

INTREPID SLAV SCOUTS ENTER ENEMY'S LINES

Positions of the Armies Remain Little Changed Though the Skirmishing Continues.

Discuss the Arbitration Suggestion

MUKDEN, Nov. 11.—The positions of the armies on both sides remain little changed, though there is continual skirmishing going on with the object of securing minor positions tending to strengthen the respective lines of defense. The Russian scouts are daring in secretly reconnoitering the whole of the Japanese lines, some even creeping up to the Japanese trenches and lying concealed there all day and returning at night. The Japanese have constructed in many places double and even triple and quadruple lines of trenches, wire entanglements, mines and pits.

A Cossack patrol on November 10 penetrated as far as Sandipau, where they inflicted a blow against a large force of Japanese and returned rapidly to the Russian main line without loss. A patrol also got in the rear of two Japanese companies moving to attack a Russian position. The Cossacks defeated the Japanese and returned safely to the Russian lines.

An artillery fire from both sides is continued at intervals. It is heavier on the Russian right wing, where, all day on November 9 and also during that night, the Russians shelled the Japanese positions with their heavy guns. Neither side on that day gained any advantage.

As a result of the heavy bombardment by the Russians the Japanese have withdrawn some of their batteries from the advanced positions. It is believed that, not being ready to attack, they are falling back to the hills.

The Russians gained a great advantage when toward the end of the battle of the Shalke River, they recaptured Lone Tree Hill, which has since been renamed Lone Tree Hill in honor of the colonel who led the last successful attack. This hill commands a large part of the plain over which the Japanese must advance.

The operations are about the same as of late. There is artillery firing and the time and frequent clashes of infantry at night.

As has been the case in most wars, but entirely unexpected in this one, the soldiers of the opposing outposts in the Japanese trenches are exchanging cigarettes and other luxuries.

During last night the Russian batteries dislodged a detachment of Japanese infantry from trenches and the Japanese batteries responded by firing.

During last night the Russian volunteers dislodged a detachment of Japanese infantry from trenches in front of Lone Tree Hill.

The Japanese continue to show activity on the left flank without, however, engaging in any serious movements.

Comfortable dugouts are being built along the Russian lines and the soldiers seem to think they will winter where they are.

The idea that Field Marshal Oyama contemplates a plan to take Mukden is not generally credited. Both sides seem content for the present with a suspension of hostilities. Warm clothing is being distributed among the troops.

SAYS WAR MUST GO ON.

Russian Official Says Controversy Cannot Be Arbitrated.

ST. PETERSBURG, Nov. 11.—It is considered significant that the Russian newspapers ignore Lord Lansdowne's suggestion regarding Russo-Japanese arbitration. They appear to be more concerned with his utterances on the subject of the punishment of the Russian naval officers concerned in the North Sea incident, which they regard as premature, declaring that it will be time enough to talk of punishment when the commission establishes their culpability.

Referring to Lord Lansdowne's arbitration suggestion, a prominent official of the Foreign Office expressed the opinion to-day that such an offer, even coming from Japan, could not possibly be accepted.

"Such a controversy," he said, "cannot be arbitrated. The idea is not worth considering. We believe the war has reached the turn of the tide, and it must go on. The only possibility of peace now, in my opinion, would be on the basis of a proposition submitted to Russia by Japan offering to accept less than she demanded before hostilities opened. As it is inconceivable that Japan at this juncture is prepared to offer such terms, I see no chance of ending the war."

Paris dispatches published here say that the French Government expressly excluded the intention of intervening when it proposed its good offices for the settlement of the North Sea dispute.

JAPAN WEARY OF THE WAR.

Such is the Opinion of Some French Diplomatic Officers.

PARIS, Nov. 11.—The officials here profess to be unaware of the reported joint mediation movement in Great Britain, France and the United States. It is pointed out that the main features of the situation are these:

Japan is evidently weary of the war and desirous of re-establishing peace. Japan naturally looks to Great Britain and the United States to assist toward a cessation of hostilities. France, as the ally of Russia, has no influence with Japan, but has influence at St.

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HAY'S SEAT IN CABINET IS SECURE

President Announces That Secretary of State Will Continue to Be a Member of His Official Family

WILL NOT DISCUSS POSSIBLE CHANGES

Statement Made by Nation's Chief Executive to Press Representatives Disposes of Most Important Place

WASHINGTON, Nov. 11.—President Roosevelt made the announcement to-day that John Hay would continue as Secretary of State during the four years beginning March 4, 1905.

"You may state positively," were his words, "that Mr. Hay will continue as Secretary of State up to the 4th of March, 1905."

The President was asked regarding other possible cabinet changes, but indicated that there was nothing to be said at present.

His announcement regarding Secretary Hay was made to a number of newspaper representatives in his office late in the afternoon. Mr. Hay's succession to the State Department portfolio fixes the most important place in the new cabinet, and the first and only step so far taken in that direction.

HARRISON HAS ENOUGH.

Decision Against Running for Mayor in Chicago Split Party.

CHICAGO, Nov. 12.—In the light of the election returns from this city, it was authoritatively announced to-day that Mayor Harrison has abandoned all ambition that he may have had for a fifth term. The statement came from a source close to the city administration and it is not questioned by the local Democratic leaders, who are turning their attention to the formation of plans for the spring election.

The strongest indication that the Mayor no longer has any intention of seeking re-election is found in the fact that his closest supporters are looking for a candidate to offset the municipal ownership movement. Clarence Darrow and Judge Dunne are both in the field, the former of the Mayor's political scalp, and the latter as leader of the Hearst municipal ownership wing of the local faction.

Corporation Counsel Tolman was put forward to-day by the City Hall forces as an avowed candidate for the Mayor's friends to groom for the Mayoralty nomination, not so much with a view to his election as for the purpose of holding the City Hall following intact and defeating the extreme municipal ownership faction of the party. To those familiar with the situation this move means only one thing—that there will be two candidates against the Republican nominee for Mayor. Unless conditions change materially it makes certain the election of the Republican nominee.

TAGGART TO HOLD ON.

Says No One Could Have Stopped the Roosevelt Cyclone.

NEW YORK, Nov. 11.—Thomas Taggart, chairman of the Democratic National Committee, has no intention of resigning his post, according to a statement made to-day.

"I have returned to New York the same as I left it," he said. "No man, no policy nor any platform could have stopped the cyclone of Roosevelt. There is no accounting for cyclones. Neither party had expected it, nor did either have a line on it."

"The utmost harmony exists among the members of the committee, and there is no need for reorganization. There are no heartburnings, no recriminations, excepting the general regret for the defeat of our candidates. We have no intention of resigning. The national headquarters will be at Indianapolis. It's too early yet to talk politics and policies and Presidential possibilities of four years hence."

WANTS MAN FROM SOUTH.

Hay of Virginia Says It Should Furnish Next Candidate.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 11.—"I think the time has come for the South to assert itself and refuse any longer to follow the dictates of the Northern majority," said Representative James Hay of Virginia to-day, one of the Democratic leaders of the House.

"One result of this election will be that the South will no longer refrain from asking representation upon the national ticket. Two Southern men had been nominated at St. Louis the result could not have been worse. In fact, I believe that Missouri and Maryland would have been found in the Democratic column instead of the Republican. I am in favor of a Southern man for President in 1908, and I believe that every Southern State will demand this recognition when the time comes to nominate a standard bearer four years from now."

FOLK'S BIG VOTE.

Unofficial Returns Give Him a Plurality of Nearly 40,000.

ST. LOUIS, Nov. 11.—Unofficial returns received to-day by the Post-Dispatch from all but twelve counties in the State give Folk, Democrat, for Governor, a plurality of 36,338 over Walbridge, Republican, and Swanger, Republican, for Secretary of State, a majority of 14,851 over Cook, the incumbent. Returns from the counties received to-day show decided Republican gains, adding to the safe majority gained by Roosevelt over Parker. Of the twelve counties still to hear from, it will be impossible to get complete returns from eight for at least a week, as they are distant from the railroads.

Election Officers to Be Arrested.

DENVER, Nov. 11.—Warrants were issued by the Supreme Court to-day for the arrest of twelve election officers and Democratic workers in this city, who are charged with having refused to allow voters appointed by the court to examine the registration lists when challenges were offered. One of the accused men is Leonard Rogers, a candidate for Senator on the Democratic ticket.

Concede Everything to Republicans.

PARKERSBURG, W. Va., Nov. 11.—The Democrats have conceded everything to the Republicans in West Vir-

NEW DEMANDS ON THE PORTE

United States Legation Asks Reparation for Loss Sustained by American Firm

ROBBED BY BRIGANDS

Caravan Is Attacked by the Outlaws, Who Carry Off Camels and Sums of Money

CONSTANTINOPLE, Nov. 11.—The American Legation here has addressed a note to the Porte, demanding reparation for the recent attack near Aleppo, by brigands upon a caravan belonging to the American firm of McAndrews & Fibes, of Smyrna. The raid resulted in the killing of six of the caravan's camels and the carrying off by the bandits of sixty camels and a considerable sum of money.

The legation insists upon the arrest and punishment of the outlaws, the restitution of the camels and money and the adoption of efficacious measures for the prevention of a recurrence of the outrage.

BARON HAYASHI TALKS.

Does Not Think Japan Is Ready to Treat for Peace.

LONDON, Nov. 11.—The dispatch from Washington confirming the statement made that Japan had indicated her willingness to entertain peace suggestions from President Roosevelt or King Edward created much interest here. Baron Hayashi, the Japanese Minister, said to-day:

"After the fall of Port Arthur Japan would, I believe, be ready to treat for peace on no higher essential basis than that Russia should evacuate Manchuria, Japan also agreeing to a similar evacuation. The two great difficulties in the way of any suggestion of peace are, first, the apparent opposition of Emperor Nicholas' present advisers to a settlement of any kind; second, the preservation of Russian prestige. When a nation's prestige, if not gone, is severely impaired, it is a difficult matter, even with the best of intentions, to preserve it."

It is learned that Queen Alexandra has been in constant communication with the Dowager Empress of Russia and Emperor Nicholas himself during the last few days.

The reiteration of the American State Department's determination not to intervene except on request from both of the belligerents tallies with the official attitude of the British Government, but it is thought that before long some method may privately be devised whereby this diplomatic barrier to action may be overcome.

Baron Hayashi this morning had no news from Port Arthur and discredited the rumors of its capitulation.

COALING QUESTION DISCUSSED.

PARIS, Nov. 11.—The Japanese Minister, Dr. Motono, had a lengthy conference with Foreign Minister Del- casse to-day relative to the observ- ance of neutrality, particularly in re- coaling.

The Japanese second Pacific Squadron at Madagascar and other French possessions. It is understood that a satisfactory understanding was reached.

An address on game legislation was made by T. J. Sherman, who introduced the first game law enacted in this State. There were also addresses by Frank H. Mayer, editor of Western Field, and by W. Scott Way, secretary of the California Audubon Society. The visitors have been entertained by citizens under the leadership of J. S. Johnson, one of the most devoted sportsmen in this valley. The association will be in session all day to-morrow and to-morrow evening. At the close of business a Spanish banquet will be served at Woodmen's Hall. Visitors who remain in town over Sunday will be taken for a shoot in the country.

VIOLATES ELECTION LAWS.

County Clerk of Glenn Makes Serious Mistake.

SACRAMENTO, Nov. 11.—Secretary of State C. F. Curry discovered to-day that W. H. Sale, County Clerk of Glenn County, had committed a violation of the election laws of California. Sale made the mistake of putting the Democratic party first on the sample ticket, when he should have given the place to the Republican party. The offense is punishable by a fine not more than \$1000 or by imprisonment for a term not exceeding five years.

Sale has been the County Clerk of Glenn County for a number of years.

COLORADO RETURNS.

Democrats Concede the Election of Three Republican Congressmen.

DENVER, Colo., Nov. 11.—The Democrats now concede the election of three Republican Congressmen in Colorado. Revised returns give Franklin E. Brooks a majority of 2976 over John F. Shafroth (D.) for Congressman at large, and show 2786 plurality for Rango in the First District and 6926 plurality for Hogg in the Second District.

ROOSEVELT THANKS THE KAISER.

BERLIN, Nov. 11.—The North German Gazette this afternoon printed the following answer to the Emperor's telegram of congratulations to President Roosevelt.

"His Imperial Majesty Wilhelm, German Emperor, Berlin: I thank you most heartily and appreciate to the good will."

"THEODORE ROOSEVELT."

GOOD WISHES FROM FRANCIS JOSEPH.

VIENNA, Nov. 11.—Emperor Francis Joseph has telegraphed to President Roosevelt his congratulations on the latter's electoral victory.

ROOSEVELT'S ELECTION PLEASURES ECUADOR.

GUAYAQUIL, Nov. 11.—The election of President Roosevelt was well re- ceived in Ecuador.

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GAME PROTECTIONISTS MEET IN ANNUAL SESSION

Interesting Addresses Are Delivered By Sportsmen at Convention in Visalia.

VISALIA, Nov. 11.—The California State Fish and Game Association opened its annual session here this evening at Armory Hall. It was an open meeting and the hall was thronged with delegates and with citizens of this city. The program consisted of music by the Visalia band, an address of welcome by Mayor J. S. McPhail, with response by H. T. Payne, president of the State Association.

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FRANCE REGARDS PEACE CONFERENCE WITH FAVOR

Will Take Some Time, However, to Decide What Questions May Be Considered.

PARIS, Nov. 11.—The American proposition for another meeting of The Hague Peace Conference is attracting marked attention, the newspapers declaring that the election of President Roosevelt gives it additional significance. France's response has not been made, but the officials say that the general principle of the meeting is acceptable, although it will take some time to consider what questions shall be brought forward.

Foreign Minister Delcasse's conference with Ambassador Porter showed that the Minister was most sympathetic in regard to the proposition, which he considered to be in the line of France's policy of establishing understandings and making arbitration treaties.

HARRIMAN INTERESTS TO HAVE REPRESENTATION

Six Oregon Short Line Directors Stated for Board Controlling the Salt Lake Road.

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Nov. 11.—As a result of the recent acquirement by the Harriman interests of a half interest in the San Pedro, Los Angeles and Salt Lake road, it is announced at the general offices of that road here that at the annual meeting of stockholders, to be held in this city November 18, six of the present directors will resign, and their places will be taken by six Oregon Short Line directors, representing the Harriman interests.

It is understood that the half interest in the San Pedro, Los Angeles and Salt Lake acquired by E. H. Harriman and his associates is vested in the Oregon Short Line.

The anticipated entry of the Harriman forces into the Salt Lake road is regarded as of great significance.

COMMISSIONERS COMPLAIN OF STATE APPROPRIATIONS

More Money Wanted for Improve- ments in Yosemite Park and Mari- posa Big Tree Grove.

SACRAMENTO, Nov. 11.—In the biennial report of the Yosemite Valley and Mariposa Big Tree Grove Commissioners, which was filed to-day in Governor Pardee's office, the Commissioners protest against the small appropriations that have been allowed them in the past few years. Last year the commission was allowed only \$15,000, and in the report submitted to-day they ask for \$100,000 for the work that is to be done in the valley during the next two years, and for \$20,000 for the expenses of the Mariposa grove of big trees.

The Commissioners also say that a new hotel is urgently needed, and think \$300,000 should be set aside for the purpose.

WITNESS IN THEFT CASE BECOMES THE DEFENDANT

Junkmen Are Released and Boy Who Testified Is Held for Trial.

HEALDSBURG, Nov. 11.—The hearing of Amos Grueque and William Blank, Santa Rosa junkmen, on a charge of robbery, was held in this city before Justice Provines to-day. They were accused of stealing junk from local blacksmith shops and selling their booty in Santa Rosa.

A boy named Barney Nelson, a witness for the prosecution, instead of impeaching the two defendants, confessed to having stolen goods and sold them to the defendants. Grueque and Blank were acquitted and young Nelson was held for trial.

OREGON FARMER RETURNS TO FIND WIFE MURDERED

OREGON CITY, Or., Nov. 11.—Mrs. Peter Brown was found murdered last night at Mollala by her husband, who had just returned after an absence of several weeks. Mrs. Brown's body was lying in a pool of blood, and blood stains on the furniture leads to the be- lief that a struggle took place. No trace of the murderer has been found and no motive has yet been brought to light.

CITIZENS OF VALLEJO WANT TO MEET DARLING

VALLEJO, Nov. 11.—Senator Per- kins has telegraphed to Assistant Secretary of the Navy Darling, now on his way here, an invitation to be the guest of the Chamber of Commerce and the citizens of Vallejo at a ban- quet during his visit to the Pacific Coast. The Assistant Secretary is promised a big reception in this city and at the Mare Island navy yard.

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