

### TRAIN STRIKES TRACTION CAR

Two Women Are Fatally Injured in Grade Crossing Accident in Des Moines.

### ELEVEN ARE SERIOUSLY HURT

Heavy-Laden Car Carried Fifty Feet on Cowcatcher.

### THROWN AGAINST STEEL

It Was in Momentary Danger of Being Flung Into River.

### CONDUCTOR BLAMES FLA

Man in Charge of Car Says Received Signal to Come Ahead—Second Accident Narrowly Averted.

DES MOINES, Ia., Sept. 2.—Two persons were fatally hurt tonight and eleven seriously injured when a loaded Rock Island passenger train carrying state fair visitors returning from the show grounds struck a packed Fort Des Moines street car fully amidship and crushed it to kindling wood. The car was carried fifty feet on the cowcatcher of the engine and wrecked against the steel girders of the bridge across the Des Moines river, in momentary danger of falling into the river twenty feet below.

Fatally injured: Mrs. R. M. Rollins, Des Moines, Ia.; back twisted and internal injuries. Mrs. Ed Lawless, Des Moines; throat cut and internal injuries. Seriously hurt: Ora Edwards, Park Station; six ribs broken and crushed about head. Mrs. Ora Edwards, Park Station. Emma Russell, Park Station. Mrs. J. L. Jones, Des Moines. Emma Wells, Park Station. Minnie Henderson, Park Station. Tillie Pigeonstein, Park Station. H. A. Horan, Laoma. E. Williams, Des Moines. Helen Jackson, Des Moines. Mrs. H. J. Hammantrae, Des Moines. The injured were taken to the various city hospitals.

Conductor Harry Badgley of the street car declared that he had been given the right-of-way signal by the flagman at the crossing at First and Rock Island tracks. When in the middle of the track the passenger bore down upon the car. All efforts to stop it failed. The passengers had no time to escape and in an instant there was a tangled mass of wreckage and human beings screaming in terror and pain. The wounded were immediately taken from the wrecked car and ambulances were hurried to the scene. While this work of rescue was going on, another accident was barely avoided, as a second fair ground train ran into the crowd, scores just missing death under the wheels.

### BARES MINERAL LAND FRAUDS

State Geologist of Wyoming Estimates \$2,000,000 Has Been Made in Bogus Deals.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Sept. 2.—(Special.)—Four hundred thousand dollars is a conservative estimate of the ill-gotten gains of mineral claim wildcaters who have operated in northern Wyoming during the last three years, according to State Geologist Edwin Hall, who has just returned from that section of the state, where he made a thorough investigation based on more than fifty complaints from victims of the swindlers. State Geologist Hall makes a direct charge that the operator, said to be a resident of Sheridan, Wyo., and his associates have defrauded 300 easterners of \$20,000 through worthless mineral claim locations in the vicinity of Sundance, Wyo. The state geologist asserts that this gang obtained \$100,000 for locating east of 300 iron claims on the promise that the claims would later be bought for \$50 an acre. The \$100,000 was supposed to represent the cost of location work and recording, but although location notices were erected, there is no evidence that even a dollar's worth of work was done and the locations were absolutely worthless.

Another scheme referred to by the state geologist involves the fraudulent location of 300 oil claims in the Douglas district, and in connection with these has names Fred Pucey of Philadelphia, whose reputation has been unsavory ever since his methods were exposed by former State Geologist H. C. Heale, in the federal court at Philadelphia. State Geologist Hall will lay his charges before Governor B. B. Brooks and further action will lie with the executive office.

### KEEP UP FIGHT FOR CHILD

Genry Doubts Story Mrs. Barclay Intends Giving Up—Defends Kidnaping Plan.

TOPEKA, Kan., Sept. 2.—Joseph N. Genry, under arrest here on a charge of aiding in the kidnaping of the incubator baby, said today he did not believe that Mrs. J. S. Barclay, the foster mother of the child, could ever surrender her rights to Marian Bleakley. Genry, although unable to give bond, still showed an interest in the case. He said: "I believe that the statements made by Mrs. Barclay that she would keep up her fight are true. She loves Marian Bleakley more than her own life. "Mrs. Barclay convinced me that she was in the right. I learned to love the child through her, although I had never seen Marian. This above everything else, induced me to enter into the kidnaping case. It was not a question of money; I thought as Mrs. Barclay that I was taking the right step in obtaining the child." Genry declined to give out the names of his associates, as names of the five persons still out remain unknown. P. H. Tillotson, the Kansas City detective, telephoned Sheriff Norton today that he would come to Topeka tomorrow and advise.

### Grain Men to Meet in Chicago

Board of Trade Organizes Reception Committees Along New Lines.

CHICAGO, Sept. 2.—A new idea in reception committees, calculated to take that body from the ranks of the chiefly ornate to those of the strictly useful, has been evolved by the entertainment committee of the Chicago Board of Trade, which on September 17 to 18 will entertain delegations from every important board in the United States and Canada and some from abroad. Each delegation as it arrives will be taken in hand by someone with a personal acquaintance among that delegation. The fifty committees have been appointed with this in view and thereby it is expected the process of making everybody acquainted with everybody else will be greatly facilitated and confusion avoided. Acceptances to the invitation have come on every marketplace on the North American continent and a large attendance is said to be assured. Topics of interest to the grain trade will be discussed authoritatively.

### Train Strikes Automobile

Two Women and Man Are Instantly Killed Near Reading, Pa.

READING, Pa., Sept. 2.—An automobile in which were riding William L. Graul and wife of Temple, Pa., and Dr. and Mrs. Samuel E. Schlegel of this city, was struck by a Pennsylvania railroad train at Douglassville, near here, today and all but Dr. Schlegel were killed. The train was running at high speed when the collision occurred and the machine was thrown some distance down an embankment. Mr. and Mrs. Graul and Mrs. Schlegel were dead when picked up. Dr. Schlegel had both legs broken. The party had been on a week's motor trip to Delaware Water Gap and Philadelphia.

### THREE NEW OCEAN RECORDS

Lusitania First Boat to Make Westward Passage in Less Than Five Days.

NEW YORK, Sept. 2.—Three new ocean records fell to the Lusitania on its latest trip from Queenstown, which ended tonight. The Lusitania made the passage in four days, eleven hours and forty-two minutes, thereby clipping three hours and eighteen minutes from its fastest previous time. It maintained an average speed of 25.85 knots for the entire voyage, beating the Mauretania's record of 25.4, and, finally, by landing its passengers at the Cunard pier shortly before 2 o'clock tonight. Today for the first time one of them proved itself a "Thursday ship" in the vernacular of the seafarers on board and thereby became a real four-day boat. The voyage was favored by fair weather for almost the entire trip.

### ATLANTIC CITY SALOONS MAY CLOSE SUNDAY

Personal Friends of Mayor Stey Object to His Being Made Victim of Reform Crusade.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Sept. 2.—Saloons in this city may be closed next Sunday to prevent the technical arrest of Mayor Stey. The crusaders promise that they will issue a warrant for the arrest of the mayor under the law which makes it a misdemeanor to ignore a state order unless he closes the saloons. Political leaders and saloonmen are making a standing protest against the arrest of the mayor who object to his being made a victim of the reform crusade are working to bring about an agreement to close up the city rather than submit him to even a technical arrest.

### WHITE MAN IS SUSPECTED

New Arrival at Pittsburg, Kan., Believed to Have Killed Mrs. Lukes.

PITTSBURG, Kan., Sept. 2.—A white man, said to have come here from Joplin, is suspected now by the police authorities as knowing something of the murder of Mrs. Nellie Lukes, whose body was found in a clump of weeds here last Monday. The large bolt with which the murder was committed is said by members to have been in for several months prior to the murder near where it was found last Monday. The coroner's jury reconvened today for further investigation of the case.

## Dillon Wallace Tells Why Dr. Cook is Successful

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., Sept. 2.—Dillon Wallace, the author and explorer, whose comparison, Leonidas Hubbard, became lost, starved to death while exploring Labrador, in an interview today said that he had implicit faith in Dr. Frederick A. Cook's wonderful feat. Mr. Wallace had almost completed plans for an expedition for the relief of Dr. Cook. In his statement he said: "I knew Dr. Cook well. You may put implicit trust in his veracity. When a boy he exhibited signs of a scientific bent. When he could he would read of explorers and study their methods. It is utterly impossible that Dr. Cook could merely have found the magnetic pole. His course would not have permitted that. Any one who has visited the country and studied conditions there can realize how impossible it would be for him to reach the magnetic pole from the course he took. "Dr. Cook started out from Ellesmerland and his letter to his family was from Cape Thomas Hubbard (named after the father of the explorer who died with Wallace) in 1908. From there Cook pushed on to the Crackedland and went northwest. From that point the rest of his direct journey was completed. Thus it will be seen that the magnetic pole, lying in an opposite direction, would have been impossible of success by Dr. Cook. "I have no doubt that Dr. Cook has reached the north pole. He is a man of extreme reliability, fairly scientific and versed in geographical conditions in the Arctic regions. He has always manifested truthfulness in his every report and concerning explorations in the north he has been very exact. I am certain that he is truthful in this statement. "Another point that would tend to help discourage disparaging statements is that Dr. Cook's route was directly to Crackedland, ending with a swift dash to the pole. This he would avoid the awful eastern drift of the terrible current in the Polar sea, north of Greenland. "Peary undoubtedly would have accomplished what Dr. Cook has done if he had been better acquainted with the dangerous conditions confronting him in the frozen sea. Peary tried to avoid this condition by going westward, but this was his undoing. Peary made his dash too far eastward. Dr. Cook took advantage of Peary's failure and planned a roundabout course."

### TAFT EXPECTS TO VISIT ALASKA

President Announces that He Will Probably Make Trip to Northwest Next Year.

### LONG TALK WITH GOV. CLARK

Territorial Executive Spends Two Hours at Summer Capital.

### PLAN TO ANNEX THE POLE

Officials Refuse to Discuss Cook Discovery Seriously.

### PRESIDENT DENIES REPORT

Telegram Regarding Reception to Minnesota Delegation Printed in St. Paul Was Not Authorized.

BEVERLY, Mass., Sept. 2.—President Taft in bidding goodbye today to Walter Ely Clark, who is to be inaugurated at Juneau as governor of Alaska, October 1, announced that he probably would visit the far northwestern territory next summer. It is reported that if the president should go to Alaska next year he may extend his trip to include the Hawaiian Islands. Mr. Clark was with the president for more than an hour. Secretary of State Knox also was present at the conference. Neither the president nor Secretary Knox would discuss the reported discovery of the north pole today. When the secretary was asked as to what the state department ought to do with the pole under the circumstances, he laughingly replied: "Annex it, of course."

President Taft had a little touch of scotches today, which may keep him off the golf links for the remainder of the week. He first felt it when playing this morning. During the afternoon he said he no longer felt the twinges of pain and went for the usual late afternoon automobile ride. Tomorrow morning the president will witness the Sonder Klasse races off Marblehead from the decks of the yacht Sylph. The following statement was given out at the executive offices this afternoon: "President Taft has been informed that a telegram has been published in the St. Paul Pioneer Press and Dispatch of the following tenor: "I assure you of my complete sympathy with the plan to honor the Minnesota congressional delegation by a public ratification meeting."

### JAPS WORKING ON COMBINE

General Electric Company to Absorb Shibaura Engineering Works.

### DEAL TO BE ARRANGED SOON

American Corporation Already Controls Tokyo Denki Company—Call Upon Mayor Miller.

SEATTLE, Sept. 2.—Japanese commercial commissioners paid their respects to Mayor John F. Miller and the local consul, Tokichi Tanaka, today, and made plans for studying the United States in their tour of eighty days. Baron Shibusawa and Baron Kanda called at the city hall to thank the mayor for the city's courtesy. The commissioners met tonight and perfected details of their organization for a systematic study of the commerce of the United States. In connection with the statement that the tour is expected to result in the absorption of the great Shibaura Engineering works of Japan by the General Electric company of the United States, it is said that the General Electric company has been conducting a selling business in Japan for the last fifteen years. Besides transacting business under its own name, the American corporation owns 51 per cent of the stock of the Tokyo Denki company and controls the directorate. The most powerful competitor of the American company is the Shibaura Engineering works, 51 per cent of the stock of which is owned by the Mitsui company, represented by Iwobara. Six months ago the General Electric company, through its New York and Tokio representatives, and the Shibaura Engineering works entered into negotiations at Yokohama having for their object the consolidation of the American company, its oriental branch and the Japanese company, with control resting in the former's hands. The negotiations were broken off August 1, because the General Electric company would not grant certain concessions.

### HITCHCOCK FREE OF CHARGES

All Misdemeanor Indictments Against Actor Are Dismissed by Court.

NEW YORK, Sept. 2.—Raymond Hitchcock, the comedian, was given a clear bill on the criminal court records today when the court of general sessions dismissed the remaining four indictments charging misconduct. On the fifth of these indictments the actor was tried and acquitted by a jury June 10, 1908. When his attorney applied for the dismissal of the remaining indictments today Assistant District Attorney Garvin, who tried the case against Hitchcock, offered no opposition and told the court that he was sure he would be unable to obtain sufficient evidence to warrant a conviction.

### HARRIMAN IS IMPROVING DAILY

Magnate is in Communication with His Office in New York City.

NEW YORK, Sept. 2.—E. H. Harriman, who is resting at his home in Arden after treatment at the German baths, was in communication with his office in this city today. It was stated that his condition is improving daily.

### WESTERN MATTERS AT CAPITAL

One Rural Carrier and One Postmaster Nominated for Nebraska.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, Sept. 2.—(Special.)—Frank O. Gronquist has been appointed rural carrier for route 3 at Orleans, Neb. Henry G. Trick has been appointed postmaster at Revillo, Grant county, South Dakota, vice J. O. Haarstad, resigned. A. Back and J. Allen, co-partners, doing business as the Lemmon Lumber company at Lemmon, S. D., today filed a complaint with the Interstate Commerce commission against the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul and the Chicago, Milwaukee & Puget Sound Railway companies, alleging unjust and unreasonable charges on certain shipments of coal and demanding repayment from the defendant railroads in the sum of \$115, with interest from December 25, 1907.



An appropriate reception committee to greet Mr. Taft when he comes to the northwest. From the Minneapolis Journal.

### Philanthropist in Divorce Court

Wife of L. S. Coffin, Founder of White Ribbon League, Charges Him with Cruelty.

FORT DODGE, Ia., Sept. 2.—(Special Telegram.)—L. S. Coffin, wealthy philanthropist and connected with many enterprises of a charitable nature, was made defendant in a sensational suit for separate maintenance filed here today by Nellie A. Coffin, whom he married after an acquaintance growing out of their mutual connection with a charitable organization. Mrs. Coffin charges cruelty, consisting of threats and bad language, and that he had ordered her off his place. She also says he made very improper proposals to her. Coffin is said in the petition to be worth about \$75,000. He is the founder of the White Ribbon League and is widely known as a temperance worker and was associated with Mrs. Booth in her prison work. The report is current here that Mrs. Coffin denies the procedure at Detroit, where she now is, and developments here indicate this method was pursued to silence interviewers there. Mr. and Mrs. Coffin separated August 2.

### BOY CAUGHT BY BALLOON

Carried Three Thousand Feet High and Landed Safely—Parents Prostrated with Fear.

SYRACUSE, Ind., Sept. 2.—When William Simmons of Adrian, Mich., made a balloon ascension here late yesterday at the harvest jubilee, a boy named Quintus Neef became entangled in the ropes and was carried up 3,000 feet, descending with the balloon as the gas gradually escaped. He was unhurt. Simmons was compelled to cut loose when up only a few hundred feet to save the boy, and came down with the parachute safely. The boy's father and mother were in the crowd and were prostrated.

### VOLIVA WANTS OUT OF JAIL

Dowrie's Successor Imprisoned for Judgment Debt—Severe Writ of Habeas Corpus.

CHICAGO, Sept. 2.—Wilbur Glenn Voliva, successor to the late John Alexander Dowrie as head of the Christian Catholic church in Zion, and who is now in jail for failure to pay a judgment of \$10,000, obtained by a former member of the church on a charge of libel, obtained a writ of habeas corpus from Judge Scanlan here today. The writ is made returnable tomorrow.

### CANADA AND PULP TARIFF

Officials Agree Nothing Can Be Gained by Imposing Export Duty.

### PAPER MAKERS ARE DIVIDED

Pulp Men Want Complete Prohibition, While Many Paper Men Want Free Market in United States.

MONTREAL, Sept. 2.—While it is true that there is resentment in this country over the new provisions of the Payne tariff affecting the pulp and paper industry, it is felt both at Ottawa and Quebec that nothing can be gained by the imposition of export duties. The federal government, it is officially announced, will not take any action of a retaliatory nature in this direction and any legislation it may enact will be directed rather to a final settlement rather than to an aggravation of the difficulties at present in the way. It can be authoritatively announced that the future action of the Quebec provincial government will be in line with the policy most acceptable to the dominion as a whole, rather than any calculated to meet only the immediate situation as it is found in the province of Quebec. Leases Expire This Year. The existing timber leases in that province expire at the end of the current year. The government will have to decide upon its policy soon in order that it may be carried into effect with the granting of the new leases. It is certain that the provincial government will elect to follow the example of Ontario and make it a stipulated essential condition of all new leases that there shall be absolutely no exportation of unmanufactured pulp wood to the United States, insofar as crown lands are concerned. It would require an act of the dominion government to prohibit exportations from other than crown lands. Considerably more than 50 per cent of the unmanufactured pulp wood sent from Quebec province to the United States is exported by farmers from their own lands. The provincial government can take action in the matter without calling Parliament together, as the assent of the provincial assembly is not necessary to any change in the conditions of timber leases, though such change would in all probability be submitted to it if the premier decided to call a late fall session. On this latter point no authoritative announcement is forthcoming. Four parliaments have been held by the heads of the various provincial governments.

### BIG LEAD FOR SIX MONTHS-1909

Local Display Advertising for the First Six Months of 1909

Omaha Bee ..... 1,612,800 Agate Lines  
World-Herald ..... 1,478,528 Agate Lines  
Bee Lead ..... 134,272 Agate Lines

Foreign Display Advertising for the First Six Months of 1909

Omaha Bee ..... 381,892 Agate Lines  
World-Herald ..... 319,354 Agate Lines  
Bee Lead ..... 62,538 Agate Lines

Omaha is the growing city of the west and has one clean newspaper. THE BEE prints no sensational news. It prints the truth. THE BEE carries no objectionable advertising matter of any nature. All advertising in THE BEE is the highest class. These are reasons why you should advertise in THE BEE

### RECEPTION FOR EXPLORER COOK

Arctic Club is Preparing to Make His Homecoming Event of National Importance.

### FORMER RIVALS WILL ATTEND

Shackleton, Nansen, Abruzzi and Greely to Be Invited.

### EXPEDITION WELL EQUIPPED

Financial Backer of Enterprise Talks of Outfitting It.

### IT WAS NO HAPHAZARD AFFAIR

While Little Noise Was Made About It, the Preparations Were Most Thorough Ever Made.

NEW YORK, Sept. 2.—Preparations are afoot here to make the home-coming of Dr. Frederick A. Cook an event of national and possibly international importance. If the plans outlined today by the members of the Arctic club are carried out, the welcome home which Dr. Cook will receive in New York will be an ovation in which city, state and nation will take part, while prominent explorers—Cook's former rivals—from all parts of the globe will gather to pay their personal respects to the explorer. Among the most notable of those who in all probability will be here to greet Dr. Cook on his return will be Lieutenant Shackleton, the Englishman, whose recent explorations in the antarctic, during which he succeeded in pushing nearer to the south pole than had any previous explorer, made him a figure of world-wide prominence. Members of the Arctic club hope that President Taft may himself be present as the nation's representative to welcome Dr. Cook. "Such an honor would be no more than fitting," one of them declared today, "in view of the fact that the explorer has placed the Stars and Stripes on the apex of the world and added perhaps 60,000 square miles to the nation's territory."

Arctic Stars to Shine. Among the explorers who are expected to take a prominent part in the welcome to Dr. Cook are the duke of the Abruzzi, Dr. Fridtjof Nansen, Captain Roald Amundsen, General A. W. Greely, Rear Admiral George Melville, Anthony Fiala of this city and Captain Joseph E. Bernier. No definite date has yet been set for Dr. Cook's arrival here. Captain Bernier, G. Osborn, secretary of the Arctic club, said tonight that the explorer is not expected for several weeks. "He is due in Copenhagen in three days," said Captain Osborn, "and if he came straight home would arrive in New York about the middle of September, but his friends believe that he may make several stops on the way home. For one thing, the geographers and scientists of Copenhagen will tender him a welcome. He may go to Christiania to meet Captain Amundsen, the discoverer of the northwest passage; it is likely that he will visit Belgium, where he has been credited for his services to the science, and it is scarcely conceivable that the British geographical societies would allow him to pass them by on his way home without an invitation to London."

### Expedition Well Equipped

John R. Bradley, the financial backer of Dr. Frederick A. Cook, explained today that the Brooklyn explorer's success in reaching the north pole was not so much the result of chance as the opinions of several polar experts would indicate. "This was no haphazard expedition," he said; "no intensified Arctic 'joy ride' undertaken on nerve. We went about our preparations for this thing quietly and without brass and blarney accompaniment, but every imaginable contingency had been provided for. "We studied out the mistakes and misfortunes of other men who had tried for the pole, hoping to benefit by their errors, and we certainly benefited by their examples. "I am not going to tell what the cost was, but I'll tell you this much: One single item was 5,000 gallons of gasoline and another was two barrels of gum drops. An Esquimaux will travel thirty miles for a gum drop. His sweet tooth is the sweetest in the world. "Now, Cook has as much nerve as any man in the world, I guess, but he had something besides nerve to carry him through. I'm not trying to take any of the credit; but I want to say that he had the right kind of an outfit to take him through. Cook will prove to the satisfaction of every fair mind that he has done exactly what he claimed he did."

Anthony Fiala, commander of the Ziegler expedition of 1902-05, agreed with Mr. Bradley in placing confidence in the reports of Dr. Cook's success. "This will not put an end to polar expeditions," he said today. "Other expeditions will push their way northward. Dr. Cook says he has discovered land in the far north. If the land is there others will find it and verify his story. If it is not there his story will be branded as false."

### New Territory for United States

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Sept. 2.—All new territory discovered by Dr. Frederick A. Cook when he reached the north pole will belong to the United States by right of discovery, according to the Rev. C. M. Charropin, S. J., professor of astronomy at St. Louis university. Father Charropin today said Dr. Cook's statements will be accepted by scientists who will attempt to confirm them.

### HAWAIIAN CAPITALIST LEAVES ESTATE TO FAMILY

Will of Late Charles M. Cook Attempts to Avoid Inheritance Tax.

HONOLULU, Sept. 2.—The will of the late Charles M. Cook, capitalist and financier, disposes of but little property, the bulk of his holdings being the corporation of C. M. Cook, Limited, everything is bequeathed to the family of the deceased. The will asks that the property be not appraised, that no bond be required and that the administrators do not publish an inventory of the estate. This latter provision has been declared to be illegal by Attorney General Henshaw, owing to the requirements of the inheritance tax law. Sooner estimates place the value of the estate at \$18,000,000.