

SAM'S BATTLESHIP FLEET PRACTICALLY BLOCKADING VERA CRUZ HARBOR



ANOTHER BIG ALASKA GRAB

The crooked special interests are trying to come back.

Beaten at every angle of their fight in the last few years in their struggle to grab Alaska and everything in it worth while, they are now trying by political chicanery at Washington to defraud the people in the so-called "government railway bill."



And, as usual, they find ready tools in congress to do their bidding. Humphries, the Senator Poindexter, standpat congressman of Seattle, and Johnson, the standpat congressman from Aberdeen, are leading the contest to push the grab through, and get Uncle Sam to put up \$40,000,000 to build a government railway in Alaska, to be turned over later to the millionaire syndicates of grabbers.

pel the people to build them, but the private syndicates who lease them will reap all the benefit, while Uncle Sam pockets all the losses connected with them.

The scheme is such a bald and patent frame-up that it ought to stir the people of the nation into a ferment of protest. The trouble is apparently the people have supposed they were safe when they disposed of Taft, Aldrich, Foraker and a few of their ilk, but the gang that is always looking for a chance to rob the people soon found just as willing and pliant tools in Johnson, Humphries, Chamberlain and the rest of their stripe.

Tacoma Playhouses
Tacoma Theater—"The Tik-Tok Man of Oz," fairyland extravaganza, Saturday night; Otis Skinner in elaborate production of "Kismet," three nights, beginning next Thursday.
Princess Theater—"The Confession," James Halleck Reid's startling drama, all week; Bargain Matinee Saturday.
Pantages Theater—"Power's Hippodrome elephants;" "The Last Night on the Barbary Coast;" good vaudeville acts.
Melbourne Theater—Latest popular films of travel, comedy, drama and current events. Special pipe organ program by Prof. John Forrest of London.



Can They Do It?
NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Marine engineers in convention are discussing how to build an ocean liner that cannot be sunk.

Fairyland Extravaganza
Lenora Novacic, who comes to Tacoma tomorrow night in "The Tik-Tok Man of Oz."



Relieved of Job
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 12.—John J. Forsberg was yesterday relieved of his position of military governor of Mindanao and ordered to report to San Francisco.

ANNA HELD HAS CLEVER BILL
Anna Held came, saw and conquered. She left Tacoma today with the hearts of several hundred loyal Tacomans clasped carelessly in her hands.



Does It This Way
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 13.—Dr. John Quackenbos of New York before the American Society for Study of Alcohol, said he had cured many drunkards by suggestion.

Woman Takes Poison
WAHOO, Neb., Dec. 12.—When the sheriff went to bring Mrs. Maggie Johnson into court to receive the verdict of the jury for killing her husband he found she had taken poison and was dying.



Plant Destroyed
TROY, N. Y., Dec. 12.—Fire at Coehoes destroyed manufacturing plants worth \$300,000 and threw 600 men out of work.

Mummified Body
NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—The mummified body of an Inca boy of 12 which has shrunk to a fraction of its original form was brought from the mountains of Peru by Thomas G. Taylor of Montreal.



Lock Up Registers
PASADENA, Dec. 12.—Because real estate men bother tourists hotel men have locked up their registers to prevent them being scrutinized by the realty sharks.

Wholesale Arrests
HAVANA, Dec. 12.—Fourteen negroes and whites have been arrested for practicing voodooism and sacrificing a 6-year-old girl.



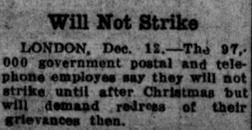
Taft Is Reducing
NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—President Taft having reduced from 341 to 271 pounds declares he is well and happy and loves everybody.

Will Not Strike
LONDON, Dec. 12.—The 97,000 government postal and telephone employes say they will not strike until after Christmas but will demand redress of their grievances then.



CITIZEN HELD
DOUGLAS, Ariz., Dec. 12.—A. Jonwald, an American citizen, was held five hours in prison at Agua Prieta on the charge of being a federal spy.

2000 MUTINY
HERMOSILLO, Mex., Dec. 12.—Mutiny among the 2,000 federal troops is threatened here.



3000 HELD
NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—The 3,000 government postal and telephone employes say they will not strike until after Christmas but will demand redress of their grievances then.

The Book Store, 926 Pacific av. "Advertisement."

THIS IS WHAT WE HAVE TO OFFER THE PUBLIC SATURDAY

It is quite unnecessary for us to go into further details. You all realize we are closing out our present merchandise. You all know what values we have given the thousands of customers who have attended our sale since the opening of this great event. We assure you all that Saturday we have a great deal in store for you. The following items will give you an idea of what is in store for you

EXTRA SPECIALS

- \$10 Smoking Jackets Cut to \$1.89
35c Suspenders Cut to 14c
\$2.50 Underwear Cut to 68c
\$10 Silk Pajamas and Night Robes Cut to \$1.89
\$8.50 All Wool Ruff Neck White Sweater Coats \$1.89

500 Slip-on Raincoats and Gabardines

- \$ 5.00 Slipon Raincoats \$1.89
\$ 7.00 Slipon Raincoats \$3.89
\$10.00 Slipon Raincoats \$4.89
\$12.50 Slipon Raincoats \$6.89
\$15.00 Slipon Raincoats \$7.89
\$20.00 Slipon Raincoats \$9.89
\$25.00 Slipon Raincoats \$13.89
\$22.50 Gabardines \$10.89
\$25.00 Gabardines \$13.89

Saturday We Will Sell

- \$1.00 Night Robes 48c
\$2.00 Fine Men's Handkerchiefs, box of 12 89c
50c Pure Linen Initial Handkerchiefs 23c
50c Holiday Neckwear, 1 in a box 19c
75c and \$1.00 Holiday Neckwear 38c
50c Silk Knit Ties 23c
\$1.50 and \$2.00 Shirts 48c
500 dozen Pairs of 25c Shawknit Hose 15c
50c Men's Pure Silk Hose 18c
\$1.00 Dress Shirts cut to 48c
\$2.00 Men's Dress Gloves cut to 89c
50c Silk Hose Supporters 18c
50c Suspenders 23c

Men's Suits and Overcoats

- \$15.00 Suits cut to \$ 7.89
\$20.00 Suits cut to \$10.89
\$22.50 Suits cut to \$12.89
\$27.50 Suits cut to \$17.89
\$45.00 Full Dress Suits \$24.89
\$30.00 Overcoats, silk lined \$10.89
\$30.00 Homespun, the latest overcoats \$14.89

Hats Hats Hats Hats

- \$2.00 and \$2.50 Men's Hats 48c
\$3.50 Men's Hats \$1.89
\$1.50 and \$2.00 Auto Caps 89c
\$8.50 Im'd Velour Hats \$4.89

Every article in our store will be greatly reduced except two lines of contract goods, which we regret as far as the public is concerned, but our promise to these manufacturers is just as our promise is to you. These lines are Arrow Collars and Munsing Wear.

The reason our sale has been such a success is that we are not only giving the public exactly what we advertise but a great deal more. Another reason is that our merchandise is the finest men's ready-to-wear appare l in Tacoma today, and our reductions throughout our store are genuine.

WE ARE NOT GOING OUT OF BUSINESS, but owing to the fact that extensive alterations will be made in our store shortly, we will be compelled to temporarily discontinue business. WHEN WE OPEN OUR NEW STORE IT WILL BE REPLENISHED WITH AN ENTIRE NEW STOCK.

Store Opens Saturday at 10 a. m., So Get Here Early

MENZIES-STEVENS CO. 913-915 Pacific Avenue

Owing to the great loss we are forced to take, a slight charge will be made for alterations on clothing. Goods Sold for Cash Only, Nothing Will Be Returned Without Deposit