoping For a Clear-cut Document.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28.—Republican congressmen are hoping and praying for a clear-cut message, something that will go straight to the heart of the various public questions to be discussed. They want a message that they can stand by and support with legislation. One of the Republican leaders says:

"What the president ought to do, in my judgment, is to announce some definite policy. The Democrats would, I am sure, be only too glad to seize an opportunity to cut loose from the anti-expansion coteries."

Senator Palmer, who led the gold Democrats in 1896, says there will be no ticket of that kind next year, as gold Democrats will vote solidly against Bryan.

Want Better Service.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Nov. 28.—A mass meeting of citizens was called this afternoon to consider the action of the O. R. & N., regarding the apparent side-

tracking of Walla Walla when the new schedule shall go into effect. A committee was appointed to confer with General Passenger Agent Hurlbert and other O. R. & N. officials, who arrived tonight. Another meeting will be held tomorrow relative to the situation. Citizens are much wrought up over the matter, and the outcome of these negotiations is awaited with interest.

VANDERBILTS NOW HAVE THE B. & O.

They Have Also Acquired Morgan Holdings in Big Four and Chesapeake & Ohio.

NEW YORK, Nov. 29.—Extraordinary accomplishments have been completed in Eastern Trunk Line railway affairs, according to the Times. Changes are brought about to three important railroad systems. The Pennsylvania company acquires control of the B. & O. W. K. Vanderbilt, in the interest of the New York Central, takes over controlling holdings of J. P. Morgan in the Cleveland, Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis, and the Chesapeake & Ohio. The two deals have been accomplished together. The executive heads of the Pennsylvania and New York Central have worked together.

It is improbable that either the one great system acquired by the Pennsylvania or the two important properties acquired by New York Central interests will be forthwith attached in open corporation mergers.

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My wife has been using Chamberlain's Pain Balm, with good results, for a lame shoulder that has pained her continually for nine years. We have tried all kinds of medicines and doctors without receiving any benefit from any of them. One day we saw an advertisement of this medicine and thought of trying it, which we did with the best of satisfaction. She has used only one bottle and her shoulder is almost well.—ADOLPH L. MILLETT, Manchester, N.H. For sale by Blakeley & Houghton, druggists.

Change of Time on the O. R. & N.

Beginning Dec. 1st, the O. R. & N. will run their Spokane Flyer via Wallula and the S. R. V. R. R.: Train No. 4 will leave Portland at 3:45 p. m., arriving at Spokane at 7:15 a. m. Train No. 3 will leave Spokane at 4:30 p. m., and arrive in Portland at 8:00 a. m.

In connection with the above trains, the O. R. & N. will put on a passenger train leaving Dayton at 9:00 p. m. and Walla Walla at 10:30 p. m., connecting at Wallula with No. 4 from Portland at 11:20 p. m., and with No. 3 from Spokane at 12:05 a. m.; leaving Wallula at 12:10 a. m., and arriving at Walla Walla at 1:20 a. m., and Dayton at 3 a. m.

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