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KUROPATKIN IS IN DIRE STRAITS

General Keller Killed and the Main Army Surrounded by Japanese.

THE CZAR IS WORRIED BY STARTLING REPORTS.

The Russian Forces Are Running From and Dodging the Alert Armies of the Mikado—Russian Right Flank Turned Back at Sematse—Japanese Land Force Is Constantly Reinforced Under Cover of Warships in the Harbors—McCormick Hurries From Carlsbad to St. Petersburg — England Protests Against Classing Foodstuffs as Contraband.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 1.—A big battle is in progress at Hai Cheng. General Count Keller, commanding the forces in action, was killed by a bursting shell.

Kuropatkin's report to the czar leaves the result of the fight in doubt and makes no mention of Keller's death.

It says: "July 31 the Japanese armies simultaneously renewed their advance on our soutnern front. Russian rear guard offered a stubborn resistance until the attacks of the enemy revealed that they were of greatly superior strength. Our rear guard slowly retired in the direction of Hai Cheng."

"A Russian division near Simun Cheng successfully checked the advance of the enemy, which pressed toward our right flank. The Japanese main blow was delivered at the Taku Shan army, General Oku commanding, between Simun Cheng and Hai Cheng, operating from various villages west of Simun Cheng on our eastern front.

"The advance of the Japs began against our main position. At that moment, their chief force was disclosed opposite to our right flank and around it in the direction of Sematese and Liao Cheng. The Japanese are also advancing against our troops at Hakiatse."

Japs Continue to Reinforce.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 1.—A considerable force of Japanese has just been landed at Yinkow, under cover of several warships.

McCormick to St. Petersburg.

Carlsbad, Aug. 1.—American Ambassador McCormick, who was taking treatment here, has suddenly departed for St. Petersburg.

Kuropatkin Loses Ground.

London, Aug. 1.—A Reuter's dispatch asserts that Kuropatkin's east front, or right flank has been turned by the Japanese.

Foodstuffs Should Not Be Contraband

London, Aug. 1.—In the house of commons today the foreign under secretary, Earl Perchy, stated that the government had instructed the British ambassador at St. Petersburg, to protest against the including of foodstuffs in the light of contraband of war.

For Portage Road.

I. H. VanWinkle, deputy attorney general of Oregon, is now in The Dalles for the purpose of clearing up the records on some of the lands secured by the Celilo canal commission for the right of way. It seems that many farmers had been living on their farms for many years and did not care to make sure that the title was perfect. On some of these places the title has been cleared by the statute of limitations, but this does not suffice with the United States government engineers, and it is necessary that there should be absolutely no defect in the right of way secured by the state and to be deeded to the government before the work of construction will bgin—Walla Walla Statesman.

Talk of Lynching.

Lewiston, Idaho, Aug. 1.—There has been strong talk of lynching Rudolph Witter, who killed L. Watter and Christopher Lang and wounded Lang's 14-year-old son, at Resort, Idaho, Thursday evening. The crime is said to have been unprovoked and cold-blooded. Witter, who was captured at Golden Rule mining camp, soon after the crime, has refused to talk, since his capture, and is sullen.

CREFFIELD COLLAPSES.

Leader of the "Holy Rollers" Glad to Get in Jail.

Portland, Aug. 1.—"Joshua" Creffield, leader of the "Holy Rollers," religious sect, is glad he is in jail here.

It is the first time in months that his life has been absolutely safe.

When the jail door closed on him Saturday night he at once fell down on his cot in mental and physical collapse, after his three months' hiding from the law. Thrice at Corvallis a mob gathered to hang him, before the deputies could get to the train, and the torture of the deluded man has been awful.

For three months he has been secreted in a pit under his father-in-law's house, where he ate, slept and lived. The pit was scarcely large enough to hold his frail body and he says he is glad to be in the wider freedom of the county jail.

The reward of $400 for his capture wil lgo to Roy Hurt, his brother-in-law, who discovered him, half starved, under Hurt, senior's house, where he had been secreted.

Since Mrs. Hurt went to the asylum, Creffield has nothing to eat, except at rare intervals.

Big Timber Wool Trade.

Big Timber, August 1.—The Northern Pacific has closed its wool warehouse here, the season's product having all been baled up and shipped. The last carload went forward today, making a total of 74 cars, or 2,215,660 pounds, for the season. It was expected that the receipts would reach two and a quarter millions, but the amount fell a little short.

Cholrea Threatens Philippines.

Washington, August 1.—About 30 cases of plague per week are being reported at Hong Kong, while cholera also made its appearance at that point. The latter is considered a source of great danger to the Philippines.

"BOOTLEGGING" IS SUSPECTED

ILLICIT WHISKEY TRAFFIC AT SUMMER RESORTS.

Matter Brought to the Attention of Authorities—A Deputy United States Marshal Is Sorely Needed at Pendleton—Commissioner Hailey Powerless to Act—Several Whiskey Peddlers Suspected.

What is believed to be illicit traffic in liquor at Lehman Springs and other summer resorts has been brought to the attention of the authorities, and while no arrests have been made, it is understood that several persons are under suspicion.

It is alleged that whisky by the case is being brought into Lehman Springs and disposed of to the campers. United States Commissioner John Hailey, before whom complaints in regard to violations of the revenue laws are made, said today:

"As a committing magistrate, I have not the power to make complaints, even when I personally know that the laws are broken. There is little doubt but that bootlegging joints are being run, but what is needed is a deputy United States marshal for this portion of the state. As it is, all the deputies are in the office at Portland and whenever their services are required elsewhere they have to come from headquarters.'

At one time a deputy marshal was stationed at Pendleton. The marshal for Oregon is allowed but four deputies. Two of these are office men, and this leaves but two for outside work. Chief Deputy P. A. Wortnington, who was in town a few days ago said that the business of the office in Portland required the services of all available deputies.

In Idaho the deputy marshals are stationed at various parts of the state.

Textile Mills Open.

Fall River, Mass., August 1.—The mills opened this morning. No developments are anticipated within 10 days.

GUNNING FOR FROGS.

New Sport in the Mountain Resorts Furnishes Great Amusement.

Green frog hunting is the latest of the many sports practiced in the Blue mountains, and there is no danger of violationg the game laws. Dr. T. M. Henderson, county coroner, and John Jordan, yesterday afternoon went gunning for frogs' legs at Meacham, and managed to bag 54 pairs.

"It was great sport," said Dr. Henderson," and we secured enough legs to furnish dinner for a party of 10. The frogs we found very plentiful in the ponds in and around Meacham. We hunted with a small target rifle.

"The frogs in that section are not of the bullfrog variety, but are the large green ones. The legs are very dainty, but most persons have never considered them as food."

STRIKING EMPLOYES BEGIN WARFARE ON THE PACKERS

Will Invoke the Child Labor Law and Building Laws of the State to Worry Their Masters.

Strike Committee Begins an Active Campaign—Secures Four Arrests for Employing Children in the Packing Houses — Non-union Men Being Housed Illegally—President Will Not Interfere—Only 200 Out of 500 Striking Teamsters Can Get Back—Commissary Department Thronged With Hungry Families—Injunction Issued Against Strikers at St. Joseph—Police Guards Escort Hundreds of Wagons in Kansas City and at St. Joseph the Chief of Police and Sheriff Say the Situation Is Beyond Their Control.

Chicago, Aug. 1.—The new board of control selected Saturday to manage the strike, met today and started a new line of action by adopting resolutions to be presented to the building inspector, calling attention to the alleged violations by the packers of the building laws, in housing non-union men in a building without protection as the laws demand.

The state factory inspector this morning also issued four warrants against the superintendent of the Morris plant who is charged with employing boys under age.

The strikers' commissary houses are thronged this morning with crowds of hungry families, but no disorder prevails.

President Will Not Interfere.

Washington, Aug. 1.—The president will return to Oyster Bay on August 20, and remain until September 20. He has no intention of interfering in the beef strike unless the trouble spreads generally to the other trades or causse a meat famine so that the situation takes the aspect of a national disaster, like the coal strike.

Within the last few days the president has been assured by men in close touch with the Chicago situation that the trouble will solve itself by the men going back to work in time.

Packers Get an Injunction.

St. Joseph, Mo., Aug. 1.—A temporary injunction, returnable on August 22, was granted by Federal Judge Phillips today against the packing house strikers on an application of the packers. The affidavits cite 100 lawless acts and contains the statements of the police chief and sheriff that the situation is beyond their control.

Quiet Reigns at Chicago.

Chicago, Aug. 1.—Quietude marked the opening hours of the 21st day of the packers' strike.

Shipments of non-union men continue to arrive at the yards, 400 being distributed among the plants. The packers claim there are heavy desertions from the strikers' ranks, but the wholesale stampede anticipated this morning did not materialize.

Receipts this morning were very heavy, amounting to 25,000 cattle, 38,000 hogs and 17,000 sheep.

The absence of President Donnelly, of the Butchers' Union, on a trip to the Western packing cities, is taken as an indication that no immediate steps looking to a settlement is contemplated. The commissary department established by the strikers, were thronged this morning by the men's families.

The packers now state they will use only 200 out of over 500 teamsters out on a strike when the fight is over, having made other arrangements for the delivery of meat.

Wholesale Desertions From Ranks.

Kansas City, Mo., Aug. 1.—The police reported that many skilled butchers have deserted the strikers today and returned to work at Armour's. There is no disorder this morning.

New Recruits Deserting.

Omaha, August 1.—The strike is unchanged. Governor Mickey made a quiet visit to the packing house district and saw a carload of non-union men arrive at the Armour plant without disturbance. He returned to Lincoln satisfied with the manner in which the sheriff is handling the situation. The strikers say that many of the new men are deserting the packers.

Officers Escort Teams.

St. Joseph, Mo., August 1.—No strike disturbances this morning. Hundreds of officers escort the packers' teams.

BARBER LAW UPHELD.

Supreme Court Holds That the Act Is Constitutional.

Salem, Or., Aug. 1.—(Special)—The supreme court today reversed the decision of Judge George, of Multnomah county, in what is known as the barber case, brought by the board of barber examiners against H. L. Briggs.

The defendant was convicted for conducting a barber shop in violation of the existing law regulating the trade. A judgment was arrested by the trial court holding the act to be unconstitutional. The law is held to be constitutional in the higher court.

BAKER CITY DULL.

Mines and Mills Either Closed, or Are Reducing Their Force.

T. W. Bracking, who has just returned from Baker City, reports that place as extremely dull at this time—perhaps business more depressed there now than at any time in many years. The exhaustion of the Bonanza mine stopped one large pay roll entirely, the North Pole working force has been cut down from 150 to 40, while the working force of the Columbia has been cut two-thirds.

The Oregon Lumber Co. sawed during the past season 2,500,000 feet of lumber, but has shipped but 500,000 feet so far, and expects to shut down September 1, throwing from 200 to 300 men out of employment. It is stated that not over 100 men for an average, are working in the entire Greenhorn district.

Pioneer Druggist Sells.

After 15 years of close and successful attention to business, G. A. R. McGrew has found a rest and change advisable. He has sold his large drug store at Weston to M. J. Cockerline, recently of Salem. An inventory is now being taken, and the new proprietor will assume charge the first of this week. Mr. McGrew will retain his property interests in the town where he has so long been an influential and respected citizen. Mr. Cockerline is a capable druggist and successful business man. He has a wife and three children who will soon arrive from Salem to make their home in this city.—Weston Leader.

SOIL LIKE SICILY.

Smithsonian Institute Makes Chemical Analysis of Umatilla County Earth.

The soil of Umatilla county, according to chemical analysis made by the late Prof. Henry of the Smithsonian institute at Washington, D. C., is identical with the volcanic ash formation of the Island of Sicilly, where for the past 2000 years abundant wheat crops have been yearly raised.

"This goes to prove," said Dr. C. J. Smith, "that we of Eastern Oregon have nothing to fear in regard to the wearing out of our grain producing soil. History tells us that the wheat crops of Sicily have been produced for 20 centuries without the aid of fertilization other than that contained in the soil itself.

"The question of how long the soil of the Inland Empire would be able to produce wheat crops has been one that has been asked and considered many times. The soil with which Prof. Henry made his test was taken from near Weston. Chemically, he reported that it was exactly like that of Sicilly. There, instead of deteriorating as the years have fled, the soil has gradually become richer."

Freedom of the Press.

A. B. Noblett, editor and proprietor of the Freewater Times, is mourning over the loss of an advertiser and subscriber because they did not like the spirit in which he criticised the actions of certain persons. In this connection we wish to say that the human race is the same all over and Brother Noblett happens to be the victim of a little misplaced confidence in that he must have been counting upon some one's friendship when it did not exist. There are some persons running around, waiting for an excuse of some kind to try to do some one else an imagined injury, and this was evidently the one, else he would never have jumped at so small a prick of the spur.—Adams Advance.

The Kerr-Gifford Warehouse Company has just incorporated in Portland, with a capital stock of $100,000 and with Peter, Thomas and Andrew Kerr and J. C. Flanders, as incorporators.

SLOCUM OFFICERS PLEAD.

All Plead Not Guilty and Barnaby Is Held Under $20,000 Bail.

New York, Aug. 1.—President Barnaby, Secretary Atkinson and Treasurer Dexter, of the Knickerbocker Steamboat Company, owners of the Slocum, and Government Inspectors Lundberg and Fleming, were arraigned in the federal court today and pleaded not guilty. Barnaby's bail was fixed at $20,000, the others at $5000.

REGATTA NOW ON.

Plants' Ingomar Loses First Place to White Heather.

Cowes, Aug. 1.—The regatta week opened today with the king and queen present. The first race for yachts of over 100 tons, was won by Plants' Ingomar, but on a time allowance, the White Heather was given first, Brunhilde second, Ingomar third, and Meteor fourth.

New Cures by X-Rays.

London, August 1.—Professor Bozzoli, director of clinical medicine at Turin university, has communicated to the Royal Academy of Medicine his observations on the surprising efficacy of the action of X-rays in the treatment of certain serious diseases of the blood. He states that he has succeeded in curing by X-rays a case of leuchaemia, which was considered incurable.

Letter From Andre.

Christiania, August 1.—A Norwegian whaler has found, north of Spitzbergen, a bottle containing a letter from Andre, dated in 1898. The text is not given.

Ex-Governor Pattison Dead.

Philadelphia, August 1.—Former Governor Pattison died at 6:30 this morning of pneumonia.

GAME WARDEN IS APPOINTED

O. T. STEEL SUCCEEDS A. W. NYE AS DEPUTY.

Commission of Mr. Steele Arrived Today—Mr. Nye Is Now Librarian and Corresponding Secretary of the Commercial Asociation—Out of 17 Arrests Mr. Nye Secured 15 Convictions for Violations of Game Laws.

O. F. Steele, of Pendleton, has been appointed special deputy game and forestry warden for Eastern Oregon to succeed A. W. Nye, resigned. State Senator C. J. Smith today received Mr. Steele's commission.

Mr. Steele has been a field deputy two years in the county assessor's office. He will not assume his new duties until September 1. Mr. Nye, the retiring deputy warden, recently took up the duties of librarian and corresponding secretary of the Commercial Asosciation.

During the year he acted as deputy game warden, Mr. Nye proved the most energetic of the half dozen state game protectors, and out of 17 arrests made at Heppner for violation of the deer killing law, secured 15 convictions.

PARKER A VICTIM.

Book Agent "Worked" the Democratic Candidate Today.

Esopus, Aug. 1.—The hottest weather of the year failed to keep Parker in doors today, he dividing the forenoon between a long ride on horseback and a visit to the rice fields.

The judge's only visitor was a book agent who succeeded in selling him a set of Jefferson's writings, although the candidate already possessed several sets.

TO FIGHT UNION MUSICIANS.

Managers Will Force the Issue of Lower Wages.

New York, August 1.—To compel union musicians and stage hands of this and other of the large cities of the United States and Canada to submit to a radical reduction in wages and to correct certain grievances which the managers are alleged to suffer from, the recently formed New York Theatrical Managers' Association began a convention today at the Academy of Music in this city.

The managers declare that heretofore they have had to submit to whatever schedule of wages their musicians have demanded. Now they assert that the musicians will have to dance to the music of the baton the associated managers will wield, or else cease playing in houses controlled by them. A schedule of wages which the managers consider fair has been drawn up and probably will be adopted by the convention. The musicians as well as the managers are strongly organized and a bitter fight is likely to follow any attempt of the managers to put the reduced schedule into effect at the opening of the theatrical season this fall.

WRONGED WOMAN SEEKS REDRESS

Mrs. Eliza J. Sams Makes Some Sensational Charges Against Her Husband.

ALLEGES ALMOST UNSPEAKABLE CRUELTIES FROM HIM.

Says He Has Struck and Abused Her and Threatened Her Life and That of Her Children — Knocked Her Down and Dragged Her Into the Street, Tearing Her Infant From Her Breast—Woman Asks to Be Given Her Six Minor Children and $200 Immediate Relief and the Statutory Share of the Property, Amount of $4500.

For six years Eliza J. Sams, of Weston, alleges she bore the abuse and cruel treatment of the man who had sworn to honor and love her, but when he struck her down with his fist, drove her into the high road and snatched from her breast her child, she could stand it no longer. Now she is asking the courts to grant her release.

The action of Eliza J. Sams against Charles A. Sams was filed in the circuit court this morning. The couple were married in Walla Walla, Wash., April 16, 1888. Six years ago, according to the complaint, the husband began a series of cruel and inhuman acts against the plaintiff. He called her vile names, she alleges, gave her beatings repeatedly, and threatened her life, at one time drawing a pistol and on divers occasions chasing her with various farm implements, such as hoes and axes.

Mrs. Sams declares their six children have also been inhumanly treated, Roy, a 12-year-old son, in particular, whom the father is said to have whipped over the head and tore a handful of hair from his scalp.

On last Wednesday at the Sams home, near Weston, it is alleged the defendant struck his wife in the mouth with his fist, knocking her from the porch. He followed up this act, the complaint states, by striking the woman with a stick of wood and calling her vile names.

"The defendant," the complaint continues, "then drove the plaintiff toward the road and when she fell down at the gate, he caught her by the arm and dragged her into the road, forcing her to leave her home, and snatching from her, their 16-months-old son, a nursing babe."

Sams is alleged to have a violent temper and his wife declares he generally carries a loaded revolver.

The defendant's property is said to consist of $3000 on deposit in the Farmers' Bank of Weston, and other personal property valued at about $1500. The plaintiff desires the custody of the six minor children, immediate relief to the extent of $200, and what other alimony the court may see fit to grant. The action was filed by the law firm of Hailey & Lowell today.

Parcels Post to Japan.

Washington, D. C., August 1.—The parcels post agreement recently signed by Postmaster General Payne, on behalf of the United States, and Minister Takahira, on behalf of Japan, went into effect today. The treaty allows a maximum limit of weight of four pounds six ounces in the mails between the two countries. The rate fixed in 12 cents a pound or fraction thereof.

Summer School of Theology.

Sewanee, Tenn., August 1.—The summer school of theology at the University of the South began its four weeks' session today under promising auspices. In addition to the members of the university faculty the instructors and lecturers this year include Bishop Beckwith, Rev. C. D. Wilmer of Atlanta, and Warden Butler of Seabury Divinity School.

Plehve's Assassin Dies.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 1.—Poroznoff, the assassin of Von Plehve, died of the injuries he received from the explosion of the bomb which killed his victim. He made no disclosures before his death and his true name, his plot and accomplices are all now sealed in his speechless lips. It is one of the precautions of the anarchists that they do not answer questions after committing a crime, and the police expected this silence.