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The Weather: Tonight and Friday, rain; south-





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HOPE APPEARS ON FAR EASTERN HORIZON FOR PEACE BETWEEN THE RUSSIANS AND THE JAPANESE

AFTER THE BALL BEGINS TO ROLL

Belief Is General That by End of Week Crisis in Situation Will Come.

RUSSIA'S NOTE RECEIVED

Tenor of Reply Leaves No Alternative for Japan but to Fight-Belligcrent Movements in the Korean Waters.

(Journal Special Service.)

London, Jan. 7 .- The sealing up of . official sources of news tends to depress any hopes of peace that might-remain and encourages the belief that Russia's reply is wholly unsatisfactory.

A St. Petersburg dispatch received 4 this morning says the idea of the possibility of peace has sunk nearly to a zero and that the public is prepared to hear at any moment of an armed collision arising from Japanese troops landing in Korea, to prevent which a Russian fusileer battalion has left

Vladivostock The Novoe Vremya prints today an ominous dispatch from Vladivostock saying that no threats whatever will cause Russia to recede and no further diplomatic correspondence in relation to Manchuria will be admitted patch adds that there is still possibility f reconciling Russian and Japanese interests in Kores, but what may be expected can be judged from the number of warships at Port Arthur and troops in Manchuria. The dispatch further says there can be no doubt that Russia's reply intimates in a friendly way that Russia cannot possibly accept Japan's pretensions to interference nor allow Japan to acquire territorial rights | • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •

in Southern Korea. It makes no demand beyond suggesting a moderation in Japan's attitude, and if she is unable to dify her desires the responsibility will lie with her. There are two indications this afternoon that nothing new or definite has developed in the far eastern crisis and

indications is that members of the British cabinet have been notified to as-semble on Monday. The second is the gone to Suda bay to await the departure meeting of the Japanese cabinet, which it is believed was certainly called for the purpose of considering the reply of Russia to the last Japanese nots. It may take a day or two to determine this matter. It is equally certain the meeting of the British cabinet will be for the purpose of discussing the attitude of Great Britain in the light of the

Russian reply.

Ten British officers with a body of naval pensioners and reserves have started for Genoa to take two Argentine port. cruisers, recently purchased by Japan, to Yokohama. These vessels, which were formerly known as the Rivadavio and Moreno, have been rechristened the Nisshin and the Kasaga, were built at the Genoa shipyards and it was re ported when they were purchased that

LEWIS AND CLARK IN GREAT FAVOR

Washington, Jan. 7 .- The senate committee on expositions at a meeting this morning practically decided upon a favorable report on Senator Mitchell's bill for the Lewis and Clark exposition at Portland, Or. The meeting was attended by Commissioners Scott, Myers and Boise who were prepared to submit arguments in behalf of the

It was decided in view of the unanimous sentiment of the committee in favor of the bill, that . arguments were not necessary, and the members of the commission were requested to submit written statements relative to the proposed exposition, the same to be incorporated in the . committee's report.

sub-committee consisting of Senators Burnham, Fulton and Newlands was appointed and authorized to prepare a report and also to poll the full committee when the report is prepared, thus obviating the necessity for further meeting. The sub-committee will prepare a report at an early day, so that the bill may go on the calendar and come up for early passage in the senate. At the headquarters of the .

Lewis and Clark corporation this morning the following telegram was received from Harvey . Scott dated Washington, D. "Senate committee on indus-

trial expositions has unanimously voted to report our bill." Senator Fulton, who will prepare the report, says it will be ready for presentation in a few

they were rapidly approaching comple

The delay in the departure of Russian warships lately assembled at Bizerta. Tunis, which are destined for the far East, is reported to be due to the fact that instructions have been received dithat nothing is likely to develop until recting them to watch the Japanese the end of the week. The first of these cruisers Kasaga and Nisshin. The Russian cruiser Aurora has left Bizerta for of the Japanese cruisers from Genoa.

Japanese vessels will be followed through the Suez canal if they go that Oslyabya and other vessels of the Russian squadron remain at Bizerta. Some of these vessels will follow the Japanese cruisers if they sail ward. The purpose in either case is to capture them if war is declared.

PREPARATIONS AT VANCOUVER.

Vancouver, Wash., Jan. 7.—It was reported today that a telegram was re-(Continued on Page Two.)

UNCLE SAM TAKES A **GRIP ON SAN DOMINGO**

hand the government at Washington the lives of United States citizens absofrom now on will protect American life and property in the Island of San Domingo. The following dispatch was received at the navy department today from Commander Dillingham, commanding the cruiser Detroit;

"In this vicinity anarchy prevails, business is at a standstill. Puerto

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Washington, Jan. 7.—With a firm Without notice the houses were looted. lutely disregarded; women and children had to flee for safety and property was

destroyed." Orders have been sent to protect

American property and interference on the part of the government is likely. Minister Powell cables the state department from San Domingo that the business is at a standstill. Puerto provisional government has established Plata is quiet at present. The revolution is not one of principle, but between factions. I will not allow interruption sels capable of firing solid shots only. Went to Sousa on the Ships sailing from the West Indies are morning of January 3: returned to given 20 days in which to clear, while Puerto Plata yesterday afternoon to see the Cherokee out of port. The fighting at Souza December 26, between Morales believed in Washington that this govand Jiminez troops, took place on the ernment will not recognize the blockade.

SACAJAWEA MINE TO GIVE COPPER of visitors to the coast and of dispelling the haziness which many Easterners

of the country, as their contribution to Helens, Jan. 7 .- Col. Henry Altman, the Lewis and Clark centennial. Colonel president of the Sacajawea Gold and Copper Mining company, has expressed an injection to furnish the copper for the Sacajawea statue which is to be crected in Portland, Or., by the women Sacajawea, mine if possible.

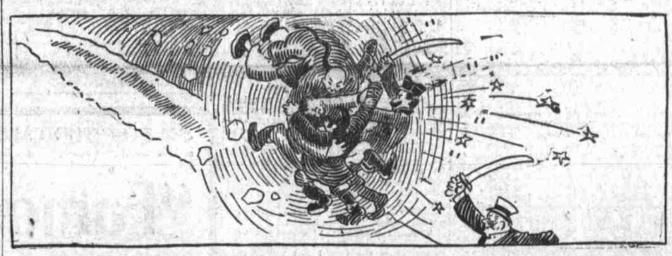




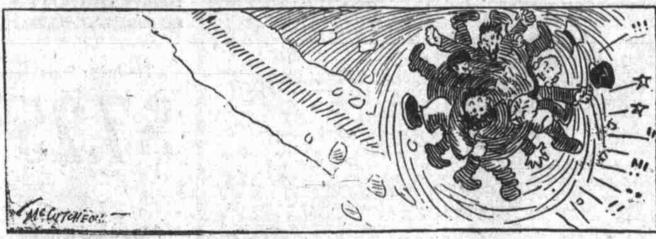
China-"Here's where I get a chance to soak Russia."



France-"Mille Tonnere! Sacre papier! China and Japan fighting Russia! The Franco-Russian alliance demands that I help Russia if two powers jump on her."



England-"Well, blast me heyes. France is fighting Japan. The Anglo-Japanese alliance demands that I help Japan in case two powers combine against her."



With the result that things will hum in the Orient.

From the Chicago Tribune,

PORTLAND'S CLIMATE MALIGNED."---E. T. GERRY

ject that always gives me great pleasthropist of Newport and Providence settled back in his chair in the reading room of the Portland hotel and smiled.

"Portland," he continued, as he contentedly puffed his after-dinner cigar, "is one of the progressive cities of the West. Its people are hospitable and generous and the city is destined to be-

come a great business center. "Its climate is greatly maligned While the people in New York are wading through the slush and the snow we are enjoying the balmy weather of spring. The Christmas I have just spent here in Portland was the most pleasant I have ever experienced. The weather

was simply perfect.
"The city of Portland is rapidly gaining in prominence, and the coming exposition in honor of the early explor of which the residents of the Northwest may well be proud. I believe the centennial will be a grand success and it will be the means of bringing thousands regard this portion of the great Ameri-

"The Easterner has the hazy impres-

Gerry, interrogatively, "That is a sub- fever. "The weather and everything else has been so much in our favor that ure to discuss," and the noted philan- I expect to be able to remove my son from the hospital to the hotel today." continued Mr. Gerry, and his expectations are realized, and the patient is now with his parents. The length of the Gerry's stay in Portland will depend entirely upon the condition of the son. "We go when and where the doctors or-

er," said the commodors.
In closing, Commodors Gerry paid a compliment to the newspapers of Port-land. "They are original," he said, "and I greatly enjoy the reading of them. They don't bother you to death and make

RUTH CLEVELAND A DIPHTHERIA VICTIM MILLION DOLLAR

Ex-President's Daughter Dies Suddenly This Morning After an Illness of Only a Tew Days.

(Journal Special Service.) Princeton, N. J., Jan. 7.—Ruth Clevesion that the West is a wilderness; he land, oldest daughter of Grover Cleve should come here and see. I did not land, died at home this morning of diph-feel as if I had been West until after I theria. She was born in New York in

"Portland?" said Commodore E. T. | commodore's son, who is ill of typhoid some attempt at accuracy and truthful-

During the conversation last evening Commodore Gerry, as is his usual custom, talked rapidly, with his hands folded, his elbows resting on the arms of his chair. Scarcely a gesture disturbed his position, for his words were such and spoken with such precision that no wave of the hand was needed to further emphasize them. He was dressed for the ballroom and wore in contrast to the silk hats about him a small, stiff

visored, plush-covered cap. As a parting word the commodore said: "I like the West, and not wishing to be vain, I believe the West likes me," and the old commander of the New York Yacht club took such a position peace with the world and a body resting.

SCHWAB TESTIFIES

New York, Jan. 7 .- Charles M. Schwab was on the stand today in the shipbuild-ing case. He was subjected to a particularly severe examination regarding the Bethlehem Steel company's share in the shippard trust. The room was crowded with brokers and financiers. Mr. Schwab was represented by Mr. Guthrie. He denied that there was a period of great inflation in the steel both here and in Utah, the copper from the fifty passed Denver."

Issyl. The child was ill but a few days. Industry, but said there was a good demand. He believed the properties in daughters have been in Portland for developed into diphtheria yesterday and three weeks attending Peter Gerry, the death occurred suddenly this morning.

JUDGES MAY NOT GET INCREASE IN SALARIES

FATAL ACCIDENT

New York, Jan. 7 .- Brooklyn was thrown into excitement this, 4 morning by a fatal accident on the Kings county elevated road. 4 John Sulick yardmaster, James O'Brien switchman, and an unknown man, were killed and several seriously injured, by a rearend collision on the Williams and Pitkins avenue line.

The wreck caught fire and as the cars burned a panic ensued. The current was turned off the third rail in time to avert a greater loss of life.

Part of the cars were thrown 4 from the structure into the . street by the force of the collision. O'Brien's body was found where it fell from the trestle with almost every bone broken. Sulick was caught between the cars and crushed to death. Twenty of the injured were sent to the hospital.

DESPERADO KILLS

(Journal Special Service.)

Salt Lake City, Jan. 7 .- Owing to rusty revolver not working in the hands of Motorman Gleason, a holdup shot and killed him and then mortally wounded Conductor Brighton at midnight

cold blooded. When the masked desperado appeared in the car, which was about to leave the lonely east side terminus, Gleason showed fight and got the drop on the bandit. His revolver snapped, after which the holdup shot him dead. As he left the car he shot Brighton in the stomach. He secure

HEATH SHOWS UP AND SAYS THINGS

(Journal Special Service.) latter is a close friend of Heath stated that he received a subpoena for Heath a week ago to appear in Brooklyn, N. Y., as a witness in the case of congressman. He said he had made a diligent search and yesterday afternoon six hours before the arrival of Heath, he had returned the subpoena to Brook-lyn endorsed "No service."

MISSING ENGINEER DELAYS INQUEST

Topeka, Kan., Jan. 7 .- The coroner's Jury of Waubausee county, which con-vened this morning, began the investiga- "Provided that when any county con vened this morning, began the investigation of yesterday's Rock Island wreck, stituting of itself a judicial distriction of yesterday's Rock Island wreck, shall have a population of one hundred thousand or more, there shall be paid thousand or more, there shall be paid thousand or more, there shall be paid the blame is cast by his superiors.

inquest will probably be adjourned until in the same manner that county off the latter part of the week. A search is

ON ELEVATED ROAD Doubts as to the Validity of the Act Passed-at Special Session.

CAN'T CHARGE COUNTY

Circuit Judges Are State Officers and Their Compensation Should Be Paid Out of the Treasury of the State.

Although the state legislature, at the recent special session, undertook to increase the salaries of the four circuit judges in Multnomah county from \$3,-000 to \$4,000 per annum, doubts have been expressed as to the validity of the act and it is possible that it may prove fatally defective. The supposed imper-fection in the law lies primarily in the fact that it provides that the increased compensation of the circuit judges is to be paid out of the funds of the county, while the rest of their salaries is paid by the state, the circuit judges being state officers. This, it is argued, is an unwarranted appropriation of county funds for state expenses and is therefore unconstitutional.

By its terms the act was to take offect immediately upon approval by the last governor, who affixed his signature night. The robber got away. cember 24, 1903, one day after the The source of the recent epidemic of measure had passed the legislature. But streetcar holdups on the east side, the owing to the peculiar wording of the police believe, can be traced to soldiers emergency clause, some lawyers are int Fort Douglas. | clined to doubt whether the act can in Last night's affair was particularly fact be considered as taking effect immediately, the argument being that the referendum was not suspended and that 90 days must elapse before the act is in force. A second legal question is thus raised which will require determination before the judges can begin drawing any additional salary.

County Board to Act. Both of these questions must come up for consideration by the county board, which is charged by the act with the duty of paying the increase in the judges' salaries. If the act is void it is clearly the duty of the board to refuse payment, for otherwise it would be making an illegal expenditure of county funds. If the act is valid, the question still remains whether it is now in force Salt Lake City, Jan. 7.—Perry Heath or whether 90 days must clapse from appeared at the Tribune office at mid-night last night and stated that he had valid and already in force, the four returned from Denver and denied circuit judges are entitled to draw their emphatically that he evaded the service additional salaries from December 24, of United States Marshal Heyward. The when the act received the governor's

Acting upon the assumption that the act is valid and already in effect, the four judges have filed with the county the United States vs. Driggs, the former auditor their claims for salary that ac crued during the last seven days of December, and these claims will come before the county board for consideration tomorrow afternoon. It is highly probable that the board will decline to take any action until it has had time to consider the legal problems involved.

The Amended Section. Section 2926, Bellinger and Cotton's codes, provides that the salaries of circuit judges shall be \$3,000, payable cult judges shall be \$3,000, payable quarterly from the state treasury. The legislature, at the recent special ses-sion, amended this section by adding to

dertaker's where 10 victims lie dead, thousand or more, there shall be paid. There are 20 witnesses, including the engineer of the ill-fated train on whom county funds, to each of the said judges of the circuit court in such county, the Engineer Benjamin who is wanted as sum of one thousand (\$1,000) dollars in witness in the Rock Island wreck, addition to said sum of three thousand failed to attend the inquest. His son (\$3,000) dollars. Said one thousand dolsays he is ill. Owing to his absence the lars shall be audited and paid monthly

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To the Editor of The Journal: I have had an argument with a visitor here who claims that according to the rec ords of the weather bureau, Portland is the rainlest city in the United States. I claim that it is not. Which is righ PORTLANDER.

You are. According to the official records the rainjest city in the United States is Mobile, Ala., with an annual precipitation of \$2.2 inches, while New precipitation of 62.2 inches, while Nov Orleans is second on the list with a record of 60.52 inches, What is called Portland's normal annual precipitation is 46.32 inches, which is less by nearly three inches than that of Rosion during the 10 years between 1892 and 1961, in clusive, although the normal annual rainfall of Boaton is nevertheless gives at 44.95 inches.