

of the aggregate wealth of the Mississippi states and territories is \$20,000,000,000.

The marvelous strides made in the development of the Mississippi region are chiefly due to the construction of railroads.

In 1860 there were only 2,100 miles of railroad west of the Mississippi and only 26 1/2 miles west of the Missouri.

As a factor in the educational exhibit in the exposition of 1893 the states west of the Mississippi will be able to furnish a striking object lesson.

West of the Mississippi have been founded some of the most important population and commerce centers in the United States.

At the mouth of the Mississippi we have New Orleans, the commercial emporium of the gulf states.

In the center is St. Louis, most prosperous of American cities, reaching out clear to the City of Mexico and Gulf of California with its jobbing trade and manufacturing enterprises.

At the headwaters of the Mississippi are St. Paul and Minneapolis, the greatest milling and lumber centers in America.

At the Gulf of Mexico lies Galveston and near the Rio Grande is San Antonio, both with a growing international trade.

A fair index of the intelligence and progressive spirit of any country or section is its newspapers.

Measured by that standard the Mississippi states are the peer of any portion of the United States or of the world.

NEBRASKA PRESS COMMENT.

Schuyler Herald: A liberal appropriation for the Transmississippi Exposition can confidently be expected at the hands of the Nebraska legislature.

Dorchester Star: The board of directors of the Transmississippi Exposition has been selected, chiefs of the various bureaus have been appointed, and the work of pushing forward the enterprise will at once begin.

Omaha News: Every newspaper in Nebraska should lend its aid in support of the Transmississippi and International Exposition.

Lincoln New Republic: The Transmississippi Exposition is really started with a bang of strong energy and high spirits.

North Platte Tribune: If the incoming legislature does the proper thing it will lend encouragement to the best sugar industry and appropriate a reasonable sum for the Transmississippi Exposition.

Atkinson Graphic: The first bill introduced in the legislature should be in aid of the Transmississippi Exposition.

Hollwood Gazette: The Transmississippi Exposition to be held in our metropolis, June to November, 1898, promises to be a grand thing for Nebraska and all the states near her.

Monroe Republican: Omaha's Transmississippi Exposition should be given a liberal appropriation by the legislature.

Emerson Enterprise: The Transmississippi and International Exposition which grand show and great thing for Nebraska.

North Nebraska Eagle: The Transmississippi and International Exposition to be held in Omaha, beginning in June and ending in November in the year 1898, is already being pushed by its promoters.



Two and a half centuries ago Vitus Berling, a Dane, led an exploring expedition sent out by the imperial government of Russia to find, if possible, new lands east of Siberia.

In 1867 the United States government purchased Alaska for \$7,200,000 in gold.

The area of Alaska is of imperial dimensions, North and south it extends between Dixon Entrance and Kotzeb Bay for 1,300 miles.

The Yukon river is of unknown length, probably 2,000 miles. The traders have navigated it for 1,200 miles.

It has been said that the gold mines of Alaska will produce enough treasure to pay the national debt.

The fisheries are of enormous value. There are fifty San Francisco and New Bedford whaling vessels in the Arctic ocean.

The population of Alaska, given by the census of 1890, was 31,755; of these 23,274 are native Indians.

Educational affairs are under the direction of the United States commissioner of education.

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stone one of remarkable beauty. The quantity is inexhaustible. The Vanderbilt group of Along mines comprises 240 acres.



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Arkansas has an area of 53,840 square miles—about the size of England.

The population in 1890 was 1,603,000. The total vote for president in 1892 was 146,662.

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The coal fields of Arkansas are very extensive, covering an estimated area of 2,247 square miles.

Iron deposits of inexhaustible quantity are found in the hilly regions, covering a very wide area.

The deposits of marble in Arkansas are greater than those of any other state in the union.

The 14th natural resources of the state are but little developed and present a grand opportunity for profitable investments.

The educational facilities afforded by Arkansas are excellent.

The railroad mileage of Arkansas is 2,424. There are 1,706 postoffices.

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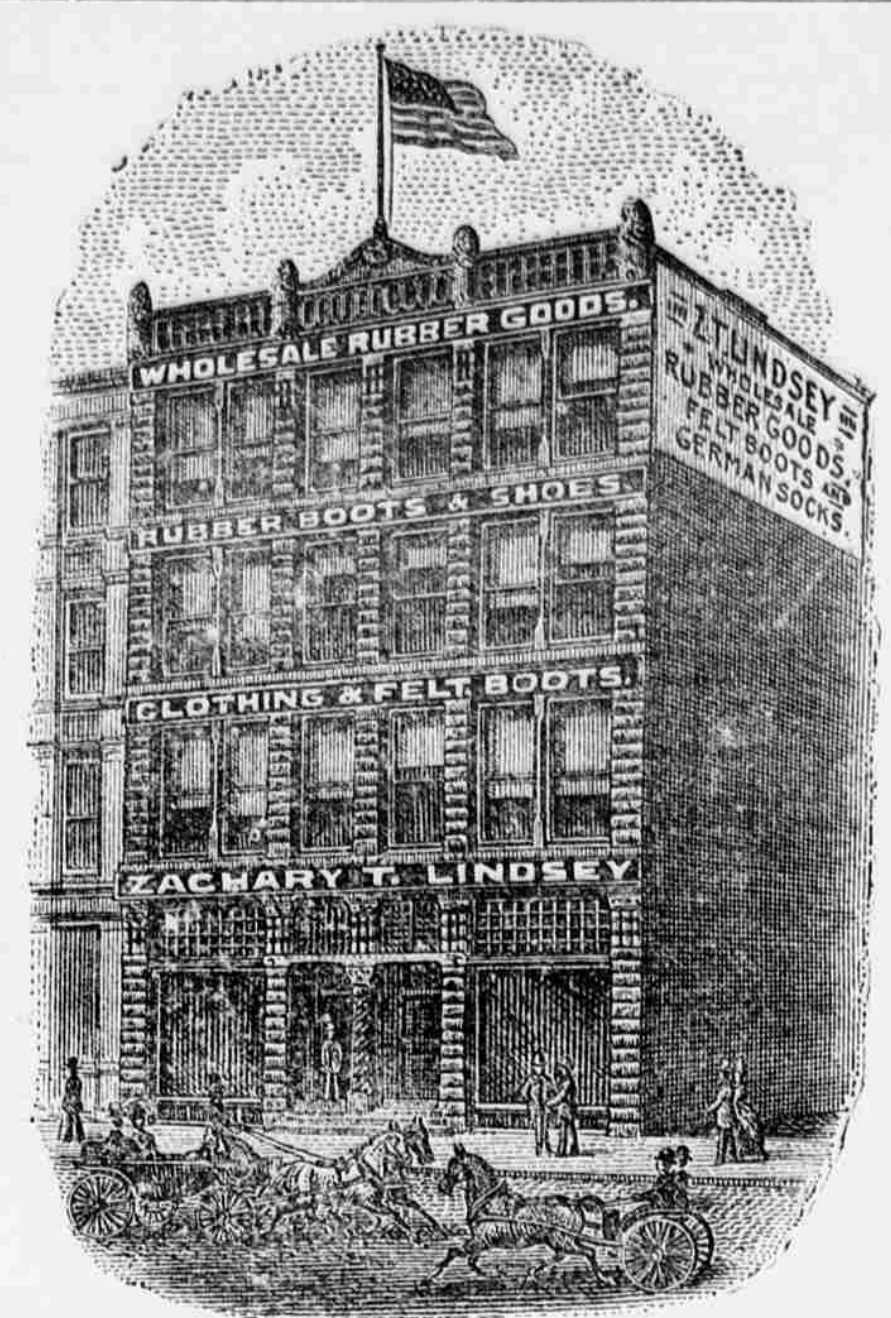
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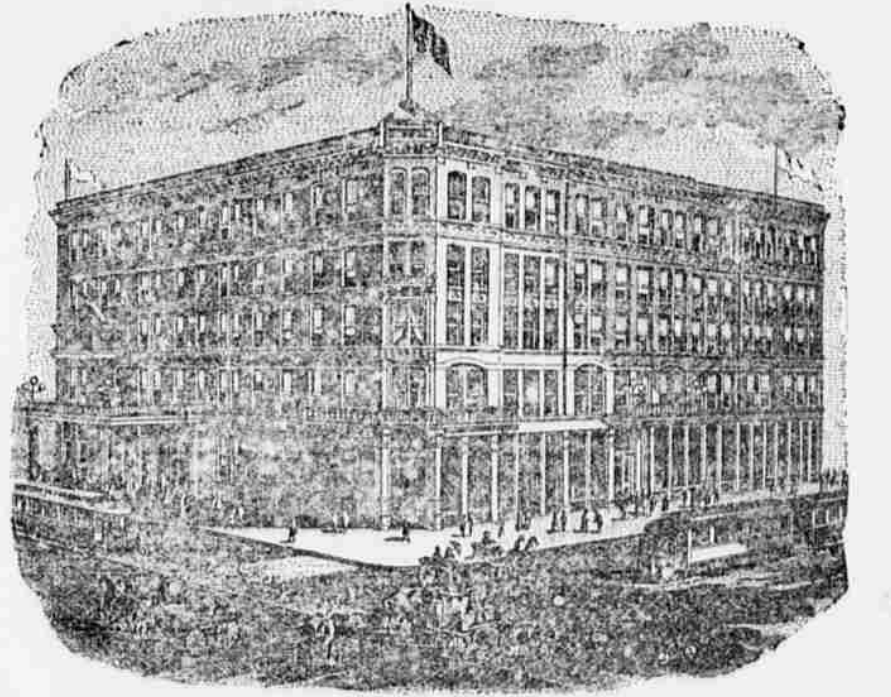
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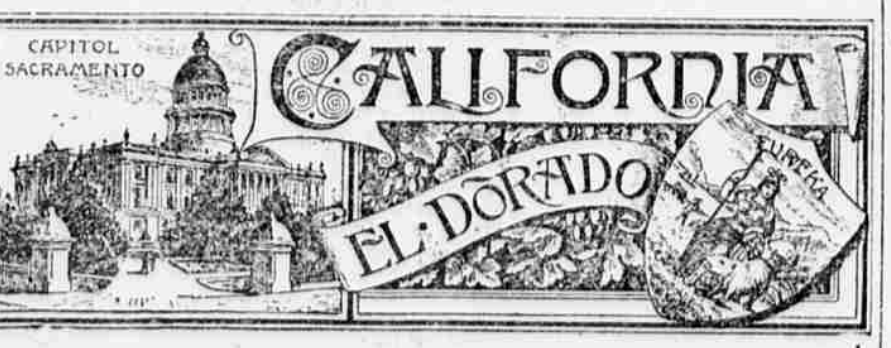
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