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THE WEATHER. Forecast made at San Francisco for thirty hours, ending midnight, May 29: San Francisco and vicinity—Partly cloudy Monday; light northwest winds. G. H. WILLSON, Local Forecaster.

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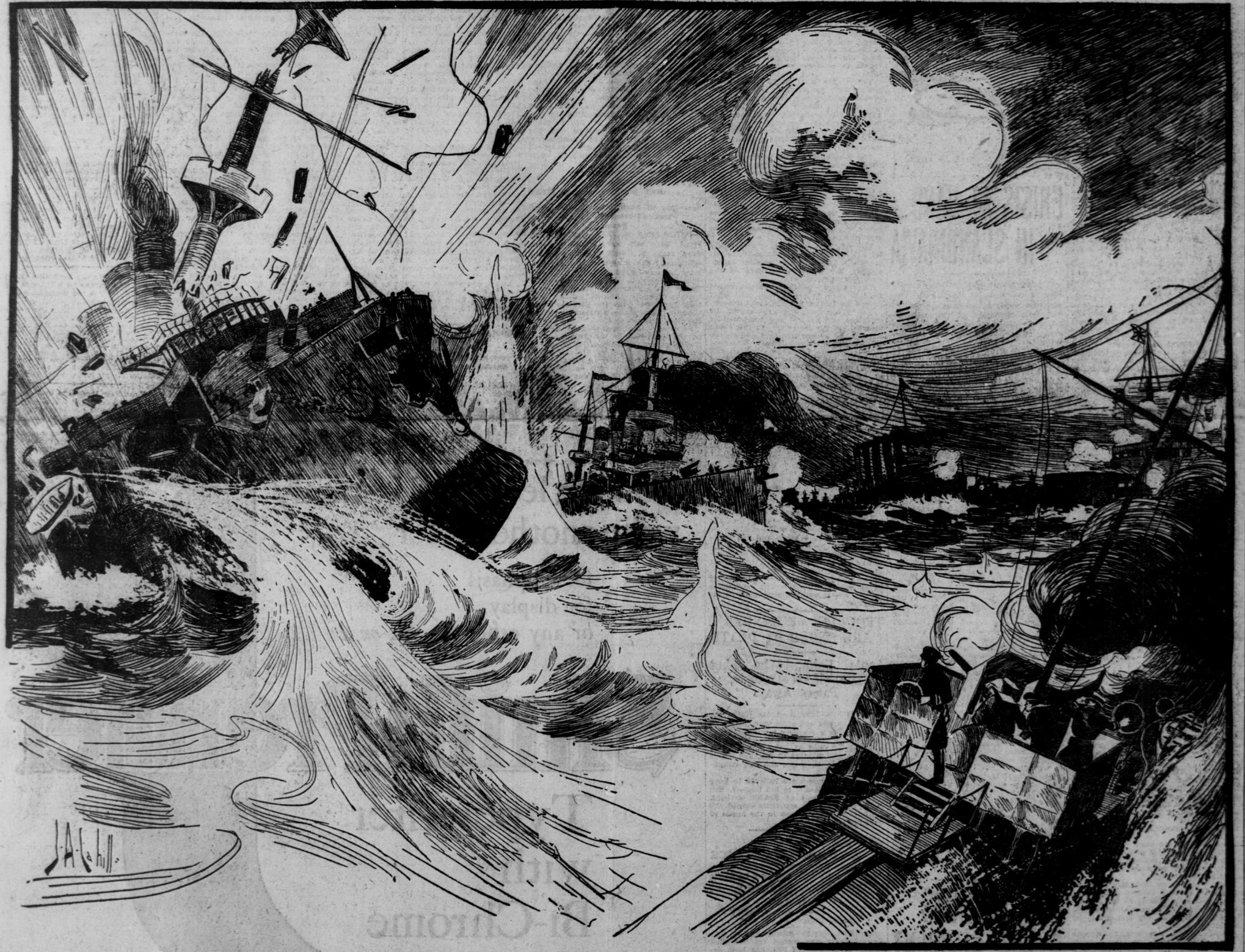


THE THEATERS. ALCAZAR—"Tennessee's Fardner." CALIFORNIA—"The Country Girl." CENTRAL—"Why He Divorced Her." CHUTES—"Vaudeville." COLUMBIA—"The Duke of Killcrankle." GRAND—"The Holy City." ORPHEUM—"Vaudeville." TIVOLI—Comic Opera. WEBER'S MUSIC HALL—"Miss Frisky From Fresno."

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RUSSIAN FLEET DESTROYED

TOKIO, May 29, 2:15 p. m.---It is officially announced that Admiral Rojestvensky's fleet has been practically annihilated. Twelve warships have been sunk or captured, and two transports and two destroyers have been sunk.



PEN PICTURE ILLUSTRATING THE NAVAL BATTLE IN THE STRAITS OF KOREA AND THE SINKING OF THE RUSSIAN BATTLESHIP BORODINO BY THE WARSHIPS OF ADMIRAL TOGO'S VICTORIOUS FLEET.

Many Russian Warships Are Sunk and Japanese Fleet Loses Cruiser and Small Craft While Running Fight Northward on the Sea of Japan.

ROME, May 28.—Italian Government has received a dispatch from Chefu stating that the engagement between the Russian and Japanese fleets was disastrous to both fleets. The losses were frightful. Every Russian ship was damaged.

TSINGTAU, May 29.—A telegram from Chinese sources says that in the naval battle in the Straits of Korea on Saturday and Sunday the Russians lost two battleships and two cruisers. This report has not been confirmed.

LONDON, May 29.—The correspondent of the Morning Post at Shanghai says that a telegram

has been received there from Peking announcing that Rojestvensky's fleet has been defeated off the Tsu Islands and is fleeing northward and that four Russian ships, including the battleship Borodino, have been sunk. The Tokio correspondent of the Daily Mail says that the Russian fleet has been dispersed, that several Russian ships have been disabled and that the remainder are in flight, with the Japanese pursuing.

TSINGTAU, May 29.—There is a running naval engagement between the Russian and Japanese fleets near the island of Oki. It is reported that the whole Russian fleet is not participating,

all the slower vessels having steamed around Japan. The Japanese losses so far are stated to be one cruiser and ten torpedo boats. The Island of Oki is in the sea of Japan, about two hundred miles northeast of the Straits of Korea, where the battle between the Japanese and Russian fleets had its beginning.

WASHINGTON, May 28.—Japanese Minister Takahira has received a dispatch from Tokio, saying in effect that the fighting in the naval battle thus far has been with favorable prospects to the Japanese. The Minister's dispatch is from private sources. From information which has been re-

ceived in Washington to-day, it is believed that two of the six Russian ships reported by the American Consul at Nagasaki to have been sunk in the Korean Straits by the Japanese were the Orel and her sister ship, the Borodino. They are battleships of 13,000 tons and are counterparts of the flagship Kniiaz Suvaroff. The three other vessels reported sunk are believed to have been cruisers. The remaining one was a repair ship.

LONDON, May 29.—The Times' Tokio correspondent says that telegrams from apparently trustworthy sources show that Vice Admiral Rojestvensky approached
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