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### Supporters of Judge Collins Beaten When It Came to the Question of Seating Favorable Delegations.

### NAME NOT PRESENTED TO CONVENTION

### Most Memorable Convention in History of State Adjourned With Everybody Good Natured This Morning.

St. Paul, July 1. The ticket. For Justices Supreme Court. Calvin L. Brown, of Stephens, Charles L. Lewis, of St. Louis, C. E. Elliot, of Hennepin, Edwin A. Jaggard, of Ramsey.

For Governor—Robert C. Dunn, of Mille Laes.

For Lieutenant Governor—Ray W. Jones, of Minneapolis.

For Secretary of State—P. E. Hanson, of Meeker.

For Treasurer—J. C. Block, of Nicollet.

For Attorney General—E. T. Young, of Swift.

For Railroad Commissioners—Fra B. Mills, Clay county, W. E. Young, Blue Earth county.

One of the stormiest conventions ever held by the republicans in this state, after sessions held throughout two days, named the above ticket, and tonight adjourned in harmonious and good-humored condition. This happy result is largely due to tact and impartiality of United States Senator Moses E. Clapp, who, as presiding officer, brought all his good influence to bear upon the leaders of the rival factions to allow the contests to be fought out before the committee on credentials rather than on the floor. While not entirely successful, he wore out the spirit of those who threatened to bolt, and when the minority report unseating the Collins delegates was adopted, the retiring delegates withdrew gracefully and promised support to the ticket nominated.

The Collins supporters quickly saw the significance of the action taken on the minority report and courteously refused to present the name of their man, Collins.

The morning session of the convention was called to order at 9:30 by Senator Clapp, temporary chairman. The committee on credentials and resolutions had been in session most of the night, and reports were awaited with almost breathless interest, particularly the first, the issue of which was accepted to be the issue of the convention. After some delay it was stated that the credentials committee was not ready to report, and adjournment was taken until 2 p. m.

At the opening of the afternoon session the convention hall was packed and every delegate was in his seat ready for business. The committee on credentials was not ready, so the report of the resolutions committee was heard. The proposed platform met approval on all sides. After re-affirming the national platform and commending the administrations of McKinley and Roosevelt, it gave strong endorsement to Governor Vant Sant and his

loyalty to the broad principles and national policies therein enunciated.

We heartily commend the administration of President Roosevelt and congratulate the country on its happy and prosperous condition brought about as a direct result of his administration, and we hereby unanimously ratify and second his nomination.

We express the highest appreciation of his efforts not only in continuing the great work of President McKinley, but also in the greater work of solving the new questions that have confronted him. In his management of the Philippine question, in his firm stand against the Venezuelan crisis, in his honest efforts to secure justice to Cuba; in his vigorous demand for official purity and honesty and punishment of the corrupt; in his many efforts in reference to the anti-trust legislation; in his bold stand against the loss of Chinese ports to our trade; in the encouragement he has given our army and navy; in the success achieved by his practical efforts to enforce the law against unlawful combinations in the commerce manufacturing and statesmanlike manner in which he has aided the Panama canal; and in the wisdom he has shown in proclaiming immediate neutrality in the war now raging in Europe, in all of which he has shown himself a strong executive and an able president and we hereby promise him our loyal and undivided support.

### PLATFORM IS ADOPTED

### STATE REPUBLICAN CONVENTION ENDORSES WORK OF RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE.

### LONG FIGHT OVER CONTESTED SEATS

### COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS SUBMITS MAJORITY AND MINORITY REPORTS.

St. Paul, July 2.—After waiting nearly all day for the credentials committee to report the Republican state convention digressed from the program and adopted the platform. Late in the afternoon the credentials committee brought in its report. It gave Dunn Anoka, Benton, Red Lake, Sherburne and Traverse counties. Collins secured Beltrami, Cass, Hennepin and Ramsey. The report unseated the Rossen delegation and gave Clearwater seven delegates. A minority report protested against the Hennepin, Cass and Rossen county provisions of the majority report.

The report was adopted in so far as it was unanimous and a long discussion followed on the disputed points.

Chairman Moses E. Clapp called the second day's session of the convention to order at 9:30 and explained that as the credentials committee had worked until 3 a. m. and still had several hours' work before it he thought that the best interests of the convention would be served by taking a recess until it was ready to report, but in the meantime he would introduce a genuine case of political information, the veteran newspaper man—H. P. Hall. Mr. Hall was enthusiastically greeted and spoke entertainingly for a few minutes. When Mr. Hall finished there were calls for J. Adam Bede, but the chair recognized Colonel Freeman Thorpe of Crow Wing county, who wanted to know if the convention could not receive the report of the resolutions committee. Chairman George R. Laybourn said the report was not ready.

The crowd called for W. J. Nolan and J. B. Cotton for speeches, but neither was present and the motion of George R. Laybourn of Duluth to adjourn until 2 o'clock was carried without objection.

Chairman Clapp called the afternoon session of the convention to order at 2:16 and stated that the committee on credentials was not ready to report, but that it would be in order to make a rule limiting the number and length of the nominating speeches. Senator C. A. Johnson of St. Peter moved to limit each candidate to two speeches of ten minutes each, but assented to the amendment of Frank Clague of Redwood that nominating speeches be limited to five minutes, seconding speeches to three. This was adopted. Although in its regular order the committee on resolutions could not report until after the permanent organization Chairman Clapp said they could be received by unanimous consent. No objection being made Chairman George R. Laybourn presented the report of the committee on resolutions.

The resolutions were frequently applauded, especially the clause declaring Senator Clapp the candidate of the party for the senate in 1905.

Mr. Laybourn moved the adoption of the resolutions and they were carried unanimously.

Calls were heard for J. Adam Bede and that gentleman soon appeared and made one of his inimical speeches. He was followed by William Henry Eastus of Minneapolis.

The following is the platform adopted by the Republican state convention: The Republicans of Minnesota, assembled by their representatives in state convention, earnestly and confidently address themselves to the people of this state in the following declaration of facts and principles:

We unanimously reaffirm the platform adopted by the national Republican convention at Chicago June 22,

1904, and we gladly express our loyalty to the broad principles and national policies therein enunciated.

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### VAN SANT'S ADMINISTRATION IS CORDIALLY ENDORSED

### WE CORDIALLY ENDORSE AND COMMEND THE ABLE, EFFICIENT AND FEARLESS ADMINISTRATION OF GOVERNOR SAMUEL L. VAN SANT, AND THE PEOPLE ARE TO BE CONGRATULATED FOR THE CALM AND PATIENT MANNER IN WHICH HE HAS RESPONDED TO THE CALL OF THE PEOPLE AGAINST THE RAILWAY MERGER AND TRUSTS.

### WE ARE FIRMLY OF THE BELIEF THAT COMPETITION BETWEEN THE RAILROADS OF THIS STATE WOULD BE MORE BENEFICIAL TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC THAN THE CONSOLIDATION OF SAID RAILROADS, AND WITH DUE APPRECIATION OF THE IMPORTANCE OF THE UNDERTAKING, WE THANK THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES AND GOVERNOR HIRSHMAN FOR THE TIMELY AND COURTEOUS INTEREST WHICH THEY HAVE SHOWN IN THE MATTER WHICH WAS BROUGHT TO SUCH A SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION IN THE SUPREME COURT.

### RESOLVED, THAT WE EXPRESS OUR CONFIDENCE IN THE DISTINGUISHED ABILITY, HIGH CHARACTER AND VALUABLE PUBLIC SERVICES OF BOTH OUR UNITED STATES SENATORS, KNUTE NELSON AND MOSES E. CLAPP, AND APPRECIATE THE FACT THAT, DURING THEIR CAREER IN THE SENATE, THEY HAVE REFLECTED HIGH HONOR UPON THE STATE AND NATION.

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### ROADS IS AN IMPORTANT FACTOR IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THIS STATE AND THAT THE MATERIAL INTERESTS OF THE COMMUNITY WOULD BE BENEFITED BY THE EXPENDITURE OF A LIBERAL SHARE OF THE PUBLIC FUNDS IN THAT DIRECTION; THAT THE COMMON ROADS, BEING THE PROPERTY OF AND FOR THE BENEFIT OF ALL THE PEOPLE, SHOULD BE PAID FOR BY ALL THE PEOPLE, TO THAT END WE FAVOR A SYSTEM OF STATE AID IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF OUR PRINCIPAL HIGHWAYS.

### WE FAVOR THE ABOLISHMENT OF SUNDAY LABOR WHERE PRACTICABLE. WE EARNESTLY SOLICIT A BETTER UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN CAPITAL AND LABOR. WE FAVOR THE USE OF THE UNION LABEL ON STATE SUPPLIES WHERE PRACTICABLE AND URGE THE STATE BOARD OF CONTROL TO USE IN ALL STATE INSTITUTIONS THE PRODUCTS OF MINNESOTA INDUSTRIES WHEREVER POSSIBLE WITHOUT DETRIMENT TO THE INTERESTS OF THE STATE.

### WE APPROVE THE ENACTMENT BY CONGRESS OF LEGISLATION WHICH WILL DEBAR CHINESE FROM OBTAINING ADMISSION TO THE UNITED STATES TO THE INJURY OF AMERICAN LABOR, AND WE DEMAND THE ENFORCEMENT OF IMMIGRATION LAWS WHICH SHALL EXCLUDE ALL UNWORTHY AND UNDESIRABLE EMIGRANTS, WHOSE PRESENCE MENACE OUR CITIZENSHIP OR INJURE OUR WAGEWORKERS.

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### RAINY SEASON BEGINS. Roads Inpassable in Some Parts of Manchuria.

### Liaoyang, July 2.—The Chinese say the rainy season has begun. The roads in some places are absolutely impassable. During the march of one division many were drowned and others barely escaped a like fate. A number of horses were lost in the swollen streams. Subsequent railroad washouts have increased the timidity of transport. However, a decisive battle is still regarded as possible within the next few days in the northeast region between Hancheng and Kailchou, where the armies of Generals Kuroki and Oku have concentrated.

### The Japanese have retired from the Liaoyang and are moving in a north-easterly direction on the Liaoyang road. They have appeared in great force at Fenchang and Motien passing outflanking the Russian position. The Russian Eastern division continue to retire before superior numbers, but are keeping in close touch with the enemy. It is considered probable that the combined armies of Kuroki and Oku will concentrate at Hancheng or Kailchou and await the end of the rainy season. It soon will be impossible to send troops through the passes from the mountains into the valley.

### It is difficult to obtain correct information in regard to the fleet. The Russians maintain that it is intact, with the exception of the battleship Sevastopol, which is being repaired. The Chinese confirm the previous reports that a large ship is ashore southeast of the Liaotshian promontory.

### The Japanese have captured two small forts ten miles east of Port Arthur.

### UNTIL AFTER RAINY SEASON. Russian Military Critic Opposes Idea of a Big Battle.

### St. Petersburg, July 2.—The military critic of the Russ, who is usually well informed, strongly opposes the idea of a big battle before the end of the rainy season. He expresses the opinion that the Japanese only wish now to assure possession of the Liaoyang peninsula and that their present objective is to capture Kailchou, which would compel the evacuation of Newchwang and permit landings on the west coast.

### The critic considers the movements of the Japanese north, across the Fenian range as being simply a diversion to facilitate the taking of Kailchou and he declares that Kailchou will be surrendered without a fight. But he adds it will not have a decisive character. The critic further predicts that General Kuropatkin will follow to his plan to withdraw north and await the end of the rainy season. He seems to assume the success of the Japanese plan of a combination of the First and Third Japanese armies and the isolation of the peninsula.

### MARCHING ON LIAOYANG. Japanese Army Within Thirty-five Miles of That Place.

### Liaoyang, July 2.—A Japanese army is reported to be within thirty-five miles of Liaoyang.

### Southeast of Hancheng, on the Sluven road, the Japanese have withdrawn from the positions from which they recently drove the Russians after five days' continuous fighting.

### General Mstschenko reports that his cavalry has been experiencing the effects of lyddite shells from the Japanese big naval guns, which the latter are now employing in the field.

### TWO DWELLINGS BURNED. Further Details of the Shelling of Gensan, Korea.

### Seoul, Korea, July 2.—Additional reports from Gensan show that only two Koreans and two Japanese were slightly injured and two dwellings burned as a result of the bombardment by the Russian Vladivostok squadron. The Japanese consulate was hit by a shell, but the damage inflicted was small. At the first shot by the hostile visitors the citizens fled to the protection of the hills. It is not known in which direction the squadron departed, as it obscured the atmosphere.

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### SHELLS FALL IN CITY. JAPANESE CONTINUE TO BOMBARD PORT ARTHUR FROM LAND AND SEA.

### SEVERE FIGHTING IN THE VICINITY. MIKADO'S TROOPS SAID TO HAVE LOST HEAVILY IN RECENT ENGAGEMENT.

### Chefoo, July 2.—A party of Russians and Chinese arrived here during the day by junk direct from Port Arthur. They report for several days shells from both land and sea have been falling in the town, but doing little damage.

### The Russians, who resisted the advance of the Japanese, suffered severely. Many dead and wounded men have been brought to Port Arthur. The hospital there is overcrowded.

### It is difficult to obtain correct information in regard to the fleet. The Russians maintain that it is intact, with the exception of the battleship Sevastopol, which is being repaired. The Chinese confirm the previous reports that a large ship is ashore southeast of the Liaotshian promontory.

### The Japanese have captured two small forts ten miles east of Port Arthur.

### UNTIL AFTER RAINY SEASON. Russian Military Critic Opposes Idea of a Big Battle.

### St. Petersburg, July 2.—The military critic of the Russ, who is usually well informed, strongly opposes the idea of a big battle before the end of the rainy season. He expresses the opinion that the Japanese only wish now to assure possession of the Liaoyang peninsula and that their present objective is to capture Kailchou, which would compel the evacuation of Newchwang and permit landings on the west coast.

### The critic considers the movements of the Japanese north, across the Fenian range as being simply a diversion to facilitate the taking of Kailchou and he declares that Kailchou will be surrendered without a fight. But he adds it will not have a decisive character. The critic further predicts that General Kuropatkin will follow to his plan to withdraw north and await the end of the rainy season. He seems to assume the success of the Japanese plan of a combination of the First and Third Japanese armies and the isolation of the peninsula.

### MARCHING ON LIAOYANG. Japanese Army Within Thirty-five Miles of That Place.