Czar Gives Rush Orders

to Battleships.

WILL START BY JULY 15

Naval Strength in The Far

East Demands Increase.

PORTARTHUR MAY BE CUT OFF

Superiority of the Japanese on Water

Gives Them Excellent Oppor-

tunity to Operate

on Land.

THE BALTIC SQUADRON

Alexander III.....

Ruiae Suvaroff Navarin Sieni Vellky Parviat Azova Vladimir Monomakh Admirai Nakhimoff, Nikolai I. Alexander II. Obj

R. C.-Belted cruiser.

A. C.-Armored cruiser

P. C.-Protected cruiser.

In addition to these ships the battle.

ship Oslabya, the armored cruiser Dimitri Donskoi and the protected

cruteer Aurora, now in the Mediter ranean, will be available,

PARIS, April 19 .- "The Emperor, in re-

elving a visit from High Admiral Duke

Alexis today," says the St. Petersburg

orrespondent of the Echo de Paris, "In-

fleet to be ready to start July 15. Orders

accordingly have been sent to Cronstadt

e hasten the preparation of its fleet for

satling on the date mentioned under

Rear-Admiral Rojestvenski, unless an-

other Admiral, of whom there has been

"Vice-Admiral Doubassoff declined the

command of the Black Sea fleet. It is probable that Admiral Chukin, director of

the Naval Academy, will be appointed."

rmed him that he desired the Baltic

Slava Kniaz Suvaroff...

New York Democracy Is Pledged to Him.

TAMMANY BADLY ROUTED

It Tries to Get Convention to Avoid Instructions.

DEBATE HEATED AT ALL TIMES

Victors Become Liberal and Allow Murphy Men to Name a Delegateat-Large--Great Jam at Place of Meeting.

PLATFORM IN RRIFE

Delegates are instructed to vote as unit for Judge Parker for President. nable revision of the tariff. Check on extravagance in public ex-

Opposition to trusts Maintenance of state rights and home

of labor and capital. No executive encroachment on the legistative or judicial department Restoration of peace to the end that business confidence may be restored.

ALBANY, N. Y., April 18.-The Demo cratic State Convention for the election of delegates to the National Convention selected the following delegates at large: David B. Hill, of Albany; Edward Murphy, Jr., of Troy; George Ehret, of New York City, and James W. Ridgeway, As alternates it selected C. N. Bulger, of Oswego; W. Caryl Elly, of Buffalo; C. H. Ackerman, of Broome and Francis Burton Harrison, of New

The delegates were instructed, by a vote of 301 to 149, for Judge Alton B. Parker as the state's candidate for President. mmany was not treated as badly as find been predicted, being allowed to name a delegate-at-large, Mr. Ehret, and an alternate, and one of the two electorsat-large, Harry Payne Whitney, the

other being John T. Woodford. The platform adopted is brief, and in addition to instructing for Parker compels the delegation to vote as a unit.

Among the district Presidential electors are Isador Straus, Robert B. Roosevelt Hugh J. Grant, Herman Ridder and John D. Crimmins.

The list of district delegates to the National Convention includes the follow-

Perry Belmont, P. H. McCarren, Martin W. Littleton, Controller Edward M. Grout, James Shevlin, Congressman T. D. Sullivan, Congressman Sulzer, Lewis Nixon, Bird S. Coler, William McAdoo, W. Bourke Cockran, Robert A. Van Wyck, Charles F. Murphy, Franklin Bartlett, Charles A. Towne, Thomas F. Grady, Harry Payne Whitney, Jefferson M. Levy, Charles Dayton, Asa Bird Gardiner, Elliott P. Danforth, George O. Raines and John B. Stanchfield.

Politicians Early Astir.

Politicians were astir early and the quarters of Tammany, of David B, Hill and W. R. Hearst were busy spots,
At a meeting of the state committee ex-Senator Raines morning was chosen temporary and permanent chairman. When the roll of delegates was about to be called in the committee, Senator Grady, the Tammany represent-ative, moved that all the contests be noted. The secretary said he had no notice of any contests, and Chairman Campbell said it was the custom to make Campbell said it was the control up the roll of delegates from the lists pre-up the roll of delegates from the lists pre-upted by the various committeemen. Virsented by the various committeemen. Virtually, he ruled that the contests would only noted when filed with the commit-

eated throughout, Senator Grady taking

it was perfectly apparent that there was an attempt to prove to the public that those in control of the committee are in perfect unanimity. They were about to instruct for a certain man, and they were going to trample on every man who op-posed them. The Senator warned his hearers that the result would be a repeti-tion of the tactics that left the party without an organization in the state. In

conclusion, he said:
"Don't let it go out that this is a manpulated convention, and that we are
forced to do the wishes of a man who
carries the votes in his pocket."
Great confusion resulted from orders
which had been given to keep the
doors closed until the last moment. The
result was that when the doors were
opened at three minutes before 1 o'clock,
the crowd burst in with a vell and a rush. nclusion, he said:

the crowd burst in with a yell and a rush. In three minutes the top gallery was filled with a stamping and shouting mass of men and boys. In the galleries were a number of Hearst banners, and a run-ning fire of shouts and comments was

naintained by the gallery crowd.

The crush before the doors and the hal vas tremendous. The aisles were filled with a scrambling crowd, demanding seats at the ratio of about three persons to one seat. The police were all but help-less. Hats were smashed, clothing torn, faces scratched and feet trampled in the

Order finally was secured and ex-State Senator George Raines, of Modec County, was introduced as chairman, and he delivered a speech to the convention.

Mr. Raines denounced the Republican party in its administration of both state and National affairs and its policies, declaring there was a feeling of unrest among business men, a lack of confidence in the judgment and level-headed conservatism of the National Administration. In the coming campaign, he said, the Democrats of New York desire to act in ac-

the Union. "We have no particular tenets to put forth," he declared, "no isolated ideas to frame as New York ideas, and no single war cry for this campaign. We do believe, however, that no party policy should be insisted on which reserves a place in our platform for the campaign upon which the party is not substantially united."
Without mentioning his candidate by

name the speaker said that from the Valley of the Hudson arose "one whose Democracy has never been questioned, whose popularity is well tested, whose fairness, impartiality and learning have already attracted the attention of the conservative business men of the country and has conferred renown upon the highst court of your state."

After the roll call, the matter of con-ested seats were referred to a committee and recess was taken until evening. When the doors opened at 6:45 P. M. there was a rush that swept before it ushers, doorenders and police. The word had gone orth that there would be a fight on the loor of the convention and within a few ninutes the balcony, gallery and stage were jammed. The police ejected hunwere jammed. The police ejected hun-ireds of persons who had occupied the delegates' seats.

The Platform.

It was not until 9 o'clock that the con

It was not until 9 o'clock that the convention was called to order. Senator Mc-Carren presented the report of the committee on platform as follows:

"The Democrats, in renewing their pledge of fidelity to the essential principles of Jeffersonian Democracy, as repostedly enunciated in our National and state platforms, make these further declarations on the National issues of the hour, reserving an expression on state. our, reserving an expression on state sues until the Fall convention when state indidates are to be nominated.

"First-This is a Government of laws, not of men; one for Presidents, Cabinets and people; no usurpation; no executive encroachment on the legislative or judicial "Second-We must keep inviolate the

pledges of our treaties; we must renew and reinvigorate within ourselves that respect for law and that love of IR and of peace which the spirit of military domination tends inevitably to weake and destroy.
"Third-Unsteady National policies and

a restless spirit of adventure engender alarms that check our commercial growth. Let us have peace to the end that business confidence may be restored and that our people may again in tranquility enjoy the gains of their toil. "Fourth-Corporations chartered by the state must be subject to just regulation by the state in the interest of the people; taxation for public purposes only; Government partnership with protected

"Fifth-Opposition to trusts and combinations that oppress the papple and stifle industrial competition.

"Sixth-A check on extravagance in public expenditures, that the burden of the people's taxes may be lightened.
"Seventh-Reasonable revision of the tariff; needless duties on imported raw materials weigh heavily on the manufacturer, are a menace to the American wage-earner, and by increasing the cost of production shut out our products from the foreign markets.

"Eighth-The maintenance of state rights and home rule; no centralization. "Ninth-Honesty in the public service;

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House Votes for Seattle as His Headquarters.

CONGRESSMEN OPPOSE IT

Try to Keep Custom Headquarters at Port Townsend.

PAYNE SWAYS SENTIMENT

Ankeny and Foster Both Against the Change, but as They Are Not Speakers, Can Hardly Talk the Bill to Death.

OREGONIAN NEW BUREAU, Washngton, April 18 .- By reason of his influence as Republican leader on the floor, Representative Payne was able today to force through the House, over the protest of Representatives Jones and Cushman, a bill entirely local to the State of Washington, and one which is not asked for by any man in the state save Collector of Customs Ide. The bill was drafted by the Treasury Department, introduced by Payne, after refusal of any member of the Washington delegation to approve it, and through Payne's influence was reported. It authorizes the removal of the Puget Sound Customs headquarters from Port Townsend to Seattle, increases the salary of the Deputy Collector at Tacoms to \$2500 and extends the privileges of immediate transportation to the subports of Spokane, Sumas, Blaine, Northport, Danville and Bellingham.

The Washington delegation favors the last two provisions of the bill, but opposes transfer of headquarters. Cushman and Jones took occasion on the floor today to insist that there was no local demand for the bill, and that it was purely a department measure which was of no benefit to the Government

The truth is, Collector Ide is behind the bill, and on his request the department recommended the legislation. Ide wants to get away from Port Townsend and locate in Seattle, and from indications today he may succeed. It is within the power of the Washington Senators, if they will debate the bill, to prevent its passage through the Senate, for they both disapprove of the transfer provision, but as neither Sentor is a speaker, and as se leaders, including Chairman Aldrich, of the committee which will consider the bill, are in favor of it, it may be forced through, notwithstanding the protest of

WILL REPORT PORTLAND BILL Senate Committee Favors Establish-

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ngton, April 18 .- Senator Mitchell reelved assurance today from Senator Aldrich, chairman of the committee on finance, that a favorable report would be made tomorrow on his bill establishing an assay office at Portland. If the

Oregontan.

bill is reported, there is a chance of se curing its passage through the Senate this session, but, owing to the approach of adjournment, there is little hope of getting the bill through the House this session. In the last Congress, the House mmittee was partial to the bill establishing an assay office at Baker City, and rejected the Portland bill, but as the entire Oregon delegation now ad-

that if an assay office is established in Oregon it will be located at Portland. WILL BE INVITED TO '05 FAIR

Hay Will Ask Foreign Countries at

vocates the Portland bill, it is assured

St. Louis to Transfer Exhibits. OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Wash ington, April 18.—The foreign countries represented at the St. Louis Fair will be invited by the Government to transfer their exhibits to the Lewis and Clark Ex position. At the request of Senator Fulton, President Roosevelt today requested Secretary of State Hay to forward the in vitations. They will be dispatched on the opening of the Missouri Exposition.

COLUMBIA MAY GET MONEY.

Mitchell Secures Adoption of Amend-

ment to Appropriation Bill. OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washngton, April 18.—The Senate today adopted an amendment of Senator Mitchell to the emergency appropriation bill by which the Senator expects to have \$100,000 allotted for continuing the improvement at the mouth of the Columbia River, and a like amount for the river below Port-

Spokane Appropriations Stricken Out OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washngton, April 18.-The conference committee today eliminated from the military appropriation bill the appropriation of \$99,000 for a bridge across the Spokane River at Spokane. The committee also struck out the appropriation for the Valdez-Engle City wagon road in Alaska but allowed \$25,000 for surveys.

More Money for Crater Lake Roads. OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washngton, April 18.—Senator Fulton today ecured an amendment to the sundry civil bill increasing the appropriation for roads in Crater Lake National Park from \$300) to \$4000.

SHOCK MAKES QUEEN ILL. She Has Been Confined to Her Bed Since Battleship Went Down.

SPECIAL CABLE. LONDON, April 18.-The Daily News rints a dispatch from St. Petersburg stating that the blowing up of the battleship Petropavlovsk in Admiral Togo's eighth attack on Port Arthur has so greatly affected the Czarina, who is in

delicate health, that she has been confined to her bed since the first news of the catastrophe. Czarina Suffers From Influenza. ST. PETERSBURG, April 18.-The Empress is suffering from influenza, which is Hearst Men Armed Against Committee.

CONVENTION TO BE HOT

Contest Will Begin Over Temporary Chairman.

LEADS OPPOSITION

Head of Committee Will Defend Its Authority and Resist Instructions for Hearst--He May Spring a Countermine.

Hearst managers declared war on the Democratic State Central Committee last night and resolved to seize the organization of the State Convention this morning. Their object is to pledge Oregon's National delegates to their candidate. Leaders of the State Committee will reist the Hearst plans and will call to their aid those in the convention who are opposed to Hearst's candidacy, and others who, though friendly to the yellow editor, desire Oregon's delegates to go to St. Louis pledged to no candidate for the Presidency.

The first battle will break forth this orning over organization of the convention. The Central Committee yesterday decided to recommend R. M. Veatch, of Cottage Grove, for temporary hairman, and R. B. Montague, of Albany, for temporary secretary. But last night the Hearst people resolved in caucus to support Robert Smith, of Josephine County, for temporary chairman, and J. E. Lathrop, of Portland, for secretary.

The trouble was precipitated by the arrival last evening from California of M. F. Tarpey, Hearst's Pacific Coast manager. Up to that time the Hearst boom bad been on the ware.

ager. Up to that time the Hearst boom had been on the wane. Tarpey at once took hold with vigor, called the admirers of his candidate into caucus on the second floor of The Oregonian building, pumped enthusiasm into them and carried through his programme. He was aided by B. D. Murphy and L. H. Mooser, who came from California several weeks ago to boom Hearst, and by a number of local White Will Fight to Finish.

Sam White, chairman of the State Central Committee, resents the intrusion of the California visitors into the conven-tion. He and his followers were taken

by surprise last night. At once they mustered their cohorts and drew up their lines for battle. They will fight Hearst a: standstill.

SNUFFING HIM OUT.

tain many admirers of Hearst; indeed, his friends will be the majority. Tarpey perceived this at once and decided to take advantage of it by organizing the con-

May Spring Chamberlain.

But this sentiment in the convention does not necessarily indicate that Hearst can get an instructed delegation. Many of his friends will balk when his friends attempt to drive them to that end, Governor Chamberlain, Sam White and mem-bers of the Central Committee wield a potent influence when they say that Ore-gon's National delegates should be free to act in accordance with their best judg-ment in the nomination of the Presidential

The anti-Hearst strategists may explode The anti-Hearst strategists may explode a mine under their rivals by introducing a resolution to instruct the National delegates to strive for the nomination of Governor Chamberlain for Vice-President. In that case, the delegates would probably not be tied up to any candidate for President.

Hearst managers were quite right in perceiving that the Central Committee stood in their way. Yesterday the senti-ment of the committee was overwhelm-ingly against Hearst instructions. That sentiment did not, however, find formal utterance. utterance.

When Sam White learned of what the Hearst people had done he grew highly indignant and posted off hot-foot to see Tarpey, Murphy and Mooser in Pert-land Hotel. The interview that followed was warm and exciting. It lasted until nearly 2 o'clock this morning. Just what took place could not be exactly ascer-tained, but the outcome was satisfactory to neither side. The visitors from California were informed that they must de central Committee else their candidate would fare badly in the convention.

"It's a most high-handed outrageous proceeding."

proceeding," declared one of the com-mittee this morning. "Do you think the central committee will tolerate the in-terference of those California men in this state? Do you think outsiders can come into this state, depose the central committee and run the party themselves?

Are we children to yield or men to resist? If those fellows continue their design to overturn the organization in Oregon they will get a taste of fighting such as they won? as they wen't soon forget."

The Hearst people are, however, playing the best game to win an instructed dele-

favor to organize the convention and ap-point their own committee on resolutions. They realize that they will be badly han-dicapped it the Central Committee can put

its programme into operation.

W. R. Bilyeu is the candidate of the Central Committee for permanent chairman. The Hearst leaders will probably continue Robert Smith as permanent chairman should they organize the con-

PROCEEDINGS IN CAUCUS.

Hearst Men Poll Their Strength and Decide to Fight for Organization.

The Hearst caucus had a pretty good sprinkling from most of the counties. The delegates were first regaled with some oratory by M. F. Tarpey, Hearst's Callfornia emissary, who pointed out what a wise and proper thing it would be to instruct the delegates to the National Convention for the vellow for reality. vention for the yellow journalist. His tones were honeyed, his words came read-lly and he charmed the delegates so that he threw a spell over them.

Then the roll of the counties was called and one from each told how the delega-

tion from his county stood on the questi of instructions. Colonel R. A. Miller, for Clackamas, said that the majority of the orts and drew up their that Oregon City was probably opposed, and another delegate supplemented his formation by saying that a resolution for arrayed Governor Chamberlain, most of the Multnomah delegates and many party leaders throughout the state.

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MAY CUT OFF PORT ARTHUR. Superiority of Fleet Gives the Jap-

much talk, shall be selected.

anese an Excellent Opportunity. ST. PETERSBURG, April 18.-St. Petersburg is flooded with rumors from all directions regarding the plans of the Japanese, now that the Russian fleet at Port Arthur is unable longer to menace their troop transports

The Associated Press in a dispatch from Port Arthur, Sunday last, gave 30 as the number of Japanese transports reported as having been seen steaming in the di-rection of Yinkow, the seaport of Niu Chwang. Officials of the general staff, while having no information in this respect, would not be surprised if the num. ber should turn out to be correct, or even that a larger number is steaming there. Vice-Admiral Togo's immense superiorty enables him to hold the Russian squadron in Port Arthur and Japanese transports, therefore, can safely pass through the Straits of Pechili and attempt to land at the head of the Gulf of Liao Tung, under the guns of the warships, as did Should this succeed, the Japanese will be in an excellent position to execute a flank ement on Liao Yang, or cut off Port

Gerenal Kouropatkin recently inspected Niu Chwang. He disposed a strong force to contest a Japanese move at that point and if such a move is made, it is be-lieved he will be able to check it.

PREPARING TO FORCE YALU.

Japanese Will Land a Second Army at Yongampho. SHANGHAI, April 18, Noon.-Authentic

dvices from Seoul dated April 12, declare the Japanese are in complete control of Corea, and that the Russian scouting parties have retired across the Yalu River before the Japa-nese, who occupied Wiju practically without resistance. The Japanese army is divided into two forces, one for expeditionary purposes and the other for occupation. The former, numbering 45,occupation. The former, numbering \$5,-000, is advancing to the Yalu and the latter, consisting of 15,000 reserves, is making far-sighted communication ar-rangements with headquarters at Seoul, where there is a garrison of \$600. The headquarters of the transport service is at Chemulus. Railroad building and road grading is

progressing rapidly. The fortification of Kojedo Island, at the mouth of Masampho harbor, which protects the southern terminus of overland communication, also guards the passage of viacuvos.

Port Arthur through Broughton Strait.

Forty transports off Halju are supposed to have landed part of their forces at guards the passage of Vladivostok and to have landed part of their forces at Takushan, and it is the evident intention to disembark a second army at Yongampo preparatory to forcing the Yalu

RUSSIANS OCCUPY TOWN.

They Try in Vain to Draw an Attack From Japanese on Yalu. SEOUL, April 18 .- The Commissioner

Customs at Gensan reports that a strong force, the number of which is not known, is advancing on the great south road following the inland coast of the road following the inland coast of the province of South Hamgyung. The Russians passed to the rear of Sungjin, which was occupied by a scouting party. The main body occupied Peukchyong, 80 miles north of Gensan, on April 18. The flanks and rear were exposed with the avident Intention of Gensel. with the evident intention of drawing a Japanese attack from the Yalu.

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