

PUT INTO EFFECT

Roosevelt Acts on Canal Treaty With Panama.

PROCLAMATION IS ISSUED

Commission Will Be Announced in a Few Days.

M. BUNAU-VARILLA RESIGNS

His Mission Ended, He Desires to Retire—Money Involved in the Deal Will Not Pass Until Legal Questions Are Adjusted.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—President Roosevelt today signed the proclamation putting into effect the treaty with Panama regarding the isthmian canal. As soon as the proclamation was signed it was returned to the State Department, where the exchange of ratifications had taken place between Secretary of State Hay and Minister Bunau-Varilla, of Panama.

The cabinet was in session when the proclamation reached the White House from the State Department. Secretary Loeb took the document to the President, and he signed it immediately.

The President may not send to the Senate his appointments on the isthmian canal commission before the first of next week. He has been informed by telegram that Benjamin M. Harrod, of New Orleans, has mailed to him a statement regarding the charges preferred against Mr. Harrod. Until he has received this statement and given it consideration, the probability is that the official announcement of the personnel of the commission will be withheld.

The exchange marks the close of diplomatic negotiations looking to the acquisition of canal rights on the isthmus, running back to the first treaty of the last century. What remains to be done now is nothing more than the adjustment of certain legal questions by the law officers of this Government. The State Department has filed its functions.

To be settled is the pending litigation in France concerning the canal, and the question whether under the terms of the Spooner act the \$10,000,000 which was to be paid to Colombia can now be paid. It will be some time before these questions can be settled, and meanwhile no money is likely to pass. The proclamation is as follows:

The Proclamation.

"By the President of the United States of America: A Proclamation: Whereas, a convention between the United States of America and the Republic of Panama to insure the construction of a ship canal across the isthmus of Panama to connect the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans was concluded and signed by the respective plenipotentiaries at Washington on the 18th day of November, one thousand nine hundred and three, the original of which convention being in the English language, is word for word as follows, giving the text of the treaty:

"And, whereas, the said convention has been duly ratified on both parts and the ratifications of the two governments were exchanged in the City of Washington on the 24th day of February, one thousand nine hundred and four:

"Now, therefore, be it known that I, Theodore Roosevelt, President of the United States of America, have caused the said convention to be made public to the end that all may know every article and clause thereof may be observed and fulfilled with good faith by the United States and the citizens thereof.

"In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States of America to be affixed.

"Done at the City of Washington this 26th day of February, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and four, and of the independence of the United States, the one hundred and twenty-eighth. THEODORE ROOSEVELT, By the President: John Hay, Secretary of State."

Varilla Tenders His Resignation.

From the State Department, Minister Bunau-Varilla, with the exchange copy of the treaty, drove to the cable office and tendered his resignation as Minister from Panama to the President of the Republic in the following dispatch:

"The exchange of ratifications of treaty has taken place today at 10.55, thus finishing the accomplishment of my duty to the Republic of Panama. I request your excellency, in conformity with what I have expressed in my letter of November 24 to the Department of Foreign Affairs, to accept my resignation from today, and to send me by next mail my letters of recall."

Mr. Bunau-Varilla expects to remain in this country for a fortnight and will then go to Paris to look after private business. It is possible the Panama government will wish Bunau-Varilla to remain in charge of the legation until his successor, Dr. Arcemena, arrives. And it is possible the Minister will consent to extend his mission.

Replying to an inquiry why the Panama government was not to receive today, in accordance with the terms of the treaty, the \$10,000,000 which this country has pledged to pay, the minister said:

"For two reasons. First, because I had informed the officials that were a check for this amount handed me I should be compelled to return it. For this reason, the preference of the Panama government that the money be held in trust here for the present is in harmony with the wishes of this government."

Nature of Formalities.

Asked about the nature of these formalities, Bunau-Varilla said:

"These formalities arise from the special situation of the canal property which is now in the hands of a receiver and cannot be transmitted without authorization of the courts. The absurd theory of Colombia that certain parts of the contract between Colombia and Panama are still binding while others are not, can cause only amusement even to the simple Colombia has lost her sovereignty over the Panama Canal and therefore is unable to fulfill her obligations to the Panama Canal Company, although Colombia seems desirous that the Panama Canal Company shall fulfill its obligations to the Bogota government and decline to sell the canal without the consent of Colombia. I should say that probably not more

than a month will elapse before Panama will be ready to accept this \$10,000,000."

"The Minister today received formal notification from the Colombian government that Colombia has recognized the independence of Panama."

QUESTION IN HANDS OF HAY.

Cabinet Considers Granting of Guam-Japan Cable Concession.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—At the cabinet meeting today the question of the building of the Japanese cable on the island of Guam was considered. A proposition has been made by the Government to the cable company on behalf of Japan to land a cable on the island of Guam, in order to connect Japan with the American cable at this point. Japan has two cable lines connecting it with the outside world. Both of them run from Nagasaki across the lower end of the Yellow Sea to Shanghai. If those cables should be cut by the Russians, Japan would be cut off from communication by cable with other countries.

This question of granting permission to the cable company to land its cable at Guam involves to some extent the neutrality of the United States in the pending Far Eastern conflict. Practically, it is understood a decision has been reached that such permission may be granted without violating the terms of neutrality laid down by the United States in its proclamation. It seems not unlikely, however, that the question now is in the hands of Secretary Hay and a determination of it probably will be reached very soon.

The cabinet decided that W. Cameron Forbes, of Boston, recently appointed to membership on the Philippine Commission by the President, should be permitted four months in which to settle some private business in this country, which he has been obliged to undertake on account of the death of his uncle, J. Malcolm Forbes. He has agreed if he should find in two months that he will not be able to go to Manila in four months, he will notify the President, in order that another Commissioner may be selected.

Forbes Will Now Accept Position.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—Governor Wright has cabled from Manila that the Philippine Commission will be able to arrange its business as to permit Commissioner Forbes to delay his coming to the islands for three or four months. As this extension will enable Mr. Forbes to wind up his business here, he will accept the appointment on the Commission.

Germany Buys American Apples.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—United States Consul-General Gunther, in a report to the Department of Commerce and Labor, says the imports of American apples at Hamburg from September 15 to December 27, 1903, amounted to \$7,647 barrels.

American Flotilla Off for Manila.

PORT SAID, Feb. 26.—The United States torpedo fleet flotilla, escorted by the auxiliary cruiser Buffalo, left today on its way to Manila.

WOMAN IS CHOKED BY ROBBER

Man Appears on the Scene Unexpectedly and Is Roughly Handled.

CHICAGO, Feb. 26.—A fashionably dressed young woman, 18 years old, was choked almost to insensibility in a corridor of the Auditorium Hotel last night by a man who tried to rob her of her purse. Had it not been for the appearance of John V. Redington, the telephone operator, who was entering the hotel, the thief would have succeeded and murder might have resulted. Redington entered the hotel from the Congress-street entrance. It is a lonely spot at night, as few persons use that entrance.

In this passageway Redington encountered the young woman and her assailant, who upon seeing the robber released the girl and seized Redington by the shoulders, throwing him against the wall. Redington quickly regained and clinched with the thief. The assailant relaxed his hold, rose quickly and dashed out the Congress-street door. Cabmen in Congress street had heard the noise of the scuffle and attempted to trip him, but the fugitive avoided them and escaped.

France and Spain Sign for Arbitration

PARIS, Feb. 26.—The foreign office announced today that a treaty of arbitration between France and Spain had been signed today. The terms are identical with the recent arbitration treaty concluded between France and Great Britain and Italy and Great Britain.



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14 Hours' Selling Crowded Into 10 Today

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WE'VE BEEN STORMED, BESIEGED---AT TIMES BLOCKADED

The past week. We knew there would be crowds, and prepared for big ones. Yet customers came in such overwhelming numbers that there were times we could not serve them as promptly and well as we wished. Today's offerings are among the best of the week—fourteen hours' selling will be crowded into ten. We meet the conditions heroically, and you'll profit splendidly by doing Saturday buying here, the LAST DAY OF THE COLOSSAL COLONIAL SALE. But remember WE CLOSE AT 6 P. M.

LAST DAY OF THE Unique Colonial Sale!

SATURDAY'S FIRST FLOOR SPECIALS

Hundreds, denoted by "Colonial Sale" cards, scattered broadcast thro' the store, do not receive printed mention. "She" or "He" who does Saturday shopping here today does best.

We'll Start With the Men and Coming Men

IN THEIR SHOP:

WHITE UNLAUNDERED
SHIRTS HALF PRICE.
50c VALUES FOR 25c.

In big boys' and little men's sizes, 11½ to 14, our famous "O. K." brand, made exclusively for this RELIABLE house. Best 50-cent value made in America—here today for, each.....25c



BOYS' AND YOUTHS' SCHOOL SHOES.

Strong, stylish, durable; the kind selected by our expert shoe man to withstand the rough-and-tumble usage accorded by the healthy, strenuous Oregon boys. Box calf or vici kid leathers, heavy water-resisting solid oak leather soles, fashionable lasts; dressy, comfortable and grand wearers. "Little girls".....

Sizes 11 to 13, \$1.75 values for.....\$1.23
Sizes 13½ to 2, \$2.00 values for.....\$1.43
Sizes 2½ to 5½, \$2.50 values for.....\$1.73

MISSSES' \$2.00 SHOES \$1.48.

Very stylish lasts, all the popular, wanted leathers, heavy, thick double soles; selected with special view to their wear and wet-resisting qualities; all latest styles, sizes 11 to 2. Usual \$2.00 values for.....\$1.48



CHILDREN'S SHOES AS ABOVE.

Sizes 8½ to 10½, \$1.75 values for.....\$1.08
Sizes 6 to 8, \$1.50 values for.....98c



WOMEN'S 75c UNION SUITS 55c.

Of fine-ribbed white hile material, low necked and sleeveless, lace trimmed at knee; all new, latest Spring arrivals for coming warmer weather wear. Best 75c Combination Suits in our stocks go on sale today at an introductory price of, suit.....55c

WOMEN'S 40c HOSIERY FOR "TWO-BITS."

Of splendid quality plain black hile, with high spliced heels, double soles and French toes; an exceptional value at 40c the pair—Today at, pair.....25c



\$1.50 COLORED DRESS GOODS \$1.19 YARD.

Ahoy for Spring Suits! Dress Goods Annex—First Floor. Saturday's offering should and will bring a crowd of dress goods buyers to this store. Such values cannot fail. 56-in. all-wool plain and fancy suitings, in novelty tweeds. Portland Woolen Mills goods are included; also new tweed imported fabrics in mixtures; the most desirable and called-for fabric for making up the new tailored suits for Spring wear. Regular \$1.50 a yard goods today at, the yard.....\$1.19

LADIES' 'KERCHIEF BARGAIN.

35c INITIAL HANDKERCHIEFS 23c EACH.

What woman has handkerchiefs enough? Few will answer "I have" when such temptations as this dangle from the bargain tree to be had for the plucking. Fill up the handkerchief boxes today for a less than usual price. Dainty, sheer, pure linen handkerchiefs, with embroidered initials, in full assortment of wanted letters—the usual 35c values today for, each.....23c



TWO WONDERFUL LACE COUNTER BARGAINS.

Values such as these fill the Lace Store when they're announced. Better come down during the morning hours for your pick of these really out-of-the-ordinary bargains. Today only we offer Chiffon Appliques, in values up to \$1.00 a yard, at a choice for, yard.....20c And values up to \$3.50 a yard at, yard.....79c

LADIES 75c BELTS 28c.

A lot of attractive values, just the wanted kinds; good assortment.

WILL YOU PAY ONE-HALF PRICE

FOR A COAT FOR YOUR LITTLE GIRL?

Second Floor.



Or maybe she's a "big" 14-year-old girl—but it makes no difference—we include all ages and all our Children's Coats in this offering, 6 years to 14 years.

ANY CHILD'S COAT IN THIS STORE FOR TODAY ONLY AT

ONE-HALF PRICE

SHORT COATS were \$7 up; now \$3.50 up. LONG COATS were \$7.50 up to \$35; now \$3.75 up to \$17.50.

Every coat included, none reserved or omitted. SHORT COATS are in following materials: Coverts, zibelines, fancy friezes, chevrons and imported novelty fabrics. Colors include reds, blues, tans, greens and browns. They are stylish in cut, box back or the popular Norfolk styles with belt, all attractively trimmed with velvet and pipings—HALF PRICE! LONG COATS are of chevrons, zibelines, coverts, meltons, novelty mixtures and friezes; handsomely trimmed in braid and button effects, and smart military styles; colors include tans, blues, greens, browns, reds and novelty mixtures in imported fabrics. Some have smart military effects with all the effective trimmings incidental to these swaggy styles. Others are cut with loose box backs. Prices that were \$7.50 up to \$35—Today are half—\$3.75 to \$17.50.

10c IMPORTED CASTILE SOAP 5c CAKE.

Genuine Spanish Soap from the land of the Don, of purest quality white imported Castile.

CHILDREN'S 35c POCKETBOOKS 19c.

Combination Pocketbooks, in all the popular, wanted leathers, in desirable, stylish colors.

25c BOX BONE HAIRPINS 15c.

In shell comb, plain, square, round or crimped tops. One dozen in box.

2-BIG SPECIALS IN DOMESTIC AISLE-2

MATCHLESS VALUES AT ABSURDLY LOW PRICES! CREPE ARMURES 20c YARD.

2000 yards in the offering, 36 inches wide, half wool, with all the appearance to eye and touch, with same delicate finish as costly dress fabrics; in splendid assortment of colorings, embracing royal, navy, light and dark shades of gray, brown, tan, cardinal and black. Today only, for the closing Colonial Sale bargain in this section, we offer this exceptional value at, yard.....20c

KING COTTON DESCENDS FROM HIS LOFTY THRONE

25c PIQUES FOR 17c YARD.

With cotton prices soaring 'mid the clouds, traveling among the far-away planets, higher than in 30 previous years since the Civil War made the getting of it almost impossible, a cotton bargain is a rare avis. But, here's a flyer for today: 500 yards of heavy white Pique, in two-size cord, sure to be popular the coming season for the dainty Summer dresses, skirts and waists, today only, our 25c quality at, the yard.....17c



LADIES' \$5.50 PETTICOATS \$3.87.

"MISS PETTICOATS" HOLDS CARNIVAL IN THE ANNEX.

Today we place on a bargain counter in our busy annex—second floor—a lot of black mercerized satine and Italian cloth Petticoats, trimmed with deep Spanish flounce, hemstitched or knife plaiting ruffles; a high-grade, grand value petticoat at regular price of \$5.50 at a special price of.....\$3.87

Lively Times on Second Floor

CLOSING HOURS OF THE COLONIAL SALE WILL BE "HUMMERS."

Last Day of the Book Sale



This is positive: Tonight closes the selling of books for nine months, so far as this store is concerned. No book event ever equalled this February book sale in scope, price range or money savings. It is an occasion that every family library, every public library, school or church library, every society or individual can substantially profit by as never before, and perhaps never again. And it ends today at closing time—6 P. M.

Saturday night the books evacuate for nine months—"go back to the tall timber"—and this store will have no more book shop until the new ones arrive next December, SO THERE'S NO TIME TO LOSE. The millinery is pouring in—a perfect inundation of gorgeous and dainty beauty. TODAY IS THE LAST DAY OF THE GREAT BOOK SALE. No more book news after that for nine months to come. The last news is the best. We inaugurate this morning the most merciless slaughter sale of books ever conducted by any house on the Pacific Coast.

Every book in the store included. Every book reduced to or below actual cost! No time to spare to enumerate here. Matchless BOOK BARGAINS for libraries! Matchless BOOK BARGAINS for homes! Matchless BOOK BARGAINS for Sunday schools! Matchless BOOK BARGAINS for tourists! Matchless BOOK BARGAINS for book lovers of every sort! TWO DAYS' RAPID-FIRE SELLING OF GOOD BOOKS, and all is over.

Just to show the trend of bargains, we append mention of sample bargains:

\$1.50 copyrighted books (expired) for only.....42c
50c books for women readers, popular novels, etc.....23c
Webster's \$3.50 Dictionaries.....\$1.05
Famous 60c Henty books for boys for only.....39c
The Pearl Library, selected writings of famous Cambridge 35c Classics.....13c
Famous Gilt-Top Books, writings of American authors, 35c books for only.....11c
60c books for.....17c

HURRY TO THE ART SHOP!

Thoroughfare Aisle—Second Floor.

\$2.00 CUSHION TOPS FOR 50c.

In eery tints of grass linen material, with plain backs of same and hem-stitched border at top and back. Usual \$2 values—special today only at, each.....50c



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Special Clearance Sale of Kitchen Furnishings—all reduced. Lowest prices today quoted by any house on the Pacific Coast for equally RELIABLE values.



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To effect quick clearance of a lot of this splendid tableware, we offer the following special reductions for today's patrons. All handsomely decorated in beautiful floral designs of natural colors and heavy gold:

PLATES—8¼-inch size, \$4.75 value, the dozen.....\$3.19
PLATES—7½-inch size, \$3.40 value, the dozen.....\$2.55
TEACUPS AND SAUCERS—\$4.80 value, the dozen.....\$3.60
COFFEE CUPS AND SAUCERS, 56 val, the dozen.....\$1.50
SAUCE PLATES—\$2.50 value, the dozen.....\$1.88
SALAD BOWLS—8¼-inch size, \$1.00 value, each.....75c
CAKE PLATES—9½-inch size, 75c value, each.....56c
CROP TRAYS—11½-inch size, \$1.60 value, each.....\$1.20
Covered Sugar and Creamer, per pair, \$1.40 val. for.....\$1.00
SALAD TRAYS—13¾-inch size, \$1.35 value for.....\$1.00
BERRY BOWLS—with six Fruit Saucers, \$2.50 per set, special at.....\$1.69

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Two elevators personally conducted by courteous attendants. Round trip tickets free.

Special sale of Brass and Enamelled Beds and Blankets, new 1904 Baby Go-Carts and Carriages on this floor; new Lace Curtains and Rugs, the Olds, Wortman & King Sewing Machines.

Special Sale of Pillows

\$3.75 VALUES FOR \$2.50.

All feather filled, soft and downy Pillows that rest the weary heads. Covers are of the best satin. For today only, the best \$3.75 values are reduced to a special price of.....\$2.50

