

RUSSIANS IN FULL RETREAT

Kuropatkin's Army Is Gathering at Yentai for Another Great Battle

Tokio, Sept. 6.—An official dispatch this evening announces that the bulk of the Russian forces are assembled at Yentai. The newspaper Jiji reports that the retreating Russians have become dispirited on account of the constant harassing by the Japanese. A number of Russian soldiers have been shot down by officers for trying to run away.

London, Sept. 6.—A dispatch from St. Petersburg states that a newspaper there published a report of the fall of Port Arthur, and the edition was recalled before it was placed on sale. The report of the fall of Port Arthur is current at the Russian capital, but seems vague, and is given little credence.

Mukden, Sept. 6.—General Kuropatkin's retreat is being carried out in good order, despite the heavy rains which fell yesterday and today, retarding the heavy guns and transport. The long lines of commissariat wagons, followed by trains of artillery, and finally by the army, is dragging its way northward. The Japanese are continually engaging the Russian rear. The heads of the commissariat trains have already passed through Mukden, and are proceeding northward. The main Japanese army is marching up along the roads eastward of the Russian line's retreat, which converge at Mukden. Another Japanese force is heading for Mukden from the westward, along the Liao river. General Oyama, who is evidently making a race for Mukden, has a superiority of numbers, especially artillery.

Tokio, Sept. 6.—It is reported that the Russians are retreating beyond Yen Tai, which General Kuroki has occupied.

Yen Tai, Sept. 6.—Heavy fighting is proceeding northeast of here today, the Japanese pressing northward along the ridges to the east of the railway. Several skirmishes occurred within 20 miles southeast of Mukden. The Russians are holding General Kuroki in check, with a rear guard action, while the Russians' Liao Yang army is proceeding northward.

London, Sept. 6.—The Harbin correspondent of the Central News agency, wires that Viceroy Alexieff and staff have arrived at Harbin, having transferred their headquarters from Vladivostok.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 6.—The Harbin correspondent of the Russian wires that the Japanese are now within 25 miles of that city. He repeats the report that the Russians are preparing to abandon the city, the evacuation having already begun. The censorship is being transferred from Mukden to Harbin, for the present, as an interruption of telegraph lines is believed possible.

Robbers Crack Safe.
Souderton, Pa., Sept. 6.—Six masked robbers blew the safe of the Lehigh Valley Traction Company barn early this morning, and escaped with nearly \$500, receipts of yesterday. The robbers assaulted several employees who resisted, and bound and gagged them. They had only time to blow one safe when the alarm was sounded, and they fled in a stolen wagon. Townsman pursued them in an automobile, but failed to catch them.

Democrats Win.
Little Rock, Ark., Sept. 6.—Governor Davis, Democrat, was re-elected yesterday by 50,000 to 60,000 plurality. Other officers on the state ticket were unopposed.

To Discuss Civic Problems.
Toronto, Ont., Sept. 6.—Mayors and other officials of the chief cities of the province gathered here today for the annual meeting of the Ontario Municipal Association. The principal item on the program, which covers two days, will be a discussion of the new assessment law and practical demonstrations of its working will be made.

Cable Car Accident.
Chicago, Sept. 6.—One person was probably fatally and half a dozen slightly injured this morning in the Washington-street tunnel, when a trailer of a cable car jumped the track and crashed against the walls of the tunnel. Mrs. Kersten had a leg crushed off, and will probably die.

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SILVER BELLS ARE JANGLED

City Finance Reports Still Fail to Come to Any Agreement

Variations in All the Statements That Have Been Published So Far

It is expected that the long delayed report of City Treasurer John Moir will be made public tonight at the regular meeting of the city council.

It has been reported for some time that an entire new set of books for the city treasurer for the past six years had been written up, but they have not been tendered the city nor made public.

So far there has been nothing but newspaper talk to impeach the report of Expert S. T. Richardson, which showed a variance from the published statement of the treasurer of \$1096.31.

It would seem as though there had been time enough to disprove the findings of the committee that was appointed and submitted its report to the city council last spring, if they are incorrect.

When the report of the committee on expending the books and accounts of the city treasurer was first made public Mr. Moir said he was not satisfied with the showing and wanted time to make a further report. The report of the committee showed \$1101.64 unaccounted for. This finding was fortified by figures in the writing of Mr. Baumgartner, teller in the bank where Mr. Moir kept the city funds, showing the same fact within \$2.11.

Balances at End of Year.
April 25, 1904, in reply to request of Mayor Waters, made to Treasurer Moir, for a statement of balances of city funds on hand January 1, 1904, he was given figures by the Ladd & Bush bank, made out by Baumgartner, showing balance in general fund \$948.23.

That statement was made after taking out \$840.67 which the treasurer did not claim credit for until his March report, 1904, which made balance in general fund \$1788.90 on January 1, 1904.

City Treasurer Moir's report to the city council of date December 31, 1903, shows balance in general fund of \$477.70. His March, 1904, report, he says balance on hand January 1, 1904, was \$1118.29.

It is not plain just how much business is done in a bank between December 31st and January 1st, but, as a rule, there is none whatever. Moir's two reports are continuous, and show no intervening time.

In a report of city finances made to the Statesman August 17, 1904, City Treasurer Moir reports cash in general fund December 31, 1903, \$894.56. This figure does not again agree with the former figures.

As a matter of fact four different sets of figures have been made out, all differing as to what amount of money the city really had. The bank's balances and Mr. Moir's balances differ on the same date, December 31, and January 1st, as high as \$1694.20.

Of four tables of figures submitted the first and second failed to agree by \$1740.12, the first and third failed to agree by \$1099.53, and the first and fourth by \$1694.20. In fact none of the tables agree. If the balances were to the credit of Mr. Moir, as city treasurer, in the bank, whose money is it? Did it belong to Mr. Moir, as an individual, or does it belong to the office of city treasurer for the benefit of the city of Salem?

TWO PRESIDENTS WILL HUNT IN SOUTHWEST

Roosevelt and Diaz Will Accept Invitation to Go After Big Game

Galveston, Tex., Sept. 6.—President Roosevelt sometime ago promised Colonel Cecil Lyons, chairman of the Texas Republican executive committee, that he would come here for a week's hunting in Texas and Indian Territory in November. President Diaz will visit El Paso to attend the national irrigation congress at the same time, and he will be invited to participate in the hunt with Roosevelt. It is understood that he will accept.

Receive Pope's Blessing.
Monroe, Mich., Sept. 6.—A special blessing from His Holiness Pius X, signed with his own hand and a magnificent medal blessed and forwarded by the pontiff, were among the honors received today by John Davis in commemoration of the completion of his fiftieth year as a parochial school teacher at St. Mary's school, this place. It is said to be the first time that such honors have been conferred on a layman in America for such services in parochial school work. The singular and exceptional recognition was secured through Cardinal Martinelli, the papal delegate, at the suggestion of some of Mr. Davis' former pupils.

They Keep Going.
Vienna, Sept. 6.—A telegram received today reports that Princess Louise, of Coburg and Count Kogelvitich Massichewitz, whose elopement was recently announced, have arrived at the Island of Jersey by way of France.

To Succeed Murdered Brother.
New York, Sept. 6.—Rev. Robert M. Labaree, late pastor of the Presbyterian church at Doylestown, Pa., sailed today en route to Urumia, Persia, the place of his birth, to succeed his brother, Rev. Benjamin M. Labaree, the missionary whose murder by natives aroused the civilized world several years ago. Mr. Labaree, though born in Persia, has been a resident of this country since he was fourteen years old and is a graduate of Marietta College and of Princeton Theological Seminary. His father, who is now eighty years of age, has been for many years superintendent of missions with headquarters at Urumia.

Died from Dog Bite.
Chicago, Sept. 6.—On a train speeding from Columbus to Chicago, in the hope of relief by the Pasteur treatment for hydrophobia, Robert Strykland, a boy of five, died last night amidst the terrible convulsions incident to the disease.

WOMAN SECURED MEETING

Between Packers and Strikers After All Other Means Failed

Chicago, Sept. 6.—To Miss Mary McDowell, head of the University Settlement, is given credit for reopening the negotiations between the packers and strikers. While she has been openly sympathizing with the strikers, and aiding their families, her good offices were accepted by the packers, who made known their terms through her. Upon this new proposition a referendum vote will be taken today, and the result of the vote will probably be known by 6 o'clock this evening.

Chicago, Sept. 6.—That a vote of the striking butchers and workmen is to be taken today that will end the stock yards struggle, and that the men will go back to work tomorrow is freely predicted at headquarters. Meantime the general sympathetic strike ordered for Wednesday morning is held in abeyance. It also applies to the order declaring all meat unfair after tonight. While the strikers refuse to talk, it is generally accepted that the conference between the strike leaders and the representatives of the packers resulted in the agreement of the latter to take the men back on the old terms, on conditions that the strike would be called off. The general sentiment among the striking butchers and allied trades now out favors the acceptance of the proposition and a return to work.

Omaha, Neb., Sept. 6.—Anticipating the end of the strike, about 200 strikers applied for their old places this morning, and 50 were taken back. Of the 300 skilled negro union men who went out 275 have returned to work in the last three days.

Chicago, Sept. 6.—More than 1000 strikers had applied for their old places in the yards before 9 o'clock this morning.

St. Louis Strike Ended.
East St. Louis, Mo., Sept. 6.—By a vote of 1750 to 511 the strikers decided to return to work on the packers' terms. President Donnelly has been notified of the result.

Vote to Stay Out.
Kansas City, Mo., Sept. 6.—The cattle butchers' union voted this morning, by a vote of 71 to 11 to stay out. Eight other unions are voting on the question. The packers report that a few union men are applying for work.

Open Golf Championship.

New York, Sept. 6.—In addition to the entries and officials there was a small army of golf enthusiasts about the links of the Baltusrol Golf Club, at Summit, N. J., today on the occasion of the opening of the amateur championship tournament of the United States Golf Association. The presence of so many onlookers was evidence of the keen interest taken in this year's competition, an interest that has not been equalled since the sport was introduced in America. This interest is due in part to the fact that several foreigners are entered in the tournament, which gives a possibility of the amateur honors of the United States being carried abroad in the same manner that the American player, Walter J. Travis, went to England last spring and captured the British championship. With such American experts at the game as Travis and Watson among the participants it is certain that the foreign participants must work hard before they will be able to even the score by capturing the honors in the present tournament. Today and tomorrow are given up to the medal play rounds (18 holes). The match play rounds will be contested Thursday and Friday and the finals on Saturday.

Big Chehalis Fire.

Chehalis, Wash., Sept. 6.—The plant of the International Condensed Milk-Condensing Company was destroyed by fire of unknown origin, which broke out soon after midnight. The boiler-house, boilers, water-tank and office were saved. The company has \$39,000 insurance with one agency, and it is thought has more with another, but it is insufficient to cover the loss, which is between \$60,000 and \$70,000.

President Barto lives in Tacoma, Secretary Bartlett, the manager, is here today. The company was organized a year and a half ago by Tacoma capitalists, and has recently been condensing 10,000 to 11,000 pounds of milk daily. About 100 farmers supplied milk, and upward of \$3000 was paid monthly for milk. Twenty hands were employed in the plant.

Reunion of Louisiana Veterans.

Baton Rouge, La., Sept. 6.—This city is today in the hands of the Confederate Veterans and their friends, whose annual state convention was opened under the most favorable auspices. Visitors arrived in large numbers last night and this morning and more are on the way. The city is handsomely decorated in their honor. The gathering will continue for two days. In addition to the business sessions, which are being held at the state university, the program provides for many features of outdoor entertainment.



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New Today

Percales, Calicoes, Outings, Gingham, Flannel, Children's Coats, Furs, Etc.