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TAKU FORTS TAKEN

International Fleet Commands Its Entrance to Pei-Ho River Now.

CHINESE OPEN FIRE ON THE FLEET

Ultimatum from the Commanders Answered by Broadside from the Forts.

RUSSIA'S LOSSES ARE THE HEAVIER

Magazine on One of the Gunboats Blew Up, Doing Great Damage.

TROOPS ARE BEING HURRIED TO THE FRONT

United States, England, Germany, France and Russia Are All Sending Forward Large Bodies of Soldiers to Invest Peking.

AT WORK IN CHINA

Actual Situation Received by the Navy Department.

NO PEACE FOR BOTH

Deputy Commander Scorns Roberts' Proposition for Surrender.

BOERS ARE RETIRING TO MIDDLEBURG

Report from Lourenco Marques States that President Kruger with Him Got Boer Forces Valued at \$500,000.

NO TROUBLE IN ST. LOUIS

Day Passes Without Any Open Outbreak on Part of Street Car Strikers.

ROOSEVELT IS OUT OF RACE

New Yorker Declares that He Does Not Want to Be Vice President.

DRAMATIC SCENE IN GOVERNOR'S ROOM

Efforts of Senator Hanna to Prevent Unwilling Candidate Being Placed on Ticket Seem to Have Been Quite Successful.

CONDITION OF THE WEATHER

Forecast for Nebraska—Generally Fair; Warmer.

NO CHOICE YET MADE

Nebraska Delegation Puts Off the National Committee Question.

WAITS FOR EVERYBODY TO BE PRESENT

Delegate Davenport from the Sixth Was Not at the Conference.

MEMBERS OF CONVENTION COMMITTEES

Selections for the Routine Work Made at Yesterday's Meeting.

IOWA NOT WORRIED ABOUT DOLLIVER

Roosevelt Tide is Running High, Yet the Hawkeyes Think There is a Chance for Their Man to Come to the Front.

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German Cities Celebrate Five Hundredth Anniversary of Gutenberg's Birth.

OPENS QUARTERS IN CHICAGO

National Republican Congressional Committee Ready for Business.

DECLARES HE KILLED GOEBEL

Anonymous Writer Sends Letter from Texas in Regard to Kentucky Assassination.

EXPECT PANAMA WILL FALL

Governor of City Probably Will Be Forced to Yield to Revolutionists.

ANNOUNCES THE NEW CABINET

Sir J. Gordon Spragg Solves the Difficult Problem Assigned Him.

REPORT BATTLE WITH BOERS

Enemy Make Attack on British Post at Zand River—Force of 800 is Repulsed.

REPEATED

LONDON, June 18.—A belated dispatch from Lord Roberts sent from Pretoria today states that the British army has been repulsed on an attack on British post at Zand river, June 16, by 800 Boers, with three guns.

REPEATED

LONDON, June 18.—The twelfth annual convention of the International Printing Pressmen's and Assistants' Union of North America opened here today and will continue in session throughout the week. President James H. Bowman of Chicago delivered his annual report. The remainder of the day was taken up with routine business.

REPEATED

FRANKFORT, Ky., June 18.—William Fulton, who is in jail under indictment as an accessory to the murder of William Goebel, has received an anonymous letter postmarked Fort Worth, Tex., in which the writer says:

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BERLIN, June 18.—The five hundredth anniversary of the birth of Gutenberg, the inventor of movable type, was celebrated in Berlin today by an immense gathering of printers and type foundry men in the Circus Schumann. At Frankfurt it was celebrated by a meeting of the civil and military authorities, together with a street parade culminating in the decoration of the Gutenberg monument. At Leipzig a prominent publishing house marked the anniversary by opening a subscription to the local Gutenberg fund with 100,000 marks.

WILL TAKE TWO WEEKS.

The voyage from Manila to Taku will occupy at least two weeks, under the most favorable circumstances it appears that these troops will hardly reach the Chinese port before July 1. The Ninth infantry has rendered excellent service against the Filipino insurgents and taken part in many important and decisive engagements.

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Temperature at Omaha yesterday:

Hour	Deg.	Hour	Deg.
5 a. m.	63	2 p. m.	79
6 a. m.	62	3 p. m.	80
7 a. m.	62	4 p. m.	79
8 a. m.	62	5 p. m.	78
9 a. m.	62	6 p. m.	77
10 a. m.	62	7 p. m.	77
11 a. m.	72	8 p. m.	77
12 m.	70	9 p. m.	74

ENTIRE CITY IS THREATENED

Early Morning Fire Destroys Whole Block in Bloomington, Ill., and Still Rages.

BLOOMINGTON, Ill., June 18.—3:15 a. m. A great conflagration is raging here and threatens most of the business portion of the city. The fire broke out in Green's wholesale furniture store. That and the Model laundry and Brand's furniture store are already gone. The fire is spreading west across Main street. The Durley building is now on fire. The postoffice building is threatened. The loss is already \$500,000. The fire department is powerless. The fire has crossed Main street to the west. The wind is rising and there is a feeling of gloom. Many are likely to go. The buildings now in flames or destroyed are: B. S. Green Company's wholesale hardware, Model Laundry, Brand Company, furniture, Thompson's company, A. Vincent & Sons, dry goods, J. E. & Co. clothing, Miller and Sons' hardware, the Durley Mill building, owned by the Davis estate, is in ruins. The fire is likely to break out in any quarter. A strong gale is springing up. The mayor has wired Peoria and St. Louis for fire trucks.

SAFE WAR IS ABOUT OVER

Consolidation of Three Lending Companies is About to Be Consummated.

NEW YORK, June 18.—In the United States circuit court at Trenton today, application was made by counsel for the receivers of the Herring-Hall-Marvin company, to confirm the sale of the property of that corporation to Walter Edward Gramling, representing the reorganization committee for the sum of \$100,000. Counsel representing the First National bank of Cincinnati and other large creditors opposed the confirmation of the sale upon the ground of inadequacy of price. It being contended that the sum of \$100,000, the proceeds amounting to more than \$1,000,000. After hearing extended argument Judge Kirkpatrick granted the application and entered a decree confirming the sale. This decision is considered as terminating the bitter litigation which has been pending in connection with this company for several years. The Cincinnati interests having contested the reorganization at every step. It is expected that this step will be followed by a general merger of all the safe manufacturing industries into one general corporation.

CUBAN ELECTION PARADES

Great Enthusiasm in Santiago Over the Success of Mayor Grinmas.

SANTIAGO DE CUBA, Sunday, June 17.—There is great enthusiasm here tonight on account of the election of Pedro Grinmas as mayor. There was a torchlight procession a mile long, in which all the bands of the city took part. A large crowd of people witnessed the parade. The local press says yesterday was the birthday of the Cuban republic. Returns from the rural districts show the success of the national party in every city, where the democratic was the only ticket. The vote throughout the department was very high.

VICTIM OF YELLOW FEVER

Major Frank H. Edmunds of General Lee's Staff Dies at Havana.

HAVANA, June 18.—Major Frank H. Edmunds, who died yesterday of yellow fever, was reported to be much better. The town of Quemados has been quarantined against the barack and no soldier is allowed to enter. The doctors are satisfied with the situation in Havana, where only a few cases have developed. This, considering the fact that the rainy season has set in, is remarkable. The city has already experienced a heavier fall of rain this season than throughout all of last year.

FIGHT FOR MINING TOWN

New Claimants and Present Occupants Clash Over City of Duncan.

DENVER, Colo., June 18.—The San Luis Valley Land and Mining company, who recently purchased Baca land grant No. 4, in Saguache county, filed suit of ejectment and damages in U. S. circuit court today against John T. Duncan and others, who are in possession of the mining town of Duncan, which is said to be located on the grant. Duncan declares he will fight before he relinquishes what he considers his right and it is said he will be backed up by several hundred hardy mountaineers, miners and farmers. The company who holds the suit is a New Jersey corporation.

NEW YORK GAS COSTS MORE

Standard Oil Octopus Puts Screws to People of Metropolitan on Cost of Illumination.

NEW YORK, June 18.—Notice was issued today by the Consolidated Gas company that the gas price of the city would be increased from 60 cents to \$1.05 per 1,000 feet. The gas company of New York has been brought under the control of the Standard Oil Company.

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NINTH FOOT TO GO TO CHINA

Administration Determines to Send Soldiers to Peking—Departure from Manila is Delayed.

MANILA, June 18.—A typhoon has caused the United States transport Hancock to return to the bay, where it now awaits a respite from the weather. The departure of the Ninth infantry for China will be delayed about a week by a washout of the road between Tarlac and Manila.

WASHINGTON, June 18.—The War de-

partment has decided to send an ultimatum to the Chinese government, and has ordered the fleet to the Pei Ho river.

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