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## HOPE OF JAPS IS REVIVED

NOGI'S TELEGRAM ANNOUNCING  
METRE HILL CAPTURE.

WAS RECEIVED WITH CHEERS

They Believe That it is an Indication  
That Port Arthur Proper Will Very  
Soon Be Captured—Other News  
From the Far East.

Tokio, Dec. 1.—Nogi's telegram announcing the capture of No. 203 Metre Hill, was received with cheers by the Japanese people. It revives the hope of an early capture of Port Arthur proper.

RUSSIANS IN CRITICAL SHAPE.

War Office Admits Capture of Metre Hill is Bad Blow.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 1.—The war office is not yet ready to accept the reported capture by the Japanese of 203 Metre Hill, but if it is officially confirmed, a war official admits that it will be a desperate blow for the defenders of the fortress. It is admitted that such a breach in the chain renders the position of the Russians extremely critical.

HOLD KEY TO PORT ARTHUR

Japs Now in Full Possession of Metre Hill.

Tokio, Dec. 1.—The Imperial army headquarters announce that the Japanese troops besieging Port Arthur are in possession of 203-meter hill. The following dispatch has been given out:

"The army commenced a bombardment against 203-meter hill at dawn Nov. 30 and made several charges before 4 o'clock in the afternoon. Owing to the enemy's stubborn resistance the charges failed. At 5 o'clock in the afternoon our force advanced against the southeastern portion of the hill, made a fierce charge and reached within thirty meters of the summit. At 7 o'clock, with reinforcements, we charged to the top, which was occupied by our forces. Against the northeastern part of the hill we also charged, and at 8 o'clock the entire fort on the summit fell into our hands. The Russians left heaps of dead bodies on the eastern side of the hill, but we have had no time to investigate further."

Japs Are Falling Back.  
St. Petersburg, Dec. 1.—Official and private dispatches received here indicate that the Japanese are falling back below Sintsintin, where, for several days, they had apparently been attempting a turning movement. After four days of tolerably severe, but successful, fighting they are now retreating, with the Russians in pursuit. It is impossible as yet to tell whether either movement has real strategic strength. The Russian consul at Chefoo telegraphs that the Japanese captured two forts in the storming operations against Port Arthur on Nov. 29, but the news is not confirmed from any other quarter. The consul says the Japanese losses were enormous and that 5,000 men were sacrificed in two hours.

Russian Torpedo Boat Sunk.  
London, Dec. 1.—The Morning Post's correspondent at Shanghai telegraphs: "It is reported that a Russian torpedo boat destroyer, returning to Vladivostok from a scouting expedition, was sunk by the guns of the Russian forts in error."

According to the Standard the government has instituted a searching inquiry regarding British vessels coaling the Russian fleet, with a view to prevent any future breach of neutrality.

JAPANESE DIET IS OPEN

Mikado Addresses Lawmakers, Telling Them of Present Conditions.

Tokio, Dec. 1.—The emperor formally opened the second war diet. He rode through the crowded streets in a state coach, escorted by troops of lanciers and accompanied by the crown prince, his staff and some members of the imperial household, to the house of parliament, where both houses were assembled in the chamber of representatives. The emperor ascended the dias, from which he read the following address: "We have directed our ministers of state to submit to you a scheme for meeting the extraordinary expenditures necessitated by the war. That our expeditionary forces have been victorious in every battle, have repeatedly shown fresh proofs of their loyalty and bravery, so that the progress of the war has been so constantly to our advantage; that we expect by the loyal devotion of our subjects to attain our ultimate object, and we call upon you to discharge your duties by harmonious cooperation, thereby promoting our wishes and ends."

Germany and Austria Break.  
Berlin, Dec. 1.—The negotiations for a commercial treaty between Germany and Austria-Hungary have been broken off completely and in the present mood of the German government they will not be resumed unless the initiative comes from Austria-Hungary.

## RUSSIA IS FOR ARBITRATION

Not Ready to Act in Peace Conference Until End of the War.

Washington, Dec. 1.—Russia is unwilling to join the powers in a second peace conference at The Hague until her war with Japan is ended. The Russian reply to Secretary Hay's circular note to the powers of Oct. 23 last, inviting them in the name of the president to reassemble in conference at The Hague, "to complete the postponed work of the first conference," was delivered verbally to Secretary Hay by Count Cassini, the Russian ambassador. The ambassador was requested by his government to say that Russia heartily accepted in principle the invitation to a second conference at The Hague and gladly associated herself with the American government in its effort to complete the mission of the first great assembly convened under the leadership of the Russian emperor.

Atlanta Accepts Carnegie's Offer.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 1.—By an unanimous vote the finance committee of Atlanta's general council agreed to accept the proposition of Andrew Carnegie donating \$10,000 for a negro library. The amount appropriated by the finance committee is \$1,000 a year for current expenses. Negroes of the city interested in the movement will provide the site.

## ATE OF FOOLKILLER NO. 3

AQUATIC BALLOON AND INVENTOR VANISH IN LAKE.

"BOAT" CAUGHT IN HIGH GALE

Strange Craft and Skipper Not Heard From Thirty-six Hours After Starting From Chicago to Roll Across Lake Michigan.

Chicago, Dec. 1.—Peter Nissen is believed to have either smothered or frozen to death in his rolling balloon, "Foolkiller No. 3," in which he started for a trip across the lake Tuesday. The opinion that Nissen was lost became general when it was found that after thirty-six hours there was absolutely no word from the inventor who some years ago shot the Whirlpool rapids of Niagara falls in a barrel. He has not been sighted by any vessel.

Possibility of Nissen's smothering to death was considered more definitely when it was learned that his only supply of air was that pumped into the "Foolkiller" before the craft was launched. It was said by Nissen's brothers, however, that the navigator had computed his air supply carefully and figured that it would last him for a great number of hours. At the weather bureau it was said that even if Nissen reached shore he would suffer from the cold, as there was a snowstorm blowing near the Michigan shore, and that, as his boat had no means of heating and permitted of no exercise, the navigator would suffer severely. The wind increased from twenty-five miles an hour to a forty-mile rate.

With the exception of a report received from Buffalo, Ind., a village located seventeen miles east of Michigan City, that four men had noticed a dark object in the lake about three miles off shore, which resembled the pictures they had seen of Nissen's aquatic balloon, no trace of the missing navigator has been received. According to the story told by the men, the object was drifting slowly eastward, but was so far from shore that they were unable to determine certainly whether or not it was Nissen's "Foolkiller No. 3."

MITCHELL WILL NOT TESTIFY

Also Fails to Furnish Name of Lawyer Who Introduced Puter to Him.

Portland, Ore., Dec. 1.—That George A. Howe is a myth manipulated by the alleged conspirator, Horace G. McKinley, to bring about the disposition of the seven quarter sections in township 11 south, range 7 east, by application for the right of lieu sections, thus placing them in the hands of alleged conspirators, and that Horace G. McKinley made the request for an abstract of title to the George A. Howe lands, was the trend of evidence offered by the government in the land fraud trial here. The government introduced an abstract of title to the Howe lands, on which the name of McKinley appears to have been erased and that of Howe written in its place.

The Telegram quotes Special Prosecutor Henry as saying: "United States Senator John H. Mitchell has refused to come to Portland at the earnest and repeated request of the special prosecutor to testify in the land fraud trial. Senator Mitchell also refuses to divulge the name of a 'prominent attorney' who introduced Puter to him by letter at the time when Puter asked him to urge Mrs. Watson's claims before the land department."

Britt and Nelson to Fight.

San Francisco, Dec. 1.—James Britt of San Francisco and "Battling" Nelson of Chicago have signed an agreement to fight in this city on Dec. 30.

## WORLD'S FAIR OVER TODAY

FINAL DAY IS GALA ONE IN STATE AND CITY.

FRANCIS IS CENTRAL FIGURE

Children and Poor People, Worthy but Unable to Attend on Account of Lack of Means, Were Admitted Free All Day Today in Grounds.

St. Louis, Dec. 1.—With ideal weather, with the gates thrown open to children and those who were worthy but unable to attend from pecuniary reasons, and with great crowds pouring into the turnstiles throughout the entire day, the Louisiana Purchase exposition held its last day today.

The day was proclaimed a holiday by the mayor in the city and in the state by the governor and throngs poured into the grounds from every direction.

President Francis was the center of interest at the closing exercises and was accorded special honors by the directors, city officials and others.

\$15,000 IN GOLD MISSING.

Wells Fargo Express Company Loses of Much Money.

San Francisco, Dec. 1.—Wells Fargo detectives are seeking for a trace of \$15,000 in gold which disappeared from the company's office in this city. It was sent in for shipment and disappeared mysteriously.

PRESENT CASE AT ST. PAUL

Attorney for Colorado Democrats Appears in Federal Court for Writ.

St. Paul, Dec. 1.—Attorney E. T. Richardson appeared before the United States circuit court of appeals, sitting here, and asked for writ of habeas corpus in the case of the Denver election judges under sentence for contempt of court. Mr. Richardson made his application upon the assembling of the court.

Denver, Dec. 1.—The supreme court heard argument on a motion which has an important bearing upon the result of the election of governor and members of the legislature in this state. Attorneys representing the republican party have asked the supreme court, which has assumed original jurisdiction in the local election cases, to order the Denver election commission to throw out the entire vote of a precinct in which, it is alleged, the court's order relating to watchers was violated, without an investigation to determine the number of legal votes cast and without opening the ballot box. Should the court order the vote of this precinct thrown out the attorneys for the republicans will demand similar action in respect to about fifty precincts in which, it is charged, that the court's orders were violated. All these precincts gave majorities for Alva Adams for governor and by throwing out the returns the republican managers hope to overcome Adams' majority of about 11,000 in the state and continue Governor Peabody in office. The control of the state senate also appears to hinge upon the decision on this matter.

Oberlin Bank Is Secured.

Oberlin, O., Dec. 1.—All Oberlin is waiting. There is a decided feeling in the air that something will take place that will change the situation either for better or worse as far as the affairs of the Citizens' National bank are concerned. It is generally known that President Beckwith has received two messages from New York, one of which at least bears the signature of Judge Albaugh. This dispatch stated that Judge Albaugh is on his way to Oberlin from New York and that he has with him security enough to cover the loan which was made through the Oberlin bank to Mrs. Cassie Chadwick of Cleveland. President Beckwith now openly refers to the loan in its entirety as a \$300,000 loan. This, he now states, covers, in a general way, the loan made through the bank and by him personally. That it is a larger amount than this, he does not deny.

Killed by Falling Beam.

New York, Dec. 1.—John Bateman of Brooklyn was killed and several persons were injured by an iron beam, which fell from the roof of the Park building into a throng of people passing through Nassau street. The beam, weighing 500 pounds, was being hoisted into place, when it slipped from its fastenings and fell into the crowd. Chauncey Hold, fifty-five years of age, a printer, was also struck on the head. He was taken to a hospital, suffering with concussion of the brain. Several others received slight injuries. The foreman in charge of the iron work on the building and the foreman of masonry have been arrested.

Italian Parliament Is Opened.

Rome, Dec. 1.—King Victor Emmanuel, who was accompanied by Queen Helena, reopened parliament. From his seat in the senate at the Palazzo Madama the king read the speech from the throne, expressing liberal peaceful principles, which were enthusiastically applauded.

## SERIOUS CHARGES ARE MADE

Rev. Blakemore of Weeping Water Has Church Trial at Tecumseh.

Tecumseh, Neb., Dec. 1.—The ecclesiastical trial in the Methodist church here is in progress and the city is the scene of a notable gathering of clergymen. Members of the official board of the church bring very serious charges against Rev. F. P. Blakemore, now of Weeping Water, but formerly pastor of the church here.

The charges are falsifying, gross obscenity, profane language, improper advances toward certain women and solicitation of a local physician for malpractice.

The presiding elder of this district, acting as judge, is Rev. G. I. Wright of Nebraska City; Leander Morrison of Sterling is clerk. A jury composed of the following clergymen is hearing the evidence: Rev. Duke Slavens of Palmyra, Rev. G. M. Jones of Brock, Rev. W. T. Cline of Falls City, Rev. E. L. Wolfe of Elk Creek, Rev. John Calvert of Humboldt and Rev. B. W. Marsh of Auburn.

The prosecution is represented by Rev. J. W. Scott of Nebraska City, Rev. W. M. Balch of Trinity church, Lincoln, and Dr. S. A. Bright, presiding elder of the Junction City district in Kansas. The defense is represented by Rev. J. H. Presson of Milford and Rev. C. M. Sheppard of Pawnee City.

The session is behind closed doors, but it is known that several witnesses for the prosecution have been examined. In fact those testifying as to at least half of the charges have been disposed of so far as the prosecution is concerned.

## ALLIANCE FOR OPEN SHOP

CITIZENS' ORGANIZATION CONSIDERS LABOR PROBLEMS.

PARRY RE-ELECTED PRESIDENT

Appointment of Secretary and Selection of Next Meeting Place Referred to Executive Committee.

Rosenkrantz Elected Treasurer.

New York, Dec. 1.—On the report of the nominating committee, David M. Parry of Indianapolis was re-elected president of the Citizens' Industrial association. J. C. Craig of Denver was elected first vice president; James T. Hoyle of Brooklyn, second vice president; George A. Davis of Grand Rapids, Mich., third vice president; Major A. C. Rosenkrantz of Evansville, Ind., treasurer. The new executive committee is as follows: John Kirby, Jr., Dayton, O.; Berkeley R. Morwin, New York city; George B. Hugo, Boston; Enclid Martin, Omaha; J. L. Record, Minneapolis; C. W. Post, Battle Creek, Mich.; J. W. Van Cleave, St. Louis; W. C. Shepard, Wilkesbarre, Pa.; Fred W. Job, Chicago; and Francis C. Nunemacher, Louisville.

After the installation of the new officers, John Kirby, Jr., of Dayton addressed the convention "Around the citizens' movement," said Mr. Kirby, "must be crystallized a public sentiment that will safeguard the inalienable right of every individual to make and execute any lawful contract without fear of molestation or interference on the part of any man or body of men, that will preserve to the industrious American workman the opportunity of becoming the capitalist of tomorrow; that will maintain the right of the business man peacefully to conduct his business without fear of boycotts or other forms of labor union intimidation."

Wallace Downey, president of the New York Metal Trades association, said that he was proud of what has been done for the "open shop" in the east. "Every one knows that the prevailing rate of wages and the eight hour labor law has done serious damage," said Mr. Downey, "and I am glad that it has been declared unconstitutional."

H. F. Thompson of Birmingham, Ala., the last speaker, said, in part: "Politically, you speak of the solid south, but there is something solid in the south besides that. It is the 'open shop.' There are cities in the south that have not a single union shop in them. We are prepared in the south to protect the 'open shop' with the same strength as we protect the sanctity of the home, and we beg of you to do your duty as patriotic citizens and make the north and the west and the east just as solid against trades unionism as we have made the south."

The selection of a place for the holding of the next annual convention was referred to the executive committee. The same body will appoint a secretary in place of A. C. Marshall.

The Rev. G. R. Dodson of St. Louis gave the benediction and the convention was closed by the singing of "America" by the delegates.

General Wilson in Charge.

Washington, Dec. 1.—Chairman Cortelyou of the national republican committee announced the appointment of General John M. Wilson, U. S. A. (retired), as chairman of the inaugural committee.

## EARTHQUAKE IN CUMING

HEAVY RUMBLING OF THE GLOBE OCCURRED AT WEST POINT.

DISHES RATTLE ON SHELVES

Sleeping Citizens are Awakened at 3:30 in the Morning, to Listen to the Windows Shake in Their Sills. Sounded Like Explosion.

West Point, Neb., Dec. 1.—Special to The News: An earthquake shock was felt in this city at 3:30 o'clock a. m. Like the heavy rumbling on distant bowling alleys, or the far away booming of mighty cannon, or the dynamiting of some bank safe, the shaking of the earth crashed out.

Mr. and Mrs. M. McLaughlin were awakened at that early hour of the day, in their home on Lincoln avenue, by the tremendous shock. At first they were alarmed, lest bank blowers might be at work down town. An instant later the windows of the house rattled heavily.

The cook at the Green Tree hotel also felt the shock and declared that the dishes on the shelves rattled with such force that she thought burglars might be in the house, and that the plates would be picked up in mere bits at daylight.

ENJOINS COLLECTING TAXES

Burlington and Union Pacific File Petition in Federal Court.

Omaha, Dec. 1.—The Union Pacific, Chicago, Burlington and Quincy and Burlington and Missouri railroads, through their attorneys, appeared before Judge W. H. Munger in the United States circuit court and secured a temporary restraining order against the county treasurers of the different counties of the state of Nebraska through which their respective roads run, from attempting in any manner to collect the taxes levied against the complainant roads or from enforcing any of the terms of any tax warrant which may now or hereafter be placed in their hands. Judge Munger granted the temporary order and the hearing is set for Monday or Tuesday, Dec. 26 or 27.

The haste in seeking the restraining order is owing to the fact that under the new revenue law of Nebraska the taxes of railway corporations become due and delinquent on Dec. 1, and the tax collecting officials of the respective counties are authorized under the law to levy upon the funds that may be in the hands of any agent of the respective companies to apply upon the delinquent taxes, or that may thereafter come into their hands so long as the taxes remain unsatisfied. Hence, as these corporation taxes become due on and after today, the railroads had to hurry and get the restraining order granted.

The roads insist that the valuation made under the new revenue law is excessive as compared with other property.

W. C. T. U. Convention.

Philadelphia, Dec. 1.—The National Woman's Christian Temperance union convention approved a pledge with drawing the patronage of the members of the union from any store that sells intoxicating liquors. An amendment to the resolution requiring honorary male members of the association to abstain from the use of tobacco was lost. Last night's session was conducted by the presidents of states having made a net gain in membership of 500 or more and was known as "State Jubilee Night." The states which participated were New York, Indiana, Illinois, Ohio, Nebraska, Pennsylvania, California, Kansas and Maine. These states show a net increase of nearly 6,500 members. A collection was taken up for the benefit of the national union, which netted between \$1,000 and \$2,000. An invitation was received from Los Angeles to hold the convention in that city next year.

Fatal Fire at Duquesne.

Pittsburg, Dec. 1.—One person was cremated, two injured and four houses burned in a fire at Duquesne Junction, which tied up street car traffic for hours and burned all the telephone and telegraph wires passing through the junction. The dead man is Albert H. Fleming. Injured: Joseph Benson, shocked by live wire and badly burned; Mrs. Benson, mother of Joseph Benson, shocked by wire and burned about hands. The property loss is \$15,000.

Fire in Pueblo Hospital.

Pueblo, Colo., Dec. 1.—Fire in the fifth floor of St. Mary's hospital did \$25,000 damage and caused much excitement. Most of the patients were removed from the building and some of them are suffering from shock. The sisters and nurses behaved admirably and there was no panic.

Marsh Fires in Indiana.

LaPorte, Ind., Dec. 1.—Marsh fires are sweeping over the Kankakee country, and railroads traversing the burned district are maintaining patrols to save the buildings from destruction. Thousands of acres have been fireswept and houses in the path of the flames have been destroyed. Fires have also broken out in the Calumet marsh country.

## THE CONDITION OF THE WEATHER

Temperature for Twenty-four Hours. Forecast for Nebraska.

Condition of the weather as recorded for the 24 hours ending at 8 a. m. today:

Chicago, Dec. 1.—The bulletin issued by the Chicago station of the United States weather bureau this morning, gives the forecast for Nebraska as follows:  
Maximum..... 40  
Minimum..... 21  
Average..... 36  
Barometer..... 29.70  
Snow and colder tonight. Friday probably fair and colder.

Home Market Dinner.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 1.—The reception and dinner of the Home Market club, to be given in Mechanics' building this evening, promises to surpass all similar affairs of its kind given by the club. Chief among the speakers will be Vice President-elect Fairbanks, W. H. Montague, member of the privy council of the Dominion of Canada; John D. Long, ex-Secretary of the navy, and Governor Bates. It is anticipated that general felicitations over the recent national republican victory will be a leading feature of the speech-making, and that it is not improbable that Mr. Montague may refer to the question of reciprocity with Canada and the Chamberlain policy.

## INAUGURATION OF DIAZ

MEXICO IS IN A BLAZE OF GLORY OVER THE NATIONAL EVENT.

ALL AMUSEMENTS ARE FREE

Spectacular Feature is a Historical and Allegorical Procession—Celebration is to Continue for a Week, With Something Doing Constantly.

City of Mexico, Dec. 1.—All Mexico united today in paying honor to General Porfirio Diaz, the occasion being his inauguration as president of the republic, to which office he was re-elected last summer. The ceremonies also included the induction into office of Ramon Corral, the new vice president.

The inauguration was the most elaborate in the history of the country. The day was observed as a general holiday, business was everywhere suspended and the people gave themselves up to the enjoyment of the occasion. The inauguration ceremonies took place in the assembly hall of congress in the presence of a notable gathering of army officers, civilian officials, members of the diplomatic corps and many other prominent personages.

The day was ushered in with a salute fired by a battery of artillery, followed by the ringing of chimes. The citizens found the city gaily bedecked with the flags of all nationalities, the Mexican banner, of course, predominating.

The spectacular feature of the day's celebration was a procession of historical and allegorical floats. The floats were representative of the various epochs of Mexican history since the conquest, and of the Indian life of the country prior to the landing of the Spaniards. During the day many games and athletic sports were enjoyed by the vast multitudes. Tonight the entire city will be ablaze with illuminations and there will be band concerts on the principal plazas. The celebration will continue to the end of the week and undoubtedly will be hugely enjoyed by all classes. The festivities include a children's fete, a popular fair for the working classes, and free performances in all places of amusement.

The inauguration today marks the beginning of the twenty-fifth year of General Diaz's occupancy of the presidency. It is his seventh term, and it will very likely be his last, as he is now in his seventy-fifth year. He was elected in 1876 for the first time, and has served continuously ever since except during the term immediately after his first one, when one of his friends was in office. The constitution was amended then, allowing presidents to be elected for successive terms, and he has been at the head of the government ever since.

Scott Opposes Tariff Revision.

New York, Dec. 1.—Seven hundred Republicans attended the jubilee dinner given at the Waldorf-Astoria. Senator Scott of West Virginia, in a brief address, said that the Republicans went before the country under the present conditions of the country and should let well enough alone. "If we revise the tariff, we make an apology to the country we don't owe," he added. Among the other speakers were Senators Fairbanks and Chauncey M. Depue.

American to Be Impartial.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 1.—The newspapers, commenting on the Russo-American North sea convention, while declaring that, rightly or wrongly, the sympathies of the United States are supposed to be with Japan, express the greatest confidence in the impartiality of whoever President Roosevelt may select to sit on the international commission.