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OUR UNCLE WINS

UNITED STATES SUCCESSFUL IN BOUNDARY DISPUTE.

NOT A FOOT OF LAND LOST

We Have Been Accorded Practically All That Was Contended For-Disappointment to Our Canadian Neighbors on the North.

LONDON.-The Alaskan boundary commission has reached an agreement whereby all the American contentions are sustained with the exception of those in relation to the Portland canal, which Canada wins. All that now remains to be done is for the commissioners to affix their signatures to the decision and complete the map which will accompany it. On the map be largely represented, and the methwill be marked the boundary line definitely fixing the division of American and British territory on such a basis that no American citizen will lose a foot of land he already believed he held, while the United States will retain all the waterways to the rich Alaskan territory, with the exception of the Portland canal, which gives Canada the one outlet she so much

The long-standing dispute was only settled after a week of keen trying, secret deliberation between the arbitrators. Even up to within a few hours of the end of the conference there was an acute possibility that a disagreement might result and the whole proceedings fall to the ground.

Lord Alverstone, though openly inclined to believe in the justice of the American argument, that the United States was entitled to the heads of inlets, as contained in question five, held out that Canada had established her case in questions two and three, dealing with the Portland canal.

After luncheon Senator Lodge, Secretary Root and Senator Turner agreed to cede those points and to start the American boundary line from the head of the Portland canal, thus giving the Canadians that channel and some small islan is on which there are only a few disused stone houses. This accomplised, the majority of the tribunal agreed to fix, with this exception, the entire boundary as outlined in the American case. Whether Messrs. Aylesworth and Jette, the Canadian commissioners, will refuse to sign the decision and make it uanimous is not yet known, but it will not affect the validity of the agreement if a minority report is submitted. By next Monday afternoon it is hoped that everything will be ready for signature, though the actual marking of the line on the map which shall forever determine the respective territories, will occupy some time.

The majority of the commissioners left the foreign office hurriedly, in order to catch trains for week-end visits to the country. Nothing had occurred which would lead the few onlookers even to suspect that the dispute had reached its practical end. The commissioners themselves are still bound to secrecy until the decision is actually rendered, and practically few others were really aware how great a degree of success had attended the efforts of the American members of the tribunal.

CONDITIONS ON ISLANDS BAD.

Illiterates and Illegitimates Predom-

inate in Porto Rico. DETROIT, Mich. - The Christian women's board of missions, which is taking part in the international missionary convention of the Christian church in session here, closed its business by re-electing the old board of officers. At the conclusion of the official business reports on Christian work from different parts of the world were made. That on the society's labors in Porto Rico and Jamaica made a particular impression. Miss Annie E. Davidson of Eureka, Ill., who has spent much time on these islands. made the announcement that at least 88 per cent of the inhabitants are illiterate and possibly 70 per cent are of

Practice Cruise Ordered.

illegitimate birth.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal.-The naval squadron now in port here has been ordered to Acapulpa on a practice cruise. Thursday next is set for sailing day. The ships affected by the order are the Concord, Marblehead, Boston and Wyoming. The Marble-Glass in command.

FRANCE IS GETTTING READY.

Over 5,000 Exhibits to Be Installed at the St. Louis Exposition.

PARIS .- M. Boeufve, chancellor of the French embassy at Washington, has been appointed representative of the foreign office at the St. Louis exposition. He sails for the United States tomorrow and will go direct to St. Louis and begin installing the French exhibits.

M. Boeufve has conferred with all the leading branches of the French exhibits for St. Louis and says the exhibits will number 5,000, against 3,000 at Chicago, and that they will exceed in general interest and completeness any previous French exhibits. They will include an elaborate exhibit of the government's furniture. Gobelin and Beauva's tapestry and Sevres pottery.

Automobiles, laces and silks will ods of education, farming and mining in France will be shown. The department of labor will make an elaborate showing of French methods of industry and production. The manufacturers are seeking an enlarged

WHAT RAINFALL HAS DONE.

In South Dakota Shallow Wells Now Yield Much Water.

SIOUX FALLS, S. D .- The excessive rainfall this season has brought about conditions throughout South Dakota such as existed in the early '80s with regard to obtaining water from surface wells.

In many parts of the state an abundant supply of water can now be struck at a depth of from seven to ten feet, while in some instances, five or six years ago, following the seasons when the rainfall was annually below normal, holes had been sunk near the same places to a depth surface wells in their pastures than to drive their stock to and from their

HEROINES AT CHICAGO FIRE.

Girl High School Students Carry Children to Safety.

CHICAGO, III .- At a fire that destroyed two residences in Irving park Tuesday three children were rescued from death by girl students of Jefferson High school.

Raymond Saunders, 5 years old, is believed to have perished in the

The girls were on their way to school, which is located two blocks from the scene of the fire. Learning that there were children in the house, several girls entered and bore the imprisoned children through the dense smoke to the street.

In the confusion the Saunders boy was not found.

LIVE STOCK SHOW OPENS.

More Entries at Kansas City Than Ever Before.

KANSAS CITY, Mo .- The fifth annual American Royal Live Stock show will open here with 700 head of pure- improvements. bred entered, 200 more than were in last year's show and the largest numaddition to the cattle there are 150 head of imported draft and coach horses, 300 swine, 200 sheep and 1,000 angora goats.

A feature of the show is an exhibit of carloads lots of native and rangebred feeding cattle, in which upwards of 100 cars are entered. Cash prizes aggregating \$5,000 will be awarded on the carload lot exhibit. The prizes to be awarded in the show aggregate

FUND TO OPPOSE STRIKERS.

Horseshoers Make Provisions Raise \$250,000.

ST. PAUL, Minn.-Provision was made at the concluding session of the Master Horseshoers' convention for a contingent fund to oppose strikes. At present there is \$25,000 available for this purpose, but there has been no law specifically stating that the fund should be so used. A special assessment will be made on the members of the association during the next three months until the fund amounts to \$75,000, and like ashead will fly the flag of Admiral sessments will be ordered until the fund reaches \$250,000.

THE LAND LAWS

CHANGES LIKELY TO BE MADE BY THE COMING CONGRESS.

OBJECT TO SOME MEASURES

An Effort for Repeal of the Desert, Timber, Stone and Pre-emption Acts -Senator Hansbrough Will Oppose Proposed Changes.

WASHINGTON-Evidences are at hand that a strong effort will be made at the coming session of congress to secure the repeal of the timber and stone act, desert land and commuted homestead laws. The movement has been formed by interests identified with irrigation associations. Its purpose is said to be to prevent land exploitation by corporations and encourage the settlement of the public domain by homeseekers. There are indications that efforts to repeal the desert land laws will be vigorously resisted. Senator Hansbrough of North Dakota, chairman of the public land committee, was in conference Friday with the interior department officials concerning this matter. Senator Hansbrough believes that the timber and stone act and desert land laws should be amended in some important particulars, but condemns any movement having for its purpose the repeal or amendment of the commutation clause of the homestead laws. The senator said that he was preparing and will present early in the session a bill proposing amendments to the desert land law and timber and stone act. The bill will provide for the sale of the timber on governme. lands to the highest bidder in tracts not exceeding 320 acres. The timber to be scaled prior to auction and a of as much as forty feet without ob. thorough examination made by offictaining a single drop of water. Tubu- cials to determine its quantity and lar wells became popular at that time value. Under the Hansbrough bill no through necessity, but now the far- person or corporation could purchase mers find it more convenient to dig | more than one tract. As to the desert land law, the bill will prohibit the assignment by an entryman of his desert right prior to making final proof. Under the present laws an entryman can assign his right the moment he makes his filing. "If my amended bill prevails," said Senator Hansbrough, "it will have the effect of making the desert land entrymen practically three-year homesteaders because they will be required to live on their land and make improve ments for three years before making proof and they can make no assignment during that time."

KANSAS ODD FELLOWS SUE.

Wants \$50,000 From Two Topeka Lawyers.

WICHITA, KAS.-The grand lodge of Odd Fellows of Kansas, in session here, notified Troutman & Stone, Topeka attorneys, that they would be sued for the return of \$50,000 in connection with the financial operations of the Boissiere Odd Fellows' home at Silkville, Franklin county.

The Odd Fellows have acknowledged their loss to the title to this estate through litigation, but will attempt to recover the money spent in clearing their original title to it, and

session of the estate by purchase of extension of the government cable ber ever entered in a single show. In the claim of Madam Corrine, the sister of Mr. Boissiere.

Strengthens Free Trade Party.

LONDON-The duke of Devonshire's adhesion to the Free Food league is regarded as greatly strengthening the free trade party. The liberal papers point out that it is a repetition of 1886, when the duke, on separating from Mr. Gladstone, tried to remain independent, but was eventually absorbed by the conservatives. So now, the duke of Devonshire and his unionist followers will be unable to maintain an independent attitude of supoprting the government except on its fiscal policy, but would be comtraders.

Mission May Be Useless. CONSTANTINOPLE. - Fearing troubles with Russia if he deals directly with Bulgaria, the sultan has referred M. Natchevitch to the grand ace. This action diminishes the probability of success of M. Natche vitch's mission.

ARMY OF THE CUMBERLAND.

General Manderson Is Chosen as Vice President.

WASHINGTON, D. C .- At Wednes day's session of the Society of the Army of the Cumberland, General Henry W. Boynton of Washington was elected president of the society General Boynton has for many years been its corresponding secretary. The other officers elected were:

Corresponding secretary, Major John Tweedale of this city; recording secretary, Colonel John W. Steele of Ohio; treasurer, General Frank Smith of Washington; historian, Colonel G. C. Shiffen of Washington. Among the vice presidents are: California, Colonel Robert T. Swain; Colorado, Colonel W. H. Fitch; Iowa, General D. B. Henderson: Kansas, Captain O. Kannehill; Nebraska, General Charles F. Manderson.

The next meeting will be held in Indianapolis during Chickamauga

Orlando A. Sommers, the only private in attendance, was elected orator for next year, and General Charles F. Manderson alternate. General H. C. Corbin, as chairman of the Sheridan statue committee, made a brief

OBSERVE SPOTS ON THE SUN.

Total Length of the Disturbed Re gion Is 172,000 Miles.

WASHINGTON, D., C .- The United States naval observatory on Tuesday made observations of the extraordia nary group of solar spots now visible on the sun, the largest group discovered in the last decade. The ob-George H. Peters, who made the following statement:

"The enormous group was again yesterday and today. The individual spots comprising the group have beject for several days."

All Concessions Asked by Government Are Granted.

WASHINGTON, D. C .- John L. Bel-'aine, chairman of the Alaskan Central railway, who has been before the departments for the last week on work connected with the road, was successful in his efforts. The projected railroad will extend from Seward, on the southern coast of Alaska, north to the Tanara river, 420 miles. and will open all of Central Alaska territory.

President Roosevelt personally recommended to the heads of the departments the expedition of the business. The postoffice department established a postoffice at Seward as a sub port of entry. The war department prom-Troutman & Stone came into pos- ised to include in its estimate for the along the southern coast of Alaska an appropriation sufficient to make Seward one of the cable stations.

The department of commerce and labor has requested the lighthouse poard to provide a lighthouse at the entrance to the Seward harbor.

May Be a Dynamiter.

HELENA, MONT .- George Hammond, suspected of being implicated in the dynamite explosions on the Northern Pacific, was arrested half a mile from where the explosive was found and brought to Helena and put in jail. When arrested Hammond was armed with a revolver and had a belt full of cartridges. Two other pelled by the force of circumstances arrests have been made in the same to fall into line with the liberal free vicinity, but the names of the men are not known.

Struck Down by an Assassin. BRUSSELS-M. Pepin, a socialist member of the chamber of deputies. was stabbed at Mons, while walking on the street with some friends. vizier, instead of allowing him to con. There is slight hopes of his recovery. tinue his negotiations with the pal. The assassin struck M. Pepin from behind and succeeded in making his

UNVEILING TAKES PLACE WITH APPROPRIATE CEREMONY.

PRESIDENT DELIVERS ADDRESS

William Tecumseh Sherman Thorndyke, Grandson of the Dead Chieftain, Draws Aside the Vail Enveloping the Heroic Statue.

WASHINGTON - With impressive ceremonies, an equestrian statue of William Tecumseh Sherman was unveiled here Thursday afternoon, in the presence of official Washington with the president at its head and thousands of veterans, members of the socieities of the Armies of the Tennessee, of the Cumberland, the Ohio and the Potomac. As the two large flags enveloping the statue were drawn aside by William Tecumseh Sherman Thorndyke, the grandson of the dead chieftain, the cannon of the Fourth artillery boomed a salute and the Marine band struck up the "Star Spangled Banner." Success in every detail attended the ceremonies, which were in charge of Colonel T. W. Simons, superintendent of public buildings and grounds.

Before the unveiling of the statue the president and Lieutenant General Young, chief of the general staff of the army, reviewed the troops participating in the dedication parade from the stand opposite the statue. The president delivered the address of the day. A representative from each of the socieities of the four armies spoke in eulogies of General Sherman. At servations are under the direction of 2:30 o'clock the president, under the escort of detachments of minutemen, walked from the White House to the statue, which faces the south front of observed with a photo-heliograph the treasury. The president walked alone, preceded by Captain W. S. Cowles and Colonel T. W. Simons, his come less numerous, some of the naval and military aides. Following smaller spots having consolidated the president were Secretary Hay, with others. The group consists of Postmaster General Payne, Secretary about nine spots in all and now shows | Cortelyou, Acting Secretary of War indications of condensing into two Oliver and Secretary Loeb. With the principal spots or groups somewhat arrival or the president began the reseparated. Yesterday the total view of the trocas. Lieutenant Genlength of the disturbed region was eral Young was chief marshal and 172,000 miles, with a width of about with his staff headed the procession. 59,000 miles, the gagregate length of Following came the Second cavalry, the principal spots being 123,000 the engineer battalion from Washingmiles. The group was easily seen ton parracks, headed by the Engineer by the naked eye at the naval observ- band, two battalions of coast artilatory by several of the astronomers | tery from Forts Washington, Hunt and and ought to be a conspicuous ob Munroe, the Fourth field battery of artitlery from Fort Myer, a company of the hospital corps, a detachment of RAILWAY PROJECT IN ALASKA. marines and two battalions of sea-

The invocation was offered by Rev. Dr. D. J. Stafford. General Grenville M. Dodge, president of the statue committee, gave a brief description of the statue and then introduced William Tecumseh Sherman Thorndyke, who from the base of the pedestal pulled a grain rates of that section of the state, cord and two immense flags slowly and will have an important bearing pretal, unveiling the statue of his grandfather.

TILLMAN IS ACQUITTED.

Not to Be Punished for Killing the Columbia Editor.

LEXINGTON, S. C .- The jury in the case of Former Lieutenant Governor J. H. Tillman, tried for the murder of Editor Gonzales of the in a verdict of not guilty.

The jury had retired shortly before 2 o'clock Wednesday. The jury announced at 10:45 that a verdict had been agreed upon. The defendant and attorneys were sent for and the jury then filed into the court room and the verdict was read.

A demonstration followed the announcement, friends of the defendant giving vent to their feelings in a shout. The court, previous to the reading of the verdict, had anmonished the spectators to refrain from any demonstration.

Counsel for the defense moved the defendant's discharge from the sheriff's custody. No objection being made by the state, the court made the order.

Ex-Congressman Herndon Dies. DENVER, Colo .- A special from Albuquerque, N. M., says: Ex-Congressman W. S. Herndon of Tyler, Tex., died at Albuquerque while en route home from Los Angeles, where he had been for his health. Colonel Herndon had a very severe attack of pneumonia about three months ago, from which failure is attributed as the immediate week, have been recommended for discause of his death.

THE UNION PACIFIC BOARD.

New Directors Chosen at the Annual Meeting.

SALT LAKE-The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Union Pacific Railroad company was held in this city Tuesday, about threefourths of the capital stock being represented, mostly by proxy. After the election of a board of directors for the ensuing year the meeting adjourned until November 20, when E. H. Harriman and a party of directors will come to Salt Lake on a special train in order to be present on the occasion of the opening of the famous Ogden-Lucin cut-off across the Great Salt Lake. This special will be the first passenger train to run

over the cut-off. The election resulted in but one change being made, Joseph F. Smith, president of the Mormon church, being chosen resident director to succeed T. J. Coolidge, jr.,

The new board of directors as elected is as follows: Oliver Ames, Boston; Horace G. Burt, Omaha; Thomas T. Eckert, New York; Louis Fitzgerald, New York; George 'J. Gould, Lakewood, N. J.; E. H. Harriman, Arden, N. Y.; Marvin Hughitt, Chicago; James H. Hyde, New York; Otto H. Kuhn, Morristown, N. J.; Charles A. Peabody, New York; Winslow S. Pierce, New York; Henry H. Rogers, New York; Jacob H. Schiff, New York; James Stillman, New York; Joseph F. Smith, Salt

The board of directors will meet in New York within the next ten days for the purpose of electing officers and taking up several matters concerning the management of the road. Among these, it is said, the question of double tracking from Omaha to Ogden will be considered. In an interview, President Burt emphatically denied the rumors that he is to resign at an early date.

In speaking of the election of Joseph F. Smith, to the directorate, Alexander Miller, secretary for the Harriman lines, said:

"It has always been the custom of the company to have a citizen of Utah on the board. Brigham Young was the first and there has always been one until recently. It was to carry out this custom that Mr. Smith was elected."

The annual meeting of the Oregon Short Line stockholders will be held in this city Wednesday.

TO HEAR THE ELEVATOR CASE.

Interstate Commissioner to Investigate Grain Rates.

ST. PAUL, Minn.-The interstate commerce commission will convene in St. Paul November 7 to take testimony and conduct a hearing of the Cannon Falls elevator case, which involves the on the through rates on grain to Chicago from outside points. Notice of the hearing was received today by the state railroad and warehouse commis-

The state has only an indirect connection with the case, which originated in the complaint of a Cannon Falls elevator company against the Chicago Great Western and Chicago. Milwaukee & St. Paul railways, alleg-Columbia State last January, brought ing that the present grain rates from Cannon Falls to market points are un-

MAKING UP ALASKA VERDICT.

Believed it Will Be Such as to Finally End Dispute.

LONDON-The last stage of the Alaskan boundary arbitration began Monday when the commissioners met in secret session to consider their

Dealing with the difficulties encountered in the election of a new British ambassador to the United States, and the irritation which he would have to face both in Canada and the United States if the Alaskan tribunal broke up with a disagreement, the Times

"We rejoice to say that there is believed to be something more than a possibility that an award may be agreed upon, or rather that several questions may be so answered as to end the matter."

Army Musicians in Trouble.

CHICAGO, Ill.-Fifty members of the First Regiment band, who refused he had never fully recovered. Heart to play in the centennial parade last charge from the regiment.