

THE WEATHER TODAY:
For North Carolina:
Showers, cooler.
For Raleigh:
Showers, cooler.

THE MORNING POST.

TEMPERATURE:
Temperature for the
past 24 Hours:
Maximum, 89.
Minimum, 71.

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JEFFRIES WEARS THE HEAVY-WEIGHT BELT

Munroe Put Out of the Game Before the Second Round Was Finished--He Was No Match for the Champion and It Is Said He Was Scared Before the Fight Began

San Francisco, Aug. 26.—The twenty second fight tonight at Mechanics Pavilion for the heavy-weight championship of the world between Jim Jeffries and Jack Munroe was one of the worst ever seen in a San Francisco ring. Even the men who had a poor opinion of Munroe thought he would last five rounds, because of his size and great strength, but the fight ended in the first half of the second round by Referee Grandy giving the decision to Jeffries, as he had Munroe absolutely at his mercy, and as Grandy said, "he could have easily killed him with one of his terrific right hand punches."

When the men shook hands just before the call of time Munroe sized up as the largest man who has stood before Jeffries, with the single exception of Rubin. His legs were fully as large as Jeffries' but in body he was much smaller. The first twenty seconds of the first round, however, showed that he was no match in speed or skill for the champion. Munroe's only defense to protect himself was his raised gloves, and his hands in this position were half open, making it impossible to deliver effective blows. He made several rushes, but he did not reach Jeffries' wind, which was his objective point. To return Jeffries reached him with left and followed this up with punches just over the heart. Munroe showed by his face that both these blows were painful, and he edged away from Jeffries, making no effort to clinch.

land a blow. Munroe rushed in twice and tried to land, but failed. Jeffries aimed a vicious left, but Munroe jumped back six feet and avoided it. In a rush Munroe slipped and fell to his knees, taking the count of five. In a mix up that followed Jeffries landed three heavy lefts just over Munroe's nose, bringing him to his knees. Munroe took the count of six and rose, only to be dropped by the same blow again. When he came up, somewhat groggy, the gong saved him.

Second round. They worked to a clinch, Munroe receiving a left swing to the mouth that made him spit blood. He bored in, but Jeffries was after him, smashing him all over the body with lefts and rights and flooring him. Blood flowed from Jack's face and mouth. Another straight, terrific right to the face rendered the miner helpless. He sank slowly to the floor and attempted to rise, but Jeffries was waiting for him. Before the champion could land on his helpless victim, Referee Grandy declared Jeffries the winner. Munroe was completely outclassed and was said to be frightened while sitting in his corner before the fight started.

USUAL DECLARATION

Government Employees Warned to Keep Their Money

Washington, Aug. 26.—In view of the approaching election the civil service commission today addressed a letter to the heads of all government departments and bureaus calling their attention to violations of the civil service law which have occurred in the past in connection with political campaigns and inclosing a circular containing a warning against the demanding or payment of political assessments and partisan activity of office-holders.

In the circular the commission announces that it will employ every legitimate and available means to secure the prosecution and punishment of whoever may violate the provisions of the law. This is the usual declaration on the eve of a political campaign.

FREDERICK THE GREAT

The Statue Has Been Prepared for Shipment

Berlin, Aug. 26.—Professor Uphue's statue of Frederick the Great, to be presented to the United States by Emperor William, and which has been standing all summer in the sculptor's garden, was packed yesterday and shipped to Hamburg. It will be forwarded to America by one of the Hamburg-American liners consigned to Ambassador von Sternburg.

It has been understood that a delegation of descendants of Germans who fought in the American war of independence would be sent by the German government to attend the presentation ceremonies in Washington, but the foreign office is unaware of such a plan.

All the arrangements have been entrusted to Ambassador von Sternburg, who for the occasion, acts as Emperor William's special representative.

CAN NOT INTERFERE

The State Department Advises Shippers of Contraband Goods

Washington, Aug. 26.—Information has been sent by the state department to all American shippers who have complained that their cargoes have been seized by the Russians as contraband of war that redress must be sought in the prize court at Vladivostok. A case in point was brought to the attention of the department today when Balfour, Guthrie & Co., grain shippers of Seattle, complained that a shipment of flour belonging to them was seized on the British ship Salchas.

The department has informed the company that it can not undertake to make these seizures a matter of diplomatic correspondence, but advised the complainant to employ counsel for the purpose of lodging a protest with the prize court at Vladivostok.

Report Unfounded

Cape Town, Aug. 26.—There is no foundation for the report circulated in

the United States that the American south Atlantic squadron, Rear Admiral Chadwick commanding, now in these waters, had been ordered to leave here and watch the Russian volunteer vessel Smolensk, which, it was added, was believed to be waiting for an American ship. The British warships Crescent, Odin, Pearl and Forte, Rear Admiral Durnford commanding, are at the Zychelles Islands, in the vicinity of Zanzibar. It is understood that the admiralty has sent orders to the admiral directing him to communicate with the Smolensk and the St. Petersburg.

Woodend in Business Again

Albany, N. Y., Aug. 26.—W. E. Woodend & Co. of New York City was incorporated today with a capital of \$400,000 to deal in stocks, bonds, securities and other commodities. The directors are Noah Spingarn and William E. Woodend of New York City and Francis J. Waters of Brooklyn. W. E. Woodend was the senior partner of the firm of W. E. Woodend & Co. of New York City which suspended several months ago.

BIG BLAZE IN OIL

Wells and Tanks Burn With Great Loss

Crowley, La., Aug. 26.—The biggest fire in the history of the mammoth oil fields is raging. Yesterday Morse well No. 6 came in, a boiling gusher, pouring out a volume of oil at the rate of 10,000 barrels a day.

The fire caught from a spark emanating from friction and rapidly spread to other wells. Four oil tanks, each of which had a capacity of 1,200 barrels, caught and burned. Two were full of oil and two were empty. Four standard rigs, the property of the Morse Company, also were destroyed. During the afternoon the fire was confined to the Morse wells Nos. 7 and 8. Large lakes of oil, which had formed when the Morse No. 7 came in, caught fire.

A meeting of the employes of the other wells was held, the wells were shut down and the forces joined in fighting the flames. Eight lines of steam pipe have been laid to the burning wells and more are being prepared. The loss is now placed at more than \$100,000.

ASSURANCE TO PANAMA

Interests and Rights of the Isthmus to Be Respected

Washington, Aug. 26.—United States Minister Barrett at Panama, acting under instructions from the state department, has conveyed assurances to the isthmian government that the United States in its interpretation of the canal treaty will do nothing inimical to the interests of both countries and will adopt no pertinent measures without the fullest consultation with the isthmian officials. It is understood that in view of the agitation which grew out of the decision of the canal commission to establish a port of entry some distance from Panama City, the announcement has had a very beneficial effect.

Mr. Barrett, in a recent communication to the state department, suggested that steps ought to be taken to prevent the isthmus from becoming a resort for desperadoes, outlaws and adventurers, as it was in the days of the gold excitement in California, when the strip was a busy highway of travel.

IN FULL SWING

Nothing Now to Hinder Trade in Contraband Goods

St. Petersburg, Aug. 26.—The Novoe Vremya supposes, now the Vladivostok squadron is temporarily out of commission, that contraband trade will resume full swing, "especially since the Smolensk, which has proved to be the flying Dutchman to English traders on the South African route, is now definitely headed off."

Comparing the methods of the two countries, the Novoe Vremya continues: "We must confess we prefer the open, frank hostility with which the United States has been supplying foodstuffs and war material to Japan to the hypocritical manner in which England has been carrying on the same trade."

GOT GIRL'S MONEY

And the Heartless Wretch Murdered and Burned Her

Richmond, Va., Aug. 26.—A special from Stony Creek, Va., says: "A warrant was sworn out by citizens of Sussex county yesterday evening for the arrest of Charles B. Stewart, charging him with murdering Miss Annie Bolling and afterward burning the body in the woods near here June 26th. The warrant was placed in the hands of Officer Mayes at a late hour last night and Stewart was taken into custody early this morning and brought before Magistrate Johnson at Jarrold, who is hearing the case.

"Twenty-five or more witnesses will be summoned to testify against Stewart, and the case promises to be a very interesting one. Stewart, it will be remembered, took the girl to live with his family about five years ago, it is said,

for her money, and after getting all she had tired of her, and, it is supposed, took her out and killed her."

Dull Day at Rosemount

Esopus, N. Y., Aug. 26.—This has been a dull day at Rosemount. Judge Parker has not had a visitor. He spent nearly all the day in his library at work on his correspondence and his letter of acceptance.

Selling the Assets

New York, Aug. 26.—The sale of assets of the Universal Tobacco Company began today at the factory of the company, East Forty-third street. William H. Butler, president of the company, was the only bidder. Among the assets sold was a brand of Turkish cigarettes, which was bid in for \$60,000.

DEMOCRATIC LEADERS

Hill in Consultation With Men From Many States

New York, Aug. 26.—David B. Hill was again in the city today and saw a number of state and national politicians. He had a long conference with Chairman Sheehan of the national executive committee and he was also at the Democratic headquarters. Chairman Sheehan took active charge of affairs today at the executive committee rooms, and received a steady stream of politicians from New York as well as from other states.

Col. Henry Watterson, of the Louisville Courier-Journal, was at headquarters, conferring with Vice Chairman Nicoll and Secretary Woodson regarding the coming convention of Democratic editors in New York City. Mr. Watterson and other prominent Democratic newspaper men have taken an active interest in this matter. Herman Ridder, of the New York Staats Zeitung, Charles W. Knapp, of the St. Louis Republic, and other members of the committee having charge of the arrangements have notified the national committee that they will do their utmost to assist in making the convention a success. It is expected that from 1,000 to 1,200 editors will be present.

NOTHING TO SETTLE

Chicago Packers Say the Strike Is Ended

Chicago, Aug. 26.—After three hours' discussion between the packers' representatives and the aldermen at the session this evening for the purpose of arriving at a basis of settlement of the stock yards strike, the packers declared again that so far as they were concerned the strike was at an end and that there was nothing to settle.

The aldermanic committee then conferred for a short time with the representatives of the strikers. In the meantime President Donnelly telegraphed H. A. Eichberger of New York, Stephen Vail of Omaha, Louis Reinhardt of Kansas City, C. S. Schmidt of San Francisco and Homer D. Call of Syracuse, members of the national executive board, to meet him in Chicago Monday. The purpose of this meeting is unknown, but it is reported to be to canvass the question of calling the strike off.

DIED FOR OTHERS

A Life Guard Drowned in the Surf at Atlantic City

Atlantic City, N. J., Aug. 26.—Alfred Davis, one of the veteran life guards here, lost his life today while trying to save others from drowning. James Rowley, a young man employed as a clerk at the St. Charles Hotel, swam out beyond the bar above the steel pier, and owing to the heavy current could not return. He was seen struggling in the water, and George Burnett Conover, a life guard, came to his aid. Conover seized Rowley around the waist with one arm, and struck out for shore with the other, but could make no headway and both men were in imminent danger of drowning.

Davis, who saw their danger, started to swim out toward them. In the meantime a boat manned by several life guards had started around the bar to the rescue. Davis had nearly reached Rowley and Conover when the man in the boat pulled up to the struggling men and took them aboard.

Davis was not seen to be in trouble. His strength had been exhausted, and he disappeared beneath the surface. He was with great difficulty hauled ashore. Doctors worked over him for a long time in an effort to revive him, but he was at last pronounced dead. The rescue was witnessed by thousands along the beach and great excitement prevailed. When it was learned that the guard had lost his life many women, and even men, broke down and wept.

Maj. Merritt Dies Suddenly

New York, Aug. 26.—Maj. E. T. Merritt, U. S. A., retired, of 253 West One Hundred and Twelfth street, was seized with an attack of heart failure on an elevated train about noon today and died soon after he was taken out on the platform. Major Merritt entered the army during the civil war as a private in the Thirteenth New York infantry, and by gallant conduct won rapid promotion.

JAPS TAKE THE OFFENSIVE AGAINST KUROPATKIN'S ARMY

Operations in the Vicinity of Liao Yang Resumed After an Interval of Four Weeks--Indications Point to a General Engagement of the Contending Forces

St. Petersburg, Aug. 26.—A dispatch from Liao Yang says the Japanese eastern forces began a forward movement Wednesday, eight companies going on the main Liao Yang road in the direction of Llandiansian, twenty-three miles southeast of Liao Yang. The Russian outposts held their positions. The fight continued yesterday. It is understood that the second and twelfth Japanese guard divisions are participating. The Russian front from the Taiste river south was engaged. After a four weeks interval the Japanese have resumed their advance against General Kuropatkin's positions. The opposing armies are in contact east and south of Liao Yang, and fighting has been in progress since Wednesday. The advice at hand are too meager to enable the officials to form a correct opinion as to whether it will result in a general engagement, but the extent and character of the Japanese movement leads to that conclusion. Since the rains ceased a week ago there have been continued intimations that General Kuropatkin was about to assume the offensive, but instead of that it was the Japanese who attacked the Russian commander's eastern and southern positions.

A Japanese column, 30,000 strong, was reported Tuesday to be marching up the right bank of the Liao River.

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Baltic Fleet Put Out to Sea

St. Petersburg, Aug. 26.—The Baltic fleet, which sailed from Cronstadt last night on a ten days trial cruise, consisted of twenty warships. The fleet consists of the battleships Souvaroff (flagship), Borodino, Alexander II, Osiolba and Orel, the cruisers Dimitri Donskoi, Aurora, Zemtchug, Izumrud and Almaz and the transports Ocean and Kamchatka, with a number of torpedo boat destroyers.

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Skirmishing Operations

Tokio, Aug. 26.—Press dispatches from Mottien report that last Saturday 600 Russian infantry and 100 cavalry stationed at Wellingyong, on the right bank of the Taiste river, crossed on pontoons but were driven back by the Japanese scouts. Subsequently a Japanese battalion, scouting in the neighborhood of Hanpoling, on the Taiste, captured in a skirmish there nine Russians. The Japanese casualties were twelve.

The prolonged rain in Manchuria ceased Saturday. The prospects of the rice crop are bright. It is expected to be 10 per cent above the average.

Port Arthur Forts Impregnable

Paris, Aug. 26.—The correspondent of the Temps at Liao Yang reports having an interview with the American naval attaché, Lieutenant McCully, who left Port Arthur on the 14th. The lieutenant says that the Japanese were then a little over four and a half miles from the Russian positions, which were on bluffs 650 feet in height and protected with trenches, mines, barbed wire and artillery. He considered them impregnable. The Japanese shells fall into the town, but each house has a bomb-proof cellar. The Japanese were unable to fire their big guns in the night time, lest the flash should reveal their positions.

Provisions are plentiful. The troops received fresh meat.

Lieutenant McCully describes the Shanghai stories of officers living on onions and black bread as nonsense. The shops remain open and the inhabitants promenade the streets. The troops take turns in the trenches, part of the garrison always resting. The sailors assist the troops and prove excellent shots. The heat is always bearable. The lieutenant considers that the Japanese losses have been ten times those of the Russians. He thinks the place can hold out longer.

On the Firing Line

St. Petersburg, Aug. 26.—The Japanese lost heavily in their assaults upon Port Arthur last Friday and Saturday.

Tokio, Aug. 26.—Japan has formally notified the Chinese government that she will not accede to China's demand for the Russian destroyer Reichtein which was seized on August 12 by Japanese destroyers in the harbor of Chefoo.

Tokio, Aug. 26.—It is unofficially announced that the Korean court has arranged that Mr. Hayashi, the representative of the Japanese government at Seoul, may, whenever he desires to do so, proceed directly to the palace and request an audience with the emperor. Hitherto he has had to apply through the foreign office for permission to visit the palace.

Tokio, Aug. 26.—The Japanese authorities have been informed that the report that the Russian cruiser Diana, which escaped after the battle on August 10, was at Saigon, French Cochinchina, is not true.

Tokio, Aug. 26.—It is rumored at Maji that 300 women and children were conveyed from Port Arthur to Dalny last Friday. The Yokohama specie bank will open a branch at Dalny.

Tenders for Russian Fleet

London, Aug. 27.—A dispatch from Kieff to the Daily Mail says a dozen large vessels from the Black Sea will serve as transports to the fleet on its way to the far east. Five of them are

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