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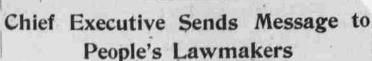
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Favors Lewis and Clark Exposition-Undesirable Class of Immigrants Should be Kept Out-Appoint Commission to Inquire Into Needs of Shipping-Extend Rural Free Delivery-Better Legislation for Alaska-Panama Canal Question.

DEVELOPMENT OF ALASKA.

Legislation is Needed and the Survey

of Public Lands Urged.

shold be provided whereby the coal-land entryman may make his location and se-cure patent under methods kindred to those now preactibed for homestead and mineral entrymen. Salmon hatcheries, ex-clusively under Government control, should be established. The cable should be extended from Sitka westward. Wagon roads and trails should be build, and the building of railroads promoted in all le-

building of railroads promoted, in all le-gitimate ways. Lighthouses should be

HAWAII.

the Governor.

INSULAR POSSESSIONS.

Tariff Agreements.

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WASHINGTON. Dec. 7.--President Rooscycelt's message to Congress was read before the Senate and House today. The test of the senate and House today. The test of the senate and House of Representa To the Senate and House of Representa these. The country is to be congratulated on The country is to be congratulated on the anomali of substantial achievement for an expedition in the Summer of 196, and this

e amount of substantial achievement lich bas marked the past year, both regards our foreign and as regards our event should receive recognition and sup-port from the National Government.

to all producers in the transportation of their goods, thus taking a long stride forward in making effective the work of the interstate Commerce Commission.

the Present Year Will Be Small.

FRAUDS IN PUBLIC SERVICE.

Appropriations Urged to investigate

Japan has postponed the meeting of the diet in the hope of receiving an answer from Russia. Both houses of congress entered upon regular from special session without

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to the scene

any Readers.

The Panama canal treaty has started on its way to the United States.

supply. The admin-istrative features of forest reserves are at present unsatisfactory, being divided be-tween three bureaus of two departments. It is therefore recommended that all mat-ters pertaining to forest reserves, except those involving or pertaining to land titles, be consolidated in the Bureau of Forestry of the Department of Agricul-ture. any notable transition.

INDIAN AFFAIRS.

Agents Should Not Be Dependent Upon Partisan Politics.

Indian agents should not be depend

The Indian agents should not be depend-ent for their appointment or tenure of office upon considerations of partisan poli-tics: the practice of appointing, when possible, ex-army officers or bonded super-intendents to the vacancies that occur is working well. Attention is invited to the widespread illiteracy due to lack of pub-lic schools in the Indian Territory. Prompt heed should be paid to the need of edu-cation for the children in this territory. ka decision. PENSIONS.

No Other Class Deserves So Well of the Nation as the Veterans.

of Public Lands Urged. I call your special attention to the Ter-ritory of Alaska. The country is develop-ing rapidly, and it has an assdred future. The mineral wealth is great and has as yet hardly been tapped. The fisheries, if wisely handled and kept under National control, will be a business as permanent as any other, and of the utmost import-ance to the people. The forests, if properly guarded, will form another great source of wealth. Portions of Alaska are fitted for farming and stockraising, although the methods must be adapted to No other class of our cilizens deserves so well of the Nation as these to whom the Nation owes its very being, the vet-erans of the Civil War. Special attention ford university has put 12 in the hospital. erans of the Civil War. Special attention is asked to the excellent work of the Pension Bureau in excelding and dis-posing of pension claims. During the fiscal year ending July 1, 1963, the Bureau settled 521,982 claims, an average of 825 claims for each working day of the year. The number of settlements since July 1, 1963, has been in excess of last year's average, approaching 1960 claims for each working day, and it is believed that the work of the Bureau will be current at the close of the present fiscal year. the church. although the methods must be adapted to first reports. culiar conditions of the country the peculiar conditions of the country. Alaska is situated in the Far North; but so are Norway and Sweden and Finland; and Alaska can prosper and play its part in the New World just as those nations have prospered and played their parts in the Old World. Proper land laws should be enacted and the survey of the public lands immediately begun. Coal-land laws shold be provided whereby the coal-land entrymay may make his location and se-

ISTHMIAN CANAL.

Review of Dealings With Colombia and Recent Events.

act of June 28, 1992, the Congress

By the act of June 28, 1987, the Congress authorized the Fresident to enter into treaty with Colombia for the building of the canal across the lathmis of Panama; it being provided that in the event of failure to secure such treaty after the lapse of a reasonable time, recourse should be had to building a canal through Ni-caragua. It has not been necessary to consider this alternative, as I am enab-to lay before the Senate a treaty provu-ing for the building of the canal across the lathmus of Panama. This was the route which commended itself to the de-liberate judgment of the Congress, and we can now acquire by treaty the right to construct the canal over this route. The question now, therefore, is not by which route the lathmian canal shall be built for that question has been definitely and irrevocably decided. The question is simply whether or not we shall have an isthmian canal. Last Spring, under the set above re-ferred to a treaty conclude between the Greater Power Should Be Vested in The Governor. I recommend that an appropriation be made for building lighthouses in Hawali, and taking possession of those already built. The territory should be refindured for whatever amounts it has already ex-pended for lighthouses. The Governor should be empowered to suspend or re-move any official appointed by him with-out submitting the matter to the Legis-lature.

built, for that question has been definitely aimply whether or not we shall have an istminan canal. Last Spring, under the act above re-ferred to, a treaty concluded between the pha and of our Government was ratified by the Senate. This treaty was entered into a the urgent solicitation of the people of Colombia, and after a body of experts appointed by our Government especially to go into the matter of the routes across the isthmus had pronounced unanimously in favor of the Panama routs. In draw-ing up this treaty every concession was ment of Colombia. We were more than just in dealing with them. Our generos-tion whether we had not gone too far in their interest at the expense of our own in our scrupulous desire to age al-possible heed, not merely to the real, Gi-even to the fancied rights of our weaker neighbor, who already owed so much to our protection and forbearance, we yield of an all possible ways to her desires in drawing up the treaty. Nevertheless the dovernment of Colombia not merely re-pudiated the treaty. Nevertheless the dovernment of Colombia not merely re-pudiated the treaty. Nevertheless the downers at the scattleest hope re-mained of ever getting a matisfactory treaty from them. Immediately after the adjournment of the the treaty was to them a matter of vital concern. When it bocame evident in by by the prospect of the conclusion of the treaty which was to them a matter of vital concern. When it bocame evident of the treaty was hopelessible of, the people of Panama rose literally as one man. Not a shot was fired by a single man on the listhmus in the interest of the above quoted, the United States save notice that it would permit the the revolution. The Colombian troops sta-tioned on he listhmus in the interest of the the principals laid down by Secre-ments above quoted, the United States of the fance that it would permit the adding of no expeditionary force, the ar-rivation along the line of the railroad and in the interest is the indical doou-ment of the United States to persumat Philippines Should Be Knit Closer by Of our insular possessions the Philip-piges and Porto Rico it is gratifying to say fhat their steady progress has been such as to make it unnecessary to spend much time in discussing them. Yet the Congress should ever keep in mind that

nort on on a few army officers to pernade the garrison at Panama to revolt. rove interesting to Our

If such a plot really existed, it was promptly nipped in the bud by the ap-prehension this morning at Panama of four alleged conspirators, who were im-mediately brought under guard to Col-on and shipped hence to Port Limon.

The prisoners were all born in the in-terior of Colombia, and have been upon the isthmus for years. They were members of the Colombian battalion, which gave its support to the new gov-ernment when the republic was formed,

and which was commanded by General Huertas. They all took the oath of allegiance to the new republic and con-Dowie alleges his assets are four times his liabilities, and makes an offer to settle with his creditors. tinued to serve in the army.

One of them is a colonel named Fer-Secretary Shaw estimates that the rol, two are majors, and the fourth is entire appropriations needed for government use for 1905 will be \$624,502,- the adjutant of General Huertas. They declare the charge that they were

engaged in a conspiracy is the work a personal enemies, and that some Co-lombian who are done The steel trust will reduce expenses a hundred thousand dollars a year by ombian who was deported from the dismissing a number of "Carnegie's isthmus immediately after the establishment of the republic sent a letter

Minister Lifton, of Canada, declares from Port Limon addressed to Colonel that country is loyal to Britain and Ferrol. The communication was writregrets its infantine attitude over Alas- ten in terms implicating them in such a plot. At the same time, they say, the writer advised some of the officials

A narty of Colorado nonunion miners at Panama to secure and read the letter were ambushed near Trinidad. Of five addressed to Colonel Ferrol bef re it only one escaped to give the alarm. The sheriff with bloodhounds has gone was delivered to him.

BILL GOES OVER.

Compromise Has Been Reached on Ship Subsicy Matter

Washington, Dec. 8 .- The Post yes terday said:

cordial relations between France and A compromise has been reached he tween the friends and the opponents of The British consul finds the outrages the proposed ship subsidy bill and in Congo Free States fully equal to the effort was made to pass that nonserve during the life of the Fif y-eigh h

lation that shall provide for the up

pointment, by the president, of a non partisan commission, whose duty it

shall be to make a full and comple e

investigation on every phase of the sub-sidy question, and submit its report to

the Fifty-ninth congress at an early

The commission, as proposed, will

consist of five members, to be chosen

from capable men who are not members of either house of congress, who shall

be appointed for a period of two years,

000 annually for the general and deri-

cal expenses of the commission will be

It will be the duty of the ommission

to make a general investigation of the

entire subject of merchant marine inter-

ests, foreign markets and prices, as

well as everything pertaining to Amer-

ican commerce and navigation. The commission will also be charged with

the duty of suggesting aids for the ex-

tension of foreign markets for Ameri-can products aud with the examination

into the increase or decrease of foreign

date in the first session.

The wages of something like 14,000 gress. The compromise contemplates legi-

miners at Birmingham, Ala., have been reduced. More creditors of Dowie have com to hisr escue and it is thought he will

An epidemic of diphtheria at Stan

Pope Pius is trying to secure more

vet come out all right. Secretary Hitchcock refuses to reinstate Asa B. Thomas as receiver of the

La Grande, Oregon, land office. Senator F-ter, of Washington, has all giving he Puyallup that to sel lease their introduce Indians t lands.

> the best house and have an annual salary of \$5,000 each, while an appropriation of \$25. the best house committeeships to

Oreogn got only minor positions. Washington fared but little better. Edward L. Wentz, the young Philadelphia millionaire, who has been missing since last October, has been found in a demented condition wandering in the mountains of Tennessee.

Martial law has been proclaimed at Cripple Creek, Colo.

An international administration is proposed for Macedonia.

Herbert Spencer, the famous writer, is seriously ill in London.

Seven large creditors of Dowie oppos the move to declare him bankrupt.

er, of Illinois, and a Democratic leader, is dead.

markets for such products during the last 10 or 20 years. CENSOR FOR NEWS.

made

Colorado Militla Will Scan All Reports on Strikes. The simplest solution to The Dalles canal right-of-way muddle appears to declaration of martial law has paralyzed all business in this city. Heav-ily armed pickets of the National Guard Moody strongly urges a general staff for the navy, similar to that at the head many residents of the city do not venture upon the streets. Provost Marshal Thomas E. McClelland is oc upying the mayor's office. He has caused the arrest of several persons, but no importdino, Cal., has already destroyed about ant arrests have yet been made. Western Federation of Miners is preother property and is not yet extin-guished. The loss will reach at least paring, through its attorneys, to make a vigorous fight against the martial law

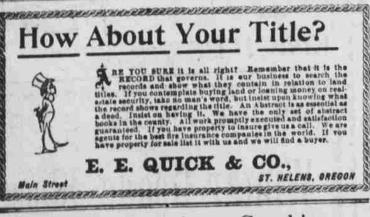
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be purchase by the state of Oregon.

In his annual report Secretary of the army.

A forest fire which is raging in the mountains northeast of San Bernar

6,000,000 feet of sawed lumber and

\$100,000. The submarine boat Pixie has stranded on the Virginia coast.

Emil Roeski, one of the Chicago bandits recently arrested, will plead hyp-

notism. The two Chilean warships supposed to have been sold to Japan were purchased by England.

Six hundred coolies sailed for China from San Francisco on the steamer Lothian a few days ago,

Japan has demanded an answer from Russia to the former's latest note on the Manchurian question

An ex-Cuban official tells the senate committee that General Wood changed laws to meet his own ends.

The British cruiser Flora is ashore on Vancouver island and there is danger of her being a total wreck.

Although a number of Western sen ators desire to see Secretary Hitchco k removed, President Roosevelt will not ask him to go.

Dowie will be forced to take the stard and give the standing of Zion City. It is claimed his wife took \$7,000,000

Dowie, the Zionist leader, has been forced into bankruptcy.

The United States stands ready to tender its good offices to effect a settlement between Colombia and the new repubile.

hibits sent.

and in favor of its members who are now confined in the different jails and bullpens.

• Major Naylor, commanding officer in the absence of Colonel Verdeckberg, stated today that a news con-or from Denver would arrive in the district and be in charge of all news to be pub-lished in the future.

China Fears British Advance

Pekin, Dec. 8 .- Prince Ching continues optimistic on the subject of the restoration of Manchuria. He tells the officials here that the czar favors its evacuation, and although Admiral Alexieff desires its annexation, the czar, according to Prince Ching, will over-rule him. Ching, with other Chinese fficials, is apprehensive of the results of the British advance in Thibet. The native press fears it is a step to-ward partition to which the other powers may imitate. Reports from Mukden say many Russians are settling there.

New Cruiser Goes Over Limit

Boston, Dec. 8 .- In her official trial over the Cape Ann course today the new cruiser Des Moines exceeded her contract requirement of 16.5 knots an It is claimed his wife took \$7,000,000 worth of securities with her to Aus-tralia. Australia the total correction will not materially change these figures. Next to speed.

the noticeable feature of the trial was the remarkable steadiness of the ship. The conditions of the trial were favorable on the whole.

The Philippine exhibit at the St. Louis fair will be an exposition within Forty acres are reserved graph plant, installed by the United graph plant, installed by the United for the islands and every one who has States government at Fisher's island, seen articles from that island expresses was made today. The system will be used in Alaska for the government ser-

vice, a Birne