

DETAILS OF THE BATTLE

Russian Admiral Killed—Port Arthur Squadron Suffers Terribly at Hands of Japanese

ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 13.—Not since the beginning of the war between Japan and Russia has anything so obviously affected the Russian spirits as the gradual revelation of the extent of the Port Arthur squadron's reverse.

gives the following report from Captain Matonevitch, the late Admiral Witthoft's chief of staff: "On August 10 our Port Arthur squadron emerged from port at 9 o'clock. The squadron consisted of six battleships, four cruisers and eight torpedo boats.

The Associated Press learns the awful mortality of the officers of the Czarvitch which was merely stated in the official report, is due to the fact that Witthoft and most of his officers were gathered on the bridge during action in order to set an example to and encourage the men, instead of remaining in comparative safety in the protection of the conning tower.

Our squadron maneuvered to gain a passage through the line of the enemy's ships. Meantime, the Japanese torpedo boats were laying floating mines in the way of our squadron, thus rendering the evolutions very difficult.

Russian Captain's Report.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 13.—Viceroy Alexieff, in a dispatch to the Emperor,

WANT THE ROAD

NO QUESTION THAT LIBERTY AND ROSEDALE ARE DESIROUS OF LINE.

All Very Anxious—Rosedale Improvement League Appoints Committee to Foster Proposed Movement—Liberty Ready—Improvement League Elects Officers.

The Rosedale Improvement League had its regular meeting on Friday evening of last week and elected officers as follows: President, John Pemberton; vice president, John Hunt; secretary, L. M. Gilbert; treasurer, J. L. Knight.

This league has been formed for the purpose of aiding in the extension of the development idea in Rosedale and the surrounding country, and there is no place in the country where the people are more up to date on this sort of proposition than they are at Rosedale.

Among other things done at the meeting on Friday night the league appointed a committee of four consisting of Mr. L. M. Gilbert, A. Pemberton, W. E. Way, and John Hunt, to foster the trolley line proposition.

Mr. Gilbert was in the city yesterday, and in reply to a question asked by a Statesman reporter he said that he had every reason to believe the electric line from Salem to Liberty and Rosedale would be built.

Another gentleman from Liberty spoke about the same proposition also, and he expressed the same idea. Mr. A. W. Mize said that while everybody was feeling the short crops, yet there was in his mind no doubt at all that the line would be built.

TO REMOVE EXECUTION

The Heirs in the Estate of the Late John Sappingfield Want New Executor Appointed.

That there is not harmony existing among the heirs to the estate of the late John Sappingfield, of Howell Prairie, is evidenced by papers filed in the probate court yesterday.

Hon. L. H. McMahon, as attorney for Amanda King, one of the legatees under the will of the late John Sappingfield, filed a petition as stated, in the probate court for the removal of Chas. Sappingfield as executor of the estate.

The petition states that Mr. Chas. Sappingfield has been in possession of the estate since April 1, 1903, and that he is without sufficient qualifications to act as executor, and that he has committed waste upon the estate to the detriment of the petitioner and other devisees under her will.

She then sets forth wherein he has been neglectful, by allowing the build-

ings to decay and run down; by not caring for the orchard; by not cultivating certain fields, and by not looking after the farm.

The Sappingfield farm is one of the finest on the south end of Howell Prairie, and is located in the district where oil has been recently discovered, and is a very valuable property.

Judge Scott set the 27th day of August to hear the case.

STAGE OVERTURNED.

Accident Near Turner Results in a Broken Arm to the Driver and Injury to Other Occupants

On Friday morning as Wm. Lake was making his regular trip by stage from Turner to Astoria, his horses became frightened at something along the road and began running and kicking at intervals.

He succeeded in stopping them and flight by turning them into a fence, but in so doing the vehicle was overturned, throwing the occupants out and breaking up the stage.

The driver, Mr. Lake, had his arm broken and his chest injured, and Miss Helmken, of Salem, one of the passengers, was somewhat bruised about the head.

During Mr. Lake's five years service on the stage route, this is the first time he has arrived at the station top late for the train.

IS NOW BEARING FRUIT.

(From Sunday's Daily.)

The fruits of the new inheritance tax law are just beginning to be harvested, and stored up in the State Treasury. There are over forty estates now in the process of settlement and several thousands of dollars already in the fund. Yesterday there was the sum of \$62,298 received in the State Treasury as the tax upon the estate of Mrs. Lucy Cowles, late of Yamhill county.

The total approved valuation of the estate was \$75,840.44. The exemption thereupon was \$2,000, and the total tax \$70,840. The deduction for payment within eight months was \$3,542, leaving the balance of \$67,298, the state's share. The only heir to the estate of Russell L. Bewley, of Sheridan.

The sum of \$1687.50 was also received by the State Treasury yesterday for the support of the Soldiers' Home. The corporation taxes are also coming in at the rate of 100 per cent, but as Monday is the day upon which they become delinquent, it is thought that this rush will be over in the course of a few days.

IS SPLENDID CRAFT.

O. C. T. Co.'s New Steamer Oregona Is Making a Record for Light Draft Vessels.

The new O. C. T. Co.'s steamer Oregona, carrying fifty tons of freight on a draft of twenty inches, with but a displacement of twenty-two inches of water in which to operate in some places on the Portland-Salem route, seems to have the record for the United States for crafts of her character. At least there are no records which can be found in Portland to equal her feat.

Wheat has started from the upper river points, and the two steamers are transporting small lots in addition to the regular cargo offered, but comparatively little of the cereal can be moved by them at this time.

The steamer Atlanta, now on the cradle at the Portland Shipbuilding Company's yards, having a new hull built, will draw about 1 1/2 inches less water when she is launched. The draft drew twenty inches light before, and proved a heavy steamer for the upper river business; but the hull is now being constructed with the idea of giving it as much buoyancy as is consistent with the strength required. This will give the company three steamers that can ply the stream at an ordinary stage of water, and one that can make the trip with a good load during any season.

Upper river steamboat men are expecting great help from the new dipper dredge being completed at Supple's yards in Portland, and which is to be operated exclusively on the stream above that city. The river men say there is an abundance of water, but it is spread over such a territory much of its usefulness is lost. If it was confined to a good channel, they say, bottling would not be difficult at any stage. As the dipper dredge idea is an innovation planned by Major W. C. Langfitt for improving the channel, and much depends on its success as regards future help for navigation on that part of the stream, steamboat men are hopeful it will prove satisfactory. No material benefits are looked for this year, but by next season, providing the dredge is operated regularly, the results will be many.

ARE AT PEACE

BUT SECRETARY HAY HAS A FEW POSSIBLE CASUS BELLI ON HIS TABLE.

Uncle Sam's List of Troubles Have to Do With Turkey, Russia, Venezuela, Hayti, the Black Republic and China.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13.—Secretary Hay's sudden return to the capital, which interrupted his summer vacation, was occasioned by a number of complications in foreign affairs, which were discussed at the recent cabinet meeting. Uncle Sam is at present involved in the affairs of foreign nations as follows:

Turkey—Sultan refuses satisfactorily to answer demands of United States for school and church privileges granted to other nations. United States has sent a fleet of warships to compel an answer.

Russia—United States at variance with the Czar's government on the question of contraband of war.

Venezuela—American minister has entered a strong protest against the seizure of an American asphalt company by the government, and is sustained by the State Department.

Haiti—American and other foreign residents attacked by natives. United States minister suggests that a warship be sent to him.

Santo Domingo—American residents and property insecure and another revolt threatening.

China—Declaration by Senator Culom, chairman of the foreign relations committee of the United States Senate, that the government intends to have a hand in the Russo-Japanese peace treaty to insure an open door in China.

HAS NEW DIRECTORS.

Willamette Valley Prune Association Meets and Elects New Officers.

At an adjourned meeting of the Willamette Valley Prune Association, held at the warehouse and headquarters on yesterday afternoon, which was attended by a generous percentage of the membership, the election of a new board of directors took place, the result being as follows: A. W. Mize, Capt. E. B. Smith, W. J. Crawford, Joseph N. Smith and H. S. Gile. Owing to the fact that some of the new members could not be found so that notification could be served upon them as to their reelection, they did not all appear to qualify and organization, therefore, will not take place until a later date.

Suicide Prevented.

The startling announcement that a preventive of suicide had been discovered will interest many. A run down system or dependency invariably precede suicide, and something has been found that will prevent that condition which makes suicide likely. At the first thought of self-destruction take Electric Bitters. It being a great tonic and nerve will strengthen the nerves and build up the system. It's also a great Stomach, Liver and Kidney regulator. Only 50c. Satisfaction guaranteed by D. J. Fry, druggist.

YESTERDAY'S BALL SCORES.

- American League. ST. LOUIS, Aug. 15.—New York 3; St. Louis 1. CLEVELAND, Aug. 15.—Washington 0; Cleveland 0. CHICAGO, Aug. 15.—Boston 2; Chicago 3. DETROIT, Aug. 15.—Philadelphia 2; Detroit 0. National League. NEW YORK, Aug. 15.—Cincinnati 1; New York 4. BROOKLYN, Aug. 15.—Brooklyn 3; St. Louis 2. BOSTON, Aug. 15.—Pittsburg 2; Boston 1. PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 15.—Chicago 2; Philadelphia 3. Mr. Jacob Cave returned to his home at Jefferson yesterday.

WOULD CUT HIS THROAT

CHAMP CLARK, DEMOCRATIC ORATOR, IS CALLED DOWN.

TAYLOR CASE WAS THE CAUSE.

Clark Declared That The Republicans Would Rule by Assassination.

A Man in Audience Called Clark a Liar When He Attacked Taylor of Kentucky, at an Indiana Joint Political Debate.

NEW ALBANY, Ind., Aug. 13.—"If the man who just called me a liar will meet me outside of the park when I finish my speech, I'll cut his throat from ear to ear," declared Congressman Champ Clark, of Missouri, during the joint debate with Congressman Chas. B. Landis, Indiana, before the Chautauque Assembly here today. During the speech of Landis some one in the audience shouted "Where's Bill Taylor?" Landis replied, "He is in Indiana, and will stay there until he gets justice."

When Clark took the platform he referred to Taylor as an assassin, charging the Republicans were protecting a man and should be hanged. Continuing, he said, "Republicans want to rule this country by assassination. Some one in the audience cried out, 'That's not true; you're a liar.' Immediately Clark shouted the challenge which was greeted with hisses.

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WAITING UPON COMMITTEE.

Mayor Harrison Will Not State His Position Until He Has Been Asked.

CHICAGO, Aug. 13.—There are few developments in the packers strike today and it is not probable there will be any before Monday when the committee of retail dealers will call upon Mayor Harrison and ask him to act as mediator. The mayor declines to say what he will do until he receives the committee, but expressed himself as anxious to do anything in his power to end the strike.

FIRE AT ALBANY

DESTROYS MUCH VALUABLE PROPERTY IN BUSINESS PART OF THE CITY.

Starts From Cigarette Smoking in Delivery Barn and Loss Amounts to Nearly Ten Thousand Dollars—Tramp Was Arrested on Suspicion.

ALBANY, Or., Aug. 13.—(Special.)

What might have proven a very disastrous fire occurred here this morning, destroying a number of wooden buildings on First street, below the Revere House. The fire started about 11 o'clock in a lot of straw in the rear of the stable used by delivery wagons belonging to Wm. Nealy, and soon spread to adjoining property. The buildings were frame structures and the entire business section of Albany was threatened for considerable time, before the department was able to get the fire under control. The department worked hard and prevented, finally, a general conflagration. The losses were as follows: J. W. Cusick, \$1500, no insurance; S. Shupp, \$2000, insurance \$800; H. C. Chamberlain, meat market, \$1000, insurance \$800; W. Nealy, \$700, no insurance; Albany lunch counter, \$1800, insurance \$300; Dr. J. J. Smith, \$100.

A number of the delivery drivers are in the habit of smoking cigarettes, and often do so at the barn, and it is presumed that the fire was started by some one carelessly dropping a lighted cigarette in the straw. A drunken tramp had gone into the barn to sleep and it was thought he might have set the fire, and he was arrested, but there appearing no evidence against him, he was allowed to go free on the understanding that he should leave town.

FAREWELL PARTY.

Mrs. Amelia Miller Entertains a Number of Guests at Her Home in South Salem.

On Thursday afternoon and evening Mrs. Amelia Miller's parlors in South Salem were filled to overflowing with guests who came to bid "God speed" to Rev. and Mrs. Royal, as they took their departure for Portland. Mr. and Mrs. Royal are old residents of Salem and have been identified with church work here for many years.

Rev. Royal's blindness cut him off from active church work several years ago, but he has quietly worked along religious lines at all times, and is together with his wife has been a strong power for good in the Methodist denomination in this city.

Evening refreshments were served and a musical program presented. The following guests attended the reception:

- Kate O'Flynn, Martha Shindler, Inez V. Bozorth, Hazel Bishop, Nina Johnson, Alma Nye, Mary Davidson, Alka Sovell, Esther Lucas, Delta Nye, Helen Gordon, Clara Vail, Evelyn Gordon, Erna Botsford, Bessie Singleton, Madeline E. J. Royal, M. A. Royal, Gordon, Scriber, Simmons, Botsford, Miller, Pratt, Macey, Shipp, Kightlinger, Vail, Utter, Lewis, McCourt, Shindler, Johnson, Vass, Lucas, McIntire, Thompson, Campbell and Nye. The gentlemen present were: Messrs. Shipp, N. Rosenblum, W. Worthington, J. A. French, G. A. Nye, S. R. Vail, T. F. Royal, J. H. Royal, W. S. Gordon, E. O'Flynn.

ALL BIDS TOO LOW.

The members of the Rocky Point grain pool held a meeting at the Rocky Point school house yesterday afternoon, at which time the bids, submitted upon the great pool of grain, were opened. Owing to the fact that the bids were all regarded as too low they were all rejected, and another meeting will be held on Tuesday evening, when further bids will be received. The only bids received upon the oats were from Bal-four, Guthrie & Company and G. A. Westgate, while D. E. Swank, of Annville, and A. D. Gardner, of Stayton, were the only bidders upon the wheat. The grain pool of this district this year amounts to 15,000 bushels of wheat and 40,000 bushels of oats, a considerable amount less than the pool of last year.

IS AT CASCADIA

NEWSY CORRESPONDENCE FROM SUMMER RESORT WHERE SALEM PEOPLE ARE.

Personal Mention of Large Number of Salemites—Luring the Festive Trolleys—Promenades in Sylvan Glens—Lots of Game.

CASCADIA, Or., Aug. 13.—This delightful mountain retreat far up toward the headwaters of the Santiam, is growing in popularity. The inviting hotel is well occupied by guests and fifty tents are pitched by campers in the cool shade under the giant firs on the camp grounds.

Salem is well represented among the jolly pleasure seekers. Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Cross are here, as is also Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Pugh and little daughter, Attorney and Mrs. L. H. McMahon, Mr. and Mrs. Riesenman and daughter, Grace, Colonel and Mrs. R. K. Page, two sons and daughter, Mabel, Miss Ethel Frizzell, Mr. Otto Hertrick, Mr. Otto Wilson and his mother, and Miss Melson, who arrived yesterday in their automobile. Mr. C. S. Hamilton and Mr. Jesse Huber returned to Salem yesterday after a stop of several days at the hotel.

Everybody is in good spirit. The days are passed by parties strolling along the picturesque Santiam, watching its ceaseless current in its turbulent course along the wild, rocky gorge, or angling for its gummy trout in its clear eddying waters. Some of the more exuberant climb to the top of Hurricane Deck, from which high point a commanding view is gained of that magnificent landscape.

The Cascadilla falls is a favorite place for visitors. Here the waters of a small stream tumble over a perpendicular cliff fully one hundred feet in elevation. Indiana cave is an attraction to those who are interested in studying the strange picture writing carved on the granite walls by some pre-historic people.

Some of the "alps" are favorite places of recreation by day and at night camp fires are surrounded by a circle of merry people singing and telling stories for the amusement of all. The most frequented place is the mineral springs down in a shady glen beside the hotel. Here, all day and late into the night, campers and guests come and go imbibing freely of the cool, health-giving waters that bubble up from nature's mysterious laboratory located somewhere deep down among the rocks where all the restorative ingredients of the water are so delicately blended.

Twenty-five hundred gallons of this highly charged mineral water come to the surface every day. The wild animals like to drink this water. Those springs were discovered nearly years ago by a party of hunters following a deer trail which led to this flow of mineral water where the alert deer were accustomed to drink.

For some reason the denizens of the forest still linger near this fountain of health. Every morning the baying of the hunters' dogs breaks the silence of the dense primeval forest arousing the slumbering campers and sending the frightened deer along the trail to be shot from ambush by some camper or mountaineer. Two big antlered fellows were shot yesterday within a half mile from the hotel, making fourteen deer killed here since the season opened. Wildcats are plentiful and bear and cougar are known to prowl through these mountains. Mr. G. M. Geisendorfer, the proprietor of the grounds, shot a cougar in the dooryard of the hotel a few months ago when the sleek animal came nosing around his hen house.

All things considered, Cascadia affords all the opportunities that can be desired by health seekers or those on pleasure bent for a delightful outing.

Puts An End to It All.

A grievous wail oft times comes as a result of unbearable pain from overtaxed organs. Dizziness, Backache, Liver Complaint and Constipation. But thanks to Dr. King's New Life Pills they put an end to it all. They are gentle but thorough. Try them. Only 25c. Guaranteed by D. J. Fry's drug store.

NOTHING TO EXHIBIT.

Oregon Too Busy With Her Own Fair to Pay Any Further Attention to St. Louis.

Mr. A. F. Miller, of Sellwood, spent yesterday in Salem, endeavoring to collect material for an addition to the Oregon exhibit at the St. Louis Fair. He met with no success, however, as the various farmers and fruit growers interviewed stated that they had not

DECISIVE NAVAL BATTLE

Japanese and Russian Ships Engaged in Death Struggle in the Straits of Korea

TOKIO, Aug. 14, 7 a. m.—The protected cruiser Takushiko has reported by wireless telegraph to the admiralty at the Takushiko naval establishment that the Japanese squadron was engaging the Vladivostok fleet off the Tsu Islands, in the Straits of Korea at 5 o'clock this morning.

Tokio, Aug. 14, noon.—The naval engagement in the Straits of Korea is still in progress. The Russian armored cruiser Rurik has been sunk in the engagement in the Straits of Korea. The armored cruisers Rossia and Gromobol escaped to the northward heavily damaged.

To Escape the Enemy.

London, Aug. 13.—A dispatch from Wei Hai Wei says the Russian torpedo boat destroyer Burni was beached August 12, on South Shan Tung promontory and blown up. Three of her officers and sixty men have arrived at Wei Hai Wei.

Legations Refuse to Talk.

Pekin, Aug. 13.—Both the Russian and Japanese legations refuse to discuss for publication the Ryeshitani incident. Efforts to obtain information from the Wai Wou Fou (the Chinese ministry of foreign affairs) were also without success. The reticence extends to the foreign diplomats. The statement was made, however, by a well known diplomat to a correspondent of the Associated Press that Japan probably towed the Ryeshitani out of Chefoo, a neutral port, for the purpose of forcing the powers to decide whether Russia had a right to run her ships into neutral ports at will. It is rumored that there has been a naval engagement off Tsing Chou, but the German legation has no confirmation of the report.

BUSINESS GOOD

SO SAYS THE MANAGER OF THE DALLAS AND FALL CITY RAILROAD.

Are Ballasting and Improving Track on That and Independence Line—Factories Are Being Erected in Dallas—Business Is Good.

The Polk County Observer has the following which will be of interest: "Much substantial work in the improvement of the roadbed of the Dallas & Falls City railroad has been done since the rainy season ended last spring. While the newly constructed track stood the heavy traffic remarkably well during the winter months, the absence of gravel left the roadbed rough and uneven when the dry weather came on, and the company at once put a gang of men to work to remedy this condition. The improvement has been going on all summer, and the track is now smoother and more substantial than ever before.

"Several miles of the Falls City end of the road have been ballasted with rock taken from the James Lee farm. This rock contains a large percentage of lime, is easily broken, and makes an excellent roadbed. The deep cuts and heavy fills in the hills south of Dallas will be ballasted with gravel taken from the Willamette river, as soon as the Southern Pacific spur from Independence to the bar is completed. Louis Gerlinger, Jr., manager of the road, informs us that this gravel will be hauled to Dallas at the rate of six carloads a day, and that the improvement will continue until the track is placed in first class condition for heavy traffic the year round.

"We are going to make our track equal to the very best," said Mr. Gerlinger, Tuesday. "Business is good, considering the quiet season of the year, and the outlook for the future is highly encouraging. The sawmills at Falls City are steadily increasing their output of lumber, and the freight and passenger business along the line is constantly growing better. The oak sawmill and the hardwood handle factory now being built in Dallas will ship a large amount of raw material from points along our road, and the company expects a heavy increase in the shipment of hops, grain and other farm produce as soon as the new warehouse at Bridgeport is ready for use."

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children. The Kind You Have Always Bought Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher

BAND CONCERT TONIGHT. Program of Music to be Rendered by Salem Military Band Tonight.

Following is the program to be rendered by Prof. Willis E. McElroy's Military Band tonight in Willson's avenue: "Union Forever".... Stanton Selection, "Gems of Stephen Foster".... Tolani Baritone Solo, "Down in the Deep Cellar".... Mr. Ivan Martin Intermezzo "Karama".... Grey Waltz, "Cecelia".... Blanke Characteristic Two-Step, "Princess Poinchantus".... Hoyt Gavotte, "First Heart Throbs".... Ellenberg March, "Uncle Sammy".... Holzmann

SOMEBODY'S MOTHER.

PUEBLO, Colo., Aug. 12.—One more body was recovered today by searching parties seeking the missing victims of the Eden disaster. There remains but one unidentified body, that of a woman, probably 50 years of age. Two wedding rings were upon the fingers and the physician who examined the body stated the dead woman had been the mother of children.

NEAR FALLS CITY.

DALLAS, Or., Aug. 13.—Forest fires of alarming proportions are raging about the mills of the Coast Range Lumber Company, near Falls City. The entire force of the mills and logging camp is fighting to save the mills and timber. Eighty men are making ditches to save the mill property, with good prospect of success.

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THE JOHN DEERE PLOW. TURN AROUND WITH RIDE WITH COMFORT AND OPERATE WITH EASE. TREAT ANY SOIL AT ANY TIME OF YEAR. CHANGE FROM SINGLE TO DOUBLE OR TRIPLE IN THE FIELD. We have a carload now and expect to get more. MANNING & FERGUSON. Corner State and Commercial Streets, Salem, Oregon.

Free! A Trial Bottle of Jayne's Carminative Balsam. The Standard Remedy for Summer Complaint, Cholera, Colic, Crisping Pains, Sour Stomach and Vomiting, also for Dysentery, Diarrhea or Looseness, Ascitic Cholera, Cholera Morbus, and Cholera Infantum. JAYNE'S CARMINATIVE BALSAM has been used with great success for 73 years. We will send Free to any person who will enclose a two-cent stamp in payment for the mailing, a trial size bottle of JAYNE'S CARMINATIVE BALSAM. Write your Name, Town and State plainly to insure your getting the same. Address: DR. D. JAYNE & SON, Philadelphia.