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| No Favor Sways Us; No Fear Shall Awe" From First Statesman, March 28, 1851 |  |
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## Matanuska and Greeley

 $\mathrm{M}_{\text {copy of the Matanuska Valley Pioneer, a mimeogranice }}^{\text {RS, }}$ of Staton, who - has silied in Alaska for somete time, is secere
tary to the colony manager, and sent her the paper. No hint of discouragement is seen in the paper which has the same
incurable optimism which marked the papers in the pioneer
communities of the west communities of the west
of last ho nese netes columns ander way items. like these :Construction
 tor scout troop; big Legion dance Saturday night. There is a stirring edit
the advertisements range from taxi service to duroc sows and
piano tuning. Even if, as Rex Beach says, the cost to the government
will be $\$ 100,000$ per family, Matanuska is on its way, The tougher colonists will survive the discomforts while the weak-
er-wille of back to civitition; and this is merely repeat-
ent ring the history of past migrations.
Thake the settlement of Greeley, Colorado, for example
This colony was alauched in 1869 at a dinner in Demonico' restaurant, New York, by the visionary farme editor of Hor-
ace Greeleys New York Tribun, Nathan Cook Meeker, who
is described as as a curious combination of dreamer enthusian

 backing he organized the colony and helped select the land
midway between Denver and Cheyenne. By June, 1870 there
 wrote in the Milwaukee Sentinel:

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 The gettlers had a tough time of it. The ground was ssparched that it absorbed the water in the irrigation cana
and the wheat shriveled and died. It was estimated the fou canals to water 60,000 acres swould cost $\$ 20,000$; actually one
canal cost $\$ 112,000$ before it was finished. Horace Greeley had a tract and tried setting out trees, but the fruit trees
and shade trees all died. For four years they had plagues of But many of the colonists at Greeley stuck. They sold
excess lands and got enough money to water their crops. The ichnew eumn fly destroyed the grasshoppers. They found trees
that would thrive in the highg plains country, with irrigation.
They got erops to grow population, the center of a rich agricultural section wit
355,joo acres under cultivition. The hardy stock of the
neers foukht through tion the And Meeker, what about Meeker? He did not share in He sank his fortune in the enterprise, got into debt, and then
accepted an appointment as zovernment agent on the White
River asency in nortwwestern Colorado He tried to teach the Utes to farm and to irrigate, but they rebelled Indians am eral Westey Merritt came witha larger force. When he reach ed the Wite River agency he found Meeker and other men
had been murdered and the women caried captive, and Gen-
eral Merritt when he saw the shambles "turned aside and

## wept like a child.

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will overcome their obstacles which are chiefly rain and mosquitoes.

## The Church in Germany

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that the Latheran church is a state church and the rebels will get their income cut off. This is relied on to make them The Catholics are hostile to Hitler's program, and with the backing of Rome will not submit to political dictatorshi
in their eccesiastical matters.
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the enly non-conformist groums in in Guestion. They are opposition is purely one of defense. Bismarck failed when he ample, Hitler
theran groups.

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