

# PRESIDENT TAFT REASSURES JAPS **REGARDING ARMY MANEUVERS ON MEXICAN BORDER**

Washington, March 22 .- President Taft invited Baron Uchida, Japanese ambassador, to a conference at the White House this afternoon. The president's object in doing this was to personally set at rest various irresponsible stories published to the effect that the army maneuvers in Texas and California were in a way directed toward Japan.

President Taft has been greatly annoyed by persistent reports that Japan had negotiated a secret agreement with Mexico for the coaling station on the Pacific coast, that the United States was menacing Mexico as a protest. Denials from the Japanese embassy and from the ambassador himself as to th coaling station story, as well as denials from the state department here as to any connection of Japan with the maneuvers, have failed to stop these reports, which the president regards as malicious.

At their meeting President Taft told Ambassador Uchida that the reports were scarcely worth denying, but he desired to set them at rest for all time. He asked Baron Uchida to communicate his views directly to the emperor of Japan.

Washington, March 22 .- Prest- there need no longer be any doubt, dent Taft and his cabinet met today it was said by administration offi-for the first time in more than two clais, regarding the president's polweeks, and the Mexican situation Icy.

was discussed briefly. Strong hope was expresed in administration cir-cles that conditions in Mexico will relations with Mexico and the Uniimprove speedily. The Washington ted States has no intention to intergovernment is anxious that the two fere in the internal affairs of that factions in Mexico get together and country, and the president will not intense disappoinment is expressed recommend any interference to con-here over the fact that Finance Min-ister Limantour has seen fit to seek a peace agreement by holding the United States up as a sort of buga-here over the fact that Finance Min-gress, upless the circumstances per-mit no other possible course. American troops were sent to the Mexican border on the strength of

boo, and making statements to the reports that conditions in Mexico apeffect that this government is await- proached chaos and that at any time ing an opportunity to get into Mexi- American lives might be jeopardized. There will be no move toward the

Mexican border unless outrages are Situation Clearing. so flagrant as to call for the presence Washington, March 21 .- The of a protecting power occur. Mexican situation cleared consider- then, the president would sot think Even

ably today. The attitude of the of acting without the consent of United States has been plain and congress.

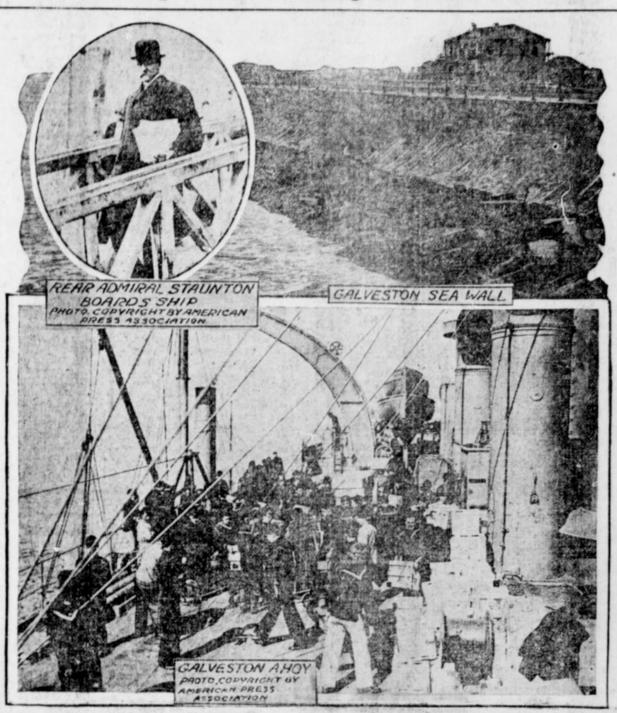
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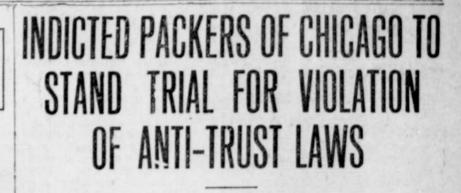
ployed on the gas ditches here for

Galveston Is the American Naval Headquarters In Big War Game Along the Borders of Mexico.



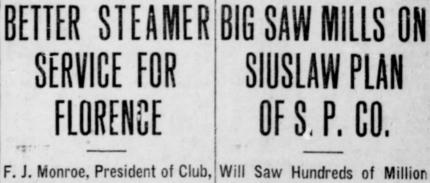
During the earlier stages at least of the maneuvers being conducted just outside the borders of the Mexican republic by the American army and navy Galveston will be the headquarters of Rear Admiral Sidney A. Staunton, mmanding the battleships, cruisers and torpedo boats that will constitute Uncle Sam's flotilla. Since its narrow escape from obliteration in 1900 the Texan city has been rebuilt on a scale never before attempted by its residents, and its importance on the maritime trade of the guli of Mexico has been emphasized. A new and powerful sea wall has been constructed to prevent a repetition of the tidal disaster of ten and one-half years ago





Chicago, March 22 .- The indicted Chicago packers lost the fight against going to trial on indictments secured by the government several months ago when Judge Carpenter, in the United States district court, today overruled their demurrer to the charges and held that the immunity granted by Judge Humphrey, of the federal court, in 1906 did not apply to the present charges, which he held were based on evidence not included in the Humphrey decision.

The indicted packers are: Louis F. Swift, Edward F. Swift, Francis A. Fowler and Charles H. Swift of Swift & Co., Edward Tilden, president of the National Packing company; J. Ogden Armour, Arthur Meeker, Thomas J. Connors of Armour & Co., Edward Morris, Louis Heyman of Morris & Co. The National Packing company is the chief object of the government's attack, and the indicted men are directors or otherwise interested in the company, which was organized in 1903 with a capital of fifteen million dollars.



Makes Arrangements for Feet of Timber in Burned New Vessel Districts

F. J. Monroe, president of the Florence Commercial club, is in Eu-Siuslaw river and ship the finished gene on his way home from a busi-ness trip to Portland. He had been solution of the problem of what to in that city to arrange to secure a do with the burned timber along steamer to ply between Yaquina and Lake creek and the Siuslaw river, Coos Bay, touching at Florence both owned by the Southern Pacific com ways, and has been quite success- pany. Starret & Hovey and other ful, being practically assured by the large timber concerns.

owner of a fine vessel that such a The Guard has learned from service will soon be inaugurated. The Hable source that this is the The Guard has learned from a revessel in question has a capacity of of the railroad company and the 250 passengers. It is planned to make other owners of large tracts of tim-the trip to Florence from Yaquina ber in the districts over which the every other day, thus giving the peo- terrible forest fires swept last sumple of the Siuslaw city and surround- mer. The timber must be used withing country a valuable service. At in two or three years after being present the only craft that makes burned or it will be useless, and in port is the Anvil, and it runs order to save the hundreds of milonce in ten days. The owners, lion feet it will be necessary to erect Mr. Monroe says, are contemplating several large mills and keep them shortening the service to half that going constantly until all of this time, but still this will not be satis- burned timber is sawed up.

factory, and the people down there are determined to have a vessel of Railway Scheme Abandoned. The Southern Pacific comp their own. Mr. Monroe is enthusiastic over the splendid results obtained from the building of the jetty at the mouth of the Siuslaw. Only \$60,000 of the \$300,000 or more available has been \$300,000 or more available has been is now, according to the Guard's intheir own has been contemplating building expended, yet the water on the bar has deepened wonderfully and there is now a maximum depth of 13 feet, the Siuslaw, cut them up there and enough water to float any of the ship them to market in ocean vescoastwise vessels that ply on the Pa- sels.

#### to 100 Each Day-Big Picer, Promulgates War

### nic for New Arrivals

The Portland railway officials are! Burr McIntosh, founder of the receiving reports from every town Burr-Mclatosh magazine, who won on their lines in Oregon as to the renown in the Spanish-American war ferent points. Eugene seems to be York Herald he got the first picferent points. Edgene stema to rork Heraid he got the first pic-well up among the top-notchers, judging from the report sent by D. C. Freeman, manager of the promo-tion department of this city. The

Oregonian this morning says: "D. C. Freeman, manager of the Eugene Commercial club, writes the colonist rates are bringing from 60 session of the Pacific coast states to 100 visitors a day to that city and and hold them for an indifinite pethan many others stop in the various riod.

than many others stop in the tarnals of Lane county. All who have been questioned report ingit y given that section by the local commercial body, the Oregon Devel-opment body and the railroads. "Efforts are being made to obtain

"Efforts are being made to obtain past there is a force of 60,000 Jap-are among those selected by some o "Efforts are being made to obtain the names and addresse of all ar-rivals at Eugene for the purpose of entertaining them at a mammoth newcomers' picnic to be held later in the year. The ladies' auxiliary of the Eugene Commercial club has been active and has established a system of calling upon the families of recent arrivals. Land buyers are prominent among the visitors and local real estate men are busy point-ing out to them available tracts. It is impossible, the communication says, to determine how man will re-main. Several hundred families will be added to the population of Lane county as a result of the reduced county as a result of the reduced the alone, and this force could easily partment guarantee that the price PRESIDENT TAFT points take the Puget sound country. fares.

Mr. McIntosh intimated that the 'Mr. Freeman, however, out that the personal inquiries of prospective settlers at his office excuse Japan will make to bring on trouble with the United States will throughout the year are from one to be her insistence that the Panama ten daily and he expresses the belief canal be not fortified and that she that the importance of caring for the be allowed certain rights in the can-people who come in at other times al. Journal.

of the year should not be overlooked

in the eagerness to attract colonists "In the anniversary number of the GREEKS DEFY ANY ONE Oregonian," he concludes, "the Eugene Commercial club placed a halfpage advertisement, which has been very useful and which has directed a large number of people to come the past ten months and who have been discharged by the company behere this spring."

### LAST DAY FOR

cause a number of people complain-TREATING IN TACOMA ed that the Greeks were guilty of Winnipeg, March 22.- A party of petty thefts, wish to state that if it 170 negroes, with seven carloads of Tacoma, March 22 .- The anti- can be proved that they are the goods, from the southern states, artreating ordinance passed by the mu- guilty ones they will give \$500 to rived at Emerson, Manitoba, today nicipal commission in December and the person so proving. Among the and passed an examination as to their referred to the voters carried yester- Greeks employed here are a number fitness for becoming residents of

precincts to hear from. The ordin-ance goes into effect tomorrow at time are naturally resenting the im-putation that they are thieves, of the United States. In ordinations and other piece of work to see if it can be done of the United States. In ordinations and other piece of work to see if it can be done of the United States. In ordinations and other piece of work to see if it can be done of the United States. In ordinations and other piece of work to see if it can be done of the United States. In ordinations and other piece of work to see if it can be done of the United States. putation that they are thieves. noon.

The first order for roses to be planted on Eugene's rose day, which will come this year on March 31, has been sent by Manager Freeman, of the promotion department of the commercial club, and the plants are expected here inside of a week. The commercial club, and the plants are

will be 15 cents except for those o

dered off his list. Extensive arrangements will soo begin for proper excursions on rose planting day. Last year the day was marred by a rainstorm, but this year it is hoped that old Jupiter Pluvius will be good and that the exercises

#### NEGROES ADMITTED TO PROVE THEIR GUILT TO RESIDENCE The Greeks, who have been em-

can be held in the open air.

Winnipeg, March 22 .- A party of

MURDER RUMOR

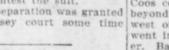


REBELS RETREAT

Hermosilla, Mex., March 22 🔶 -This town is safe. The • rebels have withdrawn and • the federal soldiers sent to La Conorado have returned. the rebels having abandoned that point before the feder-. als arrived there.

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### HAS CONFIDENCE IN NEGRO LEADER



FROM HERMOSILLA

He denies any knowledge of the ter- and the pleasant trip to visit the Sluslaw. rible crime. Bain seems to tally with the description of the murderer given by MR. AND MRS. L. N. RONEY the landlady of the lodging house HOME FROM LONG TR where the child was killed. Portland detectives learned that the suspected murderer left Portland on Have Been Away Four Months the steamer Breakwater, bound for

Marshfield. Bain is reported to have landed from the Breakwater when

said to have walked to Bandon, prob- through the east and south, having from Junction City or from Eugene ably to board another steamer in the been gone over four months. tear that the Coos Bay steamer trip in the main was very enjoyable, would be searched for him upon the although marred somewhat by sick-

Failing for some unknown reason Two of his aged sisters were very ill vessel's arrival in San Francisco.

New York, March 22. Dr. Booker T. Washington, the negro educator, suspected man turned his face east-them. Mr. and Mrs. Roney took in T. Washington, the negro educator, whose alleged assailant of last Sunday night, Albert Ulrich, was held yesterday for trial on an assault charge, is still at the Hotel Manhattan and recovering rapidly from the effects of the injuries received. Washington was gratified today to receive a letter from President Taft in the president's handwriting, in which he expressed sympathy for and with the president's handwriting, in which he expressed sympathy for and started to walk toward and started to walk toward and started to walk toward for trial of close county, who had kept trace of Bain ever since his landing at Marshfield, sent word on to Roseburg of the man's journey this way. At 10 o'clock yesterday morning the sheriff's office was notified that Bain had passed Camas Valley, and Deputy Sheriff Starmer immediately which he caught while in New Orteans and enjoyed the sights of all the president's handwriting, in the president's handwriting in the president's handwriting in the president's handwriting in the president taft in the president's handwriting in the president's

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At the Hoffman House, in Eugene,

#### Big Mill Near Florence.

In speaking of the new steamer It is said that Starret & Hovey service which is to be inaugurated will begin the erection of a huge

er. Bain will be placed in the county time, he says, will the travel be heavy slough on the Siuslaw, and this will jail in Roseburg this evening, await- to Florence, as hundreds of people be used to hold the logs that this ing the arrival of an officer from who flock to Newport will take ad-portland to take him to that city. who flock to newport will take ad-firm and the Southern Pacific will float down stream to the mills.

Permit From Government

The railroad company is said to have received a permit from the government to cut the timber on these lands, which are in the territory that is in dispute, much of it having been filed upon by hundreds of people who are endeavoring to induce the government to force the company to sell at \$2.50 an acre.

If this story is true, it would apthe steamer touched at Marshfield last Thursday. From that city he is home this morning from their trip pany will not build the railroad for a long time to come, if ever,

## BOOTH-KELLY COMPANY TO BUILD THREE MILES

which he expressed sympathy for and confidence in Washington's integrity. him accommanded by a son of Sheri him, accompanied by a son of Sher- are glad to get back and their many with this additional three miles it friends are glad to welcome them will make 13 miles of first-class logging rallways that they operate in

that vicinity. Heretofore the com-La Grande has just completed an pany has done the grading for these

HOME FROM LONG TRIP

and Have Taken in All

Parts of Country

IN CANADA