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WITH THE THIRD JAPANESE ARMY.

It is Now Before Port Arthur, the Downfall of Which is Not Far Distant.

THE FIGHT FOR POSITION.

Troops Crossing the Valley Subjected To a Concentrated Converging Fire.

THE TAKING OF TWO MOUNTAINS.

Russians Repelled With Artillery but Guns Were Soon Silenced—Fleet Compelled to Retire.

Headquarters of the Third Japanese Army in Front of Port Arthur, Nov. 2, via Chefoo, Nov. 3.—(Censored).—When the Japanese drove the Russians from their strong position on the last range of hills in front of the fortress by a surprise attack July 30, the Russians, although they had previously prepared advance lines to prevent the Japanese from closing upon the fortified ridge, this line of forts was 14 miles long, forming a semi-circle from the east coast to four miles from the west coast and circling five miles northwest of Port Arthur. The fortress belt proper was a 12-mile semi-circle from coast to coast. The Japanese position was a mile from the advance Russian line in the center of a range of hills called Fenghuang mountain. On their left flank was broken, hilly country east of Taku mountain. Their right flank was over the crest of a range of hills extending in a northwesterly direction from Port Arthur to Louisa bay. Between the Fenghuang mountain and the Russian fortress was the triangular Shihai valley, two miles wide, crossed by dry water courses almost to the foot of the fortified hills. The Russian advance lines passed through the center of the Shihai valley.

JAPANESE ADVANCE.

Though the advance of the Japanese over the valley was comparatively easy, owing to the good cover afforded by the watercourses and waving crops of Chinese corn, they were subjected to a concentrated, converging fire from the forts on the east and west flanks. Before the line of investment much closing was necessary on the part of the Japanese flanks. Two mountains, Taku and Shihai, close to the eastern extremity of the fortified ridges, and essential to a close investment, were taken by the Russians. From the top of Taku a precipitous mountain, 600 feet high, the Russians were able to see the rear of the Japanese lines. On the right flank were two powerful advance forts on hills respectively 174 yards and 200 yards high. The more strong advance works were situated on the lower peaks of the same range, extending in a northwesterly direction from the city towards Louisa bay. The works protected the Russian left flank and prevented the Japanese from pushing the line of Port Arthur through the valley, as the works commanded the gap in the chain of hills on the west coast.

WORKS WELL CONSTRUCTED.

The advance works were well constructed and more difficult to take than some of the Russian forts. It was decided to close on the Japanese left flank first taking Taku and Shihai mountains. The former was rugged, its ascent had precipitous slopes on the east and west flanks. The advance works were made under the fire of the east forts of Shihai mountain. A division was ordered to take the hills and Aug. 7 the bombardment batteries being assisted by three batteries of 4.7 inch naval guns and four batteries of three-inch howitzers.

RUSSIANS REPLIED.

The Russians replied with field guns from Taku mountain and with larger guns from the east forts. The artillery on the south slope was silenced at 6 in the evening and the Japanese infantry advanced at 7 o'clock in three columns, the left flank keeping in touch with the right flank of the main line in the Shihai valley.

The advance was made in the form of a segment of a circle from the east. Heavy rain stopped the movements and early darkness stopped the artillery fire.

GUNBOATS APPEARED.

Russian torpedo gunboats appeared off the coast near Shihai village, and south slope so that it had to retire. The Japanese were compelled to retire under the fire of the howitzer batteries, and all fire from Taku and Shihai mountains was stopped. Eight Japanese regiments from the south and the northwest section gained a foothold on the crest of Taku mountain and, after a desperate hand-to-hand encounter, compelled the Russians to retreat to their permanent position.

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RUSSIAN LEFT FLANK.

Attention was then turned to the Russian left flank. Two Japanese brigades were ordered to advance. They started in the night, a line two miles in length. At two in the morning a heavy rain greatly impeded their progress, but they reached the Russian entrenchments under heavy fire. A quarter inch shell was compelled the pioneers to cut the poles to open the way. The position was captured at four o'clock in the morning of Aug. 14, the Russian counter-attack being repulsed. A heavy Japanese bombardment of the Russian advance works, on a low hill north of 174-yard hill, finally compelled the fire to slacken. A night attack was made on the Russian advance works. The Japanese reached the outer entrenchments but were then repulsed. Starlight shells located the Japanese lines, on which searchlights were thrown, after which the Russian machine guns played havoc all night with the Japanese troops in the trenches on the hillside. Finally a concentrated fire from Taku mountain and the advance forts compelled the Japanese to cease operations.

GENERAL ATTACK PLANNED.

It was announced at the Japanese headquarters on the 15th that the siege guns would be in position and ready to begin a bombardment on the 16th. The headquarters on the 15th were at the village of Shuangtalkou, closed to the railroad and 13 miles north of Port Arthur. The Associated Press correspondent upon his arrival there was told by Gen. Nogi, who said he was just in time to see the conclusion of a successful campaign and the capture of Port Arthur. The correspondent went to the front the morning of the 16th and saw the positions from the highest peak of Fenghuang mountain, a range of five miles from Port Arthur and two miles west of the railroad.

THE CZAR'S ACCESSION.

St. Petersburg, Nov. 3, 12:50 p. m.—There was little attempt today to celebrate the anniversary of the accession of Emperor Nicholas. The imperial family attended a tea at the Kazan cathedral and there were services in all the churches. Later the troops were used, except in a perfunctory way, for the school children and there was music and other holiday displays in the parks, but on account of the war and the anxiety regarding the situation at Port Arthur, everything was on a small scale.

ELECTION DAY.

UP IN CANADA.

St. John, N. B., Nov. 2.—The elections of Canada are deciding today whether the government of Sir Wilfrid Laurier will be continued in office, and whether the Grand Trunk Pacific company will be permitted to construct a transcontinental railroad, largely supported by the federal treasury. The campaign has been an active one, and although the indications at times have pointed to the return of the Liberal government by a reduced majority in the house of commons, a number of confusing elements has made the outcome uncertain. The Liberal majority in the late parliament was 54.

GERMANY AND SPAIN.

Have No Agreement Respecting Their Rights in San Domingo.

Berlin, Nov. 3.—The foreign office here authorizes the Associated Press to say that Germany has no agreement with Spain whatever respecting joint protection of their interests in San Domingo. Neither has Germany protested against the arbitration decision in the case of the claims of the Santo Domingo Improvement company of New York, nor does the foreign office know anything regarding the action taken by the Spanish consul at Santo Domingo in behalf of Germany.

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Automobile Line Through to Fort Duchesne

Chug-Chug Wagons to Invade Indian Reservation—Something About Engineering Feats On Uintah Railroad—Sooners Gathering for the Rush—Interesting Railroad News.

AN AUTOMOBILE LINE THROUGH A PORTION OF THE UTAH RESERVATION.

Shades of the Pioneers, Kit Carson, Dan Boone et al, what next!

That is just what is going to happen and a party of troops from Fort Duchesne is today going over the proposed route to the terminus of the Uintah Railroad at Dragon. The wagon road is to be built and when completed the mails will be carried to and from the post by automobile via the new railroad which connects with the Rio Grande main line at Mack. It will then be possible for passengers to leave the fort one morning and be in either Salt Lake or Denver the next.

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SUPERB ENGINEERING FEAT.

Mr. Fitzpatrick was in charge of construction and tracklaying on the new road to the heart of the reservation. He has completed his job—and, more to the point is proud of it. In the Uintah road he claims to have them all "koin" south. Until this road was completed the Salt Lake & Mercur was supposed to be the star mountain engineering feat in the western railroad world. Henceforth the Salt

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SURVEYING THE EXTENSION.

Continuing he went on to state that the railroad to Dragon was now completed and was in operation, while a force of locating engineers was in the field making surveys into the heart of the reservation with the object in view of extending the line 65 miles to Fort Duchesne and vicinity. This extension will be built following the opening of the large tract of fertile territory to settlement. The present line is 54 miles in length so that when it is completed the Rio Grande will have a feeder of about 119 miles long.

GETTING OUT ASPHALTUM.

Coming down to the asphaltum proposition he says that there is a practically inexhaustible supply and that

ALREADY THERE ARE 5,000 SACKS OF THIS PAVING MATERIAL PILED UP AT DRAGON READY FOR SHIPMENT, WHILE THE COMPANY IS AT PRESENT IN SHAPE TO GET OUT 150 TONS A DAY.

SOONERS GETTING READY.

Everybody, he says, is looking forward to the opening of the reservation and already there are about 500 men located at Ashley ready to jump in as soon as the opening is announced. At Vernal also, he affirms that there are possibly 100 more. Mr. Fitzpatrick fully endorses all that has been said regarding the wonderful resources of this new region awaiting settlement.

MOFFAT ROAD.

When asked regarding the Moffat line he shrugged his shoulders and smiled. "You mock my words," he declared. "The Moffat road is not coming further west than Glenwood Springs, at least for some years. I have it sized up as being a cut-off for the Rio Grande."

WESTERN PACIFIC TO BEGIN.

Questions regarding the Western Pacific led up to the statement that he was in possession of information that that road meant business despite rumors to the contrary, and that there would be something doing in the direction of construction in the near future. In fact Mr. Fitzpatrick has been notified that his services would be required on the new line through to the coast.

OFFICERS WERE FAIRLY OUTWITTED

Cody Bank Robbers Gave Them The Slip During the Night And Got Away.

MAKING FOR HOLE-IN-THE-WALL

Buffalo Bill and Fosse Will Start Out On a Vigorous Man-Hunt Tonight—Big Reward Offered.

(Special to the "News.")

Cheyenne, Wyo., Nov. 3.—At dawn, when the posse whipped the timber on Cottonwood creek in which the Cody bank robbers were supposed to be sequestered, and which was closely guarded all night, they found the quarry had fled, having skipped through a cordon of guards during the night. The robbers also secured fresh horses and now have a good start.

CHINESE OUTRAGE IN NEW YORK CITY

Mock Duck, a Prominent Chinaman, Waylaid by Highbinders on the Street

POLICE CAPTURED ASSAILANT.

Three Armed Heathens Tried to Rescue Him—Reserves Came To the Rescue

New York, Nov. 3.—A shooting affray with many features resembling the highlander outrages of the San Francisco Chinese quarter which occurred in Chinatown today, may result in the death of Mock Duck, one of the most prominent members of the reform element in the local Chinese colony. Mock was waylaid as he was passing through Pell street, and one of two bullets fired at him lodged in his abdomen, making an extremely dangerous wound. When his assailant, who was captured as he was running away, was being taken to the patrol box by a policeman the couple were surrounded by three other Chinamen with drawn revolvers demanding the release of the prisoner. The situation was becoming serious when a dozen reserves arrived. The reserves found the policeman and his prisoner backed up in a doorway, the officer holding back three armed Chinamen. The would-be rescuers fled when the reinforcements arrived. The man under arrest is Lee Sing, a laundryman.

SHASTA ROUTE HOLD-UP.

Robbers Drew Revolvers, Robbed Train and One Laborer.

San Francisco, Nov. 3.—The Bulletin says that the arrival in Berkeley of Samuel Hays, a Wells-Fargo express messenger on the Shasta route, comes the story of a desperate hold-up on the Shasta route. Two masked men robbed the train crew on the Overland freight that preceded the Oregon express by an hour or two. The men were discovered in a box car, and the conductor supposing them to be tramps, ordered them to leave, stopping the train between Chico and Blago so they might get off. They then drew revolvers, robbed the train and a colored laborer who had 50 cents and made their escape, firing at the cars as they drove away. Three sticks of dynamite were found in the car they had occupied. The news of the hold-up had not been officially reported to either Wells-Fargo or the Southern Pacific up to yesterday afternoon.

POPE DOES NOT IMPROVE.

Rome, Nov. 3.—The condition of the pope is being improved since yesterday. Dr. Lappone insists that his holiness shall give to audiences today.

HAD A BAD SCARE.

Fire Starts in a Stationery Store In New York.

New York, Nov. 3.—Fire in a stationery store on the first floor of the Astor house building at Broadway and Vesey street today, filled the dining room and several apartments in the upper part of the hotel with smoke. The guests had been warned that there was no danger, however, and there was no excitement. The flames were confined to the stationery store and were subdued with a loss of hands more than \$240. The only accident in connection with the fire occurred when a small boy, who was passing the building, was struck and badly cut by a piece of plate glass window. The fire started from some unknown cause.

EMINENT DOMAIN.

Right Granted to Railroads in The Philippines.

Manila, Nov. 3.—The Philippine commission has granted the right of eminent domain to railroad companies holding charters.

ROOSEVELT TO AMADOR.

Washington, Nov. 3.—President Roosevelt today transmitted through the state department the following cablegram to President Amador, Panama: "To President Amador, Panama: 'Accept the felicitations of this government on the first anniversary of Panama's independence.'"

THEODORE ROOSEVELT.

CELEBRATION OF MIKADO'S BIRTHDAY

He Regrets Time Has Not Arrived To See Peace Restored in The Far East.

HEALTH OF RULERS PROPOSED.

Japanese Day Only Observed in St. Louis—Congratulations Sent The Emperor.

Tokio, Nov. 3, 1 p. m.—Upon the occasion of his birthday, at luncheon today, the emperor briefly addressed his guests, extending welcome to the foreign diplomatic corps and ministers of state. During the course of his remarks he said: "We regret that the time has not come to see peace restored in the far east in realization of our desires."

JAPS TO CELEBRATE.

Mikado's Birthday the Occasion—This Is Also Anniversary of Czar's Rule.

Tonight at Harmonie hall the fifty-second anniversary of the birth of the Mikado of Japan will be celebrated by the Salt Lake colony of Japanese. The Japanese stores were not open this morning and signs in English hung on the doors announced: "Closed. We celebrate our Holiday." Meanwhile the Japanese of the city were busy at the hall they had engaged for this evening, preparing decorations, and a banquet for the visitors. The colony here expects a large number of Japanese to come in from outlying points to join in the celebration. The arrangements are in charge of E. D. Hashimoto, known locally as Salt Lake's Mikado, as he has general control of the Japanese in Utah.

TWO RIBS BROKEN.

Peter Clegg of Tooele Hurt in a Runaway Accident.

(Special to the "News.") Tooele City, Nov. 3.—Peter M. Clegg, Republican candidate for state senator from the First district, met with a painful accident yesterday afternoon, while returning from a campaign trip. The gentleman was driving down Ophir canyon, when a tug loosened, causing the horse attached to the buggy to run away. The occupants were tipped out and Mr. Clegg had two ribs broken. While his injuries are painful, he will be all right again in a few days. George Shields and Roy Ellis, who were with him, were not hurt.

BALDWIN'S AIRSHIP.

It is Still at Large, Floating Through Space.

St. Louis, Nov. 3.—The Baldwin airship, which escaped last night while it was being towed back to the cannery, has not been heard from.

WANTS MONEY PAID BACK.

Right of Bankrupt to be Tested in Federal Court Soon.

The right of a bankrupt to spend money after a trustee has been appointed for him is involved in a suit filed yesterday afternoon in the United States district court by Dora Jepson.

PRINCE FUSHIMI'S SUIT.

San Francisco, Nov. 3.—Prince Fushimi, the adopted brother of the emperor of Japan, who is expected here on Nov. 4, will be accompanied by the following suite: A. Zato, minister resident; Count S. Tanihara, Lt. Col. S. Miburo, N. Watanabe, master of court ceremonies; S. Tanihara, retainer of the prince; S. Tanihara, the prince's private secretary; Dr. K. Kikaku, attending physician.

PORT ARTHUR AT MERCY OF JAPS.

Last Assault Gained for Them Positions Permitting Them To Enter Forts

WHENEVER THEY ARE READY.

Their Positions Enable Them to Drive Russians Out Whenever They Wish to Do So.

BEGINNING OF END OF OPERATIONS

Tremendous Excitement Among Troops—Anxious to Present the Mikado With a Surrender.

Chefoo, Nov. 3, 4:30 p. m.—The correspondent of the Associated Press here has received information, the reliability of which is beyond question, that the Japanese have occupied positions which place the east side of the town at their mercy.

"The last assault has gained for them positions which insure their ability to enter the main east forts whenever they are ready."

It is calculated by the Japanese that if the Russians do not surrender the former will be capable of prolonging their final stand at Liaotai mountain and on the Tiger's Tail for a month longer, with the mere hope of prolonging the struggle. Long before the second Pacific squadron arrives the Japanese flag will wave over the wrecked citadel.

This will end Viceroy Alexieff's dream of an unconquerable city.

The Japanese have not occupied the main forts and highest points of the east hills but they occupy in overwhelming numbers positions which will enable them to drive the Russians back whenever they desire.

When the Japanese occupy the east fort ridge they will completely dominate the other Russian forts with their artillery.

IN FRONT OF PORT ARTHUR.

Headquarters of the Third Japanese Army, in Front of Port Arthur, Nov. 2, via Chefoo, Nov. 3, 2 p. m., censored.—

The Japanese are now in a position to commence the beginning of the end of the operations to capture the eastern fortified ridges. Their siege park has been moved to the position of 11-inch howitzers. During the night of Oct. 29 all the reserves advanced through a net work of trenches in front of the eastern fortified ridges from south of Kekwan to west of Kekwan and to the west of Rihlung mountain, called by the Japanese Shochuan.

The bombardment began at dawn Oct. 30, and infantry attacks were planned to go against Rihlung mountain, an untrenched hill between the east of Port Arthur and to the east of Kekwan on three Kekwan forts.

There is tremendous excitement among the troops who are convinced of success and mean to capture the fortified ridges and compel the surrender of Port Arthur in time for the mikado's birthday, Nov. 3.

RIBLING MOUNTAIN TAKEN.

Chefoo, Nov. 3, noon.—Japanese arriving from Dally today report that the Japanese have captured Ribling mountain, and Shungshu mountain, which lies between the railroad and Rihlung mountain. They also report that the Japanese have captured East Kekwan mountain.

Conservative Japanese, realizing the intense desire of the Japanese for good news on the emperor's birthday, receive the above reports with reserve. Regarding the capture of Ribling and Shungshu mountains the report is not considered, improbable but Japanese say that it is not intended to occupy East Kekwan mountain. To August the Japanese succeeded in entering East Kekwan fort, as was related in these dispatches at that time, but under the concentrated fire of the other forts they were compelled to retire. Japanese officers here say that it is impossible to hold East Kekwan and therefore an attack on that position is presumably only a feint.

When the Japanese occupied the Russian trenches on Rihlung mountain it is said that the Russians turned a current of water into the trenches but that the Japanese held fast. Previous to this Japanese shells exploded two land mines on Rihlung mountain.

To Contest Amanda Reed's Will.

Portland, Or., Nov. 3.—It is stated that the heirs of Mrs. Amanda W. Reed, who reside in California, will contest that portion of her will which sets aside a part of her estate valued approximately \$100,000 for a technical institute to be located in Portland in memory of her husband, the late Simon G. Reed, a pioneer capitalist of this city. Mrs. Reed at the time of her death was a resident of Pasadena, Cal., and the contention of the heirs is that the laws of that state prohibit the devising of more than one-third of an estate for public purposes.

Injured in Street Car Accident.

North Andover, Mass., Nov. 3.—Twelve persons were seriously injured, one probably fatally, in a street car accident early today. The car, bound from Lawrence in Salem over the Boston & Northern road and crowded with members of two campaign organizations returning from a Republican parade at Lawrence, jumped the track at Cavendish, and turned over on its side. There were 80 passengers and severely one escaped without painful cuts and bruises. Richard Floyd of Middleton probably will die.

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