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THREE MONTHS SIEGE OF PORT ARTHUR

TOKIO GOVERNMENT GIVES OUT OFFICIAL REPORT OF OPERATIONS OF JAPANESE TROOPS BEFORE THE RUSSIAN STRONGHOLD SINCE BEGINNING OF AUGUST, SHOWING IN DETAIL ATTACKS MADE UPON THE VARIOUS FORTS AND MANNER IN WHICH THEY HAVE BEEN MET BY DEFENDERS UNDER THE STUBBORN STOESEL, WHO HAS ACCOMPLISHED A GREAT DEAL IN THE DEFENSE

FORTS TAKEN AND FORTS LOST

Desperate Battles Have Taken Place in Front of Port Arthur and on the Hills—In Some Instances Small Companies Held Them Under Difficulties—Russia Receives Official Report With Anything But Enthusiasm—Believed the Japs Will Enter Garrison Upon November 3, Birthday of the Mikado and Anniversary of Day Upon Which the Czar Assumed Power in Russia—Gloomy View Is Taken by the War Office at St. Petersburg

TOKIO, Nov. 2.—Official reports of the Port Arthur operations since August 1 form a revival of almost continuous fighting of a desperate nature. The Russians first struggled desperately to block every Japanese advance and then met the concentrated artillery fire of the Japanese with its kind. Later, since the Japanese began running parallels and traverses the Russians and the Russians have been constantly making sorties. They rushed into the Japanese trenches and engaged in furious struggles with engineers and pioneers. With desperate courage the Japanese continue to close in upon the fortress progressing stage by stage. The Japanese infantry, however, failed to respond when asked to make an assault on almost impossible positions, and when the troops gained a foothold they held it with unflinching determination.

Reports commencing August 1 record the assault and capture of Takhu mountain, a general advance following, and then a general bombardment, opening August 13, and August an attack on Panlung mountain. Electric wire entanglements protected the latter position. The Japanese artillery first shelled Panlung fortifications fiercely and August 21 the Japanese infantry charged and were beaten back, owing to the deadly fire from the Russian machine guns and insufficiency of preliminary destruction of wire entanglements. The Japanese were also forced to abandon the fort southeast of Keekawan mountain, which was captured after desperate fighting, owing to the enfilading fire of neighboring forts.

During the morning of August 22 the Japanese troops forming the center army charged the east fort on Panlung mountain and by noon captured two-thirds of it. The Russians continued to hold and resisted desperately, aided by a fire of the west fort, and forced the Japanese to abandon the positions occupied. The Japanese center immediately reformed, stormed, captured and held the west fort, forced the abandonment of the Russians of the east fort and mastered the entire position.

On the night of August 23 the Japanese center, with the right co-operating, attacked the heights northeast of Wong Tai and the fort east of Keekawan mountain, but the troops were forced to abandon the attack on account of the heavy losses sustained from the machine gun fire from every direction.

On the morning of August 27 the Russians concentrated their artillery fire, attacked the entire Japanese line and were repulsed. Until the end of the month and the first week in October the Russians continued to attack and shell Panlung mountain. They managed to seriously damage the new Japanese works there and to hamper the operations of mines.

By August 9 the Japanese mines reached within about forty yards of Fort Kuropatkin, and about two hundred yards east of the northern forts on Keekawan mountain and some fifty yards from Fort Sulshlyung. August 12 the Japanese covered the Russians endeavoring to mine Panlung mountain. On the afternoon of August 19 the Japanese, using siege and naval guns, opened a general bombardment and at 6 o'clock in the evening made assaults on the forts of Sulshlyung and Kuropatkin and on the Russian position on 203 Metre Hill. The attack was continued at dawn August 20 with the result the Japanese occupied Fort Kuropatkin in the afternoon of that day. They also captured four additional forts south of Sulshlyung mountain and two forts southeast of 174 metre, inflicting serious casualties on the retreating Russians.

The Japanese attacked 203 Metre Hill from the east, north and west during the night and a company of Japanese managed to reach and secure a foothold on the northwest point of Summit Hill, which the Japanese prepared as a base for future operations, and then endeavored to capture the entire position. The Russians, however, were reinforced and desperate fighting followed. A gallant little company of Japanese, without food or water, managed to hold the position throughout August 21 and until August 22, when they were relieved.

On October 11 the Japs captured a railroad bridge south of Lunsyung.

October 12 and 13 Japanese shells set fire to the Perseviet, apparently disabling her. They also set fire to another warship, name unknown.

October 16 the Japanese center stormed and captured Fort Center, a hillside mountain, after a desperate struggle. The Russians left behind 100 dead. Desperate fighting also took place around Sung Shu mountain and 203 Metre Hill.

From October 18 the Japanese continued to drive the trenches forward, the Russians desperately resisting.

October 25 the Japs' guns sank a thousand ton steamer anchored at the end of the harbor.

OFFICIAL REPORT DEPRESSES RUSSIA

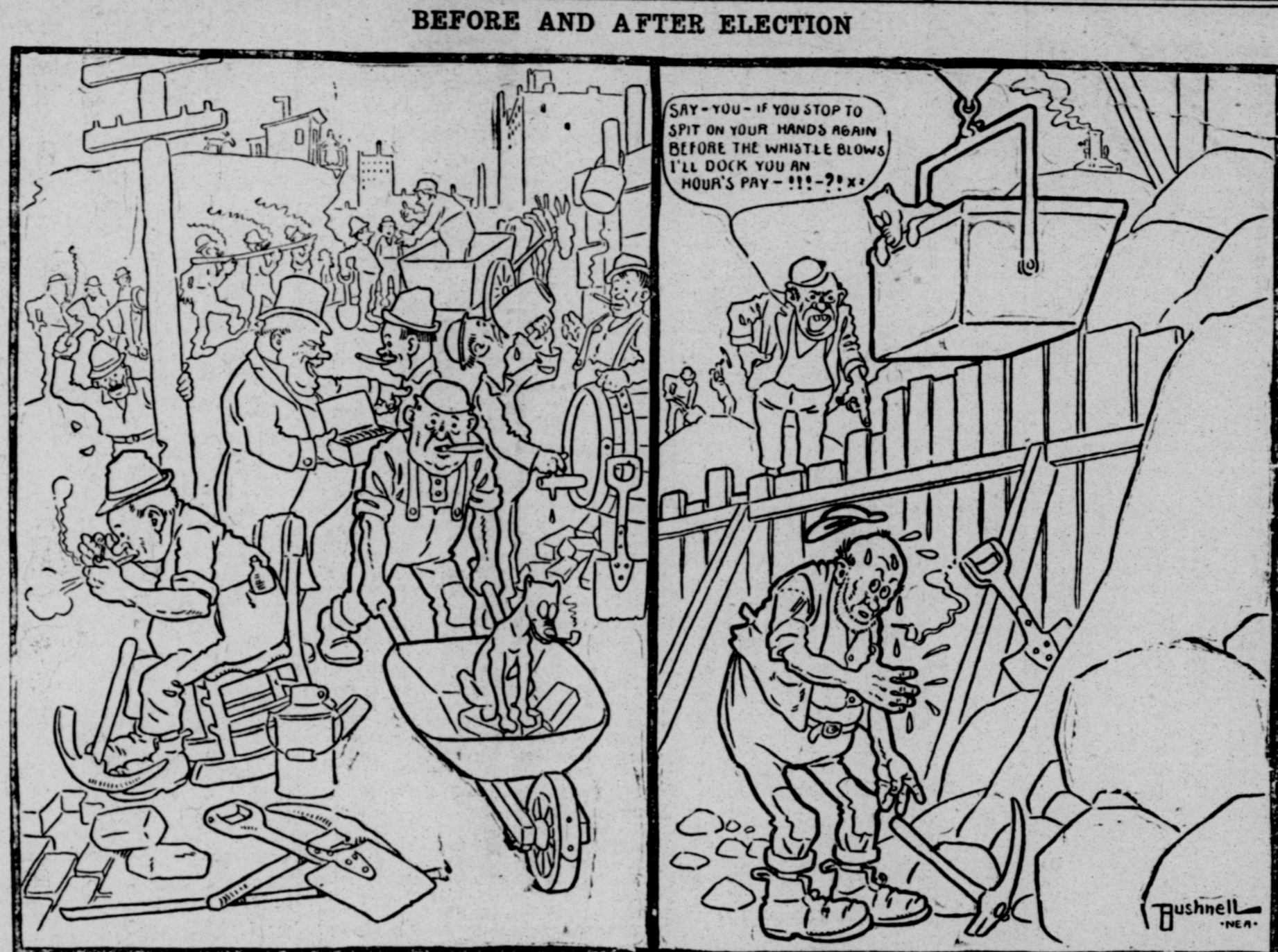
ST. PETERSBURG, Nov. 2, 12:46 p. m.—The official reports from Tokio describing the desperate assault on Port Arthur beginning October, created a visible depression at the war office. The sustained character of the bombardment with the siege guns and the breaching of the walls by the underground mines and, above all, the fact that the Japanese government, after weeks of silence regarding besiegers, has given out these reports before actual success has crowned the efforts, convinces the military authorities that after long preparation, General Nogi is not only making a supreme effort to carry the fortress, but feels so confident of success that the result of the preliminary operations has been made public.

They believe that the assaults are timed for the announcement of the fall of the fortress to be made upon the birthday of the madly, which, by strange coincidence, is the tenth anniversary of the accession of Emperor Nicholas and is a great Russian holiday. Tomorrow therefore is expected to be marked by fate, as a day of immense rejoicing either for Japan or Russia, according as the assault succeeds or fails.

The war office is trying to buoy up the Russian hopes with references to the long and successful defense Lieutenant General Stoessel has thus far conducted, but things have now reached such a pass with the garrison and the character of the present attempt upon the fortress is evidently so determined, that the authorities here frankly admit that they would not be surprised if the end is at hand. In the face of a gloomy report direct from Tokio, the invalid Russ, the army organ today announces that the storming operations ended with a repulse of the Japanese on Monday, but the paper fails to give authority for this important statement. No official report warranting it has been received by the war office.

THE CREW LEAVES CHEEFOO
CHEEFOO, Nov. 2.—The crew of the Russian torpedo boat destroyer Eyes, which was cut out of this harbor teth, which was cut out of this harbor, August 12 by the Japanese, departed today for Shanghai.

WASHINGTON INDICATIONS
Arkansas—Tonight and Thursday, partly cloudy weather; probably showers in east portion tonight; colder in northwest portion tonight.
Oklahoma and Indian Territory—Tonight and Thursday, generally fair and colder.
Texas—Tonight and Thursday, generally fair; colder tonight, except in extreme west portion.



HURRIES HOME TO SQUARE HIMSELF WITH FAMILY

Harry Thaw Comes From London to Plead for a Continuance of the Allowance Every Year

PITTSBURG, Pa., Nov. 2.—It is learned on good authority that the Thaws have held a family council with legal advice, over the reported marriage, ten days ago, of Harry K. Thaw, brother of the Countess of Yarmouth, to Miss Evelyn Florence Nesbit, former chorus girl and artist's model, and that they have about decided to cut off the \$7,500 yearly allowance that the mother, on bended knees, asked his brothers and sisters to give Harry. He had been cut off in his father's will with \$2,000 a year until he reached 35.

SWEETHEART SEES HER RESCUER GO TO HIS DEATH

MOTHER IS GIVEN POSSESSION OF CHILD

SHERMAN, Texas, Nov. 1.—A case of more than ordinary interest was tried in the Fifteenth district court here yesterday, when there came to be heard the habeas corpus proceedings instituted by Mrs. Jennie Green to obtain the possession of her 11-year-old daughter, Mattie Green, whom it was rec'd in the petition, she had previously placed temporarily in the care of Mr. and Mrs. George Meyers, whom it was alleged refused to surrender the child to the mother upon request.

IRON MOLDER SAVES LIFE OF GIRL HE LOVES, BUT IS GROUND TO DEATH UNDER WHEELS OF LOCOMOTIVE

MANSFIELD, Ohio, Nov. 2.—At the sacrifice of his own life, Charles Pankhurst, a molder, 32 years of age, saved his sweetheart from being killed by a Baltimore and Ohio passenger train near the Sherman Hotelman park.

FOUR GENERATIONS IN ONE FAMILY

SHERMAN, Texas, Nov. 1.—One of the most interesting families in Grayson county is the Meel's family, of 17-18 members, residing four miles west of Sherman. Four generations are represented in this somewhat remarkable family, the grandmother aged 80 years, at the head, and a little tot of scarcely more than eighty days represents the latest generation, and all are on pickers of marked ability, as is shown by their record this year of four laces per day each averaging 1,600 pounds of seed cotton, 6,400 pounds total, or 250 pounds for each member of the family, including the grandmother and the baby.

TO GET FARMERS AFTER THE HOUNDS

NEW YORK, Nov. 2.—A unique scheme for educating Long Island farmers up to the beauties of cross country riding after the hounds is being made by the Meadowbrook Hunt Club. The idea of the clubmen is to conciliate the angry spirit many agriculturalists have shown against the hunters in galloping across their fields.

"I AM READY TO DIE" AND THEN HE FALLS

LANCASTER, Pa., Nov. 2.—Rev. C. H. Hess, a Dunkard preacher, dropped dead in the Dunkard church at Wrightsville while delivering the sermon at the funeral of Levi Strickler.

IRA D. SANKEY IS TO SPEND TIME IN SOUTH

NEW YORK, Nov. 2.—Fearful of the effects of a northern winter, the relatives of Ira D. Sankey, the world-famous gospel singer, are preparing to take him south in the hope that his life may be prolonged. The day of the sweet singer who has stirred multitudes in many lands is practically done. I. Allen Sankey, a son of the singer, said today:

SPEED RECORD AT SHERMAN

SHERMAN, Texas, Nov. 1.—Last week a press special from Washington announced that the world's record for speed in typewriting had been broken by a government stenographer, who had written 22,000 words in seven hours.

LARGE MONEY GIFT TO HISTORICAL SOCIETY

NEW YORK, Nov. 2.—A new home in Central Park West will be erected by the New York Historical Society from money made available by a gift of \$150,000 in cash which has just been announced.

ADMIRAL BERESFORD WHO CONFRONTS BALTIC FLEET

Lord Charles Beresford, commander of England's channel fleet, the most powerful squadron of warships in the world, and the one on which attention is now especially riveted, because his fleet practically confronts and menaces the Russian Baltic fleet, was born in Dublin in 1846.



Wild oats, he entered the navy, and during the bombardment of Alexandria he was in command of the little gunboat Condor. It was here that he gained distinction, also earning the title of "Condor Charlie."

His admiral had ordered him to stay out of the heavy firing, as he did not consider the Condor big enough to stand the heavy guns of the forts of Alexandria. Beresford cried with rage and vexation, but less than an hour afterward he did that which would have caused his court-martial and disgrace if he had not won.

He deliberately disobeyed orders and ran his little gunboat under the fire of the forts, and while the big hulls of the British navy were booming out large noises as bulldozers, he silenced the guns of the Egyptians.

When Beresford went aboard the flagship his superior officer swore softly at him, cried over him and then told him he was a "damned brave blackguard, just as I would like a son of mine to be."

Beresford was promoted to a captaincy and in 1884 he was given charge of the naval brigade, which, with Lord Wolseley, made the futile Nile expedition. Beresford was in immediate command of the machine guns at Abu Klea, and his luck was with him there, for he was the only man in charge of the guns who was not killed.

Subsequently Beresford was made a commander of the Order of the Bath. Possibly expecting Lord Roberts and Lord Kitchener, he is more popular with the British people than any other naval or military officer.

He was elected to parliament several times and gained great notoriety through his exposures of frauds and humbugs in the navy. He attacked the Prince of Wales viciously and incurred the displeasure of the queen, but he did not discontinue his fight on this account. In 1888 he resigned as lord of the admiralty



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Table with 3 columns: Gloves, Underwear, Men's Wear. Includes items like Golf Gloves, Ladies' Vests, Night Robes, etc.

STOCKS section listing various stock exchanges and prices for New York, London, and other markets.

OF INTEREST TO THE STOCKMEN... THE AMARILLO COUNTRY... J. E. Wilson of Amarillo, who is interested with his father and brother in a large ranch in that section, says:

WEST TEXAS SENTIMENT... 'I had one of the largest owners of cattle in Western Texas to tell me that unless there was a radical change in conditions in the very near future the ranch owners of Western Texas would be forced out of business.'

NEW PACKING COMPANY... A packing house to cost two and a half million dollars is to be erected in Kansas City.

FORT WORTH MARKET... October broke all records for receipts of cattle. The total for the month being 65,523.

SOME MIDLAND SALES... The Schubarber Cattle Company sold from their five well ranch north of Midland 2,000 steer yearlings to a South Dakota man for \$16 per head.

AN ANGILO GOAT MAN... D. Red of Kansas City, a stockman of Missouri, who is largely interested in raising Angora goats, was in the state here yesterday for a short time.

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dustry in this state. He said that Angora were already being quite extensively raised in the counties of Mason, Gillespie, Kerr, Bandera, Kimble and some others, and that conditions seemed to be very favorable for stock of this particular kind.

Market Quotations

NORTH FORT WORTH, Nov. 2.—Supplies of cattle today were moderate at the opening of the market, but by noon a fairly good number arrived and total receipts for the day were estimated to figure close around 3,000.

REPRESENTATIVE SALES table with columns for No., Ave., Price, etc. for Steers, Cows, Heifers, and Hogs.

FOREIGN MARKETS table listing prices for Chicago Live Stock, Kansas City Live Stock, and St. Louis Live Stock.

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS Today, Tomorrow, Galveston, Houston, etc.

LIVERPOOL SPOTS table listing prices for Liverpool cotton markets.

NEW ORLEANS FUTURES table listing prices for New Orleans cotton futures.

NEW ORLEANS SPOTS table listing prices for New Orleans spot cotton.

NEW YORK FUTURES table listing prices for New York cotton futures.

GRAIN table listing prices for various grain types like wheat, corn, and oats.

COTTON table listing prices for various cotton grades.

TODAY'S SHIPPERS table listing various shippers and their respective prices.

TOP PRICES TODAY table listing current market prices for cattle, hogs, and sheep.

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REPORTS FROM THE BUREAU OF AGRICULTURE... THE AMARILLO COUNTRY... J. E. Wilson of Amarillo, who is interested with his father and brother in a large ranch in that section, says:

FORTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT... Sam Shrewder, charged with assault to murder, was found guilty, and a fine of \$500 was assessed against him in this court this morning.

SEVENTEENTH DISTRICT... In the Seventeenth district court Harry DeFee vs. St. Louis and Southwestern Railway Company, damages, was on trial during the morning session of the court.

COUNTY COURT... Robert Larry was convicted of killing cattle, and fined \$10. William Campbell was fined \$25 for aggravated assault.

BIRTHS... The following births were reported to the county clerk today: To Mr. and Mrs. Lavin Hunter of Saginaw, a girl.

FEDERAL COURTS... Charles H. Lednum, clerk of the circuit court of appeals, is in the city from New Orleans, making arrangements for the holding of that court here, commencing next Monday.

AN ELECTION BET IN THE WEST BIG ONE

WASHINGTON, Nov. 2.—According to a western man, the largest election bet of the campaign was recently made at Silver City, N. M., between V. C. Place, general manager of a mining company of Grant county, and Charles M. Shannon, proprietor of a newspaper at Silver City, Mr. Place bet a gold mill, recently erected at a cost of \$40,000, and mines and other property, including a mercantile house, on Roosevelt against last copper mines and buildings at Clifton "put up" by Mr. Shannon.

THE MAKING OF MCLURE'S... The November of McClure's concludes with some interesting comments on the making of McClure's Magazine, which discusses the work of McClure's famous staff writers, both in the words of the editors and those of the press.

THE FOOL WHO ROCKS THE BOAT... HOUSTON, Texas, Nov. 2.—Conrad Lauchmeyer was drowned in the bayou here this morning. He and two companions were rowing and two of them began to frighten Lauchmeyer and began rocking the boat. It was upset and the other two had a narrow escape from the same fate.

BLOW A SAFE... HOUSTON, Texas, Nov. 2.—Cracksmen operated on a safe of C. Janke's music house here last night. It was forced open and \$150 secured.

NO FOOTBALL AT POLYTECHNIC ALLOWED

At a meeting today at noon of the faculty of Polytechnic College the following resolution was adopted: Whereas, The students of Polytechnic College have sustained surgical injuries playing football; and Whereas, It is deemed best to prevent further injuries; therefore, be it Resolved, That the faculty of Polytechnic College no further permit intercollegiate football games.

WILL BID FOR HOME... WACO, Texas, Nov. 2.—This city will probably submit an offer to the locating committee of the Knights of Pythias widows' and orphans' home, and the matter is under consideration. The judges Adams and William Allen White, all receive special mention, and brief statements concerning their work and abilities are made for each. The great reading public which enjoys the resulting magazine itself month by month will be glad of this opportunity to look behind the curtain and see how it is made, as well as to see and learn from its own pages something of the people who make it.

HOW ANIMALS PREPARE FOR WINTER... The best known example of such active preparation is probably that of the beavers, which first make a pond by damming a stream and throwing the water back over land which was formerly dry. The beavers first cut down trees with their sharp, chisel-shaped incisor teeth, and float them down stream to the point at which they wish to build the dam. Brush is also floated down, and with the addition of stones and mud the structure is made solid and water proof. In the pond thus made the beavers erect stanch huts,

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- \$4.50 Boys' Overcoats, at
- \$10.00 Youths' Overcoats, at ... \$10.00

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