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JAPS LOSE A WARSHIP.

Destroyed by a Russian Mine Near Dalny.

Japanese Advance in Manchuria. Death of Explorer Stanley—Unfavorable Crop Reports—Wentz Accidentally Shot—Judge Gray to Succeed Hanna—Bath Canteen to Close.

The Japanese torpedo boat No. 48 was destroyed while removing mines from Kerr bay, north of Tallienwan (Port Dalny.) Seven men were killed and seven were wounded.

This is the first warship Japan has lost in the war. The torpedo boat was lost during a series of bombardments and surveying operations at Tallienwan, Deep and Kerr bays by Admiral Kataoka, commander of the third squadron.

First Russian Naval Success. The Russian fleet scored its first distinct naval success May 10 by the torpedoing and crippling, though not the sinking, of an armored Japanese cruiser in Tallienwan bay.

The attacking force was not a regular torpedo boat, but was only a small torpedo launch in command of a young naval officer, who had with him three jacks. The launch mounted a small machine gun and carried three torpedoes.

When darkness fell the launch crept out of Port Arthur with no lights aboard and no glow from the engines to betray her presence. It was late when the launch gained the outer line of the Japanese squadron.

The launch escaped the hot fire directed against her by the Japanese ships, but being unable to return to Port Arthur or to get into Dalny, she was beached not far from Dalny.

Port Arthur Impregnable. It is evident from a private letter written by an officer at Port Arthur dated April 29 that General Stoessel, the Russian commander there, was then daily expecting the cutting off of his communications.

The officer reported that everything was ready to withstand a siege and said the fortress was practically impregnable, adding that there was a triple row of forts around the Port Arthur glacis, each position being fronted by a moat with a hedge of barbed wire beyond, with bombproofs behind all the batteries.

The officer further declared that he had plenty of supplies and ammunition and that the garrison was in excellent spirits and confident of holding out for nine months or a year against any number of the enemy even if they possessed siege guns.

Russia's Sudden Change of Plan. No confirmation has been received of the rumors of a great battle at Siu Yen and no evidence should be given to the wild reports of the fall of Port Arthur.

The Times correspondent on board the Haimun, the dispatch boat of that paper, explains that his long silence is due to his having been warned not to proceed north of the Chefoo-Chem ulpo line until further notice. He attributes the fiasco on the Yalu to Russia's sudden change of plan, the decision to hold the river and the frenzied efforts then made at the eleventh hour, to improve the defective position with the result that the Japanese caught the Russians in a state of transition.

Cavalry Got Behind Japanese. The advance guard of the first Japanese army appeared on Saturday morning six miles below Lien Chen Kuan on the road to Liao Yan. It is not making any further advance but is erecting strong fortifications. The Japanese movements were made with the greatest care.

A persistent report is current here that a Russian squadron of cavalry succeeded in getting behind the Japanese who were several squadrons strong and in occupying Kuan Dian San. The unexpected appearance of the Russians caused the Japanese to immediately evacuate the town and retire toward the Yalu. The report is believed to be correct.

Partial Destruction of Dalny. It is impossible to identify many of the Russianized Chinese names given in the Russian staff accounts of the Japanese advance in Manchuria.

The partial destruction of Dalny is regarded as showing that the Russians anticipate the Japanese will make a determined attempt to capture Port Arthur, while, owing to the more effect the fall of the stronghold would have on Russian prestige, an equally determined resistance will be made.

Much Fall Sown Wheat Abandoned. Bradstreet's summary of the state of trade says: Weather conditions have been favorable, crop planting and growth have made fair progress, and retail trade has been benefited, the improvement extending in some lines to re-orders from jobbers.

DEADLOCK IS UNBROKEN

Illinois Republicans Took 29th Ballot For Governor.

No Prospect of a Break From Any Candidate—Chairman Cannon Refused to Entertain Resolution With Objectionable Word—Led in Singing Refrain After Song of Glee Club.

Springfield, Ill., May 17.—With the deadlock unbroken and with little prospect of a compromise on a candidate for governor, the Illinois Republican convention took a recess until 10 o'clock this morning, having taken five ballots yesterday. The recess followed the 29th roll call, the result of which showed each candidate with approximately the same strength he had when he entered the convention.

The proceedings were comparatively tame and at only one time during the session was there any great demonstration. This occurred when a glee club was invited to the platform to sing "Illinois."

Chairman Joseph G. Cannon asked the audience to join in the chorus and he led the refrain from his place on the platform, beating time with a reversed gavel. He looked like an old time singing master at a country school house as he swayed his body in unison with the music and measured the time with the improvised baton.

The great audience snar with a will and when the echoes of the chorus died away a wave of enthusiasm swept over the assembly hall.

During the demonstration Daniel J. Healey of Chicago sent to Speaker Cannon a resolution providing that after the following ballot the candidate receiving the lowest vote be dropped on each succeeding ballot until a selection had been made.

The resolution recited that "after numerous roll calls and a hard and tedious struggle the bosses have failed to select a nominee from among the candidates."

Cannon flushed when he read this and promptly declared that unless the objectionable phrase was eliminated he would not permit the resolution to be read. "Bosses" was then changed to "delegates" and Cannon said he would permit the resolution to be introduced as soon as the ballot had been announced. Healy, however, failed to ask for recognition.

A number of conferences were in progress last night. It is said federal influences attempted to secure an agreement on Congressman Vespasian Warner, but they could not get enough votes and the threat of Hamlin and Sherman to nominate Yates if Warner became a formidable candidate deterred them.

The official vote on the 29th ballot stood Yates 481, Lowden 404, Demene 382, Hamlin 115, Warner 37, Sherman 57, Pierce 22.

Russians Attacked Bandits. St. Petersburg, May 17.—The general staff has received the following dispatch from Lieutenant General Saharoff, General Kurpatkin's chief of staff, dated May 15: "On May 14 I was informed that Chinese bandits had appeared in villages 16 kilometers west of Liao Yang and I sent out detachments of riflemen, mounted and on foot, and a company of infantry. No bandits were found in the villages, the inhabitants of which answered evasively."

"As the force was returning from the village of Shantalitza, 12 kilometers west of Liao Yang, considerable numbers of bandits were discovered at a spot where they had been concealed by the villagers. The riflemen attacked the bandits, who occupied the outskirts of the village, from which they were dislodged. They left 20 dead and a number of rifles and many cartridges. Our loss was two soldiers killed and three wounded."

"The Japanese have reconquered Koundian Stan."

No Challenge From Sir Thomas. London, May 17.—George L. Watson says there is no truth in the report that Sir Thomas Lipton has commissioned him and William Fife to design a Shamrock IV. Mr. Watson says no such proposal has been made; that he knows nothing about Sir Thomas Lipton having decided to build another challenger for the America's cup and that he believes matters are still exactly as they were when Sir Thomas wrote to the New York Yacht club agent the change in measurement.

Death of Henry T. Martin. Albany, May 17.—Henry T. Martin, a member of one of Albany's most distinguished families and brother to Bradley Martin, died here of pleurisy. Mrs. Martin died on May 3 of last year. Mr. Martin was born in Albany about 67 years ago. He leaves the following children: William L. Martin of Toronto, Mrs. B. B. McAlpin of New York, Mrs. Edward Murphy, Jr., of Troy, Henry T. Martin, Jr., of Albany and Mrs. Frank Seeley of Albany.

Remains of Editor Hubbard. St. Johns, N. F., May 17.—The sealing steamer Aurora will arrive here tonight from the Labrador coast bringing the body of Leonidas Hubbard, Jr., assistant editor of Outlook who perished in the interior of Labrador last October while on an exploring expedition. The Aurora also brought Hubbard's companions, Dillon Wallace, a lawyer of New York, and Frank Elson, a half breed guide.

PENNSY RETRENCHES.

About 2,000 Men to Be Laid Off In Philadelphia Freight Yards.

Philadelphia, May 16.—By June 1 it is expected that nearly 2,000 men will be laid off temporarily in the Pennsylvania freight yards in and around Philadelphia.

Most of these men are extras, having been put on to aid in breaking the freight congestion. The Pennsylvania lines east of Pittsburgh are cleared of congestion now, and this fact, in connection with a decrease in general freight business, necessitates a temporary reduction of the force.

The use of the West Philadelphia elevated to Greenwich Point works to the advantage of the company in the number of men employed. Besides reducing the force of the freight department, a large number of men will also be taken away from construction and maintenance crews.

This reduction in forces is along the old retrenchment lines of the Pennsylvania. A director of the company said that retrenchments are and will continue to be made in all departments.

HELD BY A TURTLE.

Boy's Finger Released by a Blacksmith With a File.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., May 16.—The agonizing screams of 10-year-old William Lusch attracted a crowd from a radius of several blocks to the front of a local restaurant, where the lad had foolishly thrust his finger into the beak of a big snapping turtle. An old inhabitant solemnly assured the boy to be patient, for the turtle would never let go till it thundered.

The lad's screams were immediately redoubled, but the turtle held on. Finally a blacksmith, who was in the crowd, declared he could deal with the situation, if the boy and turtle would wait a few minutes.

Going to his shop, which was near by, he got two pairs of tongs and a heavy file. Two men caught the turtle's head with the tongs while the smith proceeded to file off the top of the reptile's beak. The boy was taken to a doctor's office, where his lacerated finger was amputated.

LEFT \$1,000,000 TO FIANCEE.

Sweetheart of E. L. Wentz, Who Died in Virginia, Going to Philadelphia.

Philadelphia, May 16.—Accompanied by her mother, Miss Cornelia Brookmire, fiancée of Edward L. Wentz, the wealthy young Philadelphian, whose body was found in the mountains near Big Stone Gap, Va., is on her way to this city from St. Louis. Miss Brookmire was named as a beneficiary of the young man's estate her legacy being reported as \$1,000,000.

While Miss Brookmire may be coming here to look after her portion of the estate it is generally believed that the principal object of her visit is to insist upon a further investigation of the mysterious circumstances connected with Mr. Wentz' tragic death.

Miss Brookmire's father was a member of the St. Louis board of trade for many years.

Pittsburg Man In Riot.

St. Louis, May 16.—Perry Brown, aged 28, of Pittsburg—one of 40 Jefferson guards at the world's fair discharged for refusing to comply with Captain Sheldon's order that they eat at a certain restaurant—was the worst injured participant in a riot started by the discharged men after they had applied in vain for money. Brown's eyes were blackened and the index finger of his left hand was nearly bitten off by a fellow guard, Alexander Freed. Brown was afterward arrested for disturbing the peace.

Menace to Navigation.

Erie, Pa., May 16.—A serious obstruction to navigation is reported at about seven miles northwest of Presque Isle light. It is described as the boomhouse and probably the machinery of a fueling scow lying in seven fathoms of water. About five feet of the boom is visible above the surface.

Protection For Timber Owners.

Oil City, Pa., May 16.—Producers' owners of timber lands are agitating the formation of an association to protect themselves against the carelessness of trespassers, who, they claim, are responsible for the loss of thousands of dollars worth of property by fires.

Run Down by a Motor Car.

New Castle, Pa., May 16.—Miss Mae McGraw, a niece of Dr. J. C. Hoyer, was riding a bicycle, when she was run down by a motor car driven by William L. Gardner. Her clothing caught in the motor machinery and she was severely injured.

Second Time Successful.

Corry, Pa., May 14.—Albert Hittome, 15 years old, of North Clymer, was found hanging to a tree in a swamp in the rear of his house. Hittome attempted suicide three weeks ago by cutting the arteries of his wrists.

Pleaded Guilty to Robbery.

Greensburg, May 11.—Arthur Stivers, Jacob Harbaugh and Bert Miller of Greensburg pleaded guilty to having robbed William Henry Madison last October and were sentenced to the Huntingdon reformatory.

BRIEF NEWS ITEMS.

Pointed Paragraphs Chronicling the Week's Doings.

Long Dispatches From Various Parts of the World Shorn of Their Padding and Only Facts Given in as Few Words as Possible For the Benefit of the Hurried Reader.

Wednesday. Viceroy Alexieff has telegraphed the emperor from Mukden that railroad communication with Port Arthur was resumed the night of May 3-10.

An important battle has been fought between Brazilian forces and the Peruvians near the River Chandel and the Peruvians were completely routed.

Leslie M. Shaw, secretary of the treasury, handed to J. P. Morgan & Co. a warrant for \$40,000,000 in payment for the Panama canal property.

Advices from Chefoo say the Russians are abandoning New Chwang and that 3,000 bandits are ready to enter the town as soon as the last Russian soldier leaves.

Among the recipients of the degree of bachelor of divinity at the 92d commencement of Princeton theological seminary Monday were two Boers from Cape Colony, John Albertyn and Henrick Rust.

Thursday.

Six men were killed and 20 seriously injured in a mine explosion at Herrin Ill.

The 35th international convention of the Y. M. C. A. of North America opened in the Central Presbyterian church at Buffalo.

An unofficial dispatch has been received at Chee Foo to the effect that the Russians have destroyed their fleet at Port Arthur.

Two officers and 15 men of the 17th U. S. Infantry were killed in an ambush May 8 by Moros on the east shore of Lake Liguasan, Mindanao.

Rear Admiral Cooper of the Asiatic squadron has received orders to send a cruiser and a gunboat to Chee Foo, the nearest neutral port to New Chwang.

Friday.

Judge Gaynor, in an address in Boston, declared that freight favoritism by the railroads was the greatest crime of the day.

A coroner's jury in the case of Edward L. Wentz returned a verdict that he came to his death by the accidental discharge of his own pistol.

A dispatch from London says Dr. Livingstone's family have requested that Stanley's body be interred beside him in Westminster Abbey.

Sidney Ash, a salesman for a jewelry firm in New York, accusing a negro of gem robbery, was sent to the Tombs on a charge of perjury.

Viceroy Alexieff telegraphed the czar that the Russians have blown up the docks and piers at Port Dalny, presumably to render more difficult a Japanese landing.

Saturday.

Indiana Democrats declared for Judge Alton B. Parker for president and utterly routed the Hearst forces.

A dispatch from St. Petersburg says railroad and telegraph communication with Port Arthur has been again cut off.

Cramped into a chimney of a house adjoining her home the lifeless body of Josephine McCahill, 7 years old, who had been missing since May 2, was found in New York.

Judge George Gray has been selected by the nominating committee of the National Civic Federation to succeed the late Senator Hanna as president of the organization.

NATIONAL CHAIRMAN.

Name of Secretary Cortelyou Received With Favor by Prominent Republicans.

Washington, May 17.—George B. Cortelyou, secretary of the department of commerce and labor, may be selected as chairman of the Republican national committee.

While in no sense endeavoring to anticipate the action of the Chicago convention or that of the national committee to be chosen, President Roosevelt and leaders of the Republican party generally have canvassed for months the subject of the national chairmanship.

Sometime ago the name of Secretary Cortelyou was suggested. It met instant favor. He is regarded as being admirably equipped for the position, possessing fine executive ability and a thorough knowledge of men and affairs. For several years he has been intimately identified with political management, scarcely any man sustaining more confidential relations with President McKinley, Senator Hanna and President Roosevelt than he.

If he should be elected national chairman he would resign his position in the cabinet and devote his entire time to the work of the campaign.

It is asserted with emphasis that no absolute decision yet has been reached but prominent men in the councils of the Republican party have impressed on the president the desirability of Secretary Cortelyou's selection.

Cornelius N. Bliss of New York, for many years treasurer of the national committee, probably will again fill that position.

GIRL RURAL MAIL CARRIER.

Miss Lane, Aged 19, Takes a Job That Two Men Have Given Up.

New Bedford, Mass., May 17.—After two men had resigned because of the rigors of the place, Miss Ruth Lane, 19 years old, a graduate of Tabor academy and educated for a teacher, has been appointed rural mail carrier. In the recent civil service examination for candidates Miss Lane was the only woman to enter. She stood third.

The first two applicants had a trial at the work during the winter and resigned. One of the requirements is to cover twice daily a route of 20 miles. In winter the route is full of difficulties, in many places being practically impassable. In the last four years none of the men cared to carry Uncle Sam's mail again after a year.

Miss Lane, who is a Western girl born and bred, a crack rifle shot and a fine horsewoman, says she is confident she can do the work.

Rochester Millers Affected.

Rochester, May 17.—The strike of the masters and pilots on the Great Lakes for higher wages may prove a serious matter for the millers of this city. Representatives of important local milling interests declared that if the strike was of long duration the mills of the city will probably shut down rather than accept the alternative of bringing their wheat by rail. The railroad rates for this class of freight is about double the canal rates. Very little grain has been received here since the canal opened 10 days ago.

Suicide Supposed to Be E. K. Sills.

New York, May 17.—Edward K. Sills, who is now supposed to have been the man who committed suicide by jumping from a Cleveland and Buffalo steamer last Thursday night, was for a number of years a member of the wholesale grocery firm of Sills & Co., but retired some time ago. He was considered wealthy. Henry J. Sills, Edward's nephew, said his uncle disappeared from his home May 4. He has not been seen or heard of since by his family. He said that his uncle had at times threatened suicide.

Broom Trust to Absorb Other Plants.

Amsterdam, N. Y., May 17.—In Chicago the National Broom company, the recently organized broom trust, will, it is expected, take over the plants of the different broom manufacturing companies in the country on which the trust has options. Representatives of Mohawk Valley factories on which the National Broom company has options are in Chicago to close up the deal. The capitalization of the broom trust is \$13,000,000.

Protest of Union Musicians.

Washington, May 7.—As a result of the protest of the local union of musicians against the acceptance by members of the United States Marine band of positions in the orchestra of a local theater, President Roosevelt has ordered that no member of the band shall take the place of any civilian dismissed on account of a labor dispute.

Women Want Curfew Law.

Rochester, May 17.—The local Council of Women, which is composed of representatives of all the woman's clubs in the city, decided by practically unanimous vote to endeavor to obtain a curfew law here. They will undertake a campaign to create a sentiment in its favor and will present an ordinance to the common council which they will endeavor to have passed.

Alleged Sale of Military Plans.

Paris, May 17.—The French embassy in London not having reported the alleged efforts made in London to sell the plans of the fortifications at Toulon, France, to foreign agents, as reported by the Matin officials here do not attach seriousness to the alleged revelations.