CHECKING THE ROUGH RIDER.

—New York World.

WIRELESS TELEGRAPH TABOOED

Russian Government Promises to oot Users of It.

Will Be Treated as Spies When Caught Using Wireless in Zone of Military Operations.

Washington, April 15.—The state department has received a note from the Russian ambassador to the effect that newspaper men in the zone of military operations in the Far East caught using wireless telegraphy apparatus hereafter will be treated as spies by the Russian government. The ambassador's note constitutes the principal topic of the cabinet meeting today. A number of correspondents of English and American papers use the wireless.

FLOODS ON THE COAST

Portland Is Almost Isolated on Account of Delayed Trains.

Portland, April 15.—Advices from eastern and southern portions of the state tell of the worst floods in years, in some places the worst ever recorded. The Northern Pacific is the only line out of Portland doing business. The O. R. & N. announces that there will be no trains for at least three days, as there are dozens of washouts, bridges and culverts destroyed, and great damage done. The Blue Mountain district is suffering worst.

On the Southern Pacific but one train has succeeded in getting through in the last 36 hours. This city is almost isolated.

CALIFORNIA JURIST SUICIDES

Eureka, Cal., April 15.—The body of Judge J. W. Turner, well known throughout the state, was found this morning floating in the bay. It is supposed he committed suicide early this morning He has been in litigation with the San Francisco Examiner for 16 years on account of an alleged scandal with Actress Lotta. He has a judgment of $15,000 pending in the supreme court.

San Francisco, April 15.—Turner's [illegible] created great surprise here except to J. C. Bates, his attorney, who had conducted his suit against the Examiner. He knew Turner had been despondent for a long time and fully expected that he would kill himself. The suit grew out of a statement that Turner was mixed up in a land case with Actress Lotta, when as a matter of fact it was another man. Turner's despondency was supposedly due to the supreme court's delay in handing down a decision.

tleship Petropavlovsk, and an officer of the general staff, in an interview today, stated that the Russian dispatches failed to show that there was any naval engagement fought unles the surrounding and sinking of the torpedo boat Vestrashni is so designated.

O. & C. R. R. Directors.

Portland, April 15.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Oregon & California railroad resulted in the re-election of the same board of directors that has heretofore served, as follows: E. H. Harriman, H. E. Huntington, R. Koehler, W. D. Fenton, John McCracken, Julius Kruttschnitt, N. T. Smith, George H. Andrews, W. W. Bretherton, W. E. Coman and L. R. Fields. It is stated that the stock represented by proxy is still held by the Holland capitalists, who have long been back of the company that owns the lines between Ashland and Portland, operated under lease by the Harriman system.

MISSOURI DISASTER INQUIRY

Pensacola, Fla., April 15.—A court of inquiry, with Admiral Coghlan as president, today commenced taking testimony in the Missouri explosion case. No eyewitnesses survived, and only theories are being advanced. One of the Missouri's seamen makes a statement that W. Bouragard, of the turret crew, who is missing, was blown through a hole in the top of the turret and into the gulf.

Washington, April 18.—Henry White in the absence of Ambassador Choate from London, cables that the senior naval lord called at the American embassy to express the sympathy of the first lord admiralty over the Missouri disaster.

Great Northern Accident.

Spokane, April 15.—The Great Northern northbound passenger train ran into an obstruction near Laclede, Idaho, last night. The first report was that many were injured, but later it was learned that all were unhurt.

KOREAN PALACE DESTROYED

London, April 15.—The Paris correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph wires that news has been received that the imperial palace at Seoul, Korea, has been destroyed by fire. The emperor fled.

Paris, April 15.—A Seoul dispatch this evening stated that the fire in the palace was finally extinguished by French sailors, who saved most of the valuable contents of the structure. All the members of the royal family escaped. The fire began last evening and raged throughout the night.

STEAMER ON THE ROCKS

Seattle, Arpil 15.—The steamer Inland Flyer, bound for Seattle on the Bremerton-Seattle run, ran on a reef at Restoration Point this morning in a fog while at full speed. The steamer was literally lifted out of the water and lies beam end across the rocks. The damage is not known. Forty passengers escaped uninjured.

St. Petersburg, April 15.—A denial has been issued to the Japanese statement that the Japanese fleet was responsible for the sinking of the o

SOUTHERN GOVERNOR TALKS

Mississippi Executive Has no Love for President Roosevelt.

Says Judge Parker of New York is Strong South--Uninstructed Mississippi Delegates.

St. Louis, April 15.—Governor Vardaman, of Mississippi, in an interview here today said: "Politically speaking President Roosevelt is unsafe and more to be feared than war, pestilence or famine. He is looked upon in our state and in the South as dangerous for the country. His action in the case of Booker Washington was a great mistake. Booker is a good nigger and all right if he only keeps in his place.

"Judge Parker is strong in the south, but I hope Mississippi will send her delegation uninstructed."

BETTING ON ELECTION

New York, April 15.—The first betting on the Presidential election was inaugurated on Wall street today. Even money was bet on Roosevelt by Fred Brooks, a well-known commissioner of elections betting against him.

Democratic Plans.

Chicago, April 14.—Ways and means to bring success to the Democrtic party in the presidential campaign this fall were discussed by prominent Democrats representing every part of the country who attended the Iroquois Club banquet at the Auditorium tonight in connection with Jefferson's birthday. Tariff reform, antagonism to trusts, independence for the Philippines and rigid economy in public expenditures were some of the suggestions offered.

Missouri Accident Subscription.

Washington, April 15.—Up to noon nearly $800 were added to subscriptions for dependent relatives of victims of the Missouri explosion. Secretary Hay contributed $100 and Mrs. Cowles, wife of the commander of the Missouri, $50.

Woman Murderer Hung.

Chicago, April 15.—Louis Pesant, murderer of Mrs. Mary Spilk, his neighbor, was hanged this morning.

Russian Grand Duke Better.

St. Petersburg, April 15.—The condition of Grand Duke Cyril is officially reported better today, contrary to rumors that he had died.

Chamberlain Back to London.

London, April 15.—Joseph Chamberlain returned from his Egyptian trip today. He was given a rousing ovation by admirers at the railroad station. The former colonial secretary is bronzed and well.

Ex Mayor Ames' Troubles.

Minneapolis, Minn., April 15.—Former Mayor Ames has again been indicted for alleged grafting, an echo of the former municipal scandal. The specific charge is the receiving of $20 from a woman of the town for protection. Previous indictments against Ames were quilified by the supreme court. The trial is fixed for May 2. Bail was furnished.

New York Fatality.

New York, April 18.—By the explosion of a drying cylinder in the dye works of William Meiste at Williamsburg, this morning. Simon Trotter was killed, one girl fatally injured and seven others burned. A panic following caused many to jump from the windows.

French Cruiser Accident.

Paris, April 16.—By an explosion of a small projectile in the magazine on the cruiser Forbin today five members of the crew were injured. Fortunately the other explosives aboard the vessel did not become ignited.

Crown Princess nsane.

Berlin, April 16.—The Morgen Poest asserts that the former Crown Princess of Austria, now Countess Stephanie Lonyay, has become insane. Her father is King Leopold, of Belgium.

Capt. Porter Dead.

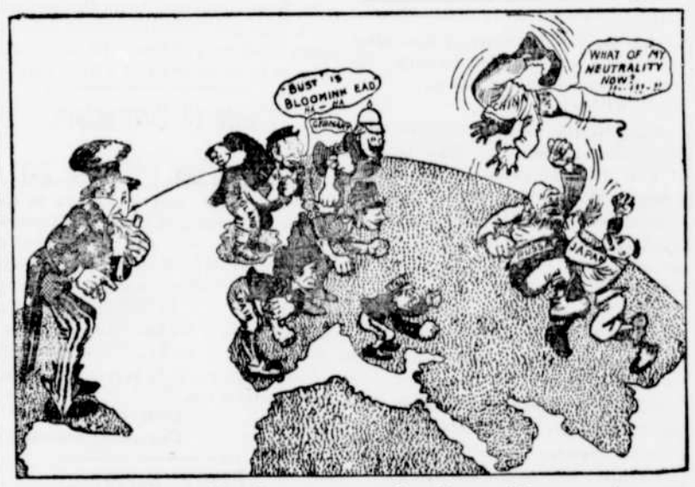
Washington, April 15.—General Wade cables from Manila that Captain David Wheeler Porter of the second infantry died yesterday in the Philippines as result of a wound sustained in fighting Moros in Midanao on the eleventh inst.

JAPANESE ALSO SUFFERED

Three Warships Damaged in Friday's Bombardment.

St. Petersburg, April 16.—A telegram from Port Arthur states that three Japanese warships were damaged in the bombardment of that place Friday.

The Pekin correspondent of the Gazette says renewed military activity in China is causing the fear that a breach of neutrality is being planned. Chinese troops are being hastily armed and sent to the frontier of Manchuria. General Ma Yungeun has been appointed commander in chief of the northern army, which has arrived at the Manchurian frontier. Chunchuses are growing braver and constantly attacking Russian troops in Manchuria, causing considerable losses.



The eastern situation, says a London cablegram, has undoubtedly caused general military unrest.

—Chicago Inter Ocean.

A Big Fire.

Wheeling, W. Va., April 16.—Fire this morning destroyed the $200,000 plant of the Geo. Gall Company, at Wellsburg.

Bryan's Executorship.

New Haven, Conn., April 16.—By the decision of the probate court this morning, Judge Cleveland sustained the demurrer to the application for the removal of Wm. J. Bryan as an executor of the will of the late Philo Bennett, thereby defeating the application for the removal so far as the probate court is concerned. It is probable, however, that an appeal will be taken to the superior court. The decision maintains that Bryan's appeal in the case is not inconsistent with his duties as an executor.

Woman Sentenced to Hang.

Philadelphia, April 16.—Mrs. Catherine Dansie, accused of murder of her husband, William D. Dansie, by poison, was today found guilty in the first degree, with the penalty of hanging. The securing of a three-thousand-dollar life insurance was the alleged motive. The prosecution charged that the woman secured arsenic in the form of powders and gave him.

Japanese Officers Arrested.

St. Petersburg, April 16.—Two Japanese officers disguised as Thibetan lamas have been arrested while trying to blow up the bridge over the Hunhi river in Manchuria.

CHICAGO'S DESPERATE BANDIT

Wrote Letter Giving Four Reasons for His Suicide.

Then Opened Veins in Left Wrist With Point of Lead Pencil--Weak From Loss of Blood.

Chicago, April 18.—At ten o'clock this morning the carbarn bandit Neidermeyer, who attempted suicide last night by opening his veins with a lead pencil and swallowing the heads of matches, is in a very low condition. His aged mother is permitted to see him. Previously a priest prayed with Neidermeyer, he responding weakly. The desperado fought the physicians and wrenched the bandages from his wounded arm. The loss of blood was great. The doctors state that Niedermeyer's stomach has been ruined by poisonous matter, and even if not sentenced to hang Friday he would not long survive.

Chicago, April 18.—Neidermeyer has written a letter of a boastful nature, stating it is pleasant for him to think of death, and giving these four reasons why he should take his own life: Because of the public boast that he could not do it; that he couldn't cheat the gallows; that they couldn't say they executed him; to have another mystery for the ignorant police to solve. He has repented his career, but life is nothing to him but a passing sorrow. He declares himself an atheist.

NEW YORK DEMOCRATS

In Convention at the Capital Today--Many Old-Time Stalwarts Witnessed Proceedings.

Albany, N. Y., April 18.—The Democratic state convention was called to order at 11 o'clock, when George Raines, of Monroe, county, was elected chairman. Bleeker Hall was chiefly remarkable for the absence of decoration and its heat. Seated in the boxes were many old-time stalwarts. The demonstrations by the crowd became so numerous that when ex-Senator Murphy entered the noise lasted ten minutes, led by the Tammany following. Murphy sat in the center of the New York delegation, flanked by Bourke Cochran, Senator Brady, Victor and Dowling.

APRIL BLIZZARD IN NEW YORK

A Foot of Snow Fell at Buffalo--Storm Gontinues Today.

Buffalo, N Y., April 16.—When last night's blizzard abated this morning there was a foot of snow on the ground, with slighing good all through Western New York The street cars are blocked by the snow. At Tonawanda fourteen inches fell.

Albany, N.Y., April 16.—The heavy snow storm still continues today.

Admiral Alexieff in Command.

London, April 16.—The Central News' correspondent at Port Arthur telegraphs that paper that Admiral Alexieff had transferred his flag to the battleship Sebastopol and assumed command of the Russian fleet.

Lawyer in Bad Trouble.

Grand Rapids, Mich., April 16.—Thomas McGarry, lawyer, convicted of bribery in connection with the city water deal, was this morning sentenced to four years in the penitentiary.

Puffalo Bill jn England.

Queenstown, April 16.—The Cunard liner Lucania, with Buffalo Bill and his Wild West show, arrived this morning after a stormy voyage. The Indians suffered severely, and they are a miserable looking lot.

Vladivostok Menaced.

London, April 18.—A Central News Rome dispatch states that a telegram from Harbin conveys the intelligence that a squadron of Japanese warships has arrived near Vladivostok. The commandant of the town is preparing to resist an attack, and the work of completing fortifications proceeds with feverish energy.

Shipbuilders Strike.

Quincy, Mass., April 18.—Twenty-six hundred employes of the River Shipbuilding Company struck today, causing a stoppage of work on the battleships Rhode Island, Vermont and New Jersey. The dispute is over hours.

REPORT ANOTHER DISASTER

But Advices From St. Petersburg Deny It.

Reported that the Battleship Sebastopol and Another Vessel Were Blown Up at Port Arthur.

London, April 16.—A dispatch from St. Petersburg reports that the battleship Sebastopol and another Russian vessel have been blown up at Port Arthur.

London, April 16.—A Central News St. Petersburg dispatch says that the report that the batlteship Sebastopol had been sunk is denied in the Russian capital.

NEW YORK FOR JUDGE PARKER

Will Instruct for the Judge--First Instruction Since Cleveland's In 1892.

Albany, N. Y., April 18.—For the first time since Cleveland was nominated in 1892, the delegates of New York to the national Democratic convention will probably be instructed for a presidential candidate, Judge Parker, of Esopus. The leaders managing his campaign claim that the action of today's convention will be followed within the next three weeks by the adoption of similar instructions by enough states to insure the nomination of the New Yorker. The convention met at two o'clock.

JAPANESE CAVALRY