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CHINESE FIGHT DESPERATE BATTLE IMPERIAL FORCES ARE VICTORIOUS

DESPERATE VALOR SHOWN BY BOTH ARMIES AND THE BATTLE IS A BLOODY ONE

Rebels Are Driven From Their Entrenchments Finally, But Make Several Magnificent Charges, Which Were Repulsed Only at the Point of the Bayonet—Train Loads of Wounded Reaching Hankow Tell of the Deadliness of the Contest—Rebel Losses Are Said to Be Enormous, But the Royalists Were Badly Punished.

Hankow, China, Oct. 18.—After a desperate battle north of here today the Chinese rebels sustained their first serious defeat. The imperial troops, which were landed from the fleet under Admiral Sah Chen Ping, attacked the rebel entrenchments and inflicted enormous losses.

Spectators who witnessed the battle from the river bank were fired upon. Admiral Sah has ordered all but actual combatants out of the firing line. Part of the revolutionary army which participated in the battle, are claiming that victory would have been theirs had their ammunition held out.

Flaunt Flags in Hongkong. San Francisco, Oct. 18.—Activities of the Imperial Chinese government at Canton are disarming the soldiers of the new army for the purpose of frustrating, if possible, a suspected plot among the men to join the revolution, according to a cable received here today by the Chung Sal Yat Ho, a Chinese daily paper.

Hongkong is today the scene of a unique revolutionary demonstration, stated another dispatch received by local Chinese. This is the birthday of Confucius, and in former years the yellow dragon flags of the imperial government were unfurled throughout the city in celebration of the day. But this year thousands of the red, white and blue banners of the new republic were in evidence.

PRESIDENT EXTENDS HIS TRIP TO SOUTH

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Washington, Oct. 18.—Progressives here attribute the extension of President Taft's trip to the endorsement of Senator LaFollette of Wisconsin by the Chicago progressive conference for the presidential nomination. It is reported that President Taft originally believed the south would solidly support him, and later the word arrived that federal officers in the south feared that a Democrat would be elected in 1912 unless radical steps were at once taken.

It is positively known that President Taft's managers considered this theory in switching to original plans of the tour, and the decision to visit Kentucky and Tennessee is considered significant.

Preparing for Fight. [UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Fresno, Cal., Oct. 18.—That the Southern Pacific company has collected a force of 200 men here, half the number of gunfighters, and is making preparations to receive more, is the statement made today by Harry Johnson, a deserting strike-breaker. He said that more bunk houses are being erected in the stockade where the 200 men are housed in preparation for additions to the force.

The sanitary conditions in the stockade are bad, according to Johnson. It is almost impossible to get trains through at time he said, and most of the engines are in so dangerous a state of repair that the engineers are afraid to use them.

TWO MAY DIE FROM AUTO ACCIDENT

Astoria, Or., Oct. 18.—Robert Wilbur and Edward Reed were probably fatally injured today when an automobile driven by Julius Wilbur, leaped from the plank roadway at Uniontown and fell bottomside up on the rocky beach 20 feet below. Both men were pinned under the tonneau.

All are prominent here. Reed is a brother of Emerson Reed, who drove the famous racing boat, the Wigwam II during the recent championship regatta races here.

ELLERS MUSIC HOUSE WINS PIANO CONTRACT SUIT

The case of Ellers Music House vs. U. S. Rider was decided before Judge Kelly today in favor of Ellers Music House.

The question involved was the enforcement of a piano contract whereby a piano was to be paid for on the installment plan. In this particular case the defendant refused to make payments as agreed. The case was submitted to the jury on the facts as set forth by each side, and argument was waived. The jury brought in a verdict for the plaintiff for \$710, plus interest and \$250 attorney's fees.

Bad Train Wreck.

Beaumont, Miss., Oct. 18.—One is dead and 27 are injured today as a result of the wreck of a passenger train on the New Orleans, Mobile & Chicago railroad, when the train left the rails and turned over. Baggage-master Potts was killed.

McCredie Cans Henderson.

San Francisco, Oct. 18.—"Bennie" Henderson has probably played his last game of baseball on the Pacific coast," declared Walter McCredie, manager of the Portland Beavers, this morning.

McCredie is evidently thoroughly enraged with the pitcher. "He has been unreliable ever since he left Portland," he said disgustedly. "He has been suspended. He's out of it; that's all there is to it."

McCredie has put up with Henderson's propensities for some time past, owing to his ability as a mound artist.

Bill Steen is on his way to Portland today, to go to the bedside of his wife, who is ill there. The remainder of McCredie's pitching staff is here to do battle with the Seals for the rest of the week.

Murder and Suicide.

Portland, Ore., Oct. 18.—Lying in positions which indicated that he had shot and killed his wife while she sat at a piano in their apartments at the Stanley apartment house, and then blown out his own brains, the bodies of Irving A. Millichant, 29 years old, city salesman for the Standard Oil company, and his wife were found today.

It is believed the murder and suicide occurred Monday night, as occupants of apartments nearby heard music during that evening, and nothing was seen or heard of the couple until the janitor forced open the doors today.

The weapon found in Millichant's hand was a new automatic pistol. No reason for the man's act is known.

THE LOSS RUNS INTO MILLIONS

Details of the Terrific Storm and Tidal Wave on Coast of Mexico Just Beginning to Be Learned.

232 ARE KNOWN TO BE DEAD

Eye Witness Who Has Just Reached Nogales From Guaymas Tells of Disaster—Property Loss Above \$20,000,000, and 232 Dead—Will Take Six Weeks to Repair the Railroads and Open Communication.

With a large attendance and with a splendid program, the teachers' annual institute convened this forenoon at the high school building, and it will be in session for three days, concluding Friday. On the last day it will be held in connection with the school officers' convention.

The institute opened this morning with a talk by Helen Kennedy on the subject of "Care and Mending of Books," and it was interesting. Following it came the department sessions with talks on the following subjects: "Primary Reading, Standards and How Attained," Ruby E. Shearer; "Intermediate Drawing," Miss Campbell; "Advanced Geography," L. R. Traver; "High School," selected, R. L. Kirk, principal of the high school of this city; rural supervisory district No. 1, county school superintendent Smith; rural supervisory district No. 2, J. W. L. Smith; supervisory district No. 3, Lizzie Cornelius.

After the department sessions came a recess and then the teachers listened to a talk by Professor H. A. Adrian who took for his subject "The School Teacher's Crop." His address was both instructive and entertaining.

Afternoon Program. During the afternoon there was a continuation of the department sessions, and upon their conclusion, Professor H. A. Adrian delivered an address and so did J. H. Ackerman, president of the Monmouth Normal. President Ackerman took for his topic, "The Reciprocal Relation of the Teacher and the Supervisors." He also delivered a second address, taking for his topic, "Forward Movements in Oregon, Past and Future."

This evening Professor Adrian will speak at the high school.

TEACHERS' INSTITUTE IN SESSION

DYNAMITE OR GAS THE QUESTION ITS "HEADS I WIN TAILS YOU LOSE"

Strikers Are Hopeful.

San Francisco, Oct. 18.—Local leaders of the shopmen's strike on the Southern Pacific declare themselves pleased with present prospects in a strike bulletin today, and assert that present signs point to their winning their demands. They allege that the railroad has been forced to abandon a large part of its freight service, and that many passenger trains are running from four to six hours late.

Strike pickets declare that but three of the original cars men are left in the local shops, together with about six imported men. They say nearly 500 cars are unprepared in the yards, and allege that an average of about five cars are being repaired daily, against a previous average of from 40 to 50.

IF JUROR THINKS DYNAMITE WAS USED HE IS A GOOD JUROR IF HE THINKS GAS, HE IS NOT

District Attorney Takes Position That to the Average Layman Seems Indefensible, and It Looks as Though He Was Not Willing to Give McNamara a Fair Trial, But Wanted to Pack the Jury—Darrow Thinks Sauce for the Goose Should Also Satisfy the Gander—Judge Bordwell Reserves Decision on Challenges.

Hall of Records, Los Angeles, Cal., Oct. 18.—Dynamite or gas? The issues in the trial of James B. McNamara, accused of the murder of Charles J. Haggerty in connection with the destruction of the Los Angeles Times, were squarely joined today.

he believed, however, that a ventriloquist who was set in the belief that the Times was destroyed by a gas explosion, and, therefore, accidental, could not be qualified as a juror.

It is now of record that the state will insist on a dynamite plot in proving its corpus delicti, while the defense will resist this at all times, by trying to show the explosion to have been due to gas, and the death of the 21 men who lost their lives to have been accidental.

Darrow expressed his gratification that the issues were at last squarely joined. He said it would simplify matters, as both sides would be able to try to qualify jurors who had no opinion regarding the cause. The morning session was marked by a sensational rebuke administered to both sides. Darrow and Fredericks had indulged in personalities over an opinionated ventriloquist, and Judge Bordwell emphatically informed them that such tactics would not be tolerated.

The joining of the issues followed the interposition of a challenge for cause by the defense of Ventriloquist George W. McKee, heretofore accepted by them. It developed over night that he was on record as believing that dynamite caused the Times disaster.

"This trial will proceed in an orderly and lawful manner," said the court, "and deviations from this rule will not be tolerated."

The state strenuously resisted excusing this ventriloquist for this cause. District Attorney Fredericks took the position that that, even though a man believed that dynamite or other high explosive was used, he would still be a fair juror, if he did not have the opinion that McNamara actually placed the explosive. He said

At the close of the morning session Judge Bordwell had reserved decision on challenges for cause interposed by the defense against two ventriloquist, George W. McKee and Otto A. Jensen, both of whom had admitted having positive opinions that the Times was destroyed by dynamite.

WANT TAFT TO BECOME AN ANGEL

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Los Angeles, Cal., Oct. 18.—The pioneers of Los Angeles today invited President Taft to make his home in this city when the time arrives that he shall have completed his labors as president of the United States. The letter to President Taft inviting him to make his residence in Los Angeles said in part:

"We believe that a permanent residence in Los Angeles is the greatest blessing which can be bestowed upon a human being, and we respectfully invite you to join us here."

BEN WHITE HIT BY A SKIDDING AUTO

To be struck by a skidding automobile, on the corner of State and Commercial streets and to be hurled up against a tree and escape with but a few minor bruises, was the experience of Ben White today.

The automobile was driven by Henry Turner and was coming south on Commercial. When he reached State, he made a sharp turn, and the machine skidded, striking Ben White, who was standing on the curb talking to a friend. White was hurled up against a tree and suffered a cut over the eye and a few minor injuries.

SAME RESULTS ONLY QUICKER RETURNS

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Tacoma, Oct. 18.—R. S. Taulbee, who slipped away to sea with 15-year-old Frances Arnold, when they were refused a marriage license, must serve from one to ten years in the penitentiary for abduction. Both he and the girl are still willing to marry, but her family objects.

HIGH SCHOOL AT LOS ANGELES IS DESTROYED

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Los Angeles, Cal., Oct. 18.—The Union high school building, at Huntington Park, was totally destroyed by fire today, entailing a loss of \$65,000. With absolutely no water pressure, the firemen were absolutely powerless, and stood by and watched the handsome structure destroyed.

SECRETARY CLEANED UP STATE HOUSE

Secretary of State Olcott today awarded a contract for the painting of the interior of the elevator shaft at the state house to H. M. Buel, and when the work is completed the state house will have been cleaned up, as the secretary put it, "this morning, from 'cellar to dome'."

The general clean up work was done by convicts from the penitentiary. The basement, which had not been cleaned for a number of years, was completely renovated, and many articles of furniture which were stored in it, removed and put into service in the various institutions.

Opera Singer Divorced.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] New York, Oct. 18.—Olive Fremstad, opera singer, announced, on her arrival from Europe today, that she was divorced from Edson W. Sutphen, on July 11.

She and Sutphen were among the first to escape from San Francisco at the time of the big fire. They went to Salt Lake, and married there. Her divorce was secured through charges of misconduct and unfaithfulness.

"LEMONS" ARE IN FAVOR OF WILSON

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Los Angeles, Cal., Oct. 18.—That Governor Woodrow Wilson, of New Jersey, will receive the solid vote of the California delegation for the presidential nomination at the Democratic convention next year is the belief of some of the leading Democrats of Los Angeles. In expressing himself as satisfied that Wilson will have a solid delegation from this state, Lorin A. Handley, city clerk of Los Angeles, said:

"Wilson is the sort of progressive that the Democrats of this state want to see in the presidential chair. I have every reason to believe that the California and Iowa delegations will be instructed to vote for Woodrow Wilson for president and Joseph Folk, of Missouri for vice-president."

MAY PHOTOGRAPH THE BOOKS AND PAPERS

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Indianapolis, Ind., Oct. 18.—Books, papers and records of the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers, of which John J. McNamara is secretary, may play an important part in the trial of the McNamaras on the Times dynamiting charge in Los Angeles.

Denied permission to bring the exhibits to California, the prosecuting attorneys in the McNamara case today asked permission to inspect and photograph these documents in the criminal court here.

The request will be considered Friday, October 20.

Killed by Crab.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Seattle, Oct. 18.—The bodies of Mr. and Mrs. N. F. Duncan were found in their room on Twenty-sixth avenue at noon today. They had been eating crabs and it is thought they were poisoned.

Killed by Falling Wall.

Kansas City, Oct. 18.—Two persons were killed and 12 injured here today when a portion of the walls of the Fowler packing plant, recently burned, collapsed. The fire had weakened the walls of the building.

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INSANE MAN PUTS ONE OVER THE ENGINEERS

Despite that engineers gave it as their opinion that the feat could not be accomplished, Axel Marcus, a Swedish sailor and inmate of the state hospital for the insane, with the assistance of about 200 other inmates, raised a flag pole on the new park at the asylum grounds yesterday, and it marked an important event in the history of the institution, so far as the inmates were concerned.

The pole was 136 1/2 feet in length and lay flat on the ground. The problem of raising it was submitted to several employees of the institution, and they contended that it could not be done by blocks and tackles, as suggested by Marcus. Having confidence in his judgment, Dr. Steiner, superintendent of the institution, put him in charge of the work, and with about 200 inmates pulling on the ropes, the sailor had the satisfaction, after several hours' labor, of seeing it raised.

The event was witnessed by Secretary of State Olcott, Ralph Watson, private secretary to Governor West, and several other state officials.

STRIKERS OPTIMISTIC

Los Angeles, Cal., Oct. 18.—The striking shopmen of the Southern Pacific will gather this afternoon in a big labor mass meeting and listen to reports from other points where the strike is in progress. The strike leaders are jubilant over the way the men are "standing pat" and feel that the strike is as good as won. Mother Jones is to be the principal speaker at the mass meeting.

WILL AWARD EDISON THE NOBLE PRIZE

Stockholm, Sweden, Oct. 18.—It is reported today that Thomas A. Edison will be awarded the Noble Prize this year for his distinguished achievements in physics.

The prize consists of one-fifth of the annual interest from a \$9,000,000 fund left in 1896 by Alfred B. Noble for rewarding the services of the world of those who make the most distinguished advances in the five branches of physics, chemistry, medicine, literature and peace.

COST COMPANY \$612.80 TO UN-DISSOLVE ITSELF

Six hundred and twelve dollars and fifty cents is the sum it cost the Portland Irrigation company to be reinstated in the corporation department of the secretary of state, so that it could make a transfer of its property to the Northwest Townsite company.

The Portland Irrigation company about 10 years ago undertook to reclaim a tract of land near Paisley, but failed, because of lack of money. Later it made arrangements to transfer its interest in the project to the Northwest Townsite company, but to effect a legal transfer it was necessary for it to be reinstated as a corporation, as it had been dissolved because of a failure to pay its annual license for several years. The fees for reinstatement amounted to \$612.80.

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