

### STEAMING TEST FOR CRUISERS

Eight Ships of Pacific Fleet Will Begin Long Endurance Run Today.

#### FIRST STOP AT HONOLULU

Run from San Francisco to Be Made at Eighteen Knots.

#### SLOWER TRIP TO ADMIRALTY

After Coaling, Fast Schedule Will Be Resumed to Manila.

#### EXPECT TO MAKE RECORDS

Vessels Are to Be Tested from Every Naval Standpoint—Month's Battle Practice Off the Philippines.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Sept. 4.—In full war paint, dull grey, the first squadron of the Pacific fleet, comprising eight of the fastest armored cruisers in the American navy, will steam through the Golden Gate tomorrow on the first leg of a six months' cruise to the far east.

With two exceptions each warship is equipped with eighteen guns, and is of 12,000 tons burden. Two, the Tennessee and the Washington, have twenty guns each and are of 14,500 tons burden. Every ship has 2,000 horsepower.

The object of the voyage is to test the efficiency of the vessels.

According to Rear Admiral Uriel Seberer, who will command the squadron, the cruisers will steam to Honolulu at eighteen knots an hour. After remaining at the islands for three weeks they will proceed to the Admiralty islands at twelve and one-half knots, take on 12,000 tons of coal, and resume the eighteen-knot speed to Manila.

#### Month's Battle Practice.

They are due in the Philippines November 1, when they will begin a month's battle practice.

The third squadron of five protected cruisers and seven gunboats, in command of Rear Admiral Glee B. Harbar, will join them there.

On December 1 the first squadron will be separated into four parts. The Tennessee (Seberer's flagship) and the Washington will go to Shanghai, and two each of the others to Kobe, Hong Kong and Yokohama. At the end of two weeks the vessels will exchange positions remaining in Chinese and Japanese waters until January, when they will reassemble at Manila for the return trip.

#### After New Steaming Record.

An effort will be made to establish new long distance steaming records and the squadron will be tested from every naval standpoint.

Excluding the North Carolina, the Montana, the Brooklyn, the squadron under Seberer's command represents the entire armored cruiser strength of the navy and is the fleet that would be assembled for a swift service cruise in case of war. Consequently its achievements on the coming voyage will be watched with great interest by the naval experts.

The vessels are the Tennessee, Washington, California, South Dakota, West Virginia, Maryland, Pennsylvania and Colorado.

### INCREASED REVENUE FOR THE MILWAUKEE ROAD

Annual Report Indicates Four Per Cent Advance in Earnings from Freight Traffic.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Sept. 4.—The forty-fifth annual report of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway company, given out today by Secretary E. W. Adams in this city, and which is for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1909, shows the total operating revenue for the company for the year to have been \$56,897,462.63, total operating expenses, \$33,721,236.60, which excludes taxes, leaving the net operating revenue, \$23,176,226.03.

The total fixed charges, interests on bonds, etc., paid during the year ending June 30, 1909, amounted to \$8,837,710.90, leaving on that date a balance of \$14,338,515.13 as the clear profit for the year, as against \$11,547,548.97 as the balance for the year ending June 30, 1908, after paying fixed charges amounting to \$2,916,766.96.

The total revenue from freight traffic last year was \$42,341,500.62, as against \$40,453,870.64 for 1908, an increase of \$1,887,630.98, or 4.74 per cent; the revenue from passenger traffic was \$12,774,851.53, as against \$11,822,240.64 for 1908, an increase of \$952,610.89, or 8.06 per cent.

CHICAGO, Sept. 4.—Increasing industrial, agricultural and mining activity is indicated by advance sheets of the fortnightly statement of car surpluses and shortages compiled by President Hale of the American Railway company. Six plants in different parts of the country, employing 4,000 men when in full operation will be affected by the order, but it is understood that only about 1,400 men are at work at present.

### MORE PAY OR WILL STRIKE

Window Glass Workers Ordered to Stop Work Unless Increase is Granted.

PITTSBURGH, Sept. 4.—A strike of window glass cutters and flatteners of the country has been ordered by President Rhim of the National union, effective today unless the new scale advancing wages 20 per cent is accepted by the American window glass company. Six plants in different parts of the country, employing 4,000 men when in full operation will be affected by the order, but it is understood that only about 1,400 men are at work at present.

### WESTERN MATTERS AT CAPITAL

Secretary of the Interior Decides Two Nebraska Land Cases.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)  
WASHINGTON, Sept. 4.—(Special.)—The secretary of the interior has affirmed the decision of the land office in the appeal of William W. Armstrong in holding for cancellation his homestead entry upon the contest of Elsie Surber, in the Alliance district in Nebraska. He also rejected the appeal of Philip B. Dunn to make a soldier additional homestead entry in the Lincoln land district.

### Death Pact Is Executed In Cemetery

Hoboken Man Kills Wife and Self at Grave of Woman's First Husband.

#### NEW YORK, Sept. 4.—Charles A. Orlamunder, a musician, 45 years old, shot his crippled wife dead tonight and then killed himself with the same revolver at the grave of the woman's first husband. The bodies were found in the Hoboken cemetery in such a position that it is thought the wife must have been leaning forward on her knees before the grave when her husband shot her. After she fell he evidently wiped the blood from her head, as a handkerchief still wet with blood was found in his coat pocket.

At the sound of the two shots the superintendent of the cemetery hurried toward the direction of the reports. He found the woman dead at the feet of the man, who was sitting on a bench, still breathing faintly. He died before he could be taken to a hospital.

A court letter to an undertaker found in Mrs. Orlamunder's handbag pointed straight to an agreement between wife and husband to die together.

"Bury us and whatever the expense you will be paid," it declared.

A card in Orlamunder's pocket gave the name of a friend, who, an endorsement stated, would provide money for the funeral.

Orlamunder had married the widow of his employer, the owner of a Jersey City beer garden, where for many years he had led the orchestra. A deed of title from the first husband to the burial plot where the two chose to die was found in the wife's handbag.

### Clyde Fitch Dies in France

American Playwright Passes Away Following an Operation for Appendicitis.

CHALONS-SUR-MARNE, Sept. 4.—Clyde Fitch, the American playwright, died at 98 this evening. He had been unconscious since 3 o'clock in the afternoon. The doctors here, Dr. F. Eugene Gauthier, were present at the bedside.

Death was due to appendicitis, following an operation. Mr. Fitch was stricken with an acute attack while traveling from Germany, and upon his arrival here underwent an operation for the hands of Dr. Alquier. The patient rallied somewhat after the operation, and yesterday showed some signs of improvement. He suffered a relapse last night, however, and although he was fully conscious during the early hours today the improvement in his condition was unobtainable. After marked delirium he lapsed into unconsciousness about 3 o'clock in the afternoon, at which time the attending physicians gave up hope of his recovery.

NEW YORK, Sept. 4.—Clyde Fitch, easily the most prolific of younger American dramatists, was born at Elmira, N. Y., in 1810 of English ancestors, who settled in Connecticut early in the seventeenth century and left descendants who have been prominent in the religious and political life of the country ever since. After an early education under private instruction at home, he was fitted for college at Holderness, N. H., and was graduated from Amherst in 1838.

Among the best known of his plays are: Nathan Hale the Cowboy and the Lady; Barbara Frische; Sappho (from the French); the Climbers; The Girl and the Judge; The Last of the Dandies; The Girl With the Green Eyes; Her Own Way; Her Great Match and latterly The Girl Who Has Everything; Girls; The Blue Moon (from the German); and The Happy Marriage.

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### Place Asked for Sadilek

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### "Good Government vs. Special Privileges"

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Sept. 4.—In an address before the City club today, Clifford Pinchot, chief of the forestry bureau, said he did not desire to talk about conservation of natural resources, which, he said, was one of the greatest movements of the times.

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### TAFT CABLES MESSAGE TO COOK

President Congratulates Explorer on His World-Baffling Feat.

#### PRIDE OF AMERICANS STIRRED

Success is Due to Intelligent Effort and Wonderful Endurance.

#### KEEN INTEREST IN DISCOVERY

Minister Egan's Message to State Department Regarded as Official.

#### NO COMMENT UNTIL SATURDAY

President Had Nothing to Say Regarding Discovery Until He Received Personal Cablegram from Dr. Cook.

BEVERLY, Mass., Sept. 4.—President Taft today made his first official comment upon the reported discovery of the North pole by Dr. Frederick A. Cook. In answering a cablegram sent to him by Dr. Cook, reporting that he had reached the coveted point, Mr. Taft cabled back his warmest congratulations, declaring that the pride of all Americans had been stirred by the news and the report that the world-baffling feat had been accomplished by an American citizen. The exchange of cablegrams was as follows:

"COPENHAGEN, Sept. 4, 1909.—President the White House, Washington: I have the honor to report to the chief magistrate of the United States that I have returned after having reached the North pole.

"FREDERICK A. COOK."

"BEVERLY, Mass., Sept. 4, 1909.—Frederick A. Cook, Copenhagen, Denmark: Your dispatch received. Your report that you have reached the North pole calls for my heartfelt congratulations and stirs the pride of all Americans that this feat, which has so long baffled the world, has been accomplished by the intelligent energy and wonderful endurance of a fellow countryman.

"WILLIAM H. TAFT."

President Taft has taken the keenest interest in the news regarding the discovery ever since the brief bulletin was received on Wednesday afternoon. Always a great newspaper reader, he has taken a deep interest in the controversy which Dr. Cook's feat has aroused among the Arctic experts.

Minister Egan's cablegram of last Thursday to the State department announcing that Dr. Cook's accomplishment had been confirmed by the Danish commissioner for Greenland was repeated to the president, but he withheld any comment until receiving today the personal cablegram which Dr. Cook evidently filed as soon as he reached the Danish capital.

The secretary of the interior, Mr. Ballinger, is expected in Beverly on Monday and another will bring with him the reports called for by the president from various officials of the interior department. Mr. Ballinger after scanning these reports in Washington, yesterday announced that the department had nothing to fear as to the course of any of its officials.

President Taft's slight attack of sciatica had so far disappeared today that he resumed his golf playing on the links of the Myopia club.

### Twenty-Five Men Buried by Cave-in

Two Killed and Six Badly Hurt by Accident in Sewer at East Chicago.

CHICAGO, Sept. 4.—Two men were killed and six injured at East Chicago, Ind., today when the walls of a sewer ditch ten feet high caved in on twenty-five workmen. One hundred men immediately formed a rescue party, but at first it appeared as if it would be impossible to reach the buried men before they would be suffocated. The first two bodies taken out were those of the dead men. After another hour of digging it was found that all the others were alive. The boards at the end of the ditch had fallen over them in such a manner that they were protected from the crushing sand and given enough air to keep them alive.

### MRS. ROOSEVELT TO AWAIT HUSBAND IN KHARTOUM

Has Engaged House There Where She Will Stay Until Early Coming Year.

BERLIN, Sept. 4.—Adolf Mayer, a kinsman of King Menelik of Abyssinia, who is in Berlin with a commission from the Abyssinian government to purchase supplies, said today that Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt had engaged a house at Khartoum, where she would meet her husband, when he came out of the jungle. Mrs. Roosevelt intends to spend a couple of months in Khartoum early in 1910.

### Swift's Men at Hennington

The third annual outing of the Swift & Sons' Men at Hennington.

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SLUMP IN WALL STREET.

### BRYAN LABOR DAY ORATOR

Peerless Leader Will Make Address at Courtland Beach.

#### MANY OUTINGS FOR TOMORROW

Sons of Toil Will Have Big Time on Their Annual Day Set Apart for Honor Honest Labor.

Labor's annual holiday will be celebrated tomorrow at a number of picnics to be held around Omaha. There will be no parade as in other years, the workmen being allowed to go to the various amusement parks and resorts without first being tied out by a long march through the streets.

Picnics will be held at Courtland Beach, Seymour Lake, Pries Lake, Fairmont park in Council Bluffs, Nielsen's park at Fortyninth and Leavenworth street, Lake Manawa, Benson, Hibbler's park and at Bennington. The Courtland Beach and Bennington picnics will take front rank, that at Courtland Beach to be for all laboring men who care to attend, and that at Bennington being for employes for Swift and Company.

The Courtland Beach picnic will be under the auspices of the Central Labor union and a big time is planned. This picnic is to last three days beginning on Labor day and continuing through Tuesday and Wednesday.

William Jennings Bryan will be the leading attraction at the Beach, the three-time presidential candidate having accepted an invitation to address the laboring men during the afternoon. The speaking program will begin at 2 o'clock with an address of welcome by Mayor Dahlman. United States Senator Norris Brown and Constantine J. Smyth are also on the program for addresses during the afternoon.

Long Program of Sports. Following the speaking a long program of sports will be given. The sports will begin at 2 o'clock and the following is the list of events:

One hundred-yard dash (union men only); Prize, case blue ribbon band, donated by Wayman & Furlan.

Boys' race, under 15 years; Cash prize of \$2.

Married women's race, fifty yards, for wives of union men only; Prize, pair union made shoes.

One hundred-yard dash, free for all; Prize, box union made cigars.

Boys' race, under 12 years; Prize, base ball mask.

Standing broad jump; Prize, pair union made shoes.

Punting the shot; Cash prize.

Prize walk, 4 o'clock sharp; Best Woman waltzer, prize silk umbrella; Best gentleman waltzer, prize gold cuff buttons.

The committee having charge of arrangements for the picnic is composed of A. J. Donahue, William Britton, Ray Dougherty, J. J. Ferron, A. H. Schroeder, J. J. Kerrigan, Louis V. Guye, J. J. Lannihan and P. J. Ford. In addition there will also be a reception committee on the grounds, consisting of thirty-six members, one from each of the affiliated labor organizations.

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### Militia and Civilians in Fierce Riot

Brawl in Saloon at Frankfort, Ky., Results in Two Deaths and Fatal Injury to Three.

FRANKFORT, Ky., Sept. 4.—In one of the fiercest riots ever known in this city between militia and civilians, Sergeant Ingram Tate of Somerset, Ky., a member of Company G, Kentucky state guards, and Jeff Cook, a civilian, were killed tonight while William Nichols, Joe Conway and Alex McNally were fatally shot. The riot began in a tenderloin saloon following a brawl. Privates William Phillips and C. E. Teasdale, members of Company G, who were standing near Tate when he was killed, identified Joe Nichols as the man who fired the fatal shot. Nichols and eighteen others were arrested.

The house was almost shot to pieces by the troops in their efforts to gain an entrance apparently to lynch the men who they thought had killed their comrade. For more than an hour the eighteen men held the fort against the regiment and the residents of that section of the city fled to their homes, fighting out the lights and retreating in the cellar for safety.

All over the district any person who attempted to leave was halted at the point of a bayonet and every wagon was searched hoping to find the men who had started the riot. Finally after a conference Colonel J. E. Allen, commanding the Second regiment, County Judge James H. Polsgrove and Chief of Police Mangum, accompanied by other soldiers searched the building and in the top story found the men huddled together. They were all placed under arrest and taken to jail, which is being guarded tonight by the coldiers to prevent the guilty people from being lynched.

### W. J. Bryan Has Narrow Escape

Motor Car Almost Goes Over Steep Embankment at Springfield, Due to Broken Brake.

SPRINGFIELD, Sept. 4.—William J. Bryan narrowly escaped injury here last night when a motor car in which he was being taken to Doling park to make an address got beyond control going down a steep hill in the park. The brake broke, but the car was stopped just on the edge of an embankment by R. P. Dickerson, the driver.

### LABOR'S RIGHTS PUT TO TEST

Pennsylvania Town Authorities Issue Order to Prevent Celebration on Monday.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 4.—The labor authorities purpose testing the right of the municipality of Vandergrift, Pa., to forbid their holding of Labor day services in that town.

Vandergrift is the seat of a strike by the iron and steel workers. They decided a week ago to have a Labor day meeting Monday next, but Secretary Morrison of the American Federation of Labor was notified today that the affair had been prohibited by the town authorities.

### Japanese Entertainment in Truly Oriental Style

SEATTLE, Wash., Sept. 4.—The entertainment of the Japanese commercial commission today was largely in the hands of local Japanese, who for months had been preparing for the celebration of Japan day at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition. All Japanese in the Pacific northwest who could conveniently come to Seattle to see the commission and the exposition did so.

The thoroughfare of the exposition were hung with 6,000 Japanese lanterns and the Japanese, being granted a free hand in the matter of arranging flowers, etc., gave the fair a genuine oriental aspect. The day began with a parade led by a picturesque samurai horseman in armor. Then followed 100 or more automobiles, carrying the commissioners and the Seattle business men. The four Japanese women with the visitors wore native dress.

At the exposition gate a national pageant was formed which absorbed the automobiles. Fifty Sumairi in ancient armor were followed by 100 flower girls in native dress. Then came 50 merchants in native costumes and after them 500 Japanese representing the various trades and professions of Japan with the garb appropriate to each. Two beautiful girls, riding on a temple float and representing the Goddesses of Wealth and Beauty, three 3,000 Japanese came to the crowds as they passed.

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"I thank you very much for the warm and eloquent words, but I am unable to express myself properly. It was a rather hard day for me, but I never enjoyed a day better. The Danes have taken, not only an active part in polar explorations, but they have been of much importance as silent partners in almost all Arctic expeditions in recent years. The most important factor in my expedition was the Eskimo and dog and I cannot be too thankful to the Danes for their care of the Eskimo, and now they also have in-

### EXPLORER COOK IN COPENHAGEN

Discoverer of North Pole is Given Great Reception on Arrival at Danish Capital.

#### AUDIENCE WITH THE KING

American is Introduced to His Majesty by Minister Egan.

#### FLAG AND BOX AT THE POLE

Further Details of the Trip to the Farthest North.

#### BANQUET AT MUNICIPAL HALL

Dr. Cook, in Modest Speech, Attributes Much of His Success to Good Work of Eskimos and Dogs.

COPENHAGEN, Sept. 4.—Dr. Frederick A. Cook stepped from the steamer Hansa Gede in Copenhagen harbor on the arm of the crown prince of Denmark at 10 o'clock this morning, unknown and looking like a sailor before the mast. He sat down to dinner at 8 o'clock this evening in the city hall, the guest of a brilliant company of the capital's most distinguished men and women, arrayed in evening dress provided by the king's tailor.

The hours between these events were the busiest of his life. Polar exploration never afforded anything half so crowded with variety and excitement. They were hours of speechmaking, handshaking, bowing to clamoring crowds, and then, after addressing the people, who almost love him to pieces in their eagerness to see the discoverer of the pole, Dr. Cook was the recipient of formal welcomes at the hotel where he is the government's guest. There he passed through the hands of tailors, outfitters and barbers. Later he lunched with Dr. Maurice Egan, the American minister, being pined incessantly for an hour with questions. He went through hundreds of telegrams, including congratulations from societies, clubs and associations of several nations, explorers and friends, offers of exploitation ranging from books to music hall engagements, and then hurried to the palace and gave the king and other members of the royal family a long account of his adventure.

#### Talks to Correspondents.

Returning to the hotel, he received a battalion of correspondents, who subjected him for another hour to a merciless cross-examination, demanding explanations of all the criticisms that have been leveled against his claims. These questions Dr. Cook answered frankly and fully. Whatever may be thought of Dr. Cook's story, he has impressed all who talked with him here as a modest, straightforward and able man. Danish explorers and Denmark is the home of many—were the first to endorse Cook's claims to the discovery of the pole and his methods of getting to the goal. The Danish government based primarily on personal knowledge of Dr. Cook's character and former achievements. Only after consulting them confidentially and receiving the fullest promulgation of their belief in the genuineness of his story, did the Danish government give it its official seal by today's reception to Dr. Cook's good faith.

#### Banquet at Municipal Hall.

The banquet this evening was held in the magnificent municipal building. Four hundred persons, many of them women, attended, while the thousands congregated in the streets in a drizzling rain storm to catch sight of the explorer when he entered.

There was a preliminary reception in the lofty and spacious entrance hall. The speakers with the many of the men wearing orders, dignitaries and the explorer by contrast with his recent experiences. The company marched upstairs to the air of the "Star Spangled Banner."

After all had been seated the minister of commerce, Johan Hansen, escorted Dr. Cook to the chair of honor amid a demonstration which caused him to color deeply. Minister Egan sat at Dr. Cook's right, with the mayor of Copenhagen and Miss Egan beyond. Mrs. Gamel, a wealthy Copenhagen woman, who has contributed extensively to Arctic exploration and has been closely identified with it, was at the chairman's left. The menu card was an example of enterprise with a lithograph of the crown prince greeting Dr. Cook and a map of the Arctic circle giving Dr. Cook's route and a fac simile of his autograph, with the date, which was a reproduction of a souvenir he gave Miss Egan. The speeches teemed with compliments of Dr. Cook. The mayor of Copenhagen said that the name was once more enrolled among the great explorers. Minister Egan proposed a toast to the king of Denmark and the corporation president in proposing a toast to the president of the United States spoke of the pride that must be felt by the nation which could boast that it was her son who first planted the flag where no human being had ever before set foot.

#### Toast to the Explorer.

The minister of commerce, in proposing the health of Dr. Cook, paid a warm tribute to "his noble deed." He thanked him for spending a little time in Denmark and said that the privations of the explorer were appreciated most by the men of Denmark there tonight, whose names are written with honor on the ice rocks of Denmark's northern colony.

When the nation was first thrilled with the news of Cook's exploit he said he must confess there was some skepticism, but after a little time in Denmark and he hoped that Dr. Cook would try for the South pole with the same success.

When the minister raised his glass to "our noble guest" there were nine hurrahs.

Commodore Hovgaard spoke from the standpoint of an expert explorer and commended Cook's methods.

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