

TAFT CONFERS WITH PINCHOT At Its Conclusion Both Officials Issue Statements Regarding Aligned Controversy. FORESTER WILL NOT RESIGN President Says His Services Are of Great Value to People. NO REFLECTION ON PINCHOT Letter to Ballinger in No Way Intended to Affect Him. MORE OF ROOSEVELT POLICIES Chief Executive Reiterates His Statement That He Will Ask Congress to Make Necessary Changes in Laws.

Miser Starves With Quantity of Money at Hand Cincinnati Man Discovered Dead in Squalid Room, Though He Was Wealthy Man. CINCINNATI, O., Sept. 25.—When the body of Christopher Kuhn, aged 58, a cabinet maker, was discovered last evening in his squalid room, investigation showed that the man had been dead since September 8, when, according to neighbors, he apparently died of starvation. Secreted in the room were many thousands of dollars worth of securities and deeds to property. There were keys to a safety deposit box in the City Hall bank and a bank book showing he had on deposit \$1,100.

NAVAL PAGEANT ON THE HUDSON Five Million People See the First Spectacle of Double Centennial Celebration. HUDSON AND FULTON MEET Commanders of Quaint Crafts Clasp Hands on Reviewing Stand. NIGHT PARADE ABANDONED Last of Fifteen Miles of Ships Still Coming Down River at Sunset. ILLUMINATION IS MAGNIFICENT Two Billion Candlepower Used in Great Display Which Made the River and City As White As Day. NEW YORK, Sept. 25.—Henry Hudson, who melted from view 300 years ago into those Arctic mists from which two American discoveries have but lately returned, walked his quarters deck again today and, in sea boots and plumed hat, surveyed the changes aloft and ashore that make his second visit to these shores scarcely less memorable than his first.



FOR BOTH ALIKE From the New York World.

STRIKE END SEEMS NEAR Settlement May Be Evolved From Conferences Today and Both Sides Express Such Hope.

MAYORS' MEETING FRUITFUL Following the Third One, Ray of Light Penetrates Cloud. WATTLES FORESEES PEACE Says He Believes Deliberations Sunday Will Produce It.

PRATT SAYS HE IS WILLING Union Leader Will Take Company at Its Published Word. BAN ON STREET SPEAKING City Authorities Announce No Permits, But Grant Permission for Meeting This Afternoon at Eighteenth and Harney Lot.

PROGRESS OF THE STRIKE. After third council of mayors and Wattles announcement was made end of strike might come today. Meeting will be held today at 3 p. m. between mayors, council committee, Wattles and street railway directorate. Following this meeting statement will be submitted by company to strikers. Strikers meet at 8 p. m. to act on company's overtures. C. O. Pratt, for strikers, says they will settle at once if Wattles will stand by his published statement to waive all but closed shop proposition. Men get permit for open air meeting at Eighteenth and Harney at 2 p. m. Extra precautions taken to prevent rioting which would mar settlement proceedings. Today will be eventful in the street car strike and many marks its close. Conferences involving the contending factions and city officials are scheduled which hold in them the possibility of complete adjustment and final settlement and an end to the harassing inconveniences to which Omaha has been subjected for a week.

SEARCH FOR SLAYER OF SIX PERSONS Warrant issued for Desperate Character at Hurley, W. Va.—Three Suspects Released. BLUEFIELD, W. Va., Sept. 25.—Warrants were issued today for a desperate character whose name is withheld by the authorities, charged with the murder last Wednesday at Hurley, Va., of George Meadows, his wife, mother-in-law and three children. The man under suspicion has a wound on his leg which he explains was received in a fight with a dog, but which he believed to have been inflicted by Meadows in the desperate fight for his life. The man is in West Virginia and officers have gone tonight to get him. It is feared he will not submit peacefully to arrest. Suspicion of connection with the crime, which was placed upon Silas Blankenship and his two sons, who were trailed to their home in the mountains by bloodhounds, was entirely removed at yesterday's hearing when they proved an alibi and were released.

COMPLAINT ON LUMBER RATES South Dakota Dealers Appeal to the Interstate Commerce Commission. (From a Staff Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—(Special Telegram.)—The Lemmon Lumber company of Lemmon, S. D., today filed a complaint with the Interstate Commerce commission against the Milwaukee & Puget Sound railroad companies, alleging unjust and unreasonable freight charges on certain shipments made by them over defendant railway companies' lines in October, 1907.

Weather Man Makes Good. At 2 p. m. rain had ceased to fall and a brilliant day of intensely blue sky and scintillating sunlight appeared. The winds had cleared the skies as the rains had, dressed and flushed with expectancy. Every morning train and ferry brought its hundreds and its thousands. By 10 o'clock the streets were crowded, by 11 jammed and by noon the city held one of the greatest crowds that had been assembled anywhere for any purpose. Conservative estimate tonight place the numbers of those who witnessed the naval parades from the shores of Staten Island, Brooklyn, the Palisades and New Jersey at 1,000,000. Crowd is Greatest Show. Impressive as were the ships of war, sporting fire and smoke from their sides in one series of salutes after another, sufficient was the parade that swept about them in a great crescent, the crowd was more majestic yet. It drew the greater share of comment from the 700,000 who are estimated to have watched it from excursion steamers, tug boats, sailing craft and even canoes. Looking up one could see that the cliff of skyscrapers on Manhattan Island were an unaccommodating black-human heads. Every window was filled, every roof was lined. Wharves, pier ends, lighters, ferryboats, the sterns of ocean liners, the water front, the docks, (Continued on Fifth Page.)

SOLDIERS NOW ON WAY HERE Thousands of Regulars enroute for Omaha Forts. DES MOINES DRILLS REPEATED Sixteenth Infantry Breaks World's Records and Wins Big Prizes in Tournament Just Over at Iowa Capital.

World Remains In Usual State Truce Immersionists Greatly Disappointed Because End Did Not Come as Scheduled. WEST DUNBURY, Mass., Sept. 25.—"Oh, Lord, don't disappoint us," prayed the Truism immersionists at intervals during the meeting which they held throughout last night in "The Bethel," but their prayers remained unanswered today, for the world was still intact.

DIRIGIBLE AIRSHIP EXPLODES French Military Balloon Bursts at Altitude of 600 Feet. FOUR MEN INSTANTLY KILLED Wrecked Car and Envelope Drop and All on Board Are Crushed to Death—Accident Occurs Near Moulins.

GERMAN EDITORS ARE COMING Western Association Decides to Hold Its Next Convention in Omaha. BURLINGTON, Ia., Sept. 25.—The German-American Editorial Association of the West today decided upon Omaha as the next meeting place. Prohibition was denounced in a resolution and a movement was set on foot looking to the formation of a national organization. The following officers were elected: President, A. Peterson, Davonport, Ia.; first vice president, J. L. Peters, Omaha; secretary, Henry Heinz, Muscatine, Ia.; treasurer, Augustus Hilmer, New Hampton, Ia.

LEGAL CLASH IN MONTANA State Officials Prepare to Take Forcible Possession of Land Held by Forestry Service. HELENA, Mont., Sept. 25.—Forcible measures to recover land now in the possession of the United States forest officials were decided upon by the state board of land commissioners today. The land in controversy was sold by the state to the Great Northern railway. The forestry officials and warned all persons against the purchase, built a fence around the tract and set it apart for "administrative purposes."

Aurora Stops Wire Service Around World NEW YORK, Sept. 25.—Grilled by the mysterious "aurora" telegraph wires practically all over the world were paralyzed. From early morning until night communication was erratic and at times cut off entirely between certain points. Old telegraph operators called it the "aurora," for brilliant northern lights usually follow such an electrical phenomenon. The first break came shortly before 7 a. m. eastern standard time, or noon at Greenwich, and for the next five hours telegraph wires from Boston to Chicago wobbled with the strange force. That the disturbance was world-wide was shown by European dispatches which told of similar trouble of lines on the continent, as well as on the submarine cables. The crest of the wave in the eastern part of this country seems to have reached shortly before noon and after that the wires began to act more rationally. Still, there were frequent throbs during the late afternoon and evening.

INSANE INCENDIARY IN JAIL Philip Klein is Charged with Setting Fire to Middy Houses At Evansville, Ind. EVANSVILLE, Ind., Sept. 25.—Charged with having set fire to thirty-seven buildings in the last three weeks, causing a total loss of \$300,000, Philip Klein, 30 years old, was arrested today. The police say Klein is insane. He has been a letterer about the coal mines.

Dr. Cook Tells of His Meeting with Whitney NEW HAVEN, Conn., Sept. 25.—In an interview given to the New Haven Register in New York last night, Dr. F. A. Cook told of his meeting with Harry Whitney in the Arctic. The explorer said he was on his way south and when within five miles of Annotok was surprised to see several men approaching. "It was," continued Dr. Cook, "Harry Whitney and some of the Eskimos with him on his hunt. It was the first time I had ever seen Mr. Whitney and he had introduced himself. He then told me of his wintering at my quarters, and told me that Commander Peary was up north and that he had spotted my party over the ice. That was the first I had heard of Peary before that. We went to the supply house, and I told Mr. Whitney I had been to the pole. In discussing my route, it occurred to me that as Mr. Whitney expected a vessel to come for him, it would be a good plan to send to America my documents and instruments on his ship, because of their greater safety of transport by water. He readily agreed to do so, and when he comes I am sure they will be aboard in good shape. Mr. Whitney and myself put in two days at the storehouse, and then I started for my first tramp to the port where I could ship for civilization. Now one at

The event of the middle west, Ak-Sar-Ben Week, is at hand, Omaha's proud boast "The Best of Care" and entertainment for its guests will again assert itself. In the classified section of today's paper on the special pages "Omaha Merchants Who Offer Unusual Bargains to Ak-Sar-Ben Visitors" is a list of those who are adept in making their guests comfortable and who offer them bargains that are greater than many offered in other parts of this edile

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Situation is Brighter. The situation is brighter than it has been at any time, declared Mayor Tracy of Benson and the other chief executives agreed that the prospects for a settlement were better than they have been since the strike began. Mr. Wattles emerged from the mayor's private office at 1 o'clock after a two-hour session. He declined to say anything as to what took place or to make any statement. "Mayor Dahlman will make the statement for the rest of us," he said. After Mayor Dahlman had made his statement to the press, C. O. Pratt and Ben Commons, representing the street carmen, were called into the office and introduced to the chief executives. While he would make no statement after the conference adjourned, before it began Mr. Wattles appeared hopeful for a settlement. "I have been in a constant series of conferences from morning till night," he said, "and we have discussed the different phases of the situation with all parties interested; so that when we reach a conclusion we hope it will be final and will be acceptable to all parties interested. I hope we will evolve a final adjustment by some time tomorrow afternoon at least. We are all doing what we can to bring about a settlement."

President's Statement. Mr. Pinchot's statement was shown to the president before it was given out. The president's statement follows: "In view of the published statements that the letter of the Secretary to Secretary Ballinger was to be considered in some way a reflection on Mr. Pinchot, the president today authorized the publication of the following: "That at the time he wrote the letter to Secretary Ballinger he also wrote a letter to Mr. Pinchot, assuring him that the conclusions stated therein were not intended in any way to reflect on him; that the president deemed Mr. Pinchot's continuance in the public service as of the utmost value; that he intended to continue the Roosevelt policies; that the conservation of resources, including the reclamation of arid lands and preservation of our forests and the proper restrictions in respect to the use of coal lands and water sites as well as the improvement of our waterways, and to ask Congress for such confirmatory and enabling legislation as would put the execution of these policies on the firmest basis; and that he would deem it a great loss, in respect to the masters with which he had to deal, if the administration should be denied the benefit of his further service."

Will Not Resign. "These expressions by the president, which are most kind toward me, and most favorable toward my work, as well as the statement authorized by him, define my attitude toward the conservation policies with convincing clarity, and shall remain in the government service. I shall give my best efforts in the future, and in the past, to promote the conservation and development of our forests, waters, lands and minerals and to defend the conservation policies whenever the need arises. I especially shall continue to advocate the control of water power except in the public interest, and the use of our institutions, laws and natural resources for the benefit of the plain people. I believe in equality of opportunity and the Roosevelt policies and I propose to stand for them as long as I have the strength to stand for anything."

HALIFAX, Sept. 25.—"Harry Whitney, of New Haven, who was with Dr. Frederick A. Cook, at Annotok and to whom Dr. Cook is said to have given detailed account of his trip to the pole, has sent a wireless message from Indian Harbor, Labrador, in answer to the question: "Did Cook reach the pole?" saying: "I have no reason to doubt Cook's statement."

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