

# GIVE UP THE CHASE

JAPANESE UNABLE TO BRING KUROPATKIN TO BAY.

# WEARY TROOPS AT REST

MAIN PART OF RUSSIAN ARMY NOW SAFELY AT MUKDEN.

Stories on Surrender on Retreat From Liao Yang Almost Incredible—Position of Oyama's Men Unknown.

ST. PETERSBURG.—It seems to be definitely established that Field Marshal Oyama's tired troops abandoned the attempt to head off General Kuropatkin, whose army has arrived safely at Mukden after a frightful experience in floundering through mud and moreover the Manchurian road.

It is evident that the last determined effort of the Japanese to bring Kuropatkin to bay has been made but the Russian commander-in-chief faced about two corps with artillery and beat off the Japanese, while the remainder of the troops continued the march to Mukden. After that the Japanese could only hang onto the flanks and try to shell the retreating columns from the hills.

The outposts are still in contact, but they are not even exchanging shots.

An impenetrable curtain seems to have been rung down on the exact situation at the theater of war. The lack of news here concerning the details of the Russian retreat to Mukden and the movements of the Japanese armies may be described as complete. Even the meagre reports published in the foreign press are not fully communicated to the Russian papers, and for three days practically no newspaper dispatches have been coming through from the front.

MUKDEN.—All continues quiet at Mukden. All anxiety regarding the Russian transport is over. The Japanese have crossed the Shakhe and are now resting. Only the Russian and Japanese outposts are in direct contact. Thousands of wounded are being sent north.

The Russo-Japanese bank at Mukden has been closed and the civil authorities are preparing to leave.

The Russian retreat here has been accomplished without losses and with the precision of a review at Krasnoy-Selo. The accumulation of wounded between Liao Yang and Mukden tested to the utmost the resources of the Red Cross. Most of the transport was carried in the roughest kind of two wheeled carts, but the arrangements for providing the troops with food along the line of retreat worked magnificently. During the five days from August 30 to September 4, 12,300 wounded were treated in Red Cross ambulances, the sisters of mercy vying with the doctors in physical courage and resistance to fatigue.

### The Big Strike is Off

CHICAGO.—The strike of the butcher workman, which has demoralized the meat-picking industry throughout the country for the last two months, was officially declared off by President Michael J. Donnelly of the amalgamated meat cutters and butcher workmen of America. Mr. Donnelly telegraphed the members of the national executive committee asking their consent to the announcement of the end of the strike, having received favorable answers from all, he declared that the strike of the members of his organization would end.

The strike of the members of the affiliated unions at the stock yards who quit work in sympathy with the butchers, will be officially called off at a meeting of the conference board of the allied trades. This was decided upon at a meeting of the central body of the allied trades.

The general body was at first in favor of continuing the strike, but Mr. Donnelly, who was present, announced that the men were defeated and that in order to save his union from being entirely disrupted he would order his men to return to work no matter what course might be taken by other unions. As the other unions had no grievances, but had gone on strike to aid the butchers, there was nothing left for them but to follow the lead of Mr. Donnelly, and they too, decided to call off the strike as far as they were concerned.

# REPORT ARTILLERY DUEL

HUNDREDS OF GUNS KEEP UP INCESSANT FIRE.

Has to Be Remembered—Lack of News From St. Petersburg Very Trying to the Public—Transport Trains Meet Difficulties.

# GENERAL KUROPATKIN'S HEADQUARTERS IN THE FIELD

—The artillery battle which raged before Liao Yang from early morning until darkness broke from foe, was certainly one of the most stupendous and spectacular of history. The combined armies of Japan, with the exception of a part of the force under General Kuroki, concentrated their batteries against the Russian lines under General Kuropatkin, and several hundred guns, probably not less than 300 upon each side, were worked incessantly for twelve hours. Even after nightfall and in the driving storm of wind and rain that swept over the field of battle, the conflict did not cease entirely, for Russian shells are bursting over the hills before the Japanese positions. Not a one of the number of guns in action, but their incessant and rapid fire made the conflict remarkable.

From a high mountain almost over the nearest Russian batteries the foreign attaches and news papers correspondents with General Kuroki's army had a view of fighting which probably never will be surpassed. Liao Yang, a small Chinese walled city, with a gray pagoda towering from its center, stands on the southern bank of the Taitse river. The observers noted the yellow roofs of military storehouses on the outskirts of the city. From the city the river sweeps in a broad curve to the southwest road and then takes a turn to the north. To the northwest of Liao Yang there extends a great plain, while to the east and south range upon range, are the mountains through which the Japanese armies advanced to the theater of one of the decisive battles of this struggle.

Some of the Russian guns were aligned in an almost broken horseshoe around the plain to the south and east of Liao Yang others were posted about five miles from the city, still other detached batteries were facing the west from a group of hills on the extreme Russian right, while another range of hills behind the city, facing the east bank of the river, furnished positions for the Russian batteries, protecting the railroad and rear of the army. The Japanese guns in the mountains formed an irregular line twenty miles or more in length.

ST. PETERSBURG.—The lack of news from the front of either official or newspaper dispatches is very trying to the public. In spite of the assurance that General Kuropatkin's army is out of danger, no word from Kuropatkin has been given out for thirty-six hours, and not a single newspaper dispatch after than September 6 has been received. The emperor has received some additional details showing the tremendous difficulties encountered in accomplishing the retreat over the Mandarin road to Mukden, from which it is easy to imagine the horrible picture of the army and the baggage transport trains floundering northward over a road converted by torrents of rain into a river of mud.

An instance is given where the wheels of a gun drawn by six horses sank in the mud up to the breach. Four additional horses were harnessed to the piece but the ten horses were unable to budge.

### Stand Aloof From Church

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah.—The democratic state convention nominated James H. Moyle of Salt Lake City for governor; Judge O. W. Powers for congressman, and adopted a platform which reflects the recent renewal of charges of church interference in the politics, and the re-organization of an anti-church party by denying the right of any power to dictate political nominations.

The platform contained the following plank:

"The democratic party neither seeks nor fears the interference of any ecclesiastical power with the expression of popular will at the polls, and denies the right of any power of any man or set of men to dictate political nominations or to control political conventions. We hold that American citizens are politically free and equal and the people alone should wield this power."

# VOTE TO STAY OUT

STRIKE OF BUTCHERS SEEMS DESTINED TO DRAG.

# DEMAND BETTER TERMS

MEN AT CHICAGO STRONGLY OPPOSE RETURNING.

Leaders Now in a Quandary as to What Shall Be Next Step—Conference Declined by the Packers.

CHICAGO.—The strikers voted to continue the stock yards struggle until better terms can be secured, their leaders to night are in a quandary as to what the next move shall be.

When the result of the vote of the men, defeating the proposition to return to work was announced today it was stated by union officials that a second ballot would be ordered at once. Shortly after the announcement was made, however, the plan was abandoned and effort were begun to secure another conference with the packers. In this the strikers were successful, and then a second announcement was made that the order issued last week, placing all meat on the unfair list would go into effect tonight. While arrangements were being made to put this order into effect it was suddenly discovered by some of the leaders that the allied trades conference board would have to give their consent to the order before it could be enforced and that it would be impossible to put the manifest into effect to night, as the allied trades conference board would not be able to arrange for a meeting of its members until tomorrow. It was then stated that the central organization would meet at 11 o'clock to consider the question.

OMAHA, Neb., The packing house strikers in South Omaha voted to return to work on the basis of settlement named by President Donnelly. The figures of the vote were not given out by the leaders, but Vice President Vail of the butchers' union stated that the men had voted by a large majority to return to work. At headquarters the men expressed themselves against continuing the strike further, and generally used their influence to secure a vote favorable to declaring the strike off.

SIOUX CITY, Ia., Three hundred strikers met in labor temple and took a referendum vote on the proposition made by the packers. It is unofficially reported that by a majority of ten the vote was favorable to returning to work on the terms offered. C. H. McGuire, president of the hog butchers' union, would not announce the result of the vote.

KANSAS CITY, Mo.—The local unions in the packing trades in the two Kansas cities voted to continue the present strike until the packers should be brought to terms.

EAST ST. LOUIS, Ill.—According to unofficial reports of the vote taken at a meeting of the striking butchers, it was decided to return to work and abandon the strike. The vote it is stated, was 1,761 in favor of returning to work and 511 in favor of continuing the strike. Officers of the union refused to either affirm or deny these figures officially.

### Refuse to Quit Work

TRINIDAD, Col.—It was learned tonight at the headquarters of the union coal miners here that only 30 non-union men had responded to the call of President Howells of district No. 15, united mine workers of America for all non-union employees in district 15 to quit work today and join the men who have been on strike since last November. It was also stated at the headquarters that a large number of men had left their work at the Hastings Victor Fuel company and the Tabasco Colorado Fuel and Iron company's camp, but that the guards employed by the coal companies refused to let the men leave camp. General Superintendent Kebler of the Colorado Fuel and Iron company and D. A. Chappel, president of the Victor Fuel company deny this and both declare that a few men only have responded to the call, and so far as their respective companies are concerned the call might as well never have been made. The strike since November 9, has been directed against the Colorado Fuel and Iron company, and the Victor Fuel company.

# THEY HOPE TO GET AWAY

RUSSIAN ARMY CONTINUES ITS PERILOUS MARCH.

Mukden Not the Positive Goal, But Plans of Kuropatkin Hardly Clear—Disappointment at St. Petersburg.

ST. PETERSBURG.—While insisting that Marshal Oyama missed his main object at Liao Yang, most of the Russian papers do not disguise their profound disappointment over the result of the battle of Liao Yang. The Russky Invalid, organ of the army, however, is of the opinion that General Kuropatkin both strategically and technically get everything possible out of Liao Yang, saying:

"It enabled him to cope with an army very much superior to his. Field Marshal Olama was compelled to waste several tens of thousands of men to capture a position which is of no importance now that Kuropatkin has left. It is evident that Olama's plans aims carried since he failed to surround and inflict a decisive blow on the Russian army."

The other view is represented by the Huss as follows:

"The fact that Kuropatkin was compelled to leave Liao Yang has not only military but political significance. It is no use concealing the fact that the evacuation of Liao Yang was a surprise for the Russians. Everybody was led to believe that the hour had arrived for a decisive struggle. It was thus we interpreted Kuropatkin's telegram saying the men were thirsting for an opportunity to meet the foe."

"Dashing our hopes means a prolongation of the campaign. The moment for taking the offensive is now indefinitely postponed. This will inevitably influence the fate of Port Arthur and the further development of the Japanese operation. The evacuation of Liao Yang will have an effect upon China, which already in a state of nervous tension under the influence of the Japanese agitation. The Japanese, of course, will do their best to restore Mukden to China, and China must foot the bill. We cannot deceive our selves any longer with the idea that by retreating into the heart of Manchuria we are gaining time and adding to our forces whereas the Japanese are lengthening their line of communication and therefore losing strength. Our ideas of the military strength of Japan were far from correct. It is now known that they can increase their forces as well as we can. We fully believe in our ultimate success, but it is idle to blink at facts. We shall have to make a heavy sacrifice in order to protect the vital interests of the empire."

Viceroy Alexieff is on his way from Harbin to Mukden.

It is understood that Russia is trying to negotiate for the purchase of the British steamer Calchas, captured by the Vladivostok squadron while on her way from Puget sound to Japan.

Prices in the bourse were again weak. Russian fous fell another quarter of a point.

### Ten Thousand See Mill

BULTE, Mont.—After twenty rounds of the fiercest milling ever witnessed in this city, "Battling" Nelson of Chicago, before ten thousand persons was this afternoon given the decision of Aurora Herrera the Mexican. From the tap of the bell of the opening round, the two lightweights waded into each other with hammer and tongs. Nelson carried the fight to Herera almost without cessation throughout the twenty rounds. Herrera scored the only knock-down of the fight, sending the Chicago man to the floor with a hard hit on the jaw, and Nelson took the count to nine. Under the rules Herera was obliged to return to his corner and before he could get to Nelson again the latter was in fighting trim.

In the twentieth round Herera went after Nelson in a wild manner, his blows being cleverly blocked by the Chicago man, who sent his left and right to the Mexican's body with telling effect. The men fought for a purse of \$3,500, 60 per cent for the winner and 40 per cent for the loser.

### Dedicated a Tented City

DENVER.—A tented city built under the auspices of the Jewish consumption relief society, where consumptives, regardless of creed or financial condition, will be housed and treated, has been dedicated.

# NEBRASKA NOTES

Chadron held a world's fair midway and street carnival last week. Mary Slovoda of Crab Orchard started the fire with gasoline. She may live.

A light frost is reported in the vicinity of Ashland on Saturday and Sunday nights.

Will Barnett of Table Rock was thrown from his buggy on Sunday and was seriously injured.

William Fogarty of Gretna died suddenly of heart disease. He was 40 years of age and located there in 1856.

Lincoln auto enthusiasts are talking of having a big race meet at the fair grounds during the week in October.

The Rev. Peter Van Fleet, at one time a pastor at Table Rock, is visiting friends in that town. He is now stationed in Porto Rico.

W. B. Sloan, a Nebraska City druggist, was arrested on the charge of violating the cocaine ordinance. His hearing will be in October.

The Rev. A. Larsen, pastor of the Danish Lutheran church at Orum, has been called to accept the pulpit in the Lutheran church at Thor, Ia.

A tiny baby was found on the doorstep of Richard Sampson's farm house northwest of Seward. Mr. Sampson has been unable to ascertain who are the parents of the little one.

The Rev. S. W. Richards, pastor of the Blair Baptist church has tendered his resignation, to take effect December 1. He expects to quit the ministry for a time, and may engage in business of some kind at Blair.

The Lincoln auditorium will be opened as a theater and skating rink this winter by the Lincoln Commercial club. By November 1 the roller skating rink will be installed. The theater was opened last Thursday evening.

John P. Andreson, for the past eighteen years a groceryman at Beatrice, dropped dead in his store. He had stepped back to the rear of the room to use the telephone, when he suddenly dropped to the floor and expired.

D. K. Miller, president of the Table Rock bank, who was severely hurt by the stumbling and falling of the pony he was riding, ten days or more since, is still unable to be out, being confined to his room by a badly sprained ankle.

Watt and Wilber Scott two barbers of Beatrice were arrested on complaint sworn out by Henry Schmutte, proprietor of the bath house, charging them with assault with intent to do great bodily harm. They were released on bonds of \$100 each pending their hearing.

The Papillion schools reopened with full attendance and the following list of teachers: Prof. Slothower of the high school, Miss Mays of the grammar room, Miss Emukey of the intermediate, Miss Carpenter of the second primary and Miss McGlin of the primary room.

The Nebraska state commissioners to the Louisiana Purchase exposition met and arranged a program for the fitting observance of "Nebraska Day," October 18, at the fair. This date was chosen because it will be the fifteenth anniversary of the inauguration of the first territorial government of Nebraska.

Adam Heshelmer, a bartender at Lincoln, was stabbed by a stranger early Sunday morning while going from the saloon to a lunch wagon. The cutting was the result of a quarrel. The stranger made his escape, and has not been apprehended. Heshelmer's wounds are serious, and will likely prove fatal.

Ralph Bennett, son of Dr. Bennett, of Beatrice, was kicked by a horse and three ribs broken. A few moments later Kenneth Leitch was kicked by the same horse and had a gash cut over his left eye. Young Bennett was driving the animal when it became fractious, something getting wrong with the harness.

The Richardson County Rural Free Delivery, a section unit in Verdon Saturday evening. The object of the meeting was to effect solid membership of all the carriers of the county and make arrangements for the national meeting in St. Louis, September 14, 15, 16 and 17. All but five of the eighteen carriers in the county are now members of the organization.