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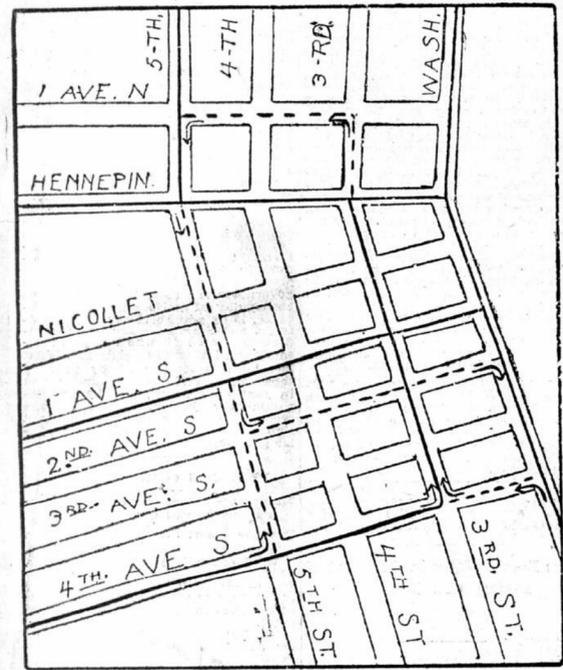
MONDAY EVENING, FEBRUARY 29, 1904.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY. 4 PAGES—FIVE O'CLOCK.

NEW LOOP LAID OUT AS GIANT FIGURE 8

Street Railway Officials Have Decided Upon What Seems to Be the Most Feasible Route.

Entirely New Route Projected for Interurban and Riverside Lines and Fourth Avenue Operation Simplified.



MAP OF PROPOSED NEW LOOP Dotted lines, new track; solid lines, tracks already laid.

Plans for a new loop arrangement of the Minneapolis street railway have been under consideration for some time and are now in fairly definite shape. While no formal decision has been reached, the street railway officials have hit upon the plan shown in the accompanying map, apparently the most practicable, both as regards new construction and convenience of operation.

WOOD DEFEATS GOTTA MOROS

Hassan Alone Escapes Capture or Death—Lieutenant and Troops Are Wounded.

Washington, Feb. 29.—General Wade, in a cablegram to the war department, dated Manila, yesterday, advised the department of a report of General Wood concerning an engagement at Jolo, Feb. 14, with the remnants of Hassan's Gotta Moros.

ARMOUR CAUSES SLUMP IN WHEAT

Chicago May Option Loses 3 1/2%, Closing at \$1.01—May Pork Declines \$1.05.

Chicago, Feb. 29.—Under heavy liquidation by the Armour interest here, up Washington avenue to Fourth street, the feature in trading was a decline of \$1.05 in the price of May pork. That commodity opened at \$16, but broke to \$14.95 under active profit-taking.

Chicago, Feb. 29.—More than twenty-eight miles from the spot where he is supposed to have been murdered two months ago the body of James Ellick, formerly a conductor on the Chicago & North-Western railroad was found yesterday.

FOURTEEN DEAD; FIRE ON THE SEA

Pacific Coast Steamer Queen Beset by Flames in the Midst of a High Storm.

Lives Lost by Suffocation, Drowning and Exposure—Statement of Captain.

The List of Dead. First-class passengers: MISS MAUDE STEINER, Clallam, Wash., drowned. MRS. E. ADAMS, died from exposure.

Seattle, Wash., Feb. 29.—Captain Cousins of the steamer Queen gives the following account of the disaster: When we were thirty miles to the westward of Tillamook light, on the coast of Oregon, on our way to this port, Second Officer Reese reported to me that the ship was on fire.

At the time the fire was discovered the wind was blowing from the southwest, probably fifteen miles an hour. There was a nasty, choppy sea running. I have no idea as to the cause or origin of the fire. It appears to have burst forth very suddenly, and but for the heroic work of the crew and passengers in getting the ship and all aboard would have burned.

BLAZE ON SHIPBOARD

Loss of Life Due in Part to Launching of Lifeboats.

Port Townsend, Wash., Feb. 29.—After suffering the most harrowing experience from fire and storm, the steamer Queen put in here to report the loss of fourteen lives.

While off the mouth of the Columbia river, the Queen caught fire in her after saloon in some unexplained way.

With indescribable swiftness the fire gained, headway and threatened soon to envelop the whole ship.

To add to the horror the heavy seas running meant death to any one sent away in the lifeboats.

The flames became more and more threatening until, when it seemed a choice of deaths, Captain Cousins ordered the launch of the lifeboats.

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HARMONY BROKEN BY PARKER BOOM

Probability That Tammany Will Indorse Judge Becomes More Remote Daily.

Murphy Wants McClellan, but Is Keeping Him in the Background.

From The Journal Bureau, Colorado Building, Washington. Washington, Feb. 29.—The probability that Tammany will indorse the candidacy of Judge Parker for the democratic presidential nomination daily becomes more remote.

When it is understood that Tammany, which controls the borough of Manhattan, is in perfect accord with the democratic leaders of Buffalo as to presidential matters, and that their combined vote will be a majority of the state delegation at St. Louis, the significance of Tammany's rejection of Parker becomes apparent.

There are two strong reasons for Tammany's unkindness to Parker. First, his nomination would mean the recrudescence of David B. Hill, who is now laid away on the shelf, politically. Murphy, Tammany's new leader, aspires to enter the national field of politics.

He wants to become the party as a whole what he is to the New York section of it. If Hill were galvanized into political life by the nomination of Parker, that ambition never could be realized, and besides, the New York party would again be rent asunder, as it was in the old days of Hill's control.

WAR NEWS IN A LINE

Japs rout Russians in first land fight. Russians massacre Koreans for aiding Japs.

Russia warns China that neutrality will be ignored if bandits are not curbed. Russian warship appears off coast of Japan.

American officers get permission to witness Russian operations. Korea invaded by Russian cavalry and natives take flight.

Baron Hayashi defends censorship and says Japan cannot afford to risk disaster. Two Japanese torpedo boat destroyers said to have been lost at Port Arthur.

Casualties up in war. Russians disturbed over attitude of England and America. Russian newspaper looks for war with United States.

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REVOLUTIONISTS ACTIVE. Policy Plans Overthrow of Czar if Russia Is Defeated.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 29.—The revolutionists have agreed upon a policy with regard to the war.

It consists of opposing the spread of bureaucratic influence at every point. A record will be kept of all Russian disasters and in the event of defeat, an appeal will be issued to the nation to rise against the czar.

Von Fiebig, the minister of the interior, is exasperated with what he calls "political guerrillas."

JAPS ATTACK PORT ARTHUR FURIOUSLY

Report Reaches St. Petersburg that Enemy Is Again Making Effort to Reduce Stronghold of Far East.

Russian Battleships and Torpedo Boats Said to Have Been Destroyed by Warships of the Mikado.

Special to The Journal. St. Petersburg, Feb. 29.—It is reported here that the Japanese fleet at Port Arthur has begun a furious attack on the Russian warships and fortifications there. An unconfirmed rumor is current saying that Russian battleships and torpedo boats have been sunk by Japanese fire. The report does not say how many.

RUSSIAN ADVANCE GUARD Routed

IN LAND BATTLE BY JAP INFANTRY

New York Sun Special Service. Chemulpho, Feb. 29.—I learned here to-day that the first land engagement between the Russian and Japanese troops took place Saturday, about a mile north of Ping Yang.

A squadron of Russian Cossacks, coming from the direction of An-ju, about thirty miles to the northwest, appeared on the Seoul road and were met by a body of the Japanese infantry, who had been warned of the enemy's approach by the outposts.

Fire was quickly opened on the advancing cavalry, who at once turned about and dashed off in the direction of An-ju.

The Japanese plan of campaign is steadily being carried out. For many days past, the transports, almost entirely unescorted, Japan being so confident of her power on the sea, have been arriving here, while reports from other places show that landing of troops has been equally successful.

Ping Yang is the center of operations in northwest Korea and a large body of troops with many guns is encamped there. They are faced by a huge force of Russian troops, estimated to be between 30,000 and 40,000 men, with about fifty guns, who have, during the past week, crossed the Yalu and are now within touch of their advance body at An-ju.

There appears to be every probability that the Russians are determined to advance still further south and a battle is hourly expected.

RUSSIAN VERSION OF FIGHT SAYS JAPANESE FLED BEFORE COSSACKS.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 29.—A dispatch received here from Liao Yang, Feb. 28, says that Chinese on the Yalu river report that an advance guard of Russian cavalry, which has penetrated Korea for a distance of about 200 versts across the river, had an encounter with a detachment of Japanese, and that the Japanese were compelled to retreat and fled, leaving their horses, which were seized by Cossacks. General Linevitch dispatched cavalry and a body of infantry in pursuit and with an order to occupy northern Korea.

OFFICIAL DISPATCH FROM TOKIO CONFIRMS DEFEAT OF RUSSIANS.

London, Feb. 29.—The following official dispatch has been received at the Japanese legation here: "Tokio, Feb. 28.—A number of the enemy's cavalry appeared at a point 700 meters north of Ping Yang, Korea. Our infantry fired upon them, causing them to retreat."

KOREA IS INVADED BY COSSACK FORCE; NATIVES FLEE BEFORE RUSSIAN TROOPS.

Liao-yang, Feb. 29.—General Mishtchenko, with a detachment of mounted Cossacks, has reached Kasanja, Korea, and is expected to arrive at Ichon Yang to-day.

His men and horses are in good condition and he is well supplied with provisions. The Korean officials are fleeing from the places traversed and are informing the Japanese of the approach of the Russians.

The Cossacks have seized the telegraph line north of Korea. A Japanese major, Togo Tazuriso, and five men, captured by Cossacks at W-ju, have been brought to Liao-yang.

Casualties in the concentration of Chinese troops westward of Mukden into the district of Gubantsu is not relished by the Russians. War material is being brought up and the militia posts are being strengthened.

It is doubted if the attitude of the population can be relied upon. The people at several points refuse to sell products to the Russians.

Snowstorms are raging here and the frost is intense. The railroad is working perfectly and troops are arriving uninterruptedly. Their health and spirits are excellent.

PORT ARTHUR EXPECTS ATTACK, BUT COMMANDER WILL NOT SURRENDER.

Port Arthur, Feb. 29.—General Stoessel, commander of the garrison here, has issued a general order directing the attention of the troops and inhabitants to the fact that the Japanese intend to land and seize the fortress.

The general declares the Japanese consider the seizure of Port Arthur to be a question of national honor, and from their obstinate attacks and bombardments of the fortress and bays, he can only conclude that the enemy will make every effort to capture the fortress, falling which the Japanese will destroy the railroad and withdraw.

"The enemy, however," proceeds the general order, "is mistaken. Our troops know and the inhabitants are herewith informed by me that we will not yield. We must fight to the finish, as I, the commandant, will never give an order to surrender."

"I bring this to the notice of those less daring, and call on all to become convinced of the necessity of fighting to the death. Those who leave without fighting will not save themselves.

There is no way out. On three sides there is the sea and on the fourth will be the enemy. There is no means of escape except by fighting."

Notwithstanding the heavy gale which is blowing, the lights of Japanese scouting vessels were visible in the offing during the night.

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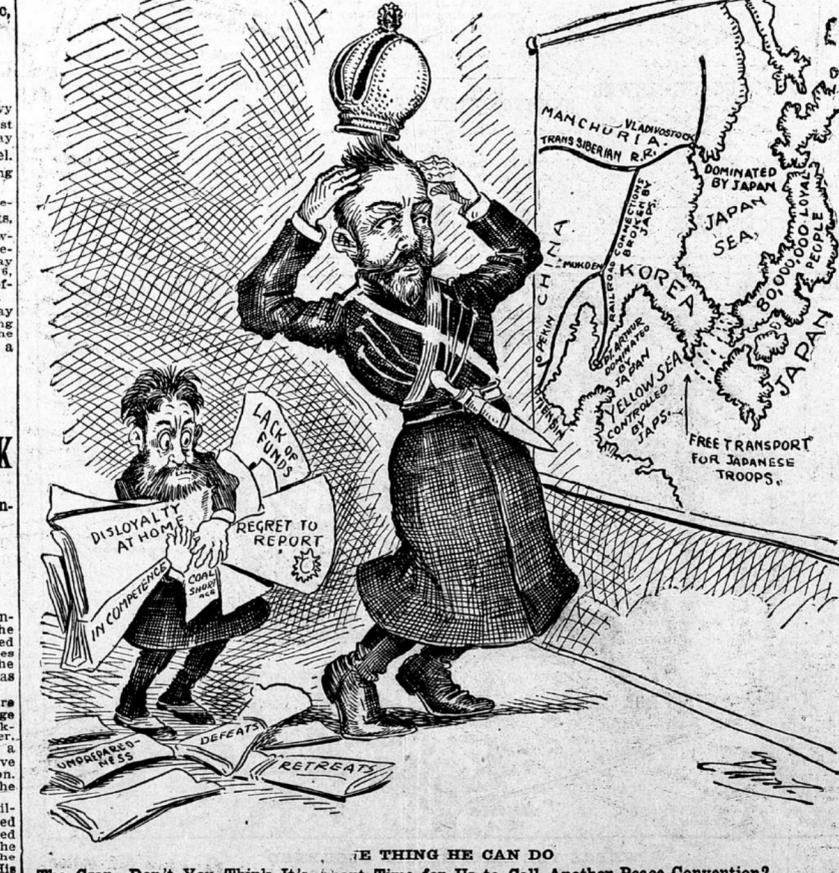
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THE THING HE CAN DO. The Czar—Don't You Think It's About Time for Us to Call Another Peace Convention?