

JAPANESE ADVANCE, RUSSIANS FALL BACK

Capture of Feng Wang Cheng and
Details of the Killing Inten-
sify Already Deep Gloom.

CZAR'S GENERALS PUZZLED.

Have no Idea What Kuroki's Next
Move Will Be—Zassalitch's Losses
Were Great.

St. Petersburg, May 9 (3:30 a. m.).—Two official dispatches, calculated to increase the depression existing among all circles in Russia, were given out last night. From the point of view of the progress of the campaign the most important is that regarding the capture by the Japanese, without opposition, of Feng Wang Cheng on May 6. The second gives details concerning the killed, wounded and missing among the troops under the command of Lieut.-Gen. Zassalitch, as the result of the fighting on the Yalu, the number of which totals 2,357 officers and men.

Gen. Kuropatkin forwarded a message from Lieut.-Gen. Zassalitch, who had been left in command of the column retreating from Feng Wang Cheng, which describes the movements of the enemy in connection with the occupation of the town.

The information caused no surprise to the officials, who had already been advised of the decision that no attempt would be made to hold Feng Wang Cheng, the superiority of the Japanese in all fighting arms being a disaster similar to that of Kiau Tien Cheng. Therefore Gen. Zassalitch was given orders that there should be no fight of the rear guard.

The Russians left while Gen. Kuroki was making his disposition for a big battle. The Japanese approached from two directions along the main road and up the valley, placing batteries as far as to command the town. This procedure on the part of Gen. Kuroki shows that the entire Japanese plan of operation had been thoroughly prepared and that every division commander knew exactly what he should do.

Now that Gen. Kuroki is established at Feng Wang Cheng the Russians are puzzled as to what move he will make next. The fact that he sent two companies to Daliandapu Tso, 10 miles east of Feng Wang Cheng, indicated his purpose to proceed along this road to Ting Chan Chen, 80 miles north from where he would march due west to Liao Yang.

This road branches off at Chate-Chang, 40 miles westward of Feng Wang Cheng, and continues almost directly west of Hai Cheng, which was captured by the Japanese during the Chino-Japanese war. A march on this place would compel the evacuation of Newchwang, as the force there would be in danger of destruction or of being subjected to a siege by the armies converging from Hai Cheng and the southern part of the Liao Tung peninsula.

There is no confirmation up to the present of the report that Russians are preparing to evacuate Newchwang, but few would be surprised if it should turn out to be correct.

The effect of a march along the road to Hai Cheng would be to place absolutely in the control of the Japanese Manchuria between the Yalu and the Liao Tung peninsula, with the exception of Port Arthur. The Russians are so situated at this stage of the war that they will be subjected to a siege by the Japanese control the territory mentioned, the Russian invalid, the army camp, making this concession. The remainder of the press is silent.

Only one afternoon paper referred to the abandonment of Feng Wang Cheng. Tucked away in a corner of that paper was a small item saying that the post-office and telegraph office at that point were closed.

Where Gen. Kuropatkin's main force is now stationed has not been announced, though Gen. Zassalitch states that the cavalry left for Echindiane. There continues to be the greatest ignorance regarding the plans of the commander-in-chief, who is taking every precaution to prevent information reaching the enemy, the censor at Liao Yang refusing to pass a single press dispatch which in any way indicates the Russian movements. Messages from other points are strictly censored.

It is believed that Gen. Kuroki, instead of proceeding to Kai Cheng, will move northwest along the road to Liao Yang. He will not, however, be able to reach the enemy, the censor at Liao Yang refusing to pass a single press dispatch which in any way indicates the Russian movements. Messages from other points are strictly censored.

It is pointed out that the abandonment of southern Manchuria will be beneficial to the Russians, as it will enable the complete concentration of the forces which have heretofore been scattered as a consequence of ignorance.

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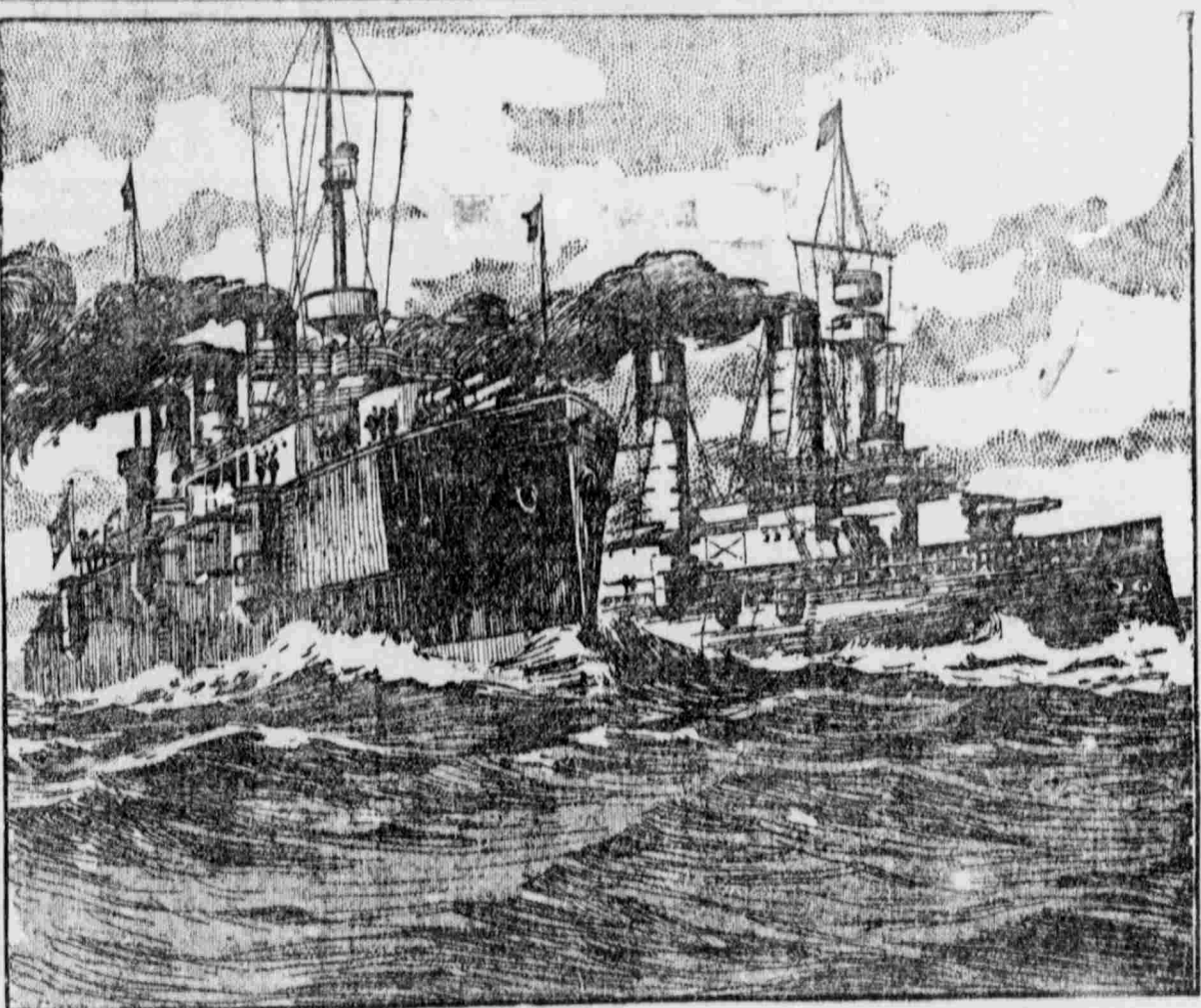
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CAPTAIN ESSEN, COMMANDING THE VLADIVOSTOK SQUADRON, AND THE COAST HE SEEKS TO DEVASTATE.

Captain Nicolai Ottonowitch von Essen, former commander of the cruiser Askold of the Port Arthur fleet, is now in charge of the Vladivostok squadron of four cruisers, having succeeded Captain Reitzenstein, who was transferred to Port Arthur. Captain Essen's present programme appears to be to menace the east coast of Korea at points at which the Japanese have the largest settlements and incidentally to destroy Jap merchant vessels. The map shows the ports which are most vulnerable to the attack of a hostile fleet.



RUSSIA'S ONLY TWO UNINJURED BATTLESHIPS IN THE FAR EAST.

The Peresviet and the Sevastopol are the only two uninjured battleships which Russia has in the east, the Vladivostok squadron, while very powerful, consisting of four cruisers, three of which are said to be the finest of their type in the world. The Cesarevitch and the Retzvin were put out of commission in the first attack on Port Arthur, and the Petropavlovsk was blown up and the Pobieda badly injured during another Togo demonstration. The Sevastopol is a sister ship of the late Petropavlovsk. The Peresviet has a displacement of nearly 15,000 tons and carries four ten-inch and ten six-inch guns in her main battery. She is a sister ship of the injured Pobieda.

and as to what the enemy proposed to do.

Though the people are tried by the general withdrawal, it is recalled that Gen. Kuropatkin counseled patience before he left St. Petersburg for Manchuria. No word of criticism of his conduct is heard, everyone recognizing that he knows all the conditions and is better able to judge as to when he can safely offer battle to the enemy.

The gruesome figures in the Russian losses on the Yalu are higher than had been reported by Maj.-Gen. Kashalinsky, who himself appears to have been wounded by a flying stone. The list enables an exact statement of the forces under Gen. Zassalitch, which were made up exclusively of eastern Siberians, and included the Ninth, Tenth, Eleventh, Twelfth and Twenty-second regiments, a battalion of the Twenty-fourth regiment, all the rifle companies of the Third battery of the Third artillery brigade, the Second and Third batteries of the Sixth artillery brigade, the second company of Siberian sappers and a machine gun detachment of the Third rifle brigade.

Gen. Kuropatkin does not give the strength of the Japanese, only reporting that it was five times greater and far superior in artillery than the Russian forces.

The casualties show that one-fifth of Gen. Zassalitch's command was placed out of action. The Eleventh and Twelfth regiments lost more than half their men in the fight. The Third battery of the Third artillery brigade was almost annihilated, losing 88 in killed or wounded and 72 out of 110 horses. The Second battery of the Sixth brigade lost heavily in killed or wounded and 103 out of 110 horses. The Third battery of the Sixth brigade lost 24 killed or wounded and 110 horses. Of the machine gun detachments only 23 were not killed or wounded.

The name of the priest of the Eleventh regiment who led the gallant charge, and who was among the wounded, is H. E. Tschabackoffsky, of the orthodox Greek church.

Gen. Kuropatkin says that no prisoners were taken by the Japanese, but he admits that seven officers and 619 men were left on the field, but it is not known whether they were wounded or dead.

The only gleam of brightness in the dark cloud overshadowing the east lies in the official information from Gen. Piliut that Port Arthur is not yet blocked by the Japanese. How this information was obtained the officials will not say, but they insist that it is reliable and are satisfied that the defenders will prevent the success of the further efforts which the Japanese will undoubtedly make to bottle up the harbor.

Big Fire in Cincinnati.

Cincinnati, May 9.—Fire in the building occupied by the Pounds Ford Stationary company caused a loss estimated at \$100,000 today. Joseph Vahling and family of three who lived on the third floor, had a narrow escape from suffocation and had to be carried out by the firemen.

RUSSIANS LEAVE NEWCHWANG.

Forts Have Been Dismantled and
All Artillery Placed on
Board Trains.

INHABITANTS FEAR BRIGANDS.

Hoping the Japanese Will Take Possession at Once—Gunboat Requested.

Chefoo, May 9 (Noon).—Passengers arriving on the steamer Petrarca from Newchwang say that when they left Newchwang the Russians had commenced to evacuate. Some guns had been taken from the forts and many troops had already gone. In other respects Newchwang was quiet. The passengers understood before their departure that the Japanese had cut the railway, but they learned no particulars.

EVACUATION DECIDED UPON.

Newchwang, May 7 (9 p. m.).—There is every indication that the Russians have decided to evacuate Newchwang. Troops have been leaving here all day long. The forts have been dismantled and all the artillery has been placed on board trains. All the local transportation has been commandeered by the Russian authorities.

There is current here a native rumor that the Russian transports are in Pootchau bay (on the west side of the Liao Tung peninsula, and about 50 miles north of Port Arthur), but this report lacks confirmation.

The fear is held here that if the Russians leave and the Japanese do not at once take possession of Newchwang the brigands, who are now across the river near Yingkow, will pillage the place. The foreign residents are prepared to resist the brigands should they come over. The British consul has requested that a gunboat be sent to Newchwang.

The Russians probably will destroy the gunboat Nivouch before leaving. The vessel is at Newchwang.

Japanese troops fired on what probably was the last train out of Port Arthur as it passed near Port Adams. They used artillery and small arms

and killed or wounded several Chinese. It is reported here that Viceroy Alexieff was slightly wounded prior to his departure from Port Arthur. He barely escaped from there before the Japanese closed the lines of communication. The Russian general staff has moved from Liao Yang to Mukden.

Russians here will not talk of the situation for fear they may impart some information. They do not consider that their forces here are sufficient to hold the section of the country. It is probable that the Russian troops will withdraw to Harbin.

The Russian civilians at Newchwang are leaving hurriedly and many natives are fleeing the city in the fear that they will be subjected to maltreatment at the hands of the brigands.



LILIES OF HEALTH AND BEAUTY.

In a recent interview with Mrs. Lily Lantry, she very wisely said:

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A GREAT SEAL RING.

A Priceless Treasure of Ancient Chinese Dynasty for Sale.

San Francisco, May 9.—The Call this morning says:

A massive gold seal worth intrinsically \$5,000 and one of the priceless treasures of an ancient Chinese dynasty has been offered for sale in this city to a local smelting company. Word was sent from there to the Chinese consul-general. He deciphered the worn inscriptions upon it and declared that it was one of the most valuable relics of an ancient Chinese dynasty. He said the gold came from the great range of the Kiang mountains and the sands of the Gobi desert and was gathered by hand from the rocks and channels more than 4,000 years ago.

Melted and refined into a solid mass, the artisans of those ages carved the inscriptions upon the gold that has formed the official seal of the dynasty for thousands of years, until more modern times and a greater sway caused a new imperial seal to be developed. Then the seal was delegated to the nearest nephew of the emperor as his official signature. The seal was subsequently withdrawn from sale by its present owner, who claims to have picked it up in China. It is said the Chinese consul-general has guaranteed the payment of \$10,000 for it, which is twice its intrinsic value if felt up.

May Buy Breeding Farm.

New York, May 8.—It is reported that Harry Payne Whitney has leased for five years, with the option of purchase outright, the breeding and training farm near Red Bank, N. J., known as Brookdale, the home of the late D. D. Whitney, and after his death the property of Col. W. P. Thompson, whose estate still owns it. It includes more than 800 acres of ground together with stabling for 50 horses and a covered track for training horses, six laps to the mile. The property is valued at \$300,000.

Of late the race horses owned by J. R. and P. P. Keene have been wintered there.

It is said to be the plan of Mr. Whitney to bring to Brookdale part of his stud, besides some 60 of the choicest brood mares now in Kentucky.

Foolish Cry of Fire.

Chicago, May 9.—The cry of "Fire" by a man in the gallery started a rush for the doors at Hopkins theater which nearly emptied the house and interrupted the performance. Several women fainted in the crush but no one was seriously injured, although several were bruised and lacerated. The young man in the ticket office ran to the fire alarm box at the first shout but in his excitement he inserted the key and failed to turn in the alarm, so no department came to the theater. Soon after the crowd was quieted and a number of persons re-entered the theater. The second act was left unfinished but the third was played. The trouble started when two boys in the gallery came to blows. The man who shouted fire escaped during the rush.

Christian Science Reader Refuted.

San Francisco, May 8.—At the Christian Science services in Steinway hall today, while the reader was delivering a sermon on the immortality of the soul and declaring that there is no such thing as death, Mrs. Mary Burrows, a young woman who was in the assembly, suddenly expired from heart disease.



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