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CAPITAL IS SORELY NEEDED IN LIBERIA

Consul Crum Says American Investments Would Pay Well And Be Favored

DISLIKE EUROPEAN TRADE **METHODS**

Steamship Service Greatly Improved During The Past

iam D. Crum, United States min-der Dempster boats not to stop at from the Roosevelt convention, ister to Liberia, in a report to the Liberian ports unless at least held at Chicago, last week, is the Bureau of Manufactures, says that twenty-five tons of cargo were billed assertion that Joseph P. Evans Liberia, is in need of capital for in New York for Liberia. The made to a representative of the its development. He points out Woermann boats always stop at Li- Afro-American Ledger. Mr. Evans that the Liberian coffee growers berian ports, and usually come represented the Fourth Maryland are dissatisfied with the prices paid heavily loaded with American ker- Congressional district at the conthem by Europeans, that a tele- osene, lumber, tobacco, and such vention, and was the only colored phone system has been installed at other freight as can be secured. | member of the committee on per-Monrovia and that steamers touch "This direct line ought to be of manent organization. He also took the Liberian capital regularly.

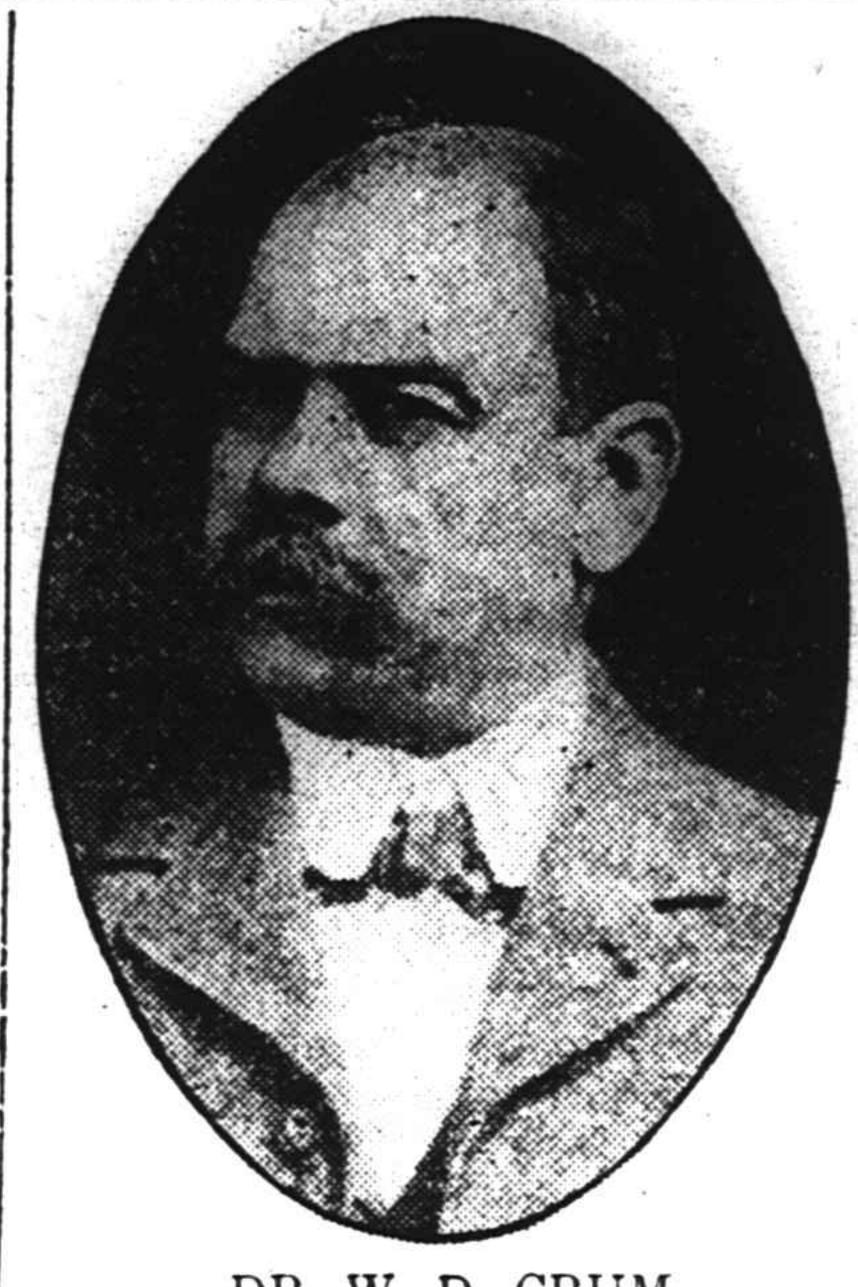
He says in part: ways carry large profit for the mer- modify rates. chant and give him a positive hold "During 1911, the German South on a definite amount of coffee, the American Cable Company, which all Negroes. advantages of this system for the had already installed a cable service merchant are apparent.

"In addition to realizing the se- phone system in the city. rious drawback of this system, the all the business houses and Govern-St. Paul River planters claim that ment officers have been fitted with market prices were misrepresented this new convenience and its use by local merchants. Protests and has already proven of immense adconcerted action by the farmers vantage to local business interests. forced the merchants to advance The telephone system will contrithe price one cent per pound in bute its most important service to been made for the exclusion of Mary E. Eubanks' Institute, W. to carry forward the enterprise. ground that their names had most cases. Since then the farmers the country, however, when the intions direct from Europe.

beria, both passenger and freight, it is highly probable that this neceswas considerably improved during sary work will not be delayed much 1911. Both the Elder Dempster longer. Cargo steamers are now leaving lic. Hamburg weekly that will carry "The French Wireless Company freight for Liberian ports. From has continued the construction of Colored Brother Is Liverpool cargo steamers that will its station at Monrovia, and it will carry both passengers and freight probably be in operation soon. sail every two weeks.

passenger and cargo, in the African wireless, and telephone service un- Washington, Aug. 16-The Taft trade are now equipped with 'large | der German management and a ca- | forces are out in quest of supportrefrigerators and carry fresh meats ble and wireless service under ers and are holding out the olive and provisitions in sufficient quan- French management. Either cable branch to all of those who have tities to supply the demand of the company communicates with all im- strayed away from the old reservaforeign element in the seaport portant points in the world. It is tion to nest under the banner of towns of the West Coast. These stated that the German wireless Roosevelt and the Progressives. refrigerator steamers have greatly has a maximum radius of 400 miles. Col. Henry Lincoln Johnson and improved the living conditions of while the French wireless will be Register James C. Napier sent a foreigners in Liberia, where the able to operate at a distance of telegram out to the colored men in problem of fresh food has always 2,500 miles. been difficult.

pany and the Woermann Company.



DR. W. D, CRUM

Washington, Aug. 16-Dr. Will- It has been the practice of the El- South were not entirely excluded

great assistance to American ex- a prominent part in the deliberaporters looking to the West Coast tions and was one of the speakers "During the coffee season of of Africa for trade opportunities. at the welcome to the returning 1911, there was considerable dis- If it is well patronized from the Bull Moose delegates at the Hotel satisfaction on the part of the New York end its permanence is Rennert last Friday night. farmers of the St Paul River dis- assured and its value to American "The dispatches in the daily patrict, who are the largest coffee commerce will be great. The pro-producers in the country, with the pro-producers in the country, with the pro-producers they were able to secure by the United States are for the prices they were able to secure by the United States are for the excluded from the convention is from the merchants. The principal most part shipped to Hamburg, false. Oklahoma, Texas, Kentucky, purchasers of Liberian coffee are Liverpool, or the Canary Islands, Louisiana, Tennessee, and Arkansas German and English merchants, and then transhipped from these who have local branch houses at points to West African. It would conner representing the latter most of the ports of entry on the appear that much time and money State. sea coast. It has been customary could be saved by loading freight for these merchants to make ad- on the steamers at New York which vances of provisions and goods to sail direct for West African ports. the planter against his coffee crop Although there may be little or no as security. At the coffee season difference in freight rates, there these advances generally amount to will at least be a great difference just a little less than the value of (in transit time in favor of the dithe planter's crop. As the trade rect line and ultimately an increasgoods advanced to the planter al- ed volume of business is certain to

at Monrovia, completed its telewith Monrovia. While no steps are "The steamship service to Li- being taken at pesent to this end,

Line of Liverpool and the Woer- 'The South American Cable Commann Line of Hamburg have steam- pany, under French management, ers calling at Monrovia twice a finished laying and connecting its month outward and inward. The cable lines in 1911, and early in combined service of these two lines 1912, cable service over this comgives Liberia good mail facilities. pany's lines was offered to the publion."

With the completion of this instal-"Almost all English steamers, lation, Monrovia will have a cable,

"There is an abundance of cheap | tion last week asking them to please "A direct line of cargo steamers labor in the country that is in a return to the fold. Continued on Page 4

SOUTHERNERS WERE

Delegates From Many Southern States Were Seated In Bull **Moose Convention**

REPORTS OF NEWSPAPERS WERE FALSE

J. P. Evans Gives His Impression of Convention of the Progressive Party

That colored delegates from the

"In addition, the States of the North and West also had colored delegates and some of these men were given important committee assignments. This is something the colored voters of the North and West have not previously enfrom Mississippi, there were 12 white men and eight colored, yet the press dispatchers said they were

"That convention marks a new era for the race in this country. The colored voters of the North and West were not only accorded recognition for the fiirst time, but the way has been paved for the race in the South to become more National Convention and noted carefully some of the sad conditions prevailing, and that has male me more firm in my opin-

Much Sought After

attendance at the Roosevelt conven-

Saunders, who has been given a mes famous "Black Swann"

sengership by executive order; T. F. McAllister, who has been given another term as receiver of public NOT ALL THROWN OUT | moneys at Jackson, Miss., and even General Robert Small, whom President Taft has renamed as collector moneys at Jackson, Miss., and even ident Taft has renamed as collector of the port at Beaufort, S. C., but whom a hostile Senate has so far refused to confirm, will be cited to show the friendliness of the Taft forces. Added to this will be the heralding of the names of Assistant Attorney General Lewis and C. A. Cotterill, collector of customs at Honolulu, as examples of the men NEGROES COULD MAKE "who got something that the race never had before.

The slogan is: "Vote for the Grand Old Party as it freed you from the House of Bondage,' even though those freed were turned loose and left on the back stoop.

Governor Wilson Will

crats hereabouts as well as the of the Emancipaion Proclamation time Governor Donaghey has depilgrimages that colored men have in 1913.

emonies a Sea Girt last week were lows: Bishop Alexander Walters, A. Cosey, of Jersey City; James L. Cur- since Abraham Lincoln issued his tis, of New York; Charles L. Barnes, | proclamation declaring the freedom | Chicago; A. H. Underdown, and A. | beginning of the second session of J. Clarke, both of Washington.

New York, August 16. — The attendance, most of whom lodged ing their period of freedom, but ing for a receivership on the ground

Among the students enrolled prise.' were: Misses Susie Jenning, Lucy "This commission, in the Presi- The anwser states that the so-

Mattie Lomax, condemned to die for the murder of her husband, to life imprisonent. The President

persons who did not want the death

penalty visited upon a woman.

Will Start Again Fordyce, Ark., Aug. 15. - The management of the Star Messenger; the plant of which was destroyed by fire, is rapidly getting into shape to carry business along the

Famous Singer Dead

former progressive lines.

has been operating between New large degree unproductive. This The Taft forces are going to use beccaWright, one of the best known be good policy and fair treatment up business in new fields. Four York and the West Coast of Africa can be explained by the relatively allegation that colored delegates singers of the race died at the resi- to give them what they want. for more than a year. The steam- limited amount of capital active in from the South were excluded from dence of her daughter, Mrs. Eliza "At different expositions there fendants assert that a receivership ers comprising this line are dis- industrial undertakings of any size the Roosevelt convention, ignoring White, from a complication of dis- have been Negro departments and would be harmful to the interests patched alternately every two in the country, and the ability of the fact that five Southern States eases. She traveled for eleven N egro exhibits; but a strictly Ne- of the members of the society, and months by the Elder Dempster Com- the farmers to pay a fair wage to had colored delegates. Old Mingo years with Mme. Greenfield, the gro exposition has never been held, that business has increased 15 per

FOR EXPOSITION

Celebrate Fiftieth Anniversary of the Emancipation In Proper Manner

FINE SHOWING.

What They Have Done With Their Freedom

New York, August 16.-"J. C. and white voters. H.," in a letter in yesterday's Get a Big Slice Times, urges that Congress appro- vention refused to adopt a plank Trenton, N. J., Aug. 15-Judg- priate \$250,000 for exposition to in the party platform favoring ing by the talk of colored Demo- celebrate the fiftieth anniversary disfranchisement, but since that

been making to Sea Girt and this The writer states that there are of the colored vote. city to see Governor Wilson, the 10,000,000 colored people, he bulk Jersey executive will get a most of whom live in the South, that the Among the colored men who attended the Wilson notification cer-

> "It will be fifty years in 1913 the Sixty-first Congress, President Taft called attention to this fact and expressed the opinion that the event, one of the most important in Summer School the history of the United States, should be properly celebrated.

outside of the university grounds. also from the time of their com- that the society was insolvent.

priations and ordered to be print | money to meet current demands. ed,' and there the matter rests. The answer asserts that \$500 of Either the Congress should grant the money that the plaintiff claims had been besieged for months by the appropriation or it should de- due him was for services rendered, clare flatly against the enterprise. and while he had agreed to accept

and the occasion is important. The til the society was on a strong Negroes have not asked for much foundation, that Mr. Williams had at any time and they have not been received \$1,600 while no other treated with great liberality in official had received over \$150. matters of appropriation from the Any claim that the plantiff may pubic treasury. There is much ob- have against the defendant corpora jection to the appropriation of pub- tion, states the answer, will be setlic funds for the holding of exposi | tled in due course after the same tions that were not more meritor- has been proven.

and as thousands of soldiers 'died' cent since the plaintiff resigned.

to make men free, 'it is not asking much to give them now enough money to prove to the world] what they have done with their free-

Will Fight Against Disfranchisement

Little Rock, Ark., Aug. 15-The Arkansas Suffrage League is making a big fight against the ratification of the proposed disfranchising amendment, which will be submitted to the voters of the State in September. Auxiliary leagues have been organized all over the Should Be Given Chance to Show | State and the voters urged to pay their poll taxes. The league has raised funds in all parts of the State for the carrying on of a campaign of education among colored

The recent Democratic State Conclared in favor of the elimination

WOULD HURT SOCIETY

Attorneys File Answer For Home Benefit and Fraternal Society

Hawkins and McMechen, counsel "It was suggested that 'a proper for the Home Beneficial and Frasummer school of Columbia Univer- form of celebration would be an ternal Society, filed in the Circuit sity come to an end today. There exposition to show the progress the Court Wednesday an answer against were about 50 colored students in Negroes have made, not only dur. the suit of Delaware Williams ask-

The colored students are for the ing to this country,' and accord- Mr. Williams brought suit last joyed. In the excluded delegation most part teachers, and pursued ingly, the President recommended week in which he claimed that the courses in English, philosophy, the appointment of a preliminary society owed him upwards of \$900, mathematics, education, psycholo- commission to consider carefully including a loan of \$165.89. He gy, history, modern languages Lat- whether or not it is wise to hold was connected with the society in, and Greek, sociology and natur- such an exposition, and if so, to until a month ago, when he acceptoutline such a plan for the enter ed a position with the Columbia Beneficial Society.

Nook, Mr. Elizabeth Burrell, H. C. dent's opinion, should serve with ciety was organized in 1909 by Mr. Scurlock, T. Montgomery, Gregory out salary, except as to actual ex- Williams and others, and that those A. Glenn, W. Robinson, J. A. Logan, penses, and an appropriation to making answer to the suit had then all of Washington; Misses Helen meet such expenses was recom- and have now other lucrative eminfluential factors in the body pol- Crampton, Williamsbridge, N. Y.; mended. The matter has dragged ployment, and that they were initic. The opening has certainly Laura Horace, Jacksonville, Fla.; along and nothing has been done duced to become interested on the those who go to national convention Va.; Eugenia W. Jacobs, Fayette- On July 1 of the present year Re- weight in the community. The have been obtaining market quota- terior towns and districts are linked without interest in the welfare of ville, N. C.; Carriebelle Cole, Ros- presentative Bradley of the Twen- defendants claim that Mr. Williams the people of their section of the alie Pinckney, Julia Mixon, all of tieth New York District, who was has not acounted to them for several country and the race but means that New York City; Mrs. E. Woodward, brevetted for gallantry in the war hundred dollars, that the manner of only men keenly interested in the Austin, Tex.; Woody B. Jacobs, which made the Negroes free, offer- the plaintiff toward the office force race and their section of the coun. George Hines, both of Kansas City; ed an amendment to the Sundry was not congenial, and that they try will be allowed to come to the Ora T. Weaver, Troy, N. Y.; and Civil Appropriation Bill 'to appro- were not aware that Mr. Williams front. I attended the Republican James S. Harris. Brooklyn, N. Y. piate \$250,000 for expenses of the had contracted in his own name semi-centennial exposition for the for office furnitue. They say that President Spares Mattie Lomax celebration of the semi-centennial any loan made to them by the deannniversary of the Act of Emanci-, fendant was on a two-year tenure Washington, Aug. 15—President pation.' The amendment was 're- as were those of other officials of Taft has commuted the sentence of ferred to the Committee on Appro- the company who also advanced

"The sum asked for is not large no money for service rendered, un-

ious really than the the exposition | The answer also states that the which the Negroes would now hold society was reorganized in June, to show how they have prospered last and Mr. Williams duties as Philadelphia, Aug. 15-Mrs. Re- in this land, and it would seem to manager was restricted to building weeks thereafter he quit. The de-