

THE JAPANESE OCCUPY THE PASS

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A MOST DESPERATE BATTLE IS NOW RAGING NORTH OF THE PASS

The Outcome of Which, if the Japanese Succeed in Crossing Kuropatkin's Rear, Must Mean Utter Crushing of Russian Forces—Oyama's Move Tuesday Was Feigning.

Tokio, March 16.—The Japanese occupied Tie pass at midnight March 15. Details of the occupation have not yet been received.

The Japanese are in hot pursuit of the Russians.

Tokio, March 16.—The Japanese occupied Sengkinjang, situated eighty miles east of Mukden.

St. Petersburg, March 16.—The Japanese are again very serious. Oyama is striking a blow at the defeated Russian army. In spite of the exhaustion of his forces, after a long twelve days' struggle, he has been able to organize a fresh turning movement.

Tuesday's attack upon the Russian advances at Fan river, it is now evident, was only a feint while the Japanese columns were being worked around to get a position to fall upon the Russians.

A dispatch to the Associated Press from Aunokup, eight miles north of Tie pass, dated March 15, says that a desperate battle is raging.

Kuropatkin Taken by Surprise. That Kuropatkin was taken by surprise is a fair inference from the manner in which, Tuesday night, he abandoned his position, leaving so hurriedly that he was obliged again to burn his stores.

With the Japanese in pursuit behind the Russian army at Tie pass, Kuropatkin's position is extremely critical.

Once the Japanese are across his rear in force, Kuropatkin would have to cut his way out or surrender.

New Chung, March 16.—The Japanese occupied Tie pass Wednesday midnight.

St. Petersburg, March 16.—Flanking tactics by the Japanese apparently are in progress again, the Associated Press correspondent, who remains at Tie Pass, telegraphing that General Mischechenko on March 14 briskly engaged a Japanese force on the Russian right. It is possible that the attacking force was a Japanese column which disappeared from observation during the battle of Mukden. The Japanese do not appear to have renewed the frontal attack, the demonstration on Tuesday having shown that the Russians were prepared to make a determined resistance.

The censor's office has already been removed to Santoupe, a point eight miles north of Tie pass, and there are intimations that it may soon be established even farther north. The Associated Press correspondent though saying nothing regarding the commissariat arrangements for the troops, declares that the newspaper correspondents have practically been starved out of Tie pass. This may perhaps be an indication of the amount of food available for the army, immense quantities of which were destroyed at Mukden, where practically the entire reserve commissariat had been accumulated.

According to Chinese reports, the governor of Mukden gave a banquet in honor of the Japanese generals after their triumphal entrance into the city, and a Russian journalist writes that owing to the occupation of Mukden by the Japanese, Russia's prestige with the Chinese has been utterly destroyed. He says even a triumphant victory would not restore Russia to the place in the estimation of the Chinese which she held a year ago.

It is rumored that an order for another general mobilization is being prepared and that a new army will be forwarded to Manchuria as fast as possible by railway and summer steamer service.

JAP WARSHIPS AT SINGAPORE

Squadron of Twenty-two Vessels After Russian Second Pacific Squadron. London, March 16.—A steamer arriving at Singapore reports having passed a squadron of twenty-two Japanese warships about twenty miles

east of the entrance to the straits of Malacca. Two Japanese cruisers and two auxiliary cruisers previously arrived at Singapore. Presumably these vessels are on their way westward in search of the Russian second Pacific squadron, last reported in Madagascar waters.

The appearance of Admiral Togo's fleet in the track that would be used in any attempt by Admiral Rojestvensky to make for Vladivostok is the most interesting news of the day. According to the Daily Mail's correspondent at Singapore, who visited the officers were unusually reticent. Two Japanese officers landed at Singapore, and it was understood by the correspondent that the squadron would shortly sail again, as it required nothing. The presumption here is that Admiral Togo acquired some information concerning Rojestvensky's intended movements.

So far as known in London Rojestvensky's squadron is still off the coast of Madagascar, but as the ice in the harbor of Vladivostok is probably beginning to give, the Russian admiral must soon make a decision whether to dash for Vladivostok or return to Russia. Naval experts here believe that Togo will not come much farther in quest of the Baltic squadron, on the ground that he cannot afford to run unnecessary risks.

No further news has been received of the fighting on the Fan river and little importance is attached to this isolated repulse of the Japanese. The London papers continue in the belief that to all intents and purposes the campaign is closed, that it will be next to impossible for Russia to put a new army in the field, and that the talk of doing so is mere bluff, intended to influence the inevitable negotiation of peace terms. It is also believed that the French government has utilized the financial lever to convey to Russia her view that it is the proper course to seek to arrange terms. The rumor persists that Russia has acquainted France with her willingness to discuss terms, but not on the basis of an indemnity, which Russia contends would ruin her prestige, claiming that she would rather continue the war than submit to such a demand.

Battle Near Tie Pass.

Santoupe, March 16.—A sanguinary combat occurred on March 14 on the center advanced line of the Russian army, eight miles south of Tie pass. The Russians repulsed the attack and even made a small advance through a thousand corpses of Japanese and advancing a large force on the right flank where General Mischechenko, who has taken command of his detachment, though his wound has not yet healed, is holding the Japanese in check. The Russian troops have regained their normal spirits and fought cheerfully. It is rumored that Chinese killed eighty foreigners in Mukden after the Russian evacuation of that place, including, it is said, correspondent Richard H. Little of the Chicago Daily News.

NO CHOICE TODAY IN MISSOURI

Cockrell Develops Great Strength, But Three Ballots aFII.

Jefferson City, Mo., March 16.—Three ineffectual ballots were taken today for senator. The supporters of Niedringhaus returned to him. The first ballot showed decided strength for F. M. Cockrell.

The first ballot: Cockrell 80; Niedringhaus 63; Pettijohn 18; Parker 5; Warner 2; Barthold 1; Spencer 1; necessary to choice 86.

zFrisby changed from Niedringhaus to Pettijohn.

Second ballot: Cockrell 81; Niedringhaus 59; Pettijohn 12; Parker 12; Warner 1; Kerens 6; Spencer 1; necessary to choice 87.

Third ballot: Niedringhaus 58; Cockrell 81; Parker 13; Pettijohn 1; Spencer 1; Kerens 16; Harrington 1; Warner 1; necessary to choice 87.

Important Deal in Pig Iron. Cleveland, March 16.—The leader says: "A transaction of immense importance is just about to be put through by the Bessemer Pig Iron association. The sale of over 100,000 tons of Bessemer pig iron is about to be closed, entailing delivery through the remainder of this year and the first half of 1906. This transaction is considered one of the most vital pieces of industrial news of the past six months."

THREE LOST ON PRAIRIE

MAN AND TWO CHILDREN IN BOYD AND HOLT COUNTIES.

IN SNOW STORM FIVE HOURS

Mr. Brown and the Two Children of William Wilson, Enroute to the Home of Dick Wilson, Become Lost and Searching Parties Start.

Redburg, Neb., March 16.—Special to The News: Between Sunday night and Monday morning the northern portion of Holt county and the southern part of Boyd county were thrown into intense excitement over the disappearance of a man and two children, who had started from one farm to another in a snowstorm and who, having lost their way in the blinding night on the prairie, were out for five hours, wandering aimlessly about, before they finally discovered a little yellow light which cut out a square in the blackness and which brought them to a spot just three miles from their starting point. Searching parties were formed quickly in the task of rescuing the lost man and children.

The man was Mr. Brown, of Boyd county, who had been visiting at the home of William Wilson in northern Holt county. Accompanied by the son and daughter of Mr. Wilson, Guy and Fay, aged ten and twelve, he started out at night enroute to the home of Dick Wilson, the children's uncle. Losing his way in the snowstorm, Mr. Brown drove back and forth for so long a time that it was feared serious accident might have overtaken him.

Telephone lines, which thread the whole country, were kept busy with inquiries of anxious friends until, after midnight, the trio was located.

DRAWN INTO CORNSHELLER.

Wisner Man Seriously Hurt When Mittens Catch in Feeder.

Wisner, Neb., March 15.—Special to The News: Matt Hanson, a farmer living six miles southwest of Wisner, was seriously hurt while shelling corn. His mittens were caught in the feeder and drew nearly his whole arm into the machine. Mrs. Dr. Morse attended him. One of the fingers was amputated but it is thought the rest of his arm will be saved. He had not slept for two nights previous to the accident on account of a barb wire scratch on this same hand, which may indicate that the blood was in bad shape and complicate matters somewhat.

BROUGHT BACK TO OAKDALE.

Will Priestly, Who Died Suddenly, Was Buried Today.

Oakdale, Neb., March 16.—Special to The News: Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Priestly returned yesterday afternoon from Phoenix, Ariz., bringing the remains of their son, Will, who died suddenly last Thursday night. They had been at Phoenix since before the holidays. Funeral services were held held at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

Had Changed Grips.

Wisner, Neb., March 15.—Special to The News: A drummer representing an Omaha optical firm was surprised here yesterday when he went to show his samples. He found that instead of lenses and gold spectacles he had a grip filled with ladies' clothing. Grips had been changed at Norfolk yesterday.

Wisner Postmaster.

Wisner, Neb., March 15.—Special to The News: Frank C. Evans has received his appointment as postmaster at Wisner.

Conductor Fatally Injured.

Lexington, Neb., March 16.—Owing to a rear-end collision of two freight trains at Overton all eastbound trains were detained here for several hours. Conductor M. J. Herin was brought here for treatment, as was J. E. Costello, the brakeman. Both were taken to Omaha. No hopes are entertained for the recovery of Herin, but Costello's injuries, though severe, are not serious. The wreck was a mass of flames and a temporary track was made around it to permit traffic to proceed.

Stiles for Head Consul.

Omaha, March 16.—About 175 delegates were in attendance at the morning meeting of the head camp jurisdiction A. The entire forenoon was devoted to the election of officers for the ensuing two years, which resulted as follows: Earle R. Stiles of Omaha, head consul; J. W. Lecrone of Kennard, Neb., adviser; J. D. P. Dudley of Arkansas City, Kan., banker; N. H. Wolf of Topeka, Kan., clerk; H. M. Cole of Crete, Neb., escort; J. L. Houchin of Omaha, Neb., watchman; C. G. Prishman of Crete, Neb., escort.

Union Pacific Corn Special.

Omaha, March 16.—The Union Pacific corn education special left Lincoln this morning and will run three days, closing the itinerary Saturday

evening at Kearney. The train will stop at most of the stations on the main line branches. Alfred Darlow, advertising manager of the Union Pacific, will have charge of the train. Professors Lyons, Avery, Burnett and Cutler of the agricultural department of the Nebraska university will give lectures and demonstrations. The state press is well represented by a corps of newspaper men.

McGrew-Harris Wedding.

Bloomington, Neb., March 16.—The marriage occurred here of Miss Edith Pearl McGrew, daughter of the president of the Bloomington State bank, and Clifford E. Harris, a state senator of Sumner, Miss.

Omaha's Mayor Takes a Bride.

Phoenix, Ariz., March 16.—Frank E. Moores, mayor of Omaha, and Miss Mary R. Malone, also of Omaha, were married here. Mr. Moores spent the winter in Phoenix.

HARD FIGHT WITH BANK ROBBER

Man Named Davis Shoots Town Marshal in Battle Today.

Arkansas City, March 16.—A man giving the name of James Davis, wanted for alleged complicity in the robbery of a bank at Renfrow, Okla., March 10, was arrested here today after a desperate struggle with officers in which he shot City Marshal Seylor. The wound is not serious.

Davis was located in a building on Main street last night. An attempt to arrest him at that time by a dozen men was unsuccessful, Davis driving them back at the point of two revolvers. Seylor was slow in retreating and was shot by the alleged bank robber in the shoulder. Davis had been barricading his room and the officers laid siege till daylight, when they forced an entrance to the building and arrested their man.

BLOCK ON THE PIPE LINE

County Commissioners Refuse Standard Oil Permission to Build.

Peoria, March 16.—The Prairie Oil and Gas company has been refused permission by the board of supervisors to lay the pipe line projected from Kansas City to Indiana through this county.

COPPER KING IS DEAD.

Meyor Guggenheim Succumbs to Pneumonia in Florida.

Omaha, March 16.—A dispatch from Palm Beach, Fla., reports the death of Meyor Guggenheim, the copper capitalist. He succumbed to pneumonia. He was seventy-eight years of age.

LONGER LIFE FOR CONVICTS

Negro Man and White Woman Given Chance to Appear in Court.

Harrisburg, Pa., March 16.—The Pennsylvania supreme court having decided to send the case of Samuel Greason, colored, under sentence of death in Reading for the murder of John Edwards in 1901, back to the Berks county court, the board of pardons granted a continuance in his case and also in that of Mrs. Kate Edwards, white, who is also condemned to death for the same crime. At the February session of the pardon board the condemned couple were relieved until ten days after the present meeting of the board, so that the attorneys could again take the case of Greason before the supreme court. The decision of the board acts as a stay, pending the disposal of the case by the Berks county court.

Farris and Smith Again Indicted.

Jefferson City, Mo., March 16.—The Cole county grand jury, which was ordered by Judge Martin to investigate charges of legislative bribery, returned indictments against State Senators Frank H. Farris and Charles A. Smith on charges of accepting bribes of \$100 each from Daniel J. Kelly, legislative agent of the baking powder trust, for defeating the alum bill in the legislature of 1901. Former Governor John A. Lee, who is at present residing in Chicago, was indicted upon a charge of perjury in connection with the alum deal. The reason for the indictments against Farris and Smith is that, in the opinion of Attorney General Hailley, the indictments under which they are now awaiting trial are defective.

Italy to Fortify Frontier.

Vienna, March 16.—The report from Rome that the Italian war ministry proposed to ask the chamber of deputies for \$40,000,000 to fortify the eastern and northern frontiers of Italy, was reiterated and caused considerable comment in Vienna, where it was taken as evidence of Italy's growing distrust of Austria and was characterized as the indirect result of the weakening of Russian power in the far east and the consequent loss of Russian influence in the Balkan peninsula.

Whitman on Trial.

Buffalo, March 16.—The jury in the case of Alonzo Whitman was secured and his trial on a charge of larceny begun. Mr. Southard of the City National bank of Hudson was the only witness called. Boothman, who was indicted on a similar charge, will be the state's star witness, it is said.

LITTLE HOPE FOR TREATY

SENATE WILL PROBABLY ALLOW PROTOCOL TO LAPSE.

CULLOM PROPOSES COMMISSION

Final Effort Will Be Made to Secure Support of Enough Democrats to Make Majority—Debate in the Senate Proceeds.

Washington, March 16.—Republican leaders of the senate are all at sea respecting the action advisable to take in regard to the Santo Domingo treaty. Recognizing that the Democrats control more than one-third of the votes and that two-thirds are required to ratify the convention, the sentiment of the Republican leaders is that the treaty should be withdrawn by the president. On this subject the senate and the president do not agree, and the idea prevails that after one or two days more of inconsequential debate the special session of the senate will be allowed to adjourn without date and the treaty lapse. But this plan is not popular in the senate and a way to avoid it is being sought.

One alternative, which in the discussion concerning it was termed merely an excuse for inaction, is that Senator Cullom should offer a resolution directing the president to appoint a commission to make an investigation of the Santo Domingo debt and other questions involved in the protocol. This plan was agreed on tentatively as the program most desirable under existing conditions, especially as it is believed that such a resolution could be adopted without debate. No decision was reached which may not be changed, however, and other plans have been suggested or are brewing.

Senator Newlands offered a resolution calling on the president to forward to the senate certain information believed to be in possession of the state department in relation to Santo Domingo affairs. It was whispered that if the resolution were adopted and the Democrats felt that if all the information obtainable would be given, three or four Democratic votes might result. This would ratify the treaty. The minority party, on the other hand, took the position that no information could be forthcoming which would change the principle involved in the treaty and that it is idle for the Republicans to hope for aid from that side. The resolution nevertheless remains undisposed of and there was talk among Republican leaders of adopting it and putting it to a test as a vote getter.

Among those who talked for the treaty were Senators Spooner, Heyburn, Platt (Conn.) and Fulton, while those opposed to it were Senators McCleary, Morgan, Culberson, Newlands, Mallory, Clay and Bailey.

FRAZIER TO SUCCEED BATE

Governor of Tennessee Caucus Nominated for United States Senator.

Nashville, Tenn., March 16.—Governor James B. Frazier was nominated for United States senator by the Democratic caucus of the state legislature. The vote was by acclamation, no other name being presented to the caucus. Governor Frazier's election is assured, as the legislature is very largely Democratic. He will succeed the late Senator William B. Bate, who was himself elected by the present legislature and therefore practically has a full senatorial term before him. Tuesday, March 21, is the day set for the formal election by the joint assembly. Governor Frazier will be succeeded in the gubernatorial chair by John I. Cox of Sullivan county, the present speaker of the senate.

Lading Cases Indefinitely Postponed.

Washington, March 16.—The hearing before the interstate commerce commission of the uniform bill of lading cases, which was set for March 22 in Washington, has been indefinitely postponed upon a stipulation signed by the chairman of the uniform bill of lading committee and counsel representing numerous petitioning shippers and commercial organizations. The stipulation provides that the old bills of lading prescribed in official classification No. 25 shall be used pending the investigation and a report by a joint committee of tea, composed of five representatives of the shippers and five representatives of the railroads.

Blaze on Steamer Wildenfels.

Boston, March 16.—A threatening fire, which broke out on the Hansa line steamer Wildenfels of Bremen, caused damage to its cargo estimated at \$50,000 and for three hours kept a large division of the fire department throwing water. In addition to the damage to the cargo, many of her plates warped and her compartment walls were damaged. The Wildenfels carried a general cargo valued at \$1,000,000.

Double Tragedy at Sedalia.

Sedalia, Mo., March 16.—Edward Heurman, a bartender, shot and killed Ruby Burton, a notorious character, and then shot and killed himself. Heurman and the woman had been drinking.

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:

Maximum 41
Minimum 33
Average 37
Precipitation42
Total precipitation for the month .77
Barometer 30.04

Chicago, March 16.—The bulletin issued by the Chicago station of the United States weather bureau this morning, gives the forecast for Nebraska as follows:

Rain tonight and Friday. Warmer northwest portion tonight.

FUNERAL OF MRS. STANFORD

Steamer Alameda Sails for San Francisco With Body.

Honolulu, March 16.—The remains of Mrs. Jane Lathrop Stanford, who died at the Moana hotel here on the night of Feb. 25, were escorted from the undertaking establishment, where they have lain since the morning following her death, to the Congregational Central Union church by officials of the police department, other territorial officials, a large number of citizens and the following pallbearers: David Starr Jordan, president of Stanford university; Timothy J. Hopkins, a member of the board of trustees of the university, and Governor Carter, as well as by many graduates of the university residing in Honolulu.

The church, which is one of the largest in Honolulu, was crowded. The services were opened by the Rev. W. M. Kincaid and the Episcopal burial service was read by Bishop Bestwick.

Rev. Mr. Kincaid, in his prayer, paid an eloquent tribute to the life of Mrs. Stanford and made many references to the great things she has done for the cause of education, the advancement of civilization and the uplifting of humanity.

At the conclusion of the service the cortege proceeded to the wharf, where there was an immense gathering of people. The remains were placed on board the steamer Alameda through the port. The Alameda then left the wharf and began her voyage to San Francisco.

Army Man Makes Suicidal Dash.

Vancouver, B. C., March 16.—Lieutenant Francis Boone, who was ordered discharged from the United States army on the charges of desertion, absence without leave, nonpayment of debts and conduct unbecoming an officer, made a dash from his guard with deliberate suicidal intent. It is reported, and before recaptured, was shot and probably fatally injured. Boone was being conducted from the guard house to the garrison hospital when, without warning, he broke away and started to run. He was ordered to halt, but paid no attention to the command and the guards opened fire. One bullet out of the five fired at the prisoner took effect in the head. Another broke his collarbone. Boone rose to the office of lieutenant from the ranks. He is said to belong to a wealthy New York family and has a wife and children in San Francisco.

Police Raid Women Gamblers.

New York, March 16.—The police raided a pool room and gambling house in Forty-second street, which they declare, was patronized almost exclusively by wives of wealthy New Yorkers. The evidence was obtained by a woman detective. The alleged pool room was located in a fashionable apartment house. The police had to break down two doors to reach the room. Their entrance was followed by a scene of wild excitement, the women, most of whom were gathered around a roulette table, screaming and attempting to escape by the windows and doors. After they had given their names and addresses the women were allowed to go.

Deposition in Santa Fe Case.

Chanute, Kan., March 16.—The taking of depositions in the suit of the state against the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe and other railroads for ouster was resumed here. The railroad lawyers objected to the hearing on the ground of insufficiency of notice, but Mr. Monett went ahead. The first witness was Foster Allen, general manager for I. N. Knapp. Allen began by explaining how Knapp built up a large business in fuel oil in Kansas City, Omaha and other points independently of the Prairie Oil and Gas company and how the continued advance in rates forced him to an alliance with the Standard company.

Steer Stampede at Alton.

Alton, Ill., March 16.—For two days Alton has been in the throes of a maddened steer stampede through the business streets and Harry Holliday a boy who endeavored to deliver the steers to a butcher, was badly injured in the melee. A drove of seven steers took fright and ran at large through the town. Four were finally captured, but three continued to roam through the streets, doing damage to property. Pursuers only served to render them more terror stricken. Several citizens have had narrow escapes from injury. The steers fed to the outskirts and men with rifles were sent to shoot them down.