## News in Brief

Judge Dunne at Chicago issued a writ of mandamus ordering the city to issue a building permit for the remodeling of the fire-stricken Iroquois theatre.

Secretary Loeb, accompanied by Mrs. Loeb, will leave on a vacation trip of three weeks to the Yellowstone National park. They will spend about two weeks in the park.

Bobby Walthour, at Charles River park, at Cambridge, Mass., established a new world's record for pace followers by riding thirty miles, in competition, in 33 minutes 52 3-5 seconds.

The jury of the Salon des Artists Francais, at Paris, has awarded the medal to the American artist Seymour Thomas for his portrait of Henry Vignaud, secretary of the United States embassy.

In California the total area irrigated is 1,703,720 acres. The figures show that in the number of irrigated farms and the total construction cost of irrigation systems California holds first rank.

In the sale of the Princess Mathilde's jewels at Paris a pearl necklace, formerly the property of Queen Sophie of Holland, brought \$171,000. It is said the buyer represented the German empress.

Alderman Charles T. Johnson of Grand Rapids, Mich., indicted for receiving a bribe in the Lake Michigan | Dalny without opposition on last Sunwater deal, appeared in the superior court and pleaded guilty to accepting

The prohibition state convention of Ohio nominated a state ticket, headed by Harold King Rockhill for secretary of state. Delegates-at-large were also elected. The platform declares for prohibition and for woman suffrage.

The United States supreme court ordered a new seal for the court for the first time since 1790. The old seal was the size of a silver dollar. The new seal will be two and one quarter inches in diameter.

Four persons were injured at St. Louis when a Wabash shuttle train, bound for the World's fair grounds, crashed into the rear end of a Colo rado freight train, a short distance outside of the union station.

The royal commission appointed in August, 1901, in England, to inquire into the relation betwween human and animal tuberculosis has arrived at a conclusion justifying the issuance of an interim report, according to which the commission finds that human and identical.

In the case of Elmira Knepper against John A. Sands, the United States supreme court held that pur chases from the railroad company of land granted to the old Sioux City railroad in Iowa did not have a good title as against homesteaders, because the road was never constructed. Sands

held the homestead title. J. M. Neeland, general manager of the Pan-American railroad, announced at Mexico City that he has just award ed the contract to D. P. Doak and as sociates of St. Louis for the construc tion and equipment of that road from Tonala, the present terminus, in the Officer of High Rank Points Out Imstate of Chiapas, to Tapachula, on the frontier of Guatemela.

John Seyfried, a well-known saloonkeeper of St. Joseph, Mo., was murdered by thugs at his place of busi- ed Press: ness early Sunday morning. Seyfried's head was fractured. Circumstances indicate that robbery or revenge, or both, were the motives for the crime. About \$200 was secured. Charles Mack is being held for investigation.

Announcement was made at the general offices of the southwest system of the Pennsylvania lines at Columbus, O., that 1,100 shopmen would be laid off to cut down expenses. It is also announced 462 men in the maintenance department of the Pittsburg division have been suspended for the same reason.

ments being made by the great railroad systems, especially the Pennsylvania railroad, the Westinghouse airbrake plant at Wilmerding, Pa., has cut down the working time of its employes. More than one-half of the 4,000 employes of the plant will work but half and two-thirds of the time.

The body of C. D. Dewey, a relative of Admiral Dewey, was found in a clump of bushes in a pasture in the northwest part of St. Louis, Mr. Dewey disappeared from his home last Wednesday, saying he was going for a walk. The body bore no marks of violence and no bottles of poison could be found about the person of the dead

Grover Cleveland has written a letter declining the invitation to speak in Mexico on July 4.

Captain Lajoie of the Cleveland American league club has been sus pended indefinitely for throwing a quid of tobacco at Umpire Dwyer at Chicago.

Three thousand machinists, employed by the companies that compose the Metal Trades association, went on a strike at Chicago as a protest against the ten-hour day, and practically all of the 115 shops represented in the asso ciation will be closed.

THREE DAYS' BATTLE, IN WHICH

### BOTH SIDES SUFFER.

DETAILED FIGURES ARE LACKING Fight Lasted from Friday Until Monday, the Engagement Occurring Northeast of Feng Wang Cheng, Above Kin Chou.

LIAO YANG.-Continuous firing has taken place northeast of Feng Wang Cheng, and the railway above Kin Chou, since May 27. A sharp action has taken place eastward of Simatsi, thirty-five miles north of Feng Wang Cheng, which lasted from the morning of May 27 until daylight or May 30. Both sides suffered se-

verely. Detailed figures are lacking. The engagement resulted in the Russians retiring on Simatsi, followed cautiously by Japanese detachments.

Three companies of Japanese are reported to have ambushed a patrol of the Nerinsky regiment near Hunsian, wounding three Cossacks. A fourth Cossack had his horse killed under him. Fearing capture, he buried his rifle. He was captured, but subsequently escaped, dug up his rifle and rejoined his regiment.

the railway between stations Vfangoy and Vfandien. The Japanese suffered heavily, and would have been annihilated had not infantry reserves come up and forced the Russians to retire into Vfangfoy.

CHE FOO.-Chinese arriving tonight say that the Japanese occupied

Five hundred Chinese refugees from Port Daing and Talienwan arrived here today. After sifting their conflicting stories, it appears that the Russians left Aalienwan May 26 for Port Arthur, after burning everything likely to be of use to the Japanese. Bandits later took possession of the town, and were pillaging when the Japanese cavalry appeared, May 27. On May 26 the Russians left Port Dalny, previously burning the offices and residences, destroying the railroad and scuttling three merchantmen, the Ze,di Boreia and Nagadan,

and all the dredgers and launches. Some of the refugees also say the Russians destroyed the gunboat Bogatyr, which is believed to have taken part in the batatle of Thursday last at Kin Chou, and three torpedo boats. Others say the vessels returned to

Port Arthur. The docks and piers at Dalny were not destroyed. Bandits occupied the city after the Russians left, and levied tribute on the inhabitants. A Chinese contractor, who had built most of civil rights upon the freed slaves, and boyine tuberculosis are practically Dalny for the Russians, was held for at the same time the stern insistransom, and his clerks killed. The town was still burning May 28, when the refugees started for Che Foo. The Japanese had not appeared at Dalny up to that time.

One junk which was leaving Dalny was sunk by bandits, and fififty persons were drowned.

The Chinese who have arrived here did not leave Dalny or Talienwan because they were afraid of the Russians or Japanese. They fled from the bandits who entered those towns.

### JAPS HAVE LOST HEAVILY.

portance of Victory.

TOKIO-A Japanese officer of high ank made the following statement to the correspondent of the Associat-

The Japanese in attacking Kin Chou and Nanshan hill had to fight against great odds. The Russians were in full command of the strategical advantages afforded by nature and these advantages were augmented by the newest inventions for defense The forts on Nan Shan hill were armed with heavy guns. The Japanese had only field guns, heavy guns being unavailable on account of the difficulties of transportation.

Our army deserves great credit for having driven the Russians from this stronghold; it was a feat previously considered to have been impossible. I Because of the extensive retrench- fear our losses have been heavy, but we have gained the strongest point barring our way to the investment of Port Arthur.

### Situation Bad at Port Arthur.

LONDON .- The Daily Mail's correspondent at New Chwang says: Some Chinese fugitives from Port Arthur. arrived here, describe the situation of the inhabitants there as desperate. Famine prices exist. The cost of provisions increases weekly. Many persons are reduced to eating Chinese food, and even that is dear. Millet flour costs \$6 a bag. Whole streets been wrecked by Japanese shell fire. The hospitals are packed with sick

#### and wounded. New Forts at Port Arthur.

TOKIO .-- Four 'gunboats, two destroyers and two torpedo boats sent to Port Arthur early on Monday morn- Robinson, was shot and killed by Priing by Vice Admiral Togo effected a vate Wilson of O troop. The two men careful reconnoissance, facing a heavy | were carousing in Crawford and the fire from the land batteries. They discovered a new Russian searchlight station and one or two new forts on the Liao Ten Shan promontory. No. 3 gunboat was struck by a shell, which killed one petty officer, injured three men and damaged one of her observe the Russian fleet operations. guns. The other boats escaped with is inside Russian lines at Port Arout damage.

HONOR OF HEROES.

Commemorative Exercises on Field at Gettysburg.

GETTYSBURG, Pa.-On historic Cemetery hill, overlooking ground hallowed by the blood of half a hundred thousand brave men, and in the presence of a concourse of thousands, who had assembled to pay tribute to its memory of the nation's dead, President Roosevelt, on Monday, delivered a notable address. On nearly the same spot, on November 19, 1863, President Lincoln delivered the immortal address enunciating principles which have rung around the world for more than a third of a century.

President Roosevelt was escorted to the cemetery on the battlefield by a body of several hundred veterans of the civil war. The president and his special escort were preceded by several organizations, including a squadron of United States cavalry, the Third United States artillery and the Marine band of Washington, which had been ordered here for the occasion. Mrs. Roosevelt and other members of the president's party followed in cariages. The rear of the procession consisted of civic organizations and citizens in carriages.

Governor Pennypacker presided at the ceremonies, which were held on the rostrum in the cemetery. After the Memorial day services of the Grand Army of the Republic had been concluded and the pupils of the public schools had strewn flowers over Severe fighting is reported along the graves of the thousands of dead, during which ceremony the Marine band played a solemn dirgee, Dr. Edward Everett Hale, chaplain of the United States senate, pronounced the invocation.

Governor Pennypacker then introduced the president, who made a lengthy address, saying, in part:

"The place where we now are has won a double distinction. Here was fought one of the great battles of all time, and here was spoken one of the few speeches which shall last through the ages. As long as this republic endures or its history is known, so long shall the memory of the battle of Gettysburg likewise endure and be known; and as long as the English tongue is understood, so long shall Abraham Lincoln's Gettysburg speech thrill the hearts of mankind.

"The civil war was a great war for righteousness; a war waged for the noblest ideals, but waged also in thoroughgoing, practical fashion. It was one of the few wars which mean, in their successful outcome, a lift toward better things for the nations of mankind. Some wars have meant the triumph of order over anarchy and licentiousness masquerading as liberty; some wars have meant the triumph of liberty over tyranny masquerading as order; but this victorious war of ours meant the triumph of both liberty and order, the triumph of orderly liberty, the bestowal of ence on the supremacy of the national law throughout the length and breadth of the land. Moreover, this was one of those rare contests in which it was to the immeasurable interest of the vanquished that they should lose, while at the same time the victors acquired the precious privilege of transmitting to those who come after them, as a memory of honor forever, not only the memory of their own valiant deeds, but the memory of the deeds of those who no less valiantly and with equal sincerity of purpose, fought against the stars in their courses. The war left to us all, as fellow-countrymen, as brothers, the right to rejoice that the union has been restored in indestructible shape in a country where slavery no longer mocks the boast of freedom, and also the right to rejoice with exultant pride in the courage, the self-sacrifice and the devotion alike of the men who wore the blue and the men who wore the gray."

The president's concluding words were:

"All are at one now, the sons of those who wore the blue and the sons of those who wore the gray, and all can unite in paying respect to the memory of those who fell, each of them giving his life for his duty as he saw it; and all should be as one in learning from the deaths of these men how to live usefully while the times call for the performance of the countless necessary duties of everyday life, and how to hold ourselves ready to die nobly should the nation ever again demand of her sons the ultimate proof

Demand of Packing House Workers.

KANSAS CITY, Mo .- The executive board of the Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen's association met and formulated the following demands which will be presented to the leading packers in Chicago tomorrow: First-That no girls be employed in those departments where the knife or any steel is used, and, second, that employes throughand several public buildings have out the country shall be allowed an increase in wages, ranging from 5 to 25 per cent higher than the scale now in force.

### One Trooper Is Dead.

CRAWFORD, Neb .-- Private Walker of K troop, Tenth cavalry, Fort shooting followed a fight.

An American at Port Arthur. MUKDEN-Lleutenant Newston A. McCully, United States navy, recently naval attache at Tokio, but ordered to

# AT PORT ARTHUR

GEN. KUROPATKIN WILL MOVE FOR ITS RELIEF.

# HIS ARMY IS ON THE MARCH

A Maneuver for Attacking in the Rear the Japanese Now Besieging Port Arthur-London Receives Reports with Skepticism.

LONDON-Telegrams from different points seem to confirm the ru more that General Kuropatkin is attempting a diversion in the direction of Port Arthur. Russian reinforce ments, according to a dispatch from Tien Tsin, are moving southward from Kaipling toward Wafangtien, under General Stalkenberg. They comprise a battery of artillery, four Siberian regiments and a company of Cossacks, aggregating 12,000 men. Another brigade is following, the intention being to engage in their rear the Japanese now attacking Port Arthur. The Standard's correspondent at Tien Tsin, sending the same news, says: "The Russian force in the engagement at Wafangtien May 30 was supposed to have been formed of four Siberian regiments which were reported to have left Tachahiochio May 28, being the first portion of a relieving column for Port Arthur. The railway is fairly intact from the north of Wafangtien, but is completely destroyed from there to Pulantien.

"The Japanese are unconcerned over this demonstration, being convinced that it will be impracticable for the Russians to move a sufficient force to prove effective."

These reports are received with a certain measure of skepticism in London. The belief here is that if General Kuropatkin is undertaking such a desperate move he can only be doing so in deference to the strongest political pressure and against his own better judgment.

No further news of any kind has been received about the movements of the Japanese forces. Both Generals Kuroki and Oku are working in the utmost secrecy.

The Daily Telegraph's well informed Tokio correspondent estimates the total defending force at Port Arthur as 30,000. "This is a most formidable army," he says, "and it will be a marvelous achievement to carry by assault such a place with more than a score of great landward forts, disposed at a distance of fifteen miles from the harbor. Still, the reduction of the place undoubtedly can be accomplished."

According to the Chronicle's Tokio correspondent, the Russians have cupled eleven fortresses at Liao Yang and are laying mines at a distance of 5,000 feet around them.

### TREATY WITH FRANCE.

House of Commons Passes on Second Reading Terms of Convention.

vention bill unanimously passed its second reading in the House of Common this evening. The bill provides for the assent of Parliament to the indemnities and cessions of territory under the recent Anglo-French agree-

Premier Balfour, in the course of the debate, said the speakers showed lack of appreciation of the enormous benefits accruing from the arrangements in regard to Newfoundland. Under the old arrangement peace between France and Great Britain hung by a thread. The difficulty was now removed forever. He considered the Anglo-French agreement to be one of the greatest international transactions on record and the beginning of a happier era in national relations.

### WORK AND WORRY.

They Drive a Business Man Into Taking His Life.

OMAHA-Mentally unbalanced from the cares of business worries and physically wrecked from overwork, C. L. Saylor, office manager of the Armour Packing company in South Omaha, took his life in Hanscomm park Thursday afternoon. During the morning he bade good-by to his office associates and friends, preparatory for a journey to Toledo, O. Shortly after 2 o'clock in the afternoon he told members of his family he was going to take a stroll, promising to return at an early hour and complete his packing for the trip. An hour later he was found dead on a bench along the main drive of the park.

Officers Fight Horsethieves.

BASIN CITY, Wyo.-Sheriff Webb and posse, accompanied by Deputy Sheriff Beard of Johnson county, fought a battle with two horsethleves near the Putney ranch. The thieves, members of the old gang of which "Driftwood Jim" McCloud, now serving time in the penitentiary was the leader, stole two horses from the Teasdale ranch on May 10. The officers had been following since May 14. One of the thieves was wounded, but escaped with his companion to the bad lands of the Big Horn.

Trouble in Paper Mills. MILWAUKEE.-An Evening Wisconsin special from Appleton says that relations between paper mill employers and employes, which have been strained to the utmost, broke today. The combined locks mills employes refused to go to work. Other mills' employes are to follow before after a statement by the mill owners in which they asserted two and onenot be relied upon in contracts.

NEBRASKA DEMOCRATS MEET.

Delegates to National Convention Named, with Bryan Leading.

Delegates-at-Large— WILLIAM J. BRYAN, Lancaster. W. H. THOMPSON, Hall. SMYTH. Douglas WALTER PHILLIPS, Platte.

Alternates-at-Large J. M. GILCHRIST, Douglas. H. G. WARD, Johnson.
J. A. COWPERWAITHE, Holt,
H. C. DAVIS, Richardson. Delegates, First District— JOHN A. M'GUIRE, Lancaster.

Alternates, First District-LOGAN ENYEART, Otoe. D. L. GREENFIELDS, Pawnee. Delegates, Second District— JOHN A. CREIGHTON, Douglas W. H. DE FRANCE, Douglas.

FRANK E. MORGAN, Cass.

Alternates, Second District-DR. J. P. CLARK, Washington HOWARD WHITNEY, Sarpy. Delegates, Third District-J. G. BESTE, Cedar. DAN V. STEPHENS, Dodge. Alternates, Third District— W. H. GREEN, Knox.

Delegates, Fourth District-D. CASPER, Butler. DR. C. P. FALL, Gage Alternates, Fourth District— C. W. NUNAMAKER, Saline, THOMAS HENNAHAN, York. Delegates, Fifth District— J. O. WALKER, Fillmore.

PATRICK GLEASON, Burt,

DR. J. H. ENGLAND, Kearney Alternates, Fifth District-DR. E. C. CASE, Frontier, H. W. RISLEY, Hall. Delegates, Sixth District-T. J. O'KEEFE, Box Butte. J. J. WILSON, Custer.

Alternates, Sixth District-C. E. SPENCER, Dawson, X. PIASECHI, Howard, National Committeeman-JAMES C. DAHLMAN, Douglas

OMAHA, Neb .- The democrats of Nebraska, in convention here Wednesday, elected as delegates to the national convention the men whose names are given above, and adopted a platform which deals unequivocally and comprehensively with national questions, besides being, in the language of Mr. Bryan, "so plain that he who runs may read.'

The delegates are uninstructed, but

they will vote under the unit rule. Congressman C. F. Cochran of St. Joseph, Mo., delivered a speech of almost an hour's duration. Mr. Cochran's speech was an earnest plea for the democrcay of state and nation to stand firm against the insidious aggressions of the trusts and corporations and continue to be the unswerving and undaunted champion of the common people.

The four delegates-at-large were elected without opposition and by ac-, clamation, there being no other candidates in the field. A similar honor was accorded James C. Dahlman for national committeeman.

Repeated cheering greeted Mr. Bryan when, as chairman of the resostage to read the platform, which was unanimously adopted.

The convention adopted, amidst cheers, the following resolution, offered by W. H. Thompson of Grand

"Resolved, That we are proud of and most heartily indorse the record of Hon, G. M. Hitchcock, our democratic congressman from this state, and pledge him our most hearty support in his re-election."

### NO APPEAL FOR APPLICANTS.

Finding of Medical Board of Annapo-

lis Final.

WASHINGTON—Several matters of importance were considered at the cabinet meeting. It was decided on the suggestion of Secretary Moody, that hereafter the president or the appeals from applicants for admission to the naval academy at Annapolis, to be physically disqualified to carly their cases to the president or to the navy department, in the hope of having the decision of the board overruled.

Secretary Taft presented some of the reason for bringing to the United Filipinos. The better class of Filipinos felt that in the exhibit of natives at the St. Louis exposition the population of the islands was not representatives of the wild and uncivilized tribes.

Sun Worship Fast is Fatal.

CHICAGO-Miss Eloise Reusse of St. Paul, Minn., who became insane here while undergoing the ordeal of the so-called "sun worship fast," is dead in the State Hospital for the Insane at Elgin. Dr. Frank S. Whitman, superintendent of the hospital, says death was due to acute mania, induced by starvation. During the fast, which is said to have last forty-one days, deceased is said by the hospital authorities to have been subjected to torture by means of needles and the application of lotus oil.

New Use For Wireless Telegraphy. PARIS-The Journal's St. Petersbury correspondent says that Colonel Perky, in a communication to the Electric Technical society on the discovery of a means for utilizing wireless telegraphy to explode submarine mines, says that an apparatus invented by him can change the position of Saturday. Today's action was taken mines already submerged, make mines attached to the bottom rise to the surface and explode and render half years of dealing through the fixed mines, not connected to a port sels and dangerous to other ones.

# RUSSIAN DEFEAT

KOUROPATKIN FORCES REPULS-ED BY KUROKI'S ARMY.

### RUSSIAN POSITIONS ABANDONED

Losses of the Japanese in the Recent Fight at Vagenfuchu-Several Guns Taken and Squadrons of Cossacks Captured.

LONDON-A special dispatch from Rome says a telegram has been received there from Tokio reporting that General Kuroki has completely defeated General Kouropatkin's forces near Sumentse (probably Saimatsza. or Simatsi).

All the Russian position east of Hab Cheng have been abandoned, according to the telegram; several guns have been taken and whole squadrons of Cossacks captured.

LIAO YANG-(Delayed in Transmission.)—The Japanese lost 200 killed and a number of horses in the fight at Vagenfuchu. The Russlans opened fire at 8 in the morning and after two hours and a half long-range firing the Japanese under General Akkiama prepared to charge and crush the force which had been harassing them for twenty-one days. In the meantime General Samsonoff was approaching Vagenfuchu with a strong force of cavairy. It was a sight worth seeing when at the word of command the Russian squadrons formed and rushed like a whirlwind across the terribly cut up country, clearing away all obstacles the batteries at the same time trotting along the frightful roads. Having passed the railroad station the troops came under the fire of the Japanese machine guns, but withdrew without suffering much loss. The Fourth and the Sixth companies of the Eighth Siberian Cossacks furiously charged the Japanese cavalry with lances, attacking both flanks. In a few minutes they literally cut the whole squadron into pieces. This was the first time lances were used and they struck terror to the enemy. Some of the lances pierced the riders through and wounded their horses Some of the lances could not be with drawn from the bodies. The Japanese infantry, numbering four battalions of 300 men to a company, and eight squadrons of cavalry attempted to advance, but the Russian batteries opened and soon the slope up which the enemy was advancing was covered with black spots and the enemy was lutions committee, he appeared on the forced to scatter and retire. Some of the Japanese cavalry were wonderfully dashing, charging with shouts upon the Russians, who met and scattered them.

The Cossacks picked up boots which had been taken off by the Japanese in order to facilitate their flight and flourished them on their lances as trophies.

The Japanese used the Boer trick of displaying dummies, but the Cos sacks did not waste a shot on them. General Samsonoff highly praised the practice of the Russian gunners.

GEN. WOOD RETURNS TO MANILA

Officers and Men Killed by Moros Interred at Mindanao.

MANILA, P. I.-Major General Leonard Wood has returned from navy department would not entertain Zamboanga, Island of Mandanao where he has been organizing a puni tive expedition dispatched in pursuit from the decision of the medical ex- of the datto, Ali, and his band of amining board. Heretofore, it has Moros from the Rio Grande, who on been a practice of such applicants as the 12th instant surprised and mass were declared by the medical board sacred fifty-three Filipinos, men, wo men and children, employes of the government at Camp Overton. Unit ed States troops are now trailing All, deterimend to either capture or destroy him and his followers.

The remains of the officers and men of the Seventeenth United States of a delegation of between State infantry, recently ambushed and forty and fifty high-class educated killed by Moros, have been interred at Cotabato, Mindanao,

The ambush took place May 8 at Simnatem, on the east shore of Lake Liguasan, Island of Mindanao, when represented fairly, as the Filipinos Lieutenant Winfield Harper and thirat the fair were composed largely of ty-nine men of the Seventeenth infantry were attacked by several hundred Moros.

Five Hundred Miners Strike.

DULUTH, Minn - Five hundred miners employed by the Drake & Stratton company at Eveleth went on strike Wednesday because their wages were cut from \$1.75 to \$1.60 per day. For a time they threatened to do damage to the property, but wiser counsel prevailed, and, aside from a parade on the streets tonight, in which all of the strikers participated, there was no demonstration. The strikers have pickets stationed about the works, and say they will not allow anyone to take their places.

Deny Stories of Executions. ST. PETERSBURG-A semi-official

statement declares the reports that 600 persons had been hanged at War saw for political offenses and that eighty coffins containing bodies of persons executed at Moscow had been secretly buried at night are altogether unfounded.

THE DALLES, Ore.-Norman Williams, convicted of the murder of Alma Nesbitt, formerly of Omaha, and union has proved that the unuion can- by wires, harmless to specified ves- her mother was sentenced on Wednesday to be hanged.