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HAPPENINGS OF TWO CONTINENTS

A Resume of the Less Important but Not Less Interesting Events of the Past Week.

The French cabinet proposes an in ome tax to relieve the poor.

The price of all grade of diamonds nas been advanced 5 per cent.

Rebels are reported to have defeated government forces in Argentina.

Egyptian explorers have found th nummy of the famous Queen Teie. Rain is increasing the discomforts of

he Kingston earthquake sufferers. There is not a wheel turning on any railroad between Spokane and the

Alton B. Parker believes the president right in his stand in the Browns- Los Angeles Chamber on Separate ville affair. Troops have been called to stop rict-

Many have been killed. The project to connect Lake Washingon and Puget sound with a canal ha

ing among Japanese miners in Japan.

een revived in congress. John D. Rockefeller has given \$32, 000,000 of first-class securities for general education throughout the United

More than 5,000 bushel of seed wheat has been donated by Oregon growers to be used in the famine dis-

trict of China. The temperature is 5 below zero at

Kansas City. The Thaw trial is now fairly begun. asanity is the plea of the defense.

New Jersey Republicans have nomifiated Frank O. Briggs as United States senator.

people being frozen to death in North ment has assumed or may assume in Dakota.

Snow and slides have blocked all trains on the Northern Pacific so that no Eastern mail can reach Tacoma.

The raise granted postal clerks will add \$68,000 to the salaries of those in Oregon and \$100,000 to thisee of Washington.

The O. R. & N. between Portland and on military. All were members of the The Dalles is in worse shape than for discharged battalion of negro soldiers The O. R. & N. between Portland and years. Several work trains are hemmed in on both sides.

During the January just passed twice as much excavation was done on the Panama canal as in any January when the work was under French control.

Southern Pacific trains, while still running, are all behind time and have to proceed carefully on account of soft racks and uncertain bridges and embankments.

Besides fighting for territory in the Northwest, the Harriman and Hill managements have entered into a wordy war regarding the merits of the methods employed by each, which does not appear to furnish more cars to the SURPLUS 725,000 shipper than the territory fight.

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OPPOSES CONTRACT PLAN.

Ceief Engineer Stevens Wants to Dig Panama Canal.

Washington, Feb. 8.-Chief Engi-Panama canal, and if he cannot dig the oig ditch without the medium of a contractor, there is likely to be another vacancy at the head of affairs on the isthmus. This is understood to be the se cret of the mysterious holding up of the PROVISION MADE FOR COUNTIES award of the Panama canal contract that has excited interest and curosity for the last two weeks.

Everybody has been wondering why the administration has been delaying action on the Olliver bid for digging the canal. One theory has been that it was due to a fight between rival financial interests, those represented by the contractors underbid by the Olliver firm being credited with the efforts to throw out the lower bidder and take the prize. There have been tangles regarding Mr. Olliver's partners. Finally a positive decision from President Roosevelt, Secretary of War Taft and Chairman Shonts, of the Canal commission, has been postponed for two weeks longer, ostensibly to complete a full examination of the Olliver bid, but in reality, it is believed, to solve the problem presented by Mr. Stevens

OPPOSED TO DISCRIMINATION.

Schools for Japanese.

Washington, Feb. 8 .- The president today received a telegraphic copy of a resolution adopted yesterday by the Los Angeles chamber of commerce upon the Japanese school question, which expresses the belief that the public sentiment of California, especially of the southern part, upon the question of the exclusion of the Japanese from the general public school system of the tional and legal phases, the board is assured that "the general trend of public opinion in Southern California is decidedly adverse to any discrimination against the Japanese as a people in the matter of public school privileges, and the belief that this opinion is based upon consideration of equity and justice is held altogether independent of any attitude which the Japanese governregard to the question."

CALLS BOOKER SENATOR

Foraker Takes a Fling at Activity of Negro Leader. Washington, Feb. 8 .- Five witnesses

were examined today in the Brownsville inquiry by the Senate committee except ex-Sergeant Luther Thornton, of company B. He testified that, when aroused by the firing on the night of August 13, he was under the impression that the barracks were being fired upon by the people of the town.

The next witness called for by Senator Foraker was Winter Washington, and Senator Overman asked if he had placer mining laws. said Booker Washington.

"No," said Mr. Foraker, "Booker Washington is too busy attending to his senatorial duties to come here.' He referred to the interest of Booker T. Washington in the question of having a negro appointed to a Federal position in Ohio, patronage which has been regarded as belonging to the senators from Ohio.

Washington's idea of the Brownsville affair was that "Mexican Greasers" and "Texas cowboys" had done the shooting in order to make trouble for the negro soldiers.

Mausers Smuggled as Books. Victoria, B. C., Feb. 8 .- Mail advices

from Shanghai state that, owing to an accident at the wharf there, the discovery has been made that arms and ammunition have been smuggled through Shanghai to the disaffected districts where rebellion is in progress. A Chinese newspaper reports that 50,000 Mauser rittes and 5,000,000 rounds of ammunition have been imported into China from Japan by the revolutionary party. Dr. Sun Yat, who is one of the prime movers of the rebellion, is at Tokio, as head of the rebel junta there.

More Money for Pacific Lights. Washington, Feb. 8 .- The senate's commerce committee reported the house omnibus lighthouse bill with amendments added giving \$20,000 for rebuilding the lighthouse at Cape Arago Oxford Reefs.

Right of Way Across Fort Columbia. and quarantine station grounds on its way from Ilwaco to Knappton.

Earthquakes Change Island. Montevideo, Feb. 8 .- A report has reached here by passengers on the steamer Elka that earthquakes havec hanged the appearance of New Year's island and that a portion of the island has sunk several meters.

neer John F. Stevens wants to dig the Sale of Timber and Retention of Land Recommended.

Will Get One-fourth of the Proceeds of All Timber Sales in Lieu of Taxes.

Washington, Feb. 7. — The senate into a freight car. committee on public lands today favor-tial movement extend through all the ably reported a bill repealing the tim- territory east of Chicago and north of ber and stone act and providing that in the Ohio river, clear to the seaboard the future the government shall retain title to its timber lands and sell only the timber at not less than its appropriate the future the government shall retain to future the government shall retain the government shall retain the government shall retain the future the government shall retain the gov praised value. The committee incor- undoubtedly be followed by the lines porated Senator Fulton's amendment south of the Ohio river, and then by requiring that 25 per cent of the money the lines west of Chicago to the Pacific derived from the sales of public timber shall be paid to the counties in which the sales are made.

mittee that some time ago he would oppose the repeal of the timber and stone act unless one-fourth of the receipts creased wages, estimated at between from timber sales should be paid to the \$100,000,000 and \$110,000,000 annucounties for school and road purposes, ally.

The counties will not only receive 25 per cent of the receipts from timber sales on unreserved timberland, but Washington Senators and Representfrom sales within forest reserves as well. This concession to the counties The sentiment is expressed that on the main question, whatever may be the diversity of opinion upon the constitutional and least on the bill title to all timber lend to reimburse them for taxes which they might ultimately collect should this timber land pass into private ownership. Under the amended bill title to all timber lend to reimburse them for taxes will meet in the room of Senator Ankeny to consider and probably report the Ankeny bill making the senate committee on expositions will meet in the room of Senator Ankeny bill making the senate committee on expositions will meet in the room of Senator Ankeny bill making the senate committee on expositions will meet in the room of Senator Ankeny bill making the senate committee on expositions will meet in the room of Senator Ankeny bill making the senate committee on expositions will meet in the room of Senator Ankeny bill vate ownership. Under the amended the Ankeny bill making an appropria-bill title to all timber land remains in tion for the Alaska, Philippine and Hathe government, hence the land itself waiian exhibits at the Scattle exposition cannot be taxed. This amendment, in 1909. If the bill is reported its however, does not exempt lumber companies and other purchasers of timber from payment of taxes on their product.

not less than the appraised value, preference being given to bidders for small quantities for use in the immediate vicinity of the land. Persons actually opposed to this exposition appropriations near timberland shall be entitled to take free of charge not exceeding 100,000 feet board measure in any

The bulk of the money derived from winter. timber sales after deducting 25 per cent for the counties, will go into the reclamation fund, the residue going into the forest reserve fund to defray the expenses of forest management and con- but their protests are falling on deaf trol. It is provided that timberland reserved from entry for timer shall be suject to location and entry under mining or coal land laws, and that land chiefly valuable for building or commercial stone shall be entered under the

BILL FOR COAL LAND LEASING. House Committee Agrees on Provisions to Prevent Sale.

Washington, Feb. 7. - The house committee on public lands expects on Friday to report a bill providing for its meeting today several features of four persons to form an a sociation and take collectively 2,500 acres of coal land. Another guards against persons acquiring coal lands under homestead or other laws by prohibiting the pat- survey of public land in Idaho to be enting of coal deposits on such lands within 25 years after the original entry is patented. Thus, if a person should fraudulently homestead land which he knew contained coal, he could not develop that coal for 25 years.

In the senate public lands committee a homestead before the entryman can commute, but this was voted down. At is required. The president favors Mr. included within the forest reserves.

Congress Has no Power.

man and child labor is within the po- government." lice power of the various states.

Two More Circuit Judges. Washington, Feb. 7 .- The senate to-

additional district judge for the North-ern Judicial district of California. that has fallen within any similar per iod for several years. ern Judicial district of California.

RAISE ALL RATES.

General Advance in Freight Inaugurated by Eastern Lines.

Chicago, Feb. 6.-The first step was taken here today in a plan to inaugurate a general increase in freight rates throughout the country in such a manner as to bring millions of dollars added revenue to the railroads and at the same time greatly facilitate the move-

ment of traffic. As the result of a meeting, which was attended by executive officials of railroads east of Chicago, and having a total of more than 100,000 miles of lines, a vote is being taken upon a proposition to increase the rates of nearly all of the main commodities fully 10 per cent by decreasing the minimum which it is permitted to load

const. It is difficult to estimate how much the proposed increase will bring the railroads in added revenue, but the sum Mr. Fulton served notice on the com- will be a big one. Traffic officers, however, state that it will not be sufficient to offset even the increased expense to the railroads occasioned by in-

DISAGREE ON FAIR BILL.

atives at Cross Purposes

Washington, Feb. 6 .- On Thursday passage by the senate is certain to fol-

The house members of the Washing-As the bill now stands the secretary ton delegation disapprove of the course of agreculture will appraise government of the senators and have urged that no timber and sell it at public auction or action be taken on the bill this session. private sale to the highest bidder for While it can pass the senate, it is absotion, but has said he will not call his committee together to consider the bill. Moreover, having appropriated liberalone year for individual use, but not for ly for Jamestown, the house leaders sale.

> In view of this situation the house members charge that the senators are clacing them in an embarrassing position by pressing the bill at this time, ours.

HEYBURN PUSHES THE ISSUE.

Moves Resolution and Amendments Dealing With Land Question.

Washington, Feb. 6 .- Senator Heyburn yesterday introduced a resolution compelling the secretary of the interior to disregard the order of the president and issue patents on all land and mineral applications where the proofs submitted show full compliance with the requirements of law, and where no protest has been filed against the granting of such patents. The senator expressed leasing all government coal lands. At the opinion that by the adoption of this resolution a large percentage of the the bill were agreed to, one permitting land business of the country will be resumed, being now tied up.

Mr. Heyburn also introduced an amendment to the sundry civil bill providing for the completion of the made by a rectangular system of survey, without waiting for the requests or demands of settlers, and appropriating \$200,000 for making the surveys. He also proposed an amendment to the agricultural bill providing that none of sections 16 or 36 shall be included in today Senator Newlands presented any forest reserve where such sections bill requiring three years' residence on were granted to the states by the act of admission to the Union, or the enabling act, and that land more valuable for present 14 months' residence is all that grazing than for timber shall not be

No Excitement in Japan.

Tokio, Feb. 6 .- The view taken here Washington, Feb. 7. - Chairman of the American-Japanese situation, lenkins, of the house committee on arising from the San Francisco school judiciary, submitted a report today in incident, is illustrated by the following which it is stated emphatically that official statement, which was issued toand \$120,000 for a lighthouse vessel at the committee is of the opinion that day: "Since the talk of war was first congress has no jurisdiction or author- transmitted from America we have ity over the question of woman and carefully watched the development of child labor, and has no right to sup- feeling here. There has not been the day passed Senator Fulton's bill au-thorizing the Ilwaco railroad to build ployment of such laborers. The com-across the Fort Columbia reservation mittee holds that the regulation of we-

Snow Smothers New York.

New York, Feb. 6. - For more than 24 hours New York has been in the day passed the bill authorizing the ap- grip of a fierce northeast snow storm. pointment of two additional circuit Ten inches of snow fell in the 24 hours judges for the Ninth circuit, and one ending at 8 a. m., equaling the amount