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ALLIANCE, NEBRASKA.

What has become of all the people who used to yearn to discover the north pole?

Mrs. Oelrich's white ball wasn't advertised as a "society circus," but it was a real one.

The Hague tribunal is still shut down, but the Krupp gun works are going day and night.

An Orange, N. J., man has invented asbestos clothing. There's nothing like preparing for the future.

Having one foot in Tibet, Mr. Bull may be depended upon to lose no time in inserting a shoulder.

Reports from Delaware are to the effect that the peach crop is splendid. This is indeed a remarkable summer.

Maybe the sultan acquired that habit of prostration in trying to post one getting things demanded by his wives.

The ladies of Newport—not counting Harry Lehr—are said to be wearing \$5,000,000 worth of diamonds this season.

Mrs. Astor offers a reward for the return of a lost puppy. Several youths of the 400 are reported to have gone into hiding.

Patti will now make an autotour of the United States. Is this a new form of farewell that is about to be sprung on us?

While searching for "Krugers millions" off the South African coast, 25 persons have been drowned. Are the millions worth it?

Red hair is now said to be a sign of degeneracy, but it has not yet been made clear to us where the proverbial gray horse comes in.

A Harvard professor has discovered on the moon a spot that is three miles across. Perhaps it's some moon farmer's potato patch.

Sir Thomas Lipton will indulge in another season of jolly fellowship in this country, accompanied by another slow but sure Shamrock.

If that no-hat fad could be extended so as to include the women before next Easter a large number of married men would adopt it with enthusiasm.

The population of the world, according to the latest estimate, is 1,567,419,233. But these figures were published before Col. Alexis Romanoff was born.

A late book of etiquette says biscuits should not be opened with the fingers. Some of 'em need to be opened with prayer and a stick of dynamite.

A man up in New Jersey has been so thoroughly done up by mosquitoes that he is now at death's door. When the door is closed the skeeters will let him alone.

Even a poor guesser can foresee what sort of report King Leopold will make after his investigation of his own administration of the misgoverned Congo Free State.

After having robbed a citizen of Connecticut of \$5,000 it was mean for confidence men to write their victim that he was an old fool. Even Wall street would not be so inconsiderate.

The old-fashioned daguerreotype is to be revived. The old-fashioned bloom that our grandmothers wore in the heyday of their youth and beauty should certainly be revived with it.

Pennsylvania barbers, it is said, will refuse to cut the hair of a man who shaves himself. This brings up the question, will a wife who truly loves her husband learn to cut his hair for him?

It is stated that 1,200 wires have been inclosed in a telephone cable two and one-half inches in diameter. Think of the sulphurous thoughts that might be engendered if all these lines were "busy" at once.

The Savannah Morning News recently bloomed forth in a little editorial essay on "How to Live on Small Incomes." That's one subject that the average newspaper man really knows something about.

A Chicago bank clerk left \$8,000 in an elevated car. Still, it must be admitted that in spite of the general prosperity we are enjoying there are people in Chicago who would not be likely to forget even \$8,000.

The London Lancet complains that England's educational system does not give the girls proper instruction concerning the duties of motherhood. What's the use, since the fashion is to turn the duties of motherhood over to the nurses?

The Atlanta Constitution refers to that city's milk supply as "unlabeled poison." We can, at least, congratulate our esteemed contemporary upon its faculty of epigrammatic expression, whatever may be the case with its milk of human kindness.

LEAVE LAO YANG

RUSSIANS WITHDRAW TO THE LEFT BANK OF TAITSE RIVER.

ADVANCE OF THE JAPANESE

Kuroki's Army Crosses the River on Pontoon Bridge—Japanese Casualties Since August 29 Estimated at Ten Thousand.

TOKIO.—The Japanese left began pressing the Russians toward Tasho at dawn Friday morning. The Japanese right is engaged in the neighborhood of Heiyangtai.

The Japanese casualties since August 29 are officially estimated at 10,000.

ST. PETERSBURG.—The news of the occupation of Liao Yang by the Japanese and the withdrawal of the Russian army to the right bank of the Taitse river reached only a small section of the people of St. Petersburg at a late hour and caused intense excitement and disappointment. The majority of the inhabitants retired to rest believing that Russians arms had again been successful and that the Japanese attacks had been repelled. Very suspicious, however, have been rifle during the day, owing to the absence of press telegrams from Liao Yang, leading to the belief that the communications had been cut by General Kuroki.

The following statement was obtained by the Associated Press from the war office at 10 o'clock Thursday night:

"General Kuroki's army crossed in force to the right bank of the Taitse river, and it therefore became necessary for the Russians to be in a position to repel a blow in this direction.

"In view of this development in the operations General Kuropatkin decided to abandon his positions on the left bank and to concentrate his whole army on the other side of the river. This position is the strongest both in character and in site. The great issue will finally be decided there.

"By withdrawing to this position, the Russian army avoids the necessity of being divided by the river and enjoys the advantage of compactness.

"General Kuropatkin's move, therefore, is not to be considered as a retreat, but rather as the carrying out of a well defined idea."

The withdrawal of the Russians to the right bank involved the abandonment of Liao Yang, which is situated on the left bank. The Japanese took advantage of this to occupy the city, but the sternest part of the fighting is still before them unless General Kuropatkin decides at the last hour to again fall back to the northward. It is more than likely, however, that he will decide to fight to a finish. The cards are all in his favor, it is believed, now that he has the Japanese divided by the river, thus effectually turning the tables up his foe.

CANNOT FIND RUSSIAN SHIPS.

British Cruisers Fail to Take Message to Volunteer Vessels.

LONDON.—The efforts of the British cruisers of the Cape of Good Hope squadron to establish communication with the Russian volunteer fleet steamers Smolensk and St. Petersburg have thus far failed. The admiralty received late Thursday afternoon a dispatch from Rear Admiral Durnford announcing that none of his ships had caught sight of or had heard by wireless telegraphy from either of the Russian cruisers. He was directed to continue the search and another cruiser was ordered to report to him and join the search.

In Russian diplomatic circles it is said that it is not surprising that neither of the Russian cruisers had put into an African port to coal, for the reason that before they sailed Black sea colliers preceded them with instructions to transfer coal at certain specified points.

Subway Muddle Yet Unsettled.

NEW YORK.—Another fruitless effort to settle the threatened trouble between the Interborough Rapid Transit company and the employees was made by committees representing both interests. At the conclusion, which was held at the home of August Belmont, the announcement was made that no agreement had been reached. Mr. Belmont was of the opinion that the situation would be adjusted without serious trouble. Assistant Grand Chief Stone of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers thought differently.

Russian Steamer Goes Down.

TOKIO.—A Russian steamer engaged in clearing the channel at Port Arthur struck a mine and was destroyed.

Russian Crews Told to Leave.

SHANGHAI.—Repair work on the Russian cruiser Askold and torpedo boat destroyer Grozovoi has been stopped by the order of the British minister, the dock at which the repairs are being made being owned by British citizens. China has ordered that the paroled crews of the Askold and Grozovoi return to Russia. The Japanese consul notified the consuls of neutral nations that any ship leaving port with crews of the Askold and Grozovoi will be captured by Japanese warships still outside the harbor.

RACE QUESTION THE ISSUE.

The South Wrought Up Against Roosevelt.

ESOPUS, N. Y.—Senator Asbury C. Latimer of South Carolina was the only political visitor at Rosemont. After leaving Rosemont Senator Latimer said:

"I came to tell Judge Parker that the south stands ready to send a host of orators north to help in the campaign against Roosevelt. Every speaker in the south is prepared to assist in this work in the north. The south is solid, not so much against republicanism as against the personality of Roosevelt. The race question, as fathered by Roosevelt, will be the chief issue against him."

The announcement by David B. Hill of his contemplated retirement January 1 occasioned much interest in Esopus today, but Judge Parker refused to comment on it.

INTENSE ANXIETY PREVAILS

Battle Now in Progress May Put an End to the War.

ST. PETERSBURG.—Even late Monday night the greatest uncertainty prevails regarding the actual situation at Liao Yang. There is intense anxiety for definite news from the front, but even the authorities are frankly ignorant as to whether or not the long expected decisive action will be fought at Liao Yang or further north.

It is possible that a great battle is now proceeding and there are many indications that such is the case.

If this is so, the fate of this year's campaign may be settled within forty-eight hours. At the same time, opinion is almost equally divided, many believing that General Kuropatkin will not make a determined stand and that the Japanese will crack the shell, only to find that the bird has flown.

PULLMAN SHOPS TO CLOSE.

Seven Thousand Men Will Be Out of Employment.

CHICAGO.—The great shops of the Pullman company are to shut down on September 1 and thousands of men employed in the various departments of the car building corporation will be without work. Thirty thousand people at Pullman and in the surrounding towns will be affected.

When the Pullman company is working on the full time 7,000 persons are employed. During the last few months owing to a lack of new orders, men have been laid off, 600 and 400 at a time, until now the force does not amount to more than 2,000. These men are engaged in finishing the construction of cars already under way, and when these are ready for the rails the shops will be closed and the plant rendered idle. The plant may remain closed for more than a month.

IS A GAME OF GIVE AND TAKE.

Forts Change Hands Repeatedly at Port Arthur.

CHE FOO.—A Chinese who lived near Rihlungshan declares that he saw the Russians occupying this fort, from which previous reports stated that they had been driven. Probably both reports were correct at the time they were current, as semi-official advice state that many positions about the fortress change hands repeatedly. The fighting, which began on the 27th soon became general. While the Chinese were at sea August 28, the heavy firing was resumed.

Two junks containing contraband of war were sunk by a Japanese torpedo boat ten miles off Liaotai promontory.

It is said that fort No. 5 has changed hands four times and is now unoccupied.

WORE LIBERAL TO FINLAND.

Policy of Russification Possibly Suspended.

ST. PETERSBURG.—The imperial decree concerning the Finnish diet not only convokes it this year, but makes provisions for its meetings three years hence, thus foreshadowing regular meetings of the diet at intervals of not less than five years, in accordance with the letter of the Finnish constitution, for the first time since the grand duchy came under Russian sovereignty. That such a step has been taken possibly indicates the suspension of the policy of the Russification of Finland to which the late Minister of the Interior Pichev was committed.

Negro Lynched at Laramie.

LARAMIE, Wyo.—Joe Martin, colored, was lynched by a mob of 300 men in front of Judge Carpenter's house at 8 o'clock Monday night. Martin was a trusty in the county jail. He attacked Della Krause, a white girl employed in the jail kitchen, and slashed her face and arms with a knife. One man was injured by Martin when they were entering the jail to drag him out.

Baltic Brings Two Thousand.

NEW YORK.—What is said to be the largest number of steerage passengers ever brought from Great Britain in a single vessel arrived Thursday on the steamship Baltic, which brought 2,000 passengers in the steerage, in addition to 671 in the cabins, making a total of 3,124 persons on board, including the crew. Among the steerage passengers were a number of returned Americans. William Riley, a well known cattleman, was in the steerage, having completed his 20th and trip across the Atlantic.

TWO BIG ARMIES

NOW LOCKED IN A DEATH STRUGGLE FOR SUPREMACY.

THE SECOND DAY'S CONFLICT

Nearly Half a Million Men Engaged in a Battle That May Mean a Crushing Defeat for One Side or the Other.

ST. PETERSBURG.—With the knowledge that the Russian and Japanese armies about Liao Yang are locked in a death struggle the tension in St. Petersburg is strained to the utmost. It is believed here that the fight cannot stop short of the crushing defeat of one side or the other.

All reports so far are favorable to the Russians, though the suspension of all news for many hours has been exceedingly trying and has given rise to several rumors, somewhat tempering the earlier enthusiasm. It is stated officially, however, that the report that the railway and telegraph have been cut north of Liao Yang is untrue.

A member of the general staff said to the Associated Press at midnight: "I can assure you that up to this hour communication with Liao Yang has not been interrupted. General Kuropatkin has taken particular precautions against any attempt to cut the railway. While it is always possible that a small raiding party might slip through the Russian patrols or that hired Chinese bandits might cut the wire, it is a fair supposition that this has not been done."

The highest military authorities here consider that the most critical stage of the battle has not yet been reached, and they believe the fight may continue for some time before either side acknowledges defeat. This is an important consideration by the light of which to interpret any immediate news. It is thought here that in view of the numbers engaged, the desperateness of the assaults and the length of the line (about seven miles), the losses in the two days' fighting cannot fall short of 10,000 on each side. Both sides are straining every nerve, realizing that the fortunes of war for a whole year are in the scale, and neither side is in the mood or the position to spare men in the effort to achieve a final victory.

The battle of Liao Yang will probably rank as one of the great sanguinary battles of history. It is estimated by the general staff that the Japanese armies engaged number seven divisions of 15,000 men each, or allowing for inefficients, about 240,000 men. Each division has thirty-six guns, and there are two independent artillery brigades of 100 guns each, making a total of about 800 guns.

The estimates of Russian correspondents range at from 600 to 1,000 guns per side. In the preliminary fighting on Monday the Russians captured 200 prisoners, who have already arrived at Harbin, and report persists that they captured over forty Japanese guns yesterday.

General Kuropatkin's effective forces are variously estimated at from 170,000 to 200,000 men.

The Japanese Wednesday morning attacked three sides of the Russian position. One of the Associated Press correspondents also mentions a Japanese movement to the northeast of Liao Yang, showing that the Japanese were undoubtedly trying to work around Kuropatkin's rear.

One of the surprising phases of the situation is the endurance of the men. They have been engaged desperately for two days, after more or less severe fighting under unfavorable conditions every day since August 24. It would seem that human endurance could not persist much longer without respite of some sort.

MURDERER OF VON PLEHVE.

Question of Whether He Will Be Tried by Court Martial.

ST. PETERSBURG.—The statement in these dispatches last week that Sasonoff, the assassin of Minister of the Interior Von Plehve, had been sentenced to death proves to be incorrect. The question as to whether the assassin will be tried by court martial or by civil court has not yet been decided. This is one of the questions that the new minister of the interior will have to pass upon, the fact that St. Petersburg is technically in a state of siege giving the minister this power.

Balmashoff, the murderer of M. Sipagin, M. Von Plehve's predecessor, was tried by court martial. It is expected that the emperor will appoint a new minister of the interior as soon as he returns from the Don.

Servia to Extend Railroads.

BEIGRADE, Servia.—The government proposes to raise a loan of \$6,000,000 for purposes of extending the railway system of the kingdom.

Nine Persons Killed.

MONTREAL.—Nine persons were killed and twenty-three injured in a head-on collision on the Grand Trunk railway, near Richmond, Que., Tuesday. The trains involved were a special excursion from Montreal bound for Sherbrooke and passenger train No. 5, running between Island Bond, Vt., and Montreal. The collision, it is claimed, was due to neglect of orders on the part of the train crew of the excursion train, which left Richmond without awaiting the arrival of the passenger train.

NEWS IN NEBRASKA

RESOURCES OF NEBRASKA.

It is Shown in a Bulletin that is Being Distributed.

The State Labor bureau has had published a bulletin showing the resources of Nebraska and other items of interest in the state, for distribution at the state fair, every year some literature of this kind has been in demand, but heretofore has not been supplied. The bulletin is a portion of the matter which will be published in the biennial report. It contains tables showing crops and value by counties, live stock by counties, and other matter. As an introduction to the tables the bulletin says:

Nebraska has the largest creamery in the world.

Nebraska has the largest broom factory in the world.

Nebraska has the largest individual cattle feeding station in the world.

Nebraska has the largest and only beet sugar syrup and refining plant in the world.

Nebraska has the second largest smelting works in the world.

Nebraska has the third largest meat packing industry in the world.

Nebraska is the third state in the production of corn.

Nebraska is the fourth state in the production of wheat.

Nebraska is the fourth state in the production of oats.

Nebraska is the fifth state in the production of beet sugar.

Nebraska is the first state in the production of rye.

Nebraska is the fourth state in the production of cattle.

Nebraska is the fourth state in the production of hogs.

Nebraska is the seventh state in the production of horses.

Nebraska is the tenth state in the production of milk cows.

Nebraska is the first state in the production of vine seeds and sugar corn for seed purposes and produces more than all of the balance of the United States combined.

Nebraska has the greatest number of distinct varieties of native pasture and hay grasses of any state in the union.

Nebraska has, in the east half of the state, land of higher agricultural value and producing more products than any equal area in the United States.

Irrigation Agent Moves.

J. C. Stevens, formerly of the state board of irrigation, but now connected with the government survey, will leave Lincoln the first of the month for Denver, where his headquarters will be in the future. Mr. Stevens has just completed taking measurements along the Niobrara for a distance of several hundred miles, and incidentally looking out for irrigable lands. He found little of the land that was fit for irrigation, however. The river runs through a canyon and for many miles is three or four hundred feet deep.

Prout Gets Notice.

LINCOLN.—Attorney General Prout has been advised of the decision of Judge Kelliger in the Nemaha tax litigation. Judge Kelliger overruled the motion to dissolve the injunction restraining the county clerk from apportioning the increase in taxation made by the state board. The case will now be argued. Strong feeling has been manifested against the revenue law in that section of the state, and the suit will be bitterly contested.

Photographer Takes Poison.

FULLERTON.—Lee Richards, photographer of this city, took a dose of strychnine with suicidal intent and is not expected to live. The physicians say he is insane.

Jubilee Week at Holdrege.

HOLDREGE.—Preparations are now complete for the jubilee and agricultural exhibit to be held in this city September 5 to 10. The various townships in the county have organized to exhibit the resources of each section of the county. There will be a special for each day; among them a flower parade, Thursday; the merry makers Friday. The last day, Saturday, will be given up to the traveling men of southwestern Nebraska.

Gigantic Family Monument.

BEATRICE.—A record family monument, which will contain 6,000 pounds of granite, is to be erected by Kilpatrick Bros. in the Kilpatrick burial grounds west of this city. The inscriptions thereon will consist of 600 letters and will cover three generations of the Kilpatrick family.

Adams Elevator Burns.

BEATRICE.—The Samuel Q. Adams elevator at Odell was totally destroyed by fire, entailing a loss of about \$3,500.

Wanted in Minnesota.

YORK.—The alleged forger who has several names is now in the county jail. Sheriff Brott received a message from Albert Lea, Minn., saying if he was not prosecuted hold him until the authorities arrived. The complaint has been filed and he will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law. The man passed a check here under the name of E. H. Seaman. The check was on a bank in Davenport, Ia., and when it was presented payment was refused.

THE STATE AT LARGE.

Bakers of Omaha and Lincoln have increased the price of bread.

The Pioneers and Old Settlers' association of Dakota county held their annual reunion last week, with a large attendance.

The Pawnee county fair will hold its twenty-fourth annual session September 20 to 22. A good fair and plenty of attractions are assured.

Lee Richards, a photographer of Fullerton, took poison with suicidal intent. He is not expected to live. He has a wife and two little children.

Every preparation is being made for the business men's carnival at York, commencing September 12 and ending September 18. At quite an expense the citizens and business men have prepared an entertainment which is said to be the best. Every arrangement will be made to entertain the visitors.

In attempting to fill a gasoline stove while it was burning, Miss Fertig of Albion was severely burned at the residence of ex-Judge Hamilton. The gasoline from the can became ignited and in a moment the girl's clothes were ablaze, but by prompt efforts on the part of those present the blaze was extinguished without fatal results.

Carl Wilson, the only son of Charles Wilson, living three miles south of Table Rock, aged 17 years, shot and accidentally killed himself. The revolver was accidentally discharged while he was examining the weapon. He was shot through the heart and lived but a few moments. The accident occurred in the door yard close to his father's residence.

Deputy State Game Warden D. E. Smith was in Boone county and made three arrests. In one case he found one hunter with two chickens in his possession and the second two hunters with thirteen chickens. The former plead guilty before County Judge Riley. These are the first arrests that have been made in the county this year for violations of the game law.

The good work of the Nebraska Prison association has attracted the attention of the national committee located at Trenton, N. J. Dr. Martin of the local association received a letter from A. M. Fish, chairman of the committee on discharged prisoners, of the national committee, asking for a copy of his report on this matter to be incorporated in the national report.

Frank Barker, convicted of the murder of his brother and his brother's wife, will not be hanged on the day set for his execution. Judge H. G. Hamer filed a petition in error in support of an appeal to the supreme court, and this in itself acts as a stay without the orders of any of the judges. Clerk Lindsay at once issued an order to Warden Beemer to stop the execution.

The National Brick Manufacturing and Construction company, with headquarters at Omaha, filed its articles of incorporation with the secretary of state. The capital stock is \$750,000 and the stockholders are not individually responsible for its debts. The incorporators are E. H. Humphrey, John Ellingsworth and A. J. Minick, and they expect to manufacture brick plants, sell territory and do a general mining business.

Governor Mickey has been asked to extradite A. S. Whitman, now under arrest at Hastings, who is charged with having worked a confidence game on the Knox county bank at Galesburg, Ill. He represented himself to be a member of a Chicago firm, and presented a draft on the Central Trust company of Chicago for \$350. He cashed it on the pretense that he was using the money in a real estate deal near Galesburg.

When Frank McCormick's mother at Crete tried to arouse him the other day, she was unable to do so. At noon she tried it again unsuccessfully and becoming alarmed called in Dr. Sample, who with difficulty restored him to consciousness. It was found that in a fit of despondency, said to have been caused by a misunderstanding with a girl friend, he had taken a dose of chloroform with the apparent intention of ending his life.

Dodge county is this year producing the finest apples ever grown there.

On July 26 last two sons of William Ebke, a farmer living northwest of Beatrice, were struck by Burlington passenger train No. 92 as they were in the act of crossing the track in a buggy at DeWitt. Last week in the county court Mr. Ebke filed suit for \$500 damages against the company, and the company, through its attorneys, Hazlett & Jack, entered a voluntary appearance and judgment was entered against it for \$65. The company claimed no liability, but was willing to pay the doctor bills and enough to repair the buggy.

The elevator of the Central Granaries company at Graf, Johnson county, was damaged by fire to the extent of \$250. Insured.

County Treasurer Russell of Washington county returned from Des Moines, where he had several of his red pigs on exhibition at the state fair. His stock took sweetstakes on boars, any age, open to the world, and sweetstakes on boars, any age, bred by owner. This pen, which consists of three boars and four sows, were on exhibition at the Nebraska state fair.