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Kuropatkin Making Desperate Effort to Save His Army from Annihilation or Capture.

HOPES TO MAKE NEW FOOTHOLD TO AWAIT RELIEF

Evidently Field Wire Means of Continued Communication With St. Petersburg—Loss Has Been Heaviest of the Entire War.

The Japanese apparently are closing in to the north and west of Mukden and today's dispatches show Field-Marshal Oyama is making desperate efforts to intercept a strong force between the Russian and the Ties Pass. That he has in a measure succeeded is indicated by a dispatch from General Sakharoff saying that "several fierce attacks were made on our north front during last night, and a Toki dispatch asserting that the Japanese had cut the railway north of Mukden."

JAPS HAVE SURROUNDED 80,000 RUSSIANS

NIUCHWANG, March 9, via TIEN TSIN.—General Nog's army made a forced march of twenty-five miles daily, and acting in conjunction with General Oku's army, surrounded 80,000 Russians in the direction of Tie Pass and cut off their supplies. The hurrying Japanese armies passed a division of Russians without giving it any attention until the enveloping movement was completed, when they crushingly attacked the Russians on all sides.

NIUCHWANG, March 9, via TIEN TSIN.—It is reported here that Tie Pass has been invested by the Japanese and that General Kuropatkin, having no alternative, will probably be forced to surrender within a week.

TOKIO, March 9, 4 P. M.—The headquarters of the Japanese army in the field reported today as follows: "In the direction of the Hun river, after defeating the enemy at Maguntan, is still pursuing him in the Shikho river direction."

"The whole district west of the railroad and south of the Hun river is in our hands. On the right bank of the Hun river the operations continue."

1,000 RUSSIANS WOUNDED ON THEIR WAY TO ODESSA

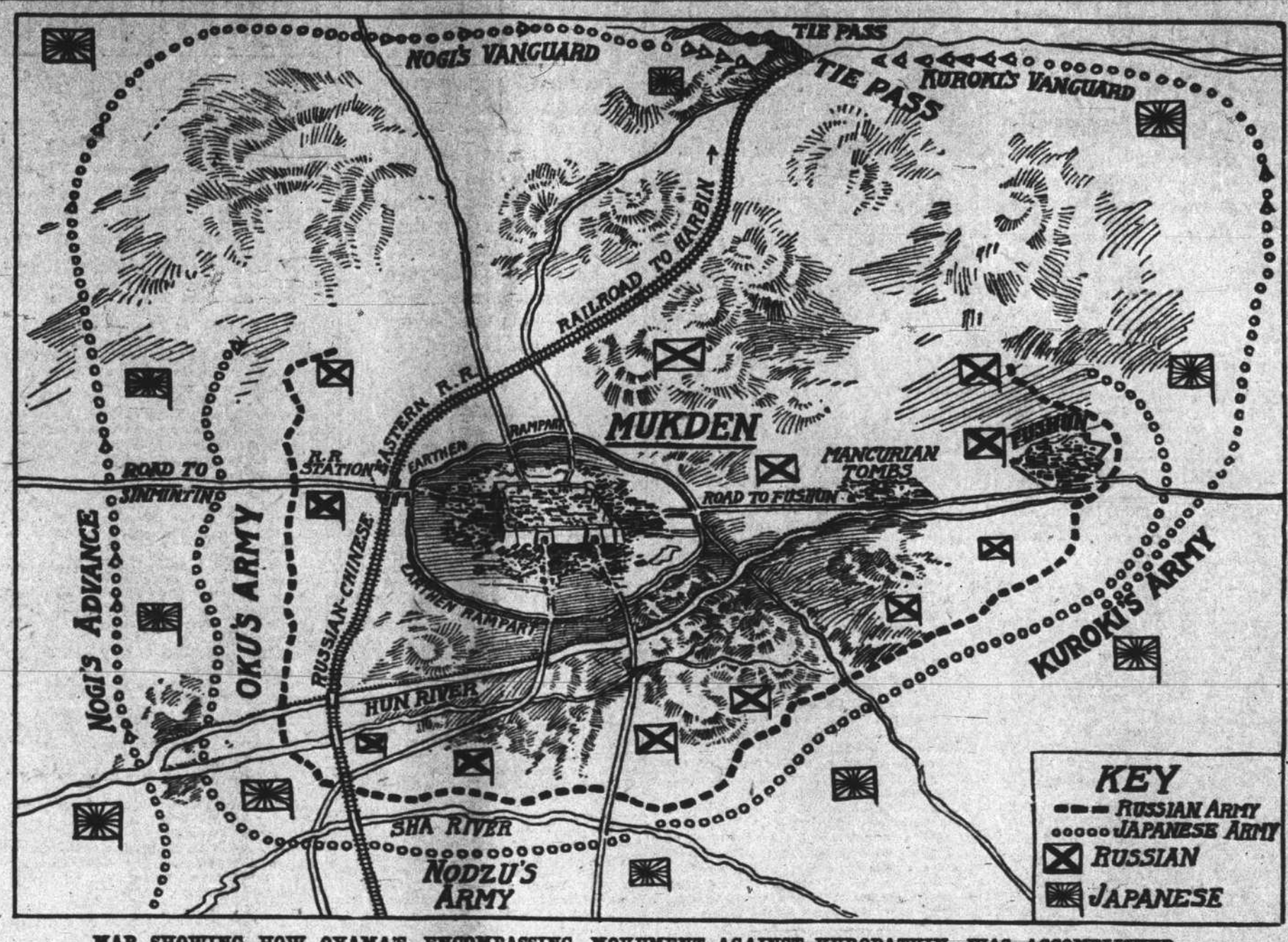
CHE FOO, March 9.—One thousand convalescent soldiers arrived here today. They will be transferred immediately to a steamer bound for Odessa.

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RAILROAD DESTROYED AND RUSSIANS IN RETREAT NORTH

WITH THE JAPANESE LEFT ARMIES, Wednesday, March 8 (noon). Via PUSAN, March 8.—The left armies have cut and destroyed the railroad between Mukden and Tie Pass.

Details are not obtainable at present. The Russians are in retreat over the northern roads. The left column of these armies is at Likampu, seven miles north of the Hun river and five miles west of the railroad, and has had a fierce fight with a Russian force thrice its number. The Russian casualties number 3,000.



STRIKERS PLAN A NEW MOVE

Will Try to Force Rapid Transit Men to Use Prescribed Safety Appliances.

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Much Sickness Prevails Among New Men Housed in the Barns—Sur-face Cars Packed—Both Sides Confident.

NEW YORK, March 9.—With the opening of the third day of the Interborough trainmen's strike, there appeared to be a marked improvement in the operation of trains in the subway. Otherwise, little change was noted.

Traffic on the Eastside elevated lines, Second and Third avenue, was almost at a standstill. In fact, no trains whatever were operated during the early hours on the Second avenue line, while on Third avenue, where an attempt was made to resume the service, something went wrong, and for half an hour at a time no trains passed a given point.

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On the surface lines the jam that has prevailed morning and night since Monday was in evidence. Every inch of space in the southbound car was taken, while boys hung on by the window ledges and supported themselves in precarious positions by placing their feet on narrow rails about the bottoms of the cars.

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TRANSFERS ON LABOR TICKET

Street-Car Company Must Give Them, Says Supreme Court of Appeals.

GATES & SON CO. DID NOT VIOLATE LAW

City Ordinance Concerning Sidewalk Obstructions is Invalid—Wheel Company Must Pay—Prison Association Wins.

Proceedings before the supreme court of appeals of Virginia today were of a most interesting character. The handing down of opinions did not consume more than half an hour, after which Frank W. Christian, on behalf of the Bar Association, presented resolutions in regard to the death of Robert H. Steger.

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Both resolutions were ordered to be spread on the records of the court.

Judge Lunsford L. Lewis, former president of the court, arose and on behalf of the givers, presented to the court the oil portrait of the late clerk, George Keith Taylor, Judge Lewis made a brief statement of his acquaintance with Mr. Taylor, paid a tribute to his worth, intelligence and upright conduct and efficiency as a clerk, and asked the court to accept the portrait as a mark of respect to an old and faithful officer.

Judge Keith, on behalf of the court, accepted the portrait, paying a tribute to the clerk, saying that he was a model man, gentleman and officer in every relation. The picture is to hang in the office of the clerk of the court.

DISTINGUISHED LAWYERS.

The lawyers in attendance at the opening of the court today were: W. B. McIlwaine, of Petersburg; Frank W. Christian, Judge George L. Christian, Richard B. Davis, of Petersburg; Henry M. Tyler, Alexander Hamilton, of Petersburg; A. W. Patterson, Colonel Joe Lane Stern, Henry R. Pollard, James Lewis Anderson, C. W. Throckmorton, Major Robert Stiles, Willis B. Smith, Henry W. Anderson, Taylor C. Williams, Samuel Anderson, Judge A. L. Holladay, Rosewell Page, L. L. Lewis, Major William A. Anderson, John S. Eggleston, George Bryan and others.

Alexander Hamilton, of Petersburg, introduced to the court and asked that they be admitted to practice two young members of the bar—George B. Elliott, of this city, and Carl H. Davis, of Petersburg. They were sworn and admitted to practice.

SIXTEEN OPINIONS.

Judge Richard H. Cardwell, of Hanover, was absent from the court today. The judge has been indisposed for a few days, but is improving and will doubtless soon resume his place on the bench.

Sixteen opinions were handed down, all of them important. The first case was that of the Passenger and Power Company, appealing from a ruling of the state corporation commission regarding transfers on labor tickets. The court holds that the company must give transfers on such tickets.

TRANSFER DECISION.

The Virginia Passenger and Power Company and the Richmond Passenger and Power Company must continue to sell "labor tickets" at the rate of two for five cents, and to issue and receive transfers between Seven Pines line and the connecting line at Twenty-ninth and P streets. So has the supreme court decided.

The two electric railway companies petitioned the state corporation commission for permission to advance their rates by discontinuing the sale of labor tickets on the Seven Pines line and the issue of transfers between that line and the line of the Richmond Passenger and Power Company at Twenty-ninth and P streets. The matter was heard before the commission.

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U.S. SENATOR BATE IS DEAD

Former Governor of Tennessee Dies From Sickness Due to Exposure at Inauguration.

WAS SOLDIER IN BOTH MEXICAN AND CIVIL WARS

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WASHINGTON, March 9.—United States Senator William Brimley Bate, of Tennessee, twice governor of his State, a veteran of both the Mexican and Civil wars, rising from private to major-general in the Confederate army, and for eighteen years a conspicuous member of the upper house of congress, died at his hotel apartments in this city today, at the age of 73.

Death was due to pneumonia and defective heart. Senator Bate attended the inauguration ceremonies on March 4 and his death is believed to be due primarily to exposure on that occasion.

He suffered a slight chill on that day. He, however, continued his official duties and occupied his seat in the senate last Tuesday. He became suddenly ill at the dinner table that evening and immediately called for a physician. He was put to bed and his condition was recognized as serious.

Despite the efforts of his physician he became steadily worse, and all hope for his recovery was given up yesterday. His lungs, however, showed improvement and it is probable he would have recovered but for the weakness of his heart, which was attributed not only to his advanced age, but the serious strain to which it had been subjected by a long-standing asthmatic condition.

Senator Bate was entirely conscious until his death, and, realizing that the end was near, yesterday asked that he be buried at his old home in Nashville. He steadily sank during the night, and the early morning hours, and passed away peacefully at 6 o'clock this morning.

Gathered about his bedside when the end came were Mrs. Bate, Mr. Masten, a grandson, Robert Carmack, his private secretary; Mrs. Carmack, wife of the junior senator from Tennessee; Mrs. Ellis, of Tennessee, a close friend of Mrs. Bate, and the doctor and trained nurse.

Bate's widow, two daughters, Mrs. Thomas P. Masten, of Texas, and Mrs. Childs, of Los Angeles, survive the senator. A brother, Captain Bate, of Tennessee, and a sister, Mrs. Harris, of California, were present at the funeral, as the early morning hours, and passed away peacefully at 6 o'clock this morning.

Senator Bate's body will be taken to his old home at Nashville and will be buried in the Mount Olivet cemetery there.

An official funeral will be held in the senate chamber to-morrow at 2 o'clock and the body of the late senator will be taken to Tennessee to-morrow evening.

Bergeant-at-Arms Cassius M. Egan, has designated the Tennessee delegation, consisting of Messrs. Brownlow, Hale, Moon, Butler, Houston, Gaines, Padgett, Sims, Garrett and Patterson as a committee to represent the funeral in the funeral services of Senator Bate in Tennessee.

SENATE ADJOURNS.

WASHINGTON, March 9.—After a session of seven minutes the senate adjourned today at 1:30 P. M. to-day out of respect to the memory of the late Senator Bate. In the absence of Mr. Carmack (Tennessee), Mr. Gorman brought the senator's death to the notice of the senate.

Mr. Gorman then presented the usual resolutions of regret. The resolutions directed the appointments of a committee of twelve senators to make preparations for the deceased senator's funeral in the senate chamber at 3 P. M. to-morrow; authorized the extension of invitations to the president, the members of his cabinet, the supreme court of the United States, the diplomatic corps, the ranking officers of the navy and the army and the house of representatives, and directed the sergeant-at-arms to escort the body to Nashville.

In accordance with this resolution the vice-president announced the following committee: Messrs. Carmack, Morgan, Proctor, Blackburn, Alger, Daniel, Berry, Foraker, Mallory, Spooner, Culberson and Scott.

BENTON M'ILLAN LIKELY TO SUCCEED GEN. BATE

NASHVILLE, TENN., March 9.—As a token of respect to the late United States Senator, the Tennessee legislature adjourned soon after it was called to order today.

It was decided during today's brief session to elect a successor to Senator Bate on March 11. Governor Frazier, former Governor Robert L. Taylor and former Governor Benton M'Killan are mentioned to succeed Mr. Bate, but the legislature will probably select the latter. Mr. M'Killan, who was Senator Bate's most active opponent during the last campaign, withdrew in favor of Bate, and the understanding that should Senator Bate retire M'Killan would become the candidate.

C. W. SMITH VICTORY.

C. W. Smith, former general manager of the Chattanooga and Ohio, but now manager of the Chattanooga and Georgia, has been elected in the general election of the 1st of March.



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**COTILLON CLUB TO MEET.**

The Cotillon Club will give a dance at  
the Flavel avenue ballroom every week.