

TAKE A TOWN

Occupation of Sin Yen is of Strategic Importance

MANY RUMORS

Siamatza, Recently Occupied by the Japanese, is Also an Important Point—Various Rumors of Fights at Port Arthur and Preparation for a Final Struggle Are Received—Japanese Troops in the Port Arthur Region Have Been Heavily Reinforced—A Rumor is Current That the Japanese Battleship Yashima Has Been Lost.

Tokio, June 11.—(Noon)—The town of Sin Yen, now occupied by the Japanese army, is of great strategic importance, being situated about 40 miles east by south of Kaiping and 45 miles southeast of Hal Cheng. It commands perfectly the roads to both places. Siamatza is also an important point, as it controls the roads to Liao Yang and Mukden. By following this route, the Mao Tien Ling pass, a strongly fortified and almost impregnable Russian stronghold, will be avoided on the advance of the Japanese army northward.

Japanese Forces Heavily Reinforced.
Liao Yang, Russian Headquarters, June 11.—Reports from Chinese sources are to the effect that the Japanese forces near Port Arthur have been heavily reinforced. It is believed that an attempt to take the fortress by assault will be made as soon as the Japanese are strong enough to invest it on the land side and at the same time protect themselves from possible attack in the rear, in case the Russians send a force from the north.

There are persistent rumors again that the Port Arthur squadron has succeeded in making a sortie, but no official confirmation of the report is obtainable.

The Russian reinforcements on their way here will soon materially change the situation and enable General Kurapatkin to move freely.

General Kuroki's main army is still at Feng Wang Cheng. Russian outposts cover his right flank above Siamatza and extending eastward. They are in constant touch with the enemy, and there are almost daily skirmishes of more or less importance. Developments are anticipated in this direction.

Japanese Showing Signs of Despair.
Vafangou, Liao Tung (Peninsula), June 9.—(Delayed in transmission)—The railroad will be repaired to Vafandian tomorrow.

The Japanese lost a prominent commander in the last fight, and according to reports from Chinese sources they are displaying signs of despair, shaking their fists in the direction of the Russian forces.

The bombardment of the coast northward was a mere demonstration. The Russians did not reply.

There is no sickness among the Russian troops, and they are in excellent spirits.

Movement of the Japanese.
Liao Cang, Friday, June 10.—The Japanese are constructing a railway from Feng Wang Cheng to Shakkedol, thirty miles to the southeast, near the mouth of the Yalu river.

The movement of the Japanese along the sea is being closely watched. They are proceeding from Takushan to the southwest, following the coast, evidently reckoning upon the co-operation of their fleet.

A Period of Preparation.
Fusan, June 11.—The present is another period of preparation, and the most interesting news in Manchuria cannot be telegraphed because of the fact that it would furnish clues to future movements. The size of the bodies of Japanese occupying advanced positions and the disposition of main forces are unobtainable to correspondents and military attaches, who are practically uninformed thereon, except by bulletins issued here and at Tokio.

A Japanese Battleship Lost.
St. Petersburg, June 11.—The correspondent of the Associated Press hears that General Kuroki is reversing movement north of Siamatza by sending troops to Mukden to turn Kuroki's right wing. A rumor is current at the admiralty that the Japanese battleship Yashima is on the rocks near Port Arthur. The source of the report is not exactly traceable.

No Internal Machine Found.
St. Petersburg, June 11.—4:50 p. m.—Inquiries regarding the statement by the Daily Mail of London today that two internal machines were found at the Tsarkoe Selo pal-

ace June 7 elicited a positive denial of its truth.

A Battle at Port Arthur.

Che Foo, June 11.—Chinese arriving from Port Arthur state that a battle was fought within seven miles of the inner forts of Port Arthur. The Japanese fleet supported the Japanese army from the east coast of Liao Tung peninsula. Conditions in Port Arthur are said to be unchanged.

Why Was the Protector Allowed to Leave?

St. Petersburg, June 11.—The Novorossyia, discussing the report that the sub-marine boat "Protector" had been shipped from Newport News, Va., for Japan, expresses the hope that the United States will make a detailed explanation of why the boat was allowed to leave the United States.

Regarded as an Article of Merchandise.

Washington, June 11.—The United States government has received no information regarding the reported sale to the government of Japan of the Lake submarine boat "Protector" and the navy department does not know where the boat is.

But it makes little difference from an international point of view what has become of this boat in the opinion of the state department, since Hamlin Fish, when secretary of state, laid down an opinion to the effect that a torpedo boat capable of being carried on the deck of a ship might properly be regarded as an article of merchandise and so might be sold to a belligerent.

PROBABLE FATAL INJURY.

Mr. C. H. Randolph in an Accident on the Small Railroad of His Company.

Bristol, Va., June 11.—Mr. C. H. Randolph, of Philadelphia, president of the Glade Mountain Lumber Company, a corporation formed for the purpose of utilizing the timber in the vicinity adjoining Marion, Virginia, was probably fatal injury in an accident on the small railroad of the company near Atkins tank this afternoon. With him were two of his associates, both of whom are seriously injured. The engineer, whose name could not be ascertained, is reported to have been mangled so badly as to remove all hope of his recovery. H. L. Carter, an employee of the company, had an arm broken and a leg mashed.

Physicians are at the scene of the accident tonight, but no word has been received concerning the condition of the injured men. The point is some ten miles from Atkins tank, and no definite information is expected until tomorrow.

Mr. Randolph came to Virginia about one year ago. In the formation of the Glade Mountain Lumber Company he had the association of Merris, Height and Murray, both of Philadelphia. He is said to have been half-back on the University of Pennsylvania football team. He represents interests in this section developing extensive lumber boundaries. He has resided with his family near Atkins tank for the last year, and is said to be member of one of the most prominent families in Philadelphia.

SENATOR COCKRELL INJURED.

Run Into by a Boy Riding a Bicycle and Badly Bruised.

Washington, June 11.—Senator F. M. Cockrell, of Missouri, was run into by a boy riding a bicycle today and thrown violently to the ground. His right collarbone was broken, his left side badly bruised and he was otherwise injured.

The accident happened early this morning, but was not made known until tonight. As was his custom, Senator Cockrell went to do the marketing for his household, and was returning with the basket on his arm when run into. The boy was riding at a rapid pace. He quickly remounted his wheel and disappeared. It was stated tonight that the Senator is resting comfortably, but that he will be confined to his bed for several weeks.

PARKER FORCES WIN.

Conventions to Select Delegates to State Convention in Texas.

Galveston, Texas, June 11.—Conventions were held in all the counties of Texas today to select delegates to the state convention, which in turn will send delegates to the Democratic national convention at St. Louis. Returns to The Post show that the Parker people have been successful, and although many of the counties did not positively instruct, it is practically certain that a Parker delegation will be sent to St. Louis. The fight in Texas had been led by National Committeeman R. M. Johnson, and was won over by a stirring and an active opposition, aided by a visit and several speeches from William J. Bryan.

Statue of Benjamin Russ Accepted for the Government.

Washington, June 11.—President Roosevelt today accepted on behalf of the government an heroic bronze statue of Benjamin Russ, the eminent physician and statesman and signer of the Declaration of Independence. It is the gift of the American Medical Association, and will be erected on the grounds of the U. S. naval museum. President Roosevelt accepted it in a brief speech, in which he called attention to the growing tendency toward specialism, and warned against forgetfulness of the duties of citizenship.

Hammocks and Mosquito Nets at Polvoigt's.

A pair of Walk-Over Oxforas and a round trip ticket to Carolina Beach for \$3.50 cash at Peterson & Ruifs.

See the question mark—???

MORE EXILES

Ninety Union Miners Unloaded on a Colorado Prairie

NO PROVISIONS

Officials From Kansas Were at the Train and Gave Orders That None of the Men Be Allowed to Cross Into Their State—They Are Warned Never Again to Set Foot on Colorado Soil—The Exiles Were a Cheerless Lot—Without Food or Water and Many Miles From the Nearest Habitation They Huddled Together in Groups, Their Spirits Being Broken—Many Walked to Victor for Food.

Denver, Colo., June 11.—A special to The Post from Holly, Colorado, says: "With a parting volley of rifle bullets, fired over their heads by the militia and deputies to warn them to hurry eastward as fast as their legs could carry them and never again to set foot on Colorado soil, ninety union miners from the Cripple Creek district were unloaded from a special Sante Pe train on the prairie, one half mile from the Colorado-Kansas line, and left to shift for themselves.

When the special train bearing the deported men was within half a mile of the Kansas line it was stopped by Sheriff Brady, of Hamilton county, and forty deputies, who notified Lieutenant Cole that under no circumstances would the train be allowed to cross the Kansas line, and further, that the deported men were not wanted in Kansas. Lieut. Cole informed them that the train would be carried no further. Then the order to quit the train was given in a hurry. Sheriff Brady called for the leaders of the unionists and notified them that they must not cross the Kansas line.

The exiles were disembarked without haste and without ceremony. "Hurry up, there you fellows," cried Lieut. Cole when the train stopped in the midst of Akali sand dunes that dot the prairie near the Kansas line. "We have not got any time to waste out here."

The special train had no sooner come to a standstill when the car doors were unlocked and thrown open and the order given to get out. The exiles to leave the train.

"Step lively, you fellows. Step lively," admonished Deputy Benton, who was in command of the civil force of the expedition, and in less time than it takes to tell it, the three cars emptied of their unfortunate and unwilling passengers and had started back to Lajunta.

The men were left on the prairie, without food or water, for the soldiers and deputies, in their haste to get home had forgotten to unload the small stock of commissary supplies the train carried when it left Victor. The exiles were a cheerless lot indeed. Without even a light and miles from the nearest habitation, they huddled together in groups on either side of the Sante Pe track and discussed their plight. Sheriff Jack Brady and his deputies were on hand to prevent the deported men from remaining in Kansas. Warned by the Kansas authorities that the ywould not be allowed to seek refuge in the state, the spirit of the men broke. Many of them finally walked back on the railroad track to Holly, where they were furnished food by the big salvation army station there.

Cripple Creek, Colo., June 11.—General Sherman Bell made the following statement for publication: "I have indisputable evidence which will lead to the conviction of a number of union men for the murder of non-union miners who were killed in the Independence depot explosion. We have between 35 and 40 men in the pen who broke. Many of them finally walked back on the railroad track to Holly, where they were furnished food by the big salvation army station there.

Wake County Democrats in Convention.

(Special to The Messenger.)
Raleigh, N. C., June 11.—The Democrats in county convention here today elected 45 delegates to the state convention, who will cast 28 votes. Steadman men claim they have 31 of these and that Glenn has 7. Glenn men claim they have 14 and that is a gain of 2. The convention unanimously endorsed Edward W. Pou for re-nomination for Congress.

Funeral of the Late Judge H. G. Turner.

Macon, Ga., June 11.—A telegraph special from Quitman says: "The funeral of the late Hon. Henry G. Turner at his former home in Quitman was very largely attended, and there was an impressive demonstration of public sympathy. All business was suspended. The court house was draped, as were also banks and railroad offices, with which he was connected.

SEARCH FOR VANDERBILT.

Detectives Surround the Neilson Residence in Effort to Serve a Subpoena for Him to Appear in a Gambling Case.

New York, June 11.—Believing that Reginald Vanderbilt, upon whom representatives of the district attorney's office for several days have unsuccessfully endeavored to serve a subpoena, compelling him to appear as a witness in criminal proceedings against Richard A. Canfield, is in this city, detectives have been stationed around the Neilson residence on Fifth avenue since last evening. Nothing developed during the night, but today the detective succeeded in slipping into the house past a maid, while the latter was picking up the morning papers at the door. A moment later, however, the detective is said to have met a determined opposition in the form of a negro servant, who demanded to know the intruder's business. The detective was ordered out.

The proceedings in which Vanderbilt's testimony is desired were brought against Richard A. Canfield by the district attorney in an endeavor to show that Canfield was the proprietor of a gambling house. The watch upon the Neilson residence was continued through the day. Among the watchers who remained on guard all day were a number of newspaper men.

POLICE OFFICERS VINDICATED.

Investigation Into Charges of Dereliction of Duty.

Danville, Va., June 11.—The investigation before the mayor this morning into the alleged dereliction of duty on the part of Police Officers John R. Hutson and Robert S. Winn, both of whom were charged by the recent grand jury with winking at the presence of "blind tigers" in the city, resulted in the vindication of the officers. Some of the evidence deduced, particularly that regarding Mr. Hutson, was damaging, but the testimony of other witnesses, and the character of the witness who testified was such that the mayor would not consider them. During the investigation, Mr. Hutson attempted to strike a colored witness, but was held in check by other officers. Mr. Hutson was fined for contempt of court.

THE PLANT ESTATE.

Settlement on Basis of One-third to the Widow and Two-thirds to the son.

New York, June 11.—A judgment providing for the distribution of the Henry B. Plant estate has been entered in the Supreme court here on the report of the referee, who finds that the settlement should be on a basis of one-third to Mrs. Margaret A. Graves, who was the widow, and has since re-married, and two-thirds to Morton Plant, the son.

ABNER MCKINLEY DEAD.

His Death Came Without Warning, and Was Due to Bright's Disease.

Somerset, Pa., June 11.—Abner McKinley, brother of the late President, was found dead in a chair at his home at 3 o'clock this morning. His death came without warning to his family. It was due to Bright's disease, which developed shortly after the death of his distinguished brother, three years ago. Since then Mr. McKinley has devoted nearly all his time in a vain effort to overcome the fatal malady, consulting the most eminent physicians and traveling from one climate to another. Two weeks ago he returned from Tampa, Fla., where he had been for six weeks. The sufferer was not confined to bed and yesterday afternoon took a drive into the country, accompanied by his wife.

Congressman Maddox Made Chairman of the Georgia Delegation.

Atlanta, Ga., June 11.—At a meeting of the delegation to the national Democratic convention at St. Louis, held here today, Congressman John W. Maddox was selected as chairman of the delegation and H. M. McIntosh, of Albany, secretary. It was suggested and agreed by all the delegates present at a luncheon given the delegation, that Chairman Maddox would be presented for the chairmanship of the platform committee of the national convention, with the backing of the Georgia delegation.

Electing Delegates to State Convention.

Waco, Texas, June 11.—Many counties in the state are holding conventions today to elect delegates to the state convention at San Antonio. A strong Parker sentiment exists in a majority of the counties and the state probably will instruct for the New York jurist.

Students' Conference at Waynesville.

Asheville N. C., June 11.—The second day of the Students' conference at Waynesville, N. C., was featured by three addresses, delivered by Mr. H. M. Forest, University of Virginia; I. E. Bosworth, the dean of Oberlin Theological Seminary, and John R. Mott, of New York city. The pulpits of the various Waynesville churches will be filled tomorrow morning by prominent visiting ministers.

Buy your shots from Peterson & Ruifs and go to Wrightsville Beach free.

MONEY SAVED

Plucky Fight of Three Thwarts the Efforts of Robbers

\$8,000 IN CASH

The Men With the Money on Their Way to a Dam Near Johnstown to Pay Off the Workmen—Suddenly a Fusillade of Shots Rang Out From the Woods to Which Paying Party at Once Replied—By a Plucky Fight and a Run the Money Was Saved, After Two Horses Had Been Killed and About 25 Shots Exchanged.

Johnstown, Pa., June 11.—A desperate attempt was made this afternoon by four masked men to rob Superintendent W. H. Cramsey and Secretary Frank Howard, of the Johnstown Water Company of about \$8,000 in cash, which they were conveying to the new Dalton run dam near this city, to pay off the men employed there. The two men made a plucky run for it and fortunately escaped, but not until two horses had been killed and about 25 shots had been exchanged.

Both men were heavily armed and driving in a buggy with the money in a satchel at their feet. Close behind them, on horse back rode Chester Miltenberger, an employe, who has been in the habit of riding down from the dam to meet and protect the paymasters. Across his knees Miltenberger carried a loaded Winchester rifle.

The first intimation that the party had that there was trouble ahead, was a fusillade of shots from the woods and the tottering and sudden twitching of the horse which was drawing the buggy.

In a moment the horse Mr. Miltenberger was riding had been shot from under him. The paying party at once drew their weapons and directed their fire toward the woods, where as yet they had been unable to see their assailants. The horse which Ramsey and Howard were driving staggered on and just as it became apparent that he must go down, Howard grabbed the valves, jumped from the buggy and started to run. Ramsey also left the vehicle, but he and Miltenberger retreated but slowly, still exchanging shots with the men in the woods. A ball grazed Ramsey's forehead and inflicted a slight wound. Otherwise the men escaped uninjured.

With the bandits in the woods and two men in the road still firing at them the party traversed a considerable distance but Howard ran ahead with the money and when the highwaymen saw that their loot was beyond their reach, they abandoned the chase. No trace of the robbers has been found.

BASEBALL.

American League Games.

At Detroit—Detroit 8, Washington 5.
At Cleveland—Cleveland 0, Philadelphia 1.
At Chicago—Chicago 3, New York 6.
At St. Louis—St. Louis 7, Boston 1.

National League Games.

At Boston—Boston 1, Pittsburgh 19.
At Philadelphia—Philadelphia 2, Cincinnati 0.
At New York—New York 0, Chicago 1.
At Brooklyn—Brooklyn 2, St. Louis 5.

Southern League Games.

At Atlanta—Memphis 5, Atlanta 1.
At Montgomery—Little Rock 1, Montgomery 0.
At Nashville—Nashville 4, Shreveport 5.
At Birmingham—Birmingham 5, New Orleans 2.

College Games.

Cambridge, Mass., June 11.—Harvard shut out the University of Pennsylvania base ball team at Soldiers' field this afternoon winning the second game and the series. The game was marked throughout by the excellent fielding of both teams, the heavy batting of the Harvard team and the clever pitching of Coburn.

The score— R H E
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Batteries: Coburn and Stephenson, Devlin, Crispan and Bennett. Attendance 3,000. Umpire Kennedy.

At Princeton—Princeton 10, Yale 1.
At Cambridge—Harvard 8, Pennsylvania 0.

A free round trip ticket to Wrightsville Beach with every \$5.00 cash purchase at Peterson & Ruifs.

The Missouri Sails for Gibraltar.

Newport News, Va., June 11.—The battleship Missouri passed out of Hampton Roads on her way to Gibraltar tonight. During the afternoon, the battleship took on a quantity of ammunition, which was brought by a tug arriving here from Washington this morning.

Batavia Cloth hats, embroidered, at Polvoigt's.

RETURN THE PALMA TROPHY.

Unanimous Decision of the National Rifle Association—Caused by a Misunderstanding.

Washington, June 11.—By a unanimous vote the executive committee of the National Rifle Association, which met today, decided to return forthwith to England the Palma trophy, which the American team won at the Bisley shoot last September, because of the charges made that the Americans violated a rule of the contest in using a rifle slightly different from that used by the regular army of this country. It was also decided to withdraw the Palma trophy from this year's competition. The executive committee adopted the following preamble and resolution:

"Whereas, this committee has carefully considered all the facts and correspondence in connection with the controversy which followed the Palma competition of 1903; and

"Whereas, we regret the evident differences of opinion which have been made matter for publication, and while we find the captain of the American team made no secret of whatever the character of the rifles, believing it use perfectly proper, which difference of opinion would never have arisen had he submitted the rifles for approval, in accordance with the explicit instructions given him by the president of this association; and

"Whereas, prolongation of the arguments as to what is or is not in conformity with regulation patterns of rifles might be continued indefinitely with no prospective good resulting therefrom; and

"Whereas, it is the unanimous sentiment of this committee that the existing controversy cannot continue without working serious injury to competitive military rifle shooting the world over;

"Therefore, be it resolved that we hereby ratify all statements made in the letter of the president of this association to the secretary of the National Rifle Association of Great Britain, dated March 7th, 1904, and instruct the president to withdraw the Palma trophy from the program for the current year and to cause the Palma trophy to be immediately returned to the National Rifle Association of Great Britain, to be held by that organization for future competition. Telegraphic orders will be sent to New York, where the Palma is now kept, that it be packed and shipped immediately to England.

BURSTING OF THE LEVEE.

Great Destruction Wrought by the Flood in the Arkansas River—Damage Estimated in the Hundreds of Thousands.

Little Rock, Ark., June 11.—A special to The Gazette from Pine Bluff, says: "The flood in the Arkansas river today reached by far its most destructive stage in Jefferson county, when part of the Frenchtown levee, about 3 miles below the city, broke and turned the river through a rich section of the country filled with growing crops of cotton and corn. Since the water began to rise, the plants in that section have been working in water, and might have saved this important levee, because it paid the rich bottom lands for miles below.

Late Friday afternoon a telephone message was received in this city from those working to save the Frenchtown levee that if the water rose much higher the levee would break. Ten thousand sacks of sand were sent down at once on a special freight, scores of men went down to assist in the work and the rising water swept away their labors and the levee broke. The rush of water could be heard in this city. The breaking of this levee gives the water a clean sweep over the southern portion of the country, through the townships of Vaughn, Victoria and Richland, and the plantations of Dr. J. P. Simmons, J. W. Corcoran, Sebastian Gesister, Leo Andrews, James Gould and others were among those which suffered most. The damage to these plantations cannot be estimated under hundreds of thousands of dollars, for growing crops of cotton and corn were literally swept away.

At Fairfield, this county, the water stands from four to six feet deep on all the farms around the town. Among the list of sufferers in that neighborhood are the following: Mr. J. S. Sims, Ed. Manuel, Tom Brown, James Thomas, Louis Johnson and Louis Ez.

FATAL STREET DUEL.

One Man Instantly Killed—Friction Over Selection of School Teacher.

Waco, Texas, June 11.—As a result of a friction over the selection of a teacher for a public school at Elk, a small town ten miles north of Waco, a bloody street duel was fought here today by R. B. Torrence, his son, River Torrence and J. McAden, a son-in-law, on one side and Dr. Holton, his son and Professor G. W. Perkins on the other side. Bad feeling had existed for some time over the matter and firing began when the men met today. The elder Torrence was killed instantly, his body being riddled with bullets. Dr. Holton and his son received dangerous wounds and Professor Perkins and River Torrence were seriously injured. McAden escaped uninjured. Shot used by the participants all of whom are prominent.

Half Holiday for Navy Yard Employees.

Washington, June 11.—An arrangement has been made whereby such employes of United States navy yards as can be relieved of work on Saturday afternoon during July, August and September will be given half holidays, and those that cannot then be spared will be given half holidays later, as the work will permit.