

## JAPS FAIL TO FLANK ENEMY

### Two Mighty Armies Engaged in Decisive Battle at Liaoyang—The Opposing Forces Number 400,000 Men.

The greatest battle of the war began around Liaoyang early Tuesday morning, the anniversary of the birth of the Mikado.

Opening with an artillery duel, followed by a general advance of the Japs, the first day's struggle of what promises to be a several-day's decisive engagement, terminated with the honors in favor of the Russians, they having repelled attacks made upon several positions.

The combined strength of the opposing forces is estimated at 300,000 to 400,000 men.

The Japanese have 1,200 guns on the field, but the strength of the Russian artillery is not known.

### THE BATTLE FROM LIAOYANG.

Citizens Wondering What is to Be the Fate of the City.

Liaoyang (By Cable).—A Russian correspondent supplies the following: "The eventful moment has arrived, and the battle of Liaoyang is in progress. Before 6 o'clock A. M., when the first gun was fired, but soon afterward hundreds of cannon were thundering along our southern and eastern fronts."

"The center of our position is located near the famous Tower of Liaoyang, about seven miles to the southeast. The fighting there was of the most desperate character, but is now going on much nearer to the flanks."

"The hissing of the shells is distinctly audible, and from the city it is easy to see the shells bursting."

"Heavy guns were brought into action by both sides, and their dull roar was discernible above the sharper detonation of field and mountain guns."

"The Russians are using big ordnance, which is in position in the inner ring of the Liaoyang forts."

"The noisy Chinese population has suddenly become quiet. The main streets of Liaoyang, always the scene of the busiest traffic and usually re-echoing with the shrill voices from sunrise to sunset, is now as silent as if it were night."

"The inhabitants are watching the distant battle from the housetops and watch towers, or are wandering gloomily in the streets."

"We are asking ourselves if the tide of battle is going to swamp the city and what is to become of the houses and other property."

"The Japanese are searching the whole countryside with their fire, selecting certain squares of territory on which for a few moments they mass a hail of shot and shell from their guns. They then pass to another square, thus working the whole field with mathematical precision, from right to left. In this way the entire Russian front has been systematically searched in the first four hours of cannonading."

"Then began the general Japanese advance along the whole line."

"The Russians have been holding their ground gallantly and their losses are small, considering the terrible nature of the Japanese fire."

"Wounded men have been pouring into Liaoyang since 8 o'clock, mostly hurt by shrapnel shells and some by rifle bullets. The heights of Maetung, near the railroad, have been showered with projectiles."

**WOMAN GETS FORTUNE OF \$50,000,000.**

Mrs. Anne M. Walker, of Williamsport, Pa., one of the Richest Women.

Philadelphia, Pa. (Special).—The will of William Weightman, head of the firm of Powers & Weightman, manufacturing chemists, who died a few days ago at the age of 91 years, was probated Monday, his entire estate, valued at more than \$50,000,000, being left to his daughter, Mrs. Anne M. Walker, widow of the late Congressman Robert J. C. Walker, of Williamsport, Pa.

By the terms of the will, Mrs. Walker, who is the only surviving child, becomes sole proprietor of the extensive chemical works, which makes her one of the richest women in the world. Mrs. Walker will assume active management of the drug business, besides looking after the real estate left her by her father, who was one of the largest holders of real estate in the country.

He owned much property in Pennsylvania outside of Philadelphia, and also in New York, Ohio, Nebraska, Delaware, West Virginia, Missouri and Wisconsin.

**Died of the Plague.**  
San Francisco, Cal. (Special).—The steamer Coptic, which arrived from the Orient, was sent to the quarantine station because a Korean passenger died of the plague during the voyage. Among the arrivals on the Coptic were Professors Kitazata and Hozumi, of Japan, on the way to the Congress of Sciences at St. Louis and Miss Carl, who painted the portrait of the Dowager Empress of China.

**Leopold to Roosevelt.**  
Oyster Bay, N. Y. (Special).—Information was received at the executive offices here of the arrival in New York of G. Francotte, a delegate to the peace conference which is to be held in September at the St. Louis exposition. He is said to be the bearer of credentials from the King of Belgium to President Roosevelt requesting the latter to use his good offices in the restoration of peace between Russia and Japan.

## NEWS IN SHORT ORDER.

The Latest Happenings Condensed for Rapid Reading.

**Domestic.**  
In St. Louis Mrs. Julius Lasmann, wife of one of the hoodler members of the Missouri legislature who is serving a term in prison, attempted to jump from a window of her home. John Deikler was fatally shot by a stranger near his home, at Glendale, L. I. There is no clue to the mystery. Deikler died shortly after receiving his wound.

At Weimar, Tex., Oscar Lee Tucker, a negro prisoner, charged with criminal assault on a white woman, was mysteriously lynched in his cell.

The biennial school census of Chicago shows a decrease in the population of Hyde Park and an increase in the crowded section of the city.

The executive committee of the International Sunday School Association is in session at Buffalo, N. Y. The Portsmouth (O.) Steel Company shut down on account of the condition of the steel market.

The relief fund for the sufferers of the General Stocum disaster amounts to \$10,543.

At Kemmerer, Ore., four highway-men held up an express messenger and secured \$500.

The North German Lloyd steamer Kaiser Wilhelm II, which arrived at New York, broke her own best westward passage by about 2 hours and 26 minutes. The Kaiser Wilhelm II left Bremen August 23, and Southampton and Cherbourg on the 24th.

Thomas N. McCauley, organizer and former president of the alleged bankrupt International Mercantile Agency, was arrested in New York on the charge of larceny of \$4,500. The charge was preferred by Hamilton (Ont.) parties.

The demand of the motomen and firemen of the "L" Road in New York for an increase in wages and a decrease in hours of labor was refused by the officials of the Interborough Rapid Transit Company.

At Auburn, N. Y., Antonio Giorgio was put to death in the electric chair for his part in the murder of John Van Gorder and his half-sister, Miss Farnham, at West Albany, last May.

A party of 16 engineers arrived in New York. They will inspect engineering works in principal cities of the United States and Canada.

Preparations are being made for a general resumption of work at the Republic plant of the National Tube Company at Pittsburg.

Edward Siegman, of New York, filed at Trenton, N. J., a bill against the Electric Vehicle Company's directors compelling them to make good \$704,800 which was paid out in dividends in 1899 and 1900.

Chairman Hanna, of the Republican committee of Maryland, was among the callers at Western headquarters, in Chicago, N. E., made an encouraging report of the political situation in Maryland.

Hon. Charles W. Fairbanks, Republican candidate for vice president of the United States, delivered his formal speech of the campaign at a mass-meeting at White River Junction, Vt.

One spectator was killed and another probably fatally injured during the races of the World's Fair Automobile Speed Congress in an accident which totally demolished Barney Oldfield's racing machine and seriously injured Oldfield.

The United Garmentworkers of America concluded their thirteenth annual convention at Buffalo by voting down a resolution committing the organization to socialism. The next annual convention will be held in Toronto.

The New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company will spend \$8,000,000 for improved rapid transit from New York city to the Bronx.

Edwin W. Hagar, president of the Xenia Strawboard Works, was killed in an automobile accident near Springfield, O.

The Brotherhood of Engineers voted to support the motor-engineers employed on the New York Elevated road.

During nine months the total commerce of the Philippines showed an increased value of more than \$1,000,000.

Ira Green and William Dillon were convicted of the murder of Turnkey Condon, of the Bellefonte Jail.

The daughter of Secretary Hay has written the words of a song which has been recently issued.

Nine men of the Secret Service have been detailed at Oyster Bay to guard President Roosevelt.

Edward Angier has again been arrested at Boston for attempting to pass worthless checks.

Two sets of brothers fought a desperate battle in the street of an Arkansas town.

Julius Fritsch committed suicide at La Crosse, Wis., when his son married.

**Foreign.**  
The Congo Free State is said to be fearful of a German invasion and to be constructing forts on the west shore of Lake Tanganyika.

The conference of the transatlantic shipping companies was continued at Frankfurt-on-the-Main, but no conclusions were reached.

## NINE PEOPLE KILLED

### A Head-On Collision on the Grand Trunk Railroad.

#### CONDUCTOR OF TRAIN DISAPPEARS.

Disobedience of Orders Causes a Frightful Catastrophe in Canada—In Addition to the Nine Dead, Twenty-three Sustained Severe Injuries—One of the Trains Contained a Thousand Excursionists.

Montreal (Special).—Nine people were killed and 23 others injured in a head-on collision on the Grand Trunk Railway, near Richmond, Que. The trains involved were a special excursion from Montreal bound for Sherbrooke and passenger train No. 5, running between Island Pond, Vt., and Montreal.

The collision, it is claimed, was due to neglect of orders on the part of the train crew of the excursion train, which left Richmond without awaiting the arrival of the passenger train.

The excursion train was running as the first section of the regular Grand Trunk Portland Express, which usually crosses the Island Pond train at Richmond, and was running on its regular schedule.

This makes it all the more inexplicable why Conductor Atkinson, in charge of the excursion train, did not wait to make the usual crossing. Atkinson disappeared shortly after the wreck occurred.

The excursion train, made up of 10 coaches and a baggage car, carried about 1,000 persons bound for the exhibition at Sherbrooke. The Island Pond train was composed of five coaches and a baggage car and had only a small number of passengers.

The excursion train had barely cleared the Richmond yard, when, rounding a curve, it met the Island Pond train, running at a high rate of speed. Both engines reversed, and with their firemen, jumped, escaping with minor injuries. The shock of the collision was plainly heard in Richmond, more than a mile away.

Both engines were locked firmly together. The baggage car of the excursion train was picked up and dropped on top of the car following it—a catastrophe, and it was in these two cars that the greater number of fatalities occurred.

The most graphic account of what followed the collision is given by J. A. Denault, a Montreal banker, who was seated in the smoker of the excursion train.

"When the shock came," he said, "I was hit on the head and momentarily stunned. When I came to my senses I appeared to be lying underneath a pile of kindling wood, from which I could not get away."

"I felt something wet saturating one leg of my trousers and for a moment thought that I had been badly wounded. Looking down I saw that the body of a man was lying across my feet. He was groaning, and in a minute or two he had ceased dying. Then he was still. When relief came I was dead. I was lucky enough to escape with only a few contusions."

Other passengers told similar stories of their escape, but the trainmen had nothing to say, pending the inquest.

**Indiana Miners and Operators.**  
Terre Haute, Ind. (Special).—The joint meeting of the state executive boards of the Indiana miners and operators adjourned, after failing to agree on the questions of stable bosses being members of the union and the eight-hour clause applying to night firemen. The first will be referred to President Mitchell again, he having formerly acted as mediator between the union and the operators. The second question goes over to another meeting.

**Deported Man Returns.**  
Cripple Creek, Col. (Special).—Sitting in the front end of the smoking-car, with a Winchester across his lap, former Attorney General Eugene Bingley, deported last Saturday with thirteen others, rode back into the gold camp last night. At Cameron he stepped from the train and was met by two deputy sheriffs sent by Sheriff Bell to escort and protect him. Since his arrival Engley has taken several long walks, with his rifle on his shoulder, but he is in no danger, as the law and order committee has decided that he shall not be further molested.

**Fatal Frankfurter.**  
New York (Special).—Three persons will probably die as the result of the explosion of a Frankfurter boiler in the apartment of Israel Rosensweig, in a tenement in Norfolk street. They are Rosensweig's wife, Pauline; his 3-year-old son Mendel, and his 3-month-old baby Lena. Rosensweig himself had a narrow escape. The explosion and a small fire that followed created a panic in the tenement. Rosensweig is a frankfurter peddler. He filled the fuel tank of his frankfurter boiler with benzene and lighted the wick, it is thought, without screwing on the stopper.

**Victim of Lynching.**  
Cedartown, Ga. (Special).—John Sexton, a young farm laborer, who was shot during the lynching of the negro Jim Glover, here last Monday night, died at his home in East View. The shooting of Sexton occurred during the reckless firing of the mob. Whether Sexton was taking part in the lynching is not known. It is thought, however, that he was standing near the negro, and one of the pistol bullets intended for the negro struck Sexton in the upper part of the abdomen.

**Explosion in Powder Works.**  
Punxsutawney, Pa. (Special).—Eight hundred kegs of powder exploded in the pressroom of the Laflin & Rand Powder Works, two miles east of here, instantly killing one man, seriously injuring three others and causing costly destruction of property.

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## WEATHER RETARDS CROPS.

### Heavy Rains in the South—Conditions in the Corn Belt.

Washington, D. C. (Special).—The weather Bureau's weekly summary of crop conditions is as follows:

Although cool weather has prevented rapid development of corn in the Ohio valley and Lake region, the crops, as a whole, have experienced decided improvements. Much of that prostrated by winds in the previous week in Indiana and Illinois is straightening. In the Missouri valley the temperature has been more favorable, and the advancement of the crop toward maturity has been much more rapid than in the Central Mississippi and Ohio valleys. Early corn has already matured in Southern Missouri, and is ripening rapidly in Nebraska and South Dakota, cutting being in process in the first-named State and in Kansas. The reports indicate that from three to four weeks of favorable weather will be required to mature the late crop.

The week was practically rainless in the spring-wheat region of Minnesota and the Dakotas, affording favorable weather for harvesting and thrashing. Some early wheat in the northern portion of North Dakota is yet unripe, and rust is still damaging late wheat in that State, and much of the crop will not be cut. Disappointing yields are generally reported from Idaho, Washington and Oregon.

In Northern Alabama and in the southern portions of Mississippi and Louisiana cotton has improved, and the crop is in good condition in Oklahoma and Indian Territories, but elsewhere the reports generally indicate unfavorable progress. Deterioration from rust and shedding is reported from nearly all districts. Heavy rains have proved injurious in portions of Florida and Georgia, while over a large part of Texas the crop has suffered decidedly from drought. In the last-mentioned State boll worms continue destructive, and boll weevils are puncturing nearly all squares in southwestern, central, eastern and coast divisions, and are causing much damage as far north as Dallas, Kaufman and Hunt counties. Picking is in full progress in Texas, and is general in the southern portions of the central and Eastern districts.

A general improvement in tobacco is indicated. Cutting is well advanced in the Middle Atlantic States and New England and is in progress in the Ohio valley.

In Wisconsin the crop is doing well, although maturing slowly.

The outlook for apples continues promising in New England, New York and the upper Lake region, but unfavorable reports continue from the States of the central valleys.

**KILLED BY AN EXPLOSION.**  
Two Men Lose Their Lives at Iron Furnace Plants in Tennessee.

Knoxville, Tenn. (Special).—An explosion of gas in an iron furnace of the LaFollette Coal and Iron Company at LaFollette, Tenn., resulted in the death of two men and the serious injury to one other. The dead: R. S. Kinnannon, aged 35, of Max Meadows, Va.; leaves wife and child. Fred Walker, colored, of Middleboro, Ky. C. W. Berry, of LaFollette, was seriously burned and cannot recover. He has been married only a week. The property loss will be light.

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## TO EXTEND THE STRIKE

### Important Move by the Chicago Meat-workers.

#### DONNELLY'S PLANS MEET OPPOSITION.

Orders issued for a General Strike of All Butcher Workmen Throughout the Country—If Order is Executed a Meat Famine May Result—An Attempt Also Made to Prevent Switchmen From Handling Shipments.

Chicago, (Special).—Famine in meat is declared by the strikers to be the result of their new move in the strike against the packers.

Orders have been issued for a general strike of all butcher workmen throughout the country.

**15,000 Men Will Go Out.**  
The order will affect in all about 20,000 men in Chicago, including the independent plants. The order, if observed, will also affect independent plants in large capacity in the following cities:

East St. Louis, Omaha, St. Louis, Kansas City, Sioux City, New York, Milwaukee, Syracuse, St. Paul, Illinois and hundreds of small plants throughout the country, which employ from ten to twenty men. Altogether, union officials assert, 15,000 men will go out, and the meat supply will be seriously crippled, leaving as the only supply the output of the big packers by their non-union help.

Wednesday the pickets surrounding the stockyards were largely increased, the yards being watched for several blocks away.

Strike-breakers were warned not to leave the yards. Bitter feeling exists against them. The 600 stock-handlers in the stockyards quit work. They were greeted by cheers by the union pickets.

**Hope to Create Meat Famine.**  
The manager of the Union Stock Yards and Transit Company said that, in anticipation of a strike of the stock-handlers, men had been in training to take the places of deserting weighers, and that 50 of such men are available at once. He said that no further action was expected in handling the stock.

The packers say it is Donnelly's aim to create a meat famine, which he thinks would arouse the public to such a pitch of indignation that a settlement would be forced.

"Donnelly is undertaking the impossible," said a representative of one of the packers. "There is little chance of a meat famine. The independent packers, who by their collusion with the unions have profited much during the strike, will suffer most."

In addition to the stock-handlers, 125 special policemen and nearly 400 pen cleaners, drivers of refuse wagons and laborers, employed by the Union Stockyards Company quit work.

Efforts are making to call out the switchmen at the yards, employed by the Chicago Junction Railway Company.

**Depends on Union Drivers.**  
President Donnelly is said to be depending upon the union drivers for the success of his attempt to make meat scarce. What action the 3,500 grocery and meat market wagon drivers will take remains to be seen. Heretofore they have refused to handle meat from the strike-affected packers, and their employers were forced to buy from the independents.

**To Shut Off Ice Supply.**  
It is also said that an attempt will be made to shut off the ice supply from every retail market in Chicago, since all meat products are to be on the union's "unfair" list.

**MINDANAO BANDITS.**  
Several Towns Looted and a Whole Family Kidnapped.

Mamila, (Special).—A detail of native constabulary has been ambushed on the Island of Leyte by a superior force of bandits. Capt. H. Barrett, of the constabulary, was killed in the fighting.

There has been trouble in the Province of Misamis, Island of Mindanao, where bandits have looted several towns. The native authorities were defied and Pablo Mercado and his family were kidnapped. Mercado was accused of being too friendly with the Americans. Three Chinese stores were burned. Four natives were murdered, three of them being buried alive. Colonel Harbord, of the constabulary, is now on the trail of the bandits.

**Millions in Japanese Gold.**  
Tokyo (By Cable).—Following an inspection made by government engineers, the government has issued a proclamation making complete preparation to develop gold fields recently discovered in the Province of Iwate. The engineers estimate that these fields will yield gold to the value of \$200,000,000, and they are now preparing to start mining operations. It is estimated that the annual yield of the mines will be \$15,000,000.

**Samsonoff is Alive.**  
St. Petersburg, (By Cable).—It is reported that Samsonoff, the assassin of M. von Plehve, has been sentenced to death and that the sentence is now before the Emperor. The reports which have been circulated about Samsonoff having escaped and also that he was dead are declared to be false.

**Hundred Lives Lost.**  
Manila (Cable).—The city of Binangon, in Laguna Province, Island of Luzon, has been destroyed by fire. One hundred persons perished in the flames and 5,000 were rendered homeless. The loss is estimated at \$200,000. The government is furnishing shelter and food to the people made destitute by the fire. According to the census of 1896 Binangon had a population of 7,338.

## NAMES THE LYNCHERS.

### Victim of Mob Violence Lives Long Enough to Give His Testimony.

Statesboro, Ga. (Special).—Sebastian McBride, a negro living near Portal, in the upper part of Bulloch county, was taken out of his house Saturday night by a mob of five men, carried out in the woods and whipped severely and then shot. He died soon afterwards.

Before death came, however, he related to a number of white men and colored persons the manner in which he was handled, and told the names of three of his assailants. They were, according to his statement, Perry Barnes, Henry Barnes and Westley Waters, all white men. The names of the others he did not seem to know. He said the men came to his house and hailed him at the door. When it was opened they came in with guns and held his wife at bay while they carried him away. After they had been gone some time his wife heard several guns fired. Sometime in the night McBride returned to his house, badly beaten and shot in the back in several places.

Several of the white neighbors were notified and went to see the negro, and took his testimony. After his death Coroner D. Q. Stanford was notified and held an inquest.

The killing was done some distance from this place, and it was impossible to learn all the details of the crime. The verdict of the coroner's jury was obtained, however, and the sheriff has gone to arrest the persons named in the verdict of the jury, given below:

"We, the coroner's jury impaneled to investigate the death of Sebastian McBride, find that the deceased came to his death by wounds inflicted upon his body by a mob of five men, three of whom were identified by the deceased as Perry Barnes, Henry Barnes and Westley Waters. We recommend that warrants be issued for the above-named men and that the matter be investigated."

**TO TEST IT IN COURT.**  
Deportation Question to Be Settled in a Federal Tribunal.

Washington, D. C. (Special).—Frank Morrison, secretary of the American Federation of Labor, declared that, in his opinion, the Government will have to take a hand before the questions raised by the deportations of union miners at Crpple Creek are settled.

The federation plans to force this by bringing the troubles into the Federal courts. They are confident that these courts would find it impossible to uphold the deportation of the miners. Having obtained a decree to this effect they declare the United States would be compelled to enforce it.

"We only obey decrees of the courts because we know that behind them is the power to enforce them," said Mr. Morrison. "Behind the Federal courts is the power of the United States. We do not believe anyone would defy the United States, and there is absolutely no law under which these arbitrary deportations would be justified."

Sometime ago the federation issued a circular asking for the contribution of funds to enable the union miners of Colorado to fight the mine-owners in the Federal courts. Much aid of this sort has been offered by union men all over the country, and it is proposed to fight the matter to a finish.

**No Luxury on Board.**  
Washington, D. C. (Special).—Luxury will be sacrificed for formality in the new armored cruisers authorized by the last Congress, and the plans now in preparation in the Bureau of Construction and Repair show important changes in the interior arrangements of these vessels. The water-tight subdivisions will be made complete, and there will be no piercing of bulkheads by ventilating pipes or other openings.

**Death of a Centenarian.**  
Akron, O. (Special).—Dr. Charles E. H. Wilgohs, aged 100 years and 8 months, died here. He was of remarkable mental and physical vitality, until a week ago and was able to walk for miles. He was born in Denmark in 1803. His father was a doctor in the German Army and he followed the German Army in the same capacity. He enlisted in the cause of Polish independence and was wounded four times in the battle of Ostranlanka.

**World's Fair Attendance.**  
St. Louis, Mo. (Special).—The attendance at the World's Fair last week was more than 125,000 in excess of any week since the exposition opened. Saturday attendance, 152,768, was the largest for any single day since the opening day, with the exception of the Fourth of July, when 172,410 persons passed through the gates. The average daily attendance for last week was 132,245.

**Fatal Affray in South Carolina.**  
Sumner, S. C. (Special).—Magistrate Richard C. Folk was shot and killed by County Supervisor W. H. Seale, at Providence, S. C. The men had a dispute on the road near Seale's house.

**Body Scattered for Miles.**  
Eancaster, Pa. (Special).—Mark J. Moran was killed on the Pennsylvania railroad. Parts of his body were scattered from Gap to Christiana, a distance of nearly three miles. From papers found in his coat it was learned that he was a member of the Eagles' Acric at Denver, and that he was a member of the miners' union at Cripple Creek, Col. It is not known whether he fell from a train or was walking on the tracks.