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DR. COOK REACHED NORTH POLE

Long Missing American Explorer Accomplished what no Man Ever Did Before

SENDS MESSAGE TO HIS BROOKLYN HOME

Mrs. Cook Summering in Maine, was Wired the Cablegram, which Reads: "Successful. Well. Address Copenhagen. Fred."—This Indicates that His Polar Quest was Crowned with Victory and that He Is Returning to Copenhagen.

New York, Sept. 1.—"Successful. Well. Address Copenhagen. FRED." Full meaning of "successful" is interpreted to indicate that he reached the North Pole. The foregoing cable message, exasperating in its briefness, was received in New York today from Dr. Frederick A. Cook, the American explorer, whom the latest cable advices tonight credit with having accomplished what no man ever did before.

Message Sent to His Wife.

The message was sent not to any scientific society nor to any of his associates interested in his expedition, but to his wife, who has been counting the days and hours and praying for his safety since his departure from this city on July 4, 1907.

Explorer Missing Since March 17, 1908.

But by chance Mrs. Cook was not at her Brooklyn home, but spending the summer at Harpswell, Me., so the despatch was received by Dr. R. T. Davidson, a friend of the explorer, who made its contents known, then flashed the good news on to Mrs. Cook. Brief as it was, it is the first news that she has had from her intrepid husband since March 17, 1908, when he wrote from Cape Hubbard on the edge of the polar ice sea, on the northwest side of Ellesmere Land. At that time he instructed his companion, Rudolph Franke, then stationed at Etah, Greenland, with supplies, to wait there until June for his return, but in the event of Dr. Cook's failure to appear to proceed to America. Franke remained as directed but as Dr. Cook failed to come back he caught the Peary auxiliary ship and reached New York last fall. Since that time Dr. Cook's whereabouts have been a mystery, although members of the Arctic club in this city, viewing the situation optimistically, were inclined to think that he had reached the pole despite his long silence.

Relief Ship Started Two Weeks Ago in Search of the Explorer.

There was the ever present probability that he had perished and it will be recalled that a relief ship is en route to Etah, where she is due the middle of this month. The vessel, the schooner Jeanie, left St. Johns, N. F., about two weeks ago with the double purpose of searching for Dr. Cook and taking supplies to Commander Peary. The expedition was financed by a special committee headed by Dr. Roswell O. Stebbins of this city and composed of friends of Dr. Cook and men of science who were keenly interested in his venture. By these men the news that he was safe and the report that he had reached the pole were received with rejoicing tonight, although none of them had any further advices. No official action was taken tonight by the Arctic club, the Explorers' club or the American Geographical society, for none of these associations had received any formal notification of Dr. Cook's success. Arthur M. Huntington, president of the American Geographical society, is out of the city, as is Admiral W. S. Schley, president of the Arctic club. The officers of the Explorers' club could not be found.

Dr. Cook's Message Was Dated at Lerwick, Shetland Islands.

Today's message from Dr. Cook to his wife was dated at Lerwick, Shetland Islands, the first available point of transmission in the regular steamship course between Greenland ports and Copenhagen, whither he is bound. Because of its briefness, the assumption is that the message was sent primarily to assure his wife of his safety and not to apprise the world of his discovery.

Dr. Cook on Danish Steamer Bound for Copenhagen.

Several days must now elapse before any further information is available. The Danish government steamer Hans Egede has left Lerwick, Shetland Islands, bound for Copenhagen where she is due next Saturday. Meantime the ship skirts the Danish coast, passing several small points, which are being closely watched for further particulars of Dr. Cook.

Mrs. Cook Not Yet Located.

Portland, Me., Sept. 1.—Mrs. Frederick A. Cook, wife of the successful Arctic explorer, has been passing the summer at South Harpswell. Yesterday morning she came to this city to spend the day with a friend but had not returned up to 9.30 tonight. Despite the best efforts of the newspaper men, it had been impossible to locate either Mrs. Cook or her friend, who is Mrs. Austin D. Sullivan. It was learned that Mrs. Sullivan was driving this afternoon and it was believed Mrs. Cook was with her. They are expected to return any hour.

A cablegram from Copenhagen and scores of telegrams were held at Brunswick for Mrs. Cook.

Only Survivor of the Kane Expedition Believes the Report.

Philadelphia, Sept. 1.—Amos Bonsall, the only survivor of the Elisha Kent Kane north pole expedition which left this city in 1853, only to meet total disaster at a point estimated at 700 miles short of the goal, was intensely interested in the report of the success of Dr. Cook's expedition.

"I shall believe that Dr. Cook has discovered the pole until the contrary is proved," said Mr. Bonsall today, "for I have always felt that an American would do it. I think the extraordinary pluck manifested by Dr. Cook deserved this reward. He went north practically on his own hook."

Most Extraordinary Feat, Says Gen. Greely.

Conway Center, N. H., Sept. 1.—"The most extraordinary feat in polar exploration," was the appraisement of Dr. Cook's exploit by General A. W. Greely, the commander of the Lady Franklin Bay International Polar Expedition from the United States in 1884 when informed tonight of the cablegram announcing the Brooklyn man's success.

DANISH CONSUL AT LERWICK BOUND TO SECRECY

Concerning the Nature and Extent of Dr. Cook's Discoveries.

Copenhagen, Sept. 1.—That Dr. Frederick A. Cook, the American explorer, reached the North Pole in his expedition which has just ended is given full evidence here, though details are lacking of his intrepid dash across the ice. A message was received at the colonial office here this morning via Lerwick, Shetland Islands, announcing that Dr. Cook reached the pole April 21, 1908.

This despatch was sent by a Greenland official on board the Danish government steamer Hans Egede, which passed Lerwick at noon today en route for Denmark, and read as follows:

"We have on board the American traveler, Dr. Cook, who reached the North Pole April 21, 1908. Dr. Cook arrived at Uppernavik in May of 1909, from Cape York. The Esquimaux of Cape York confirm Dr. Cook's story of his journey."

It is understood that the Danish consul at Lerwick, where the Hans Egede remained for two hours, was officially notified of Dr. Cook's success in his attempt to reach the pole, but that he was bound to secrecy concerning the extent and nature of the explorer's discoveries. Director Ryberg, head of the Greenland administration bureau, said tonight that he did not expect to receive any further details of Dr. Cook's achievement before the arrival of the Hans Egede at this port, which probably would be Saturday afternoon. The vessel will make no stops on the voyage from Lerwick to Copenhagen.

Director Ryberg proceeded to the American legation and informed the minister, Dr. Maurice F. Egan, that Dr. Cook had reached the North Pole. The announcement caused the greatest enthusiasm throughout the city and many Americans called at the legation to congratulate the minister. Among these was Alexander Kouta of New York, a warm personal friend of Dr. Cook, who said he had believed the explorer perished long ago. The legation was overcrowded with visitors tonight.

The noted explorer, Commander Hovgaard, leader of various North Pole expeditions, was convinced that the message that Dr. Cook reached the pole was true, but remarked that it was strange that no mention was made in the cable whether or not there was land at the pole. It is the intention of the people of Copenhagen, on Dr. Cook's arrival here, to give him a most enthusiastic reception.

A PROLONGED FIGHT WITH FAMINE AND FROST.

Signed Statement from Dr. Cook on His Experiences—Land on Which Rests the Earth's Northernmost Rocks.

Paris, Sept. 2.—The Paris edition of the New York Herald this morning publishes a signed statement from Dr. Frederick A. Cook, which is dated "Hans Edge, Lerwick, Wednesday," on his experiences in the Arctic regions.

"After a prolonged fight with famine and frost," says Dr. Good, "we have at last succeeded in reaching the north pole. A great highway with an interesting strip of animated nature has been explored and big game haunts located, which will delight sportsmen and extend the Eskimo horizon.

Land Discovered.

"Land has been discovered on which rest the earth's northernmost rocks. A triangle of 30,000 square miles has been cut out of the terrestrial unknown. The expedition was the outcome of a summer cruise in the Arctic seas on the schooner Bradley, which arrived at the limits of navigation in Smith Sound late in August, 1907. Here conditions were found to launch a venture to the pole. J. R. Brardley liberally supplied from his vessel suitable provisions for local use. My own equipment for emergencies served well for every purpose in the Arctic travel.

A Lucky Combination.

"Many Esquimos had gathered on the Greenland shores at Annatoak for the winter bear hunt. Immense quantities of meat had been collected and about the camp were plenty of strong dogs. The combination was lucky, for there as good material for equipment. All that was required was conveniently arranged for at a point only 700 miles from the boreal center. A house and workship were built of packing boxes by willing hands, and this northernmost tribe of 250 people set themselves to the problem of devising a suitable outfit. Before the end of the long winter night we were ready for the enterprise and plans had matured to force a new route over Grinnell Land northward along its west coast out onto the polar sea.

Winter's Chill Felt at Its Worst.

"The campaign opened with a few scouting parties being sent over the American shores to explore the way and seek the game haunts. This mission was only partly successful because of the storms. At sunrise of 1908 (February 1) the main expedition embarked on its voyage to the pole. It consisted of 11 men and 103 dogs drawing 11 heavily laden sledges. The expedition left the Greenland shore and pushed westward over the troubled ice of Smith Sound. The gloom of the long night was relieved only by a few hours of daylight. The chill of the winter was felt at its worst. As we crossed the heights of Ellesmere Sound to the Pacific slope the temperature sank to minus 83 centigrade. Several dogs were frozen and the men suffered severely, but we soon found the game trails, along which way was easy.

Pushed Out Into Polar Sea.

We forced through Nansen sound to Lands End. In this march we secured 101 musk oxen, seven bears and 335 hares. We pushed out into the polar sea from the southern point of Herbert Island on March 18. Six Eskimos returned from here. With four men and forty-six dogs moving supplies for eighty days, the crossing of the circumpolar pack was begun. Three days later two other Eskimos, forming the last surrounding party, returned and the trials had now been reduced by the survival of the fittest. The two best men and 26 dogs were picked for the final effort.

Start on Unknown Line of 460 Miles.

"There before us in an unknown line of 460 miles lay our goal. The first days provided long marches and we made encouraging progress. A big lead which separated the landing ice of the central pack was crossed with little delay. The low temperature was persistent and the winds made life a torture. But cooped up in our snow houses, eating dried beef tallow and drinking hot tea there were some animal comforts occasionally to be gained.

"For several days after the sight of known land was lost the overcast sky prevented an accurate determination of our positions. On March 30 the horizon was partly cleared and new land was discovered. Our observations gave our position as latitude 84.47, longitude 86.36. There was urgent need of rapid advance. Our main mission did not permit a detour for the purpose of exploring the coast. Here were seen the last signs of solid earth; beyond there was nothing stable to be seen.

Beyond the Range of All Life.

"We advanced steadily over the monotnoy of moving sea ice and now found ourselves beyond the range of all life—neither footprints of bears nor the blow-holes of seals were detected. Even the microscopic creatures of the deep were no longer under us. The maddening influence of the shifting desert frost became almost unendurable in the daily routine. The surface of the pack offered less and less trouble and the weather improved, but there still remained the life-sapping wind, which drove despair to its lowest recess. The extreme cold compelled physical action. Thus day after day on rweary legs spread over big distances. Incidents and positions were recorded, but adventure was promptly forgotten in the next day's efforts. The night of April 7 was made notable by the swinging of the sun at midnight over the northern ice."

Finally after fourteen days more of suffering Dr. Cook and his little party of Eskimos reached the coveted goal.

Dr NO GREAT SCIENTIFIC VALUE

Says Prof. Brewer of Yale—Of Chief Interest as a Sporting Event, Says Harvard Professor.

New Haven, Conn., Sept. 1.—"While Dr. Frederick Cook's reaching the North Pole is a great feat in itself, I do not think it will be of any great scientific value," said Prof. W. H. Brewer of Yale university tonight. Dr. William A. Granville of Yale Sheffield Scientific school said that if Dr. Cook had with him at the time of his discovery the proper instruments great light will be thrown on the magnetic influence of the pole.

Cambridgeport, Mass., Sept. 1.—Unless important meteorological, geological and geographical observations have been made by Dr. Frederick A. Cook in his discovery of the North Pole, Prof. William H. Pickering of Harvard university said tonight that the event was of chief interest as a sporting event in which an American won. Professor Pickering said: "It is very interesting, I am sure, to learn that the North Pole has been discovered. As to the importance of the discovery and its significance to the world, I think that will depend on what Dr. Cook has done. Everything will depend upon the meteorological, geological and geographical observations he has made. Other than that I look upon it as an interesting sporting event. That is to say, it is the same to me as any foot race would be. If an American won I am very glad of it."

GREAT INTEREST IN LONDON.

News at Once Telegraphed to King Edward at Marienbad.

London, Sept. 2.—Dr. Cook's feat has created tremendous interest among all classes here, especially geographers. The brief telegram concerning his achievement printed in last evening's papers, together with sketches of Dr. Cook's records and all known preliminaries of his expedition, were read with the utmost eagerness, and there is the greatest curiosity to hear the story of the explorer's triumph. The news was immediately telegraphed to King Edward at Marienbad and was communicated to his majesty while at supper after the theater. The king displayed the greatest interest in Dr. Cook's success.

Cabled Paragraphs.

Tokio, Sept. 1.—According to the official forecast made by the agricultural experts here, the rice crop this year will be 17 per cent above the average of former seasons.

Berlin, Sept. 1.—The Berlin Aerodrome society is ata present engaged in organizing an aviation meeting, to begin Sept. 26th, at Johannistal, and last for ten days. All the leading aviators have been invited to attend.

Saarbruecken, Germany, Sept. 1.—Eight men were killed in the Kamphausen coal pit last night. The supports of a scaffolding on which they were at work in the main shaft gave way and the men fell several hundred feet to the bottom of the pit.

Derby, Sept. 1.—The Devonshire nursery plate handicap of 500 sovereigns for two year olds, distance five furlongs and 100 yards, was run here today, and was won by Sunshine. August Belmont's Fond Memories was second and El Pelado third. Among the twenty starters was Mr. Whitney's Oversight.

Belgrade, Servia, Sept. 1.—The newspaper which published the story that Crown Prince George had assaulted his valet, a statement that resulted in the prince renouncing his heirship to the throne, makes another sensational announcement today with regard to a French chauffeur employed by the prince. It declares that the chauffeur recently received serious injuries and that he was conveyed secretly to a Belgrade hospital, where he now lies in a dying condition.

NEW DREADNOUGHT FOR U. S.

Battleship Michigan Turned Over to Government.

Philadelphia, Sept. 1.—The new battleship Michigan, built at the yards of the New York Shipbuilding company at Camdem, was turned over officially to the United States government today. She is of the Dreadnought class, and is one of the largest battleships afloat. She was damaged on her recent trial trip, and had to be sent back to the builders for repairs. With forty months allowed them, the builders had two months and nineteen days left them when they turned over the ship yesterday.

The Michigan on her trial trip exceeded the contract speed limit. She has a displacement of 16,000 tons, and carries eight twenty-inch guns, and is a sister ship of the South Carolina, recently built on the Delaware. She will be commanded by Capt. N. R. Usher.

VOYAGE FOR PACIFIC FLEET.

To Visit Honolulu, Manila, Japan and China.

San Francisco, Sept. 1.—Upon their arrival from Seattle, the eight armored cruisers of the Pacific fleet, under command of Rear Admiral Sebree, began preparations for the five months' voyage on which they will start next Sunday. They will go to Honolulu, Manila, Japan and China. Battle practice in Philippine waters and cruising at high speed will be features of the trip.

The fleet will reassemble at Yokohama in January and set out for Honolulu on the return voyage, expecting to arrive in San Francisco harbor on Feb. 15.

Confessed To Forgery

FRIENDS OF W. P. FISHER WERE AMAZED.

CATSKILL TOWN ASSESSOR

And Master of Catskill Lodge, F. and A. M., Under Arrest—Sum of $3,000 Involved.

Catskill, N. Y., Sept. 1.—Friends of W. Platt Fisher, who is town assessor here and master of Catskill lodge, F. and A. M., learned with amazement today of his arrest last night on charges of forgery preferred by the Tanners' bank and the Catskill National bank. Mr. Fisher is said to have admitted his guilt when confronted by Cashier William Palmatier of the Tanners' bank and Frank Osborn, its attorney. He broke away from the under sheriff when arrested and succeeded in hiding in a clump of sumach bushes for half an hour before he was discovered and lodged in jail.

Both banks base their charges on paper discounted by them amounting to $3,000 and purporting to be signed by Nelson B. Lasher, Mr. Fisher's father-in-law, and Herbert W. Lasher.

AIRSHIP BUILDER KILLED.

Struck by Train After Working on His Aeroplane.

New Orleans, La., Sept. 1.—A wagon in which were Louis Raynard, builder of a nairship that was to have had its initial flight on Sunday, and three other men, who were returning from a day's work on the aeroplane, was struck by a New Orleans and Great Northern passenger train at Gentilly road and Bruxelles street here last night. Raynard died shortly after being taken to the Charity hospital. Two of his companions were slightly injured.

The invention of Raynard had been kept secret until a short time ago. Since then it had been the object of much interest, and great things were expected of it. The machine is of the biplane order, differing from that of the Wright brothers only in that it has a long tail, which, it is maintained, will make it more steady. It was built to carry two or three passengers.

Eugene Raynard, a brother of Louis, said last night that he and other members of the family would probably make the final preparations for the flight, which, however, will be delayed for several days.

FELL 90 FEET FROM BALLOON.

Explosion of Cannon Cracker Caused Balloonist to Let Go.

Macon, Ga., Sept. 1.—Falling a distance of ninety feet from a balloon here last night, when the hold of his left hand became disengaged by the premature explosion of a cannoncracker, H. W. Churchill of Carson City, Mich., sustained no further injuries than the mangling of his hand which will be amputated.

Churchill had been doing a pyrotechnic balloon ascension every night at a pleasure resort. Last night everything proceeded as usual until just before the time for the display to commence, when a large cracker exploded ahead of time and Churchill fell.

BODY FOUND IN TEXAS PARK.

Divorced Wife of Former U. S. Senator from Louisiana.

San Antonio, Texas, Sept. 1.—Mystery surrounds the discovery of the body of Mrs. Alberta Banta, the divorced wife of former United States Senator John R. Phipps of Homer, La., in Breckenridge park here today. The body was found by the police in a secluded spot in the park after a telephone message had been received from an unidentified person who told of its exact location, but refused to give his name.

Mrs. Banta was 30 years old and was formerly a society leader.

VERDICT OF CORONER

In Brighton Beach Race Accident, "Killed by Their Own Carelessness."

New York, Sept. 1.—"Killed by their own carelessness" was the verdict of Coroner Brewer of Brooklyn today on the death of Laurent Gross and Leonard Cole, driver and mechanician of the wrecked Stearns car, who both met death in the races at Brighton Beach last Friday. The finding is taken to decide the question of possible interference with future automobile races here. After witnesses had testified that the track was in good condition no further effort was made to hold anyone responsible.

$10,000 Fire at New Haven.

New Haven, Sept. 1.—Fire tonight destroyed a building at 25 Dow street owned and used my I. Henschman as a rug shop, with a loss of $10,000. The fire is thought to have been caused by spontaneous combustion.

MILITARY COMMENDED.

Generals Wood and Bliss Pleased with Connecticut Milita.

Colonel James Geddes, commanding the provisional brigade, C. N. G., which participated in the unholy war in Massachusetts has issued a general order containing an order from Major General Wood, commanding the department of the east. This latter order in substance is a field order from the headquarters of the chief umpire at White Farm, near North Rochester, Mass., and includes an expression of sincere appreciation of the services of the militia participating in the work. General Wood is "particularly gratified with their splendid conduct and the respect for persons and property of civilians which has characterized their sojourn and march through the country."

Colonel Geddes' order also contains a letter from Brigadier General Tasker H. Bliss, commanding the Red army. This letter is written from the war college at Washington. It includes an expression of appreciation of the soldierly qualities shown by the brigade in the manoeuvres.

The following is an extract from the letter:

"Their good conduct in passing through the country made friends of the inhabitants wherever they went and in this way removed the misgivings which had previously been felt as to the possibility of manoeuvres in country where the ground had not previously been rented.

"I am sorry that matters so shaped themselves as to leave a portion of your command without the experience of fire action and actual contact with the Blues. If manoeuvres had lasted a few minutes longer I have no doubt that your entire command would have been engaged."

Parachute in Network of Wires

STIFF WIND CARRIED AERONAUT ACROSS HUDSON RIVER.

EXPERIENCE OF GEORGE DREW

Who Faced What Seemed Certain Death While Dangling from His Parachute—Rescued by Police.

New York, Sept. 1.—George B. Drew, an aeronaut, who has been making ascensions from a New Jersey amusement park directly opposite Harlem, was carried across the Hudson by a stiff wind tonight and slammed into a tangle of telephone and lighting wires that stretches from the roof of a big apartment house to a pole in a vacant lot.

Dropped from Height of 200 Feet.

He had parted from his balloon at the height of 200 feet and was dangling from his parachute when enmeshed.

Bruised and Scratched.

The police lowered a rope to him from the roof of the apartment house and he escaped with nothing worse than bruises and scratches from what had seemed certain death.

ELOPING COUPLE HAD NARROW ESCAPE FROM DROWNING

On Their Return Trip to Seek Pardon of the Old Folks.

Brattleboro, Vt., Sept. 1.—After stealing a march on their parents and friends by getting married quietly in this town today, to which place they had eloped from Chesterfield, N. H., Carl W. Hyland, aged 21 years, son of Dr. J. H. Hyland, a prominent physician of Keene, N. H., and his bride, who up to this afternoon was Miss Josephine Burpee, the 19 year old daughter of H. D. Burpee of Exeter, N. H., had a narrow escape from drowning when, on their return trip to break the news to "the folks," they mistook the ferry on the Connecticut river, at East Putney, for a ford, and when half way across the stream had to abandon their carriage and swim ashore. The horse escaped. After borrowing dry clothing at a nearby farmhouse and hiring another horse, the young couple, happy despite their misadventure, continued their journey home to receive the parental blessing.

Mr. and Mrs. Hyland were married this afternoon by Rev. L. W. Morey, a Congregational minister.

CHINA WILL NOT INVESTIGATE.

Declines to Take Up Killing of British Subject on American Expedition.

Peking, Sept. 1.—China has declined the proposal made by Sir John Jordan, the British minister, for a joint investigation in Peking of the killing by natives in Kan-Su province last June of Hazrah Ali, an Indian surveyor, attached to the meteorological expedition under Lieut. R. S. Clark, an ex-officer of the United States army. Henry P. Fletcher, the American charge d'affaires, concurred in the British demand.

China gives as her reason that it is impossible to bring witnesses from Kan-Su province. Minister Jordan holds that as the Clark expedition was traveling under American passports it devolves upon the American government to press for reparation, and he intimates that if the United States does not act he will take the matter into his own hands. Hazrah Ali was a British subject and Sir John explains that it is impossible to permit his murderers to go unpunished.

ALICE WEBB DUKE IN COURT.

Stated by Physician to Be Insane and Held by Judge.

Chicago, Sept. 1.—In the unkempt woman answering to the name of Alice Webb Duke in Judge Gimmell's court here today there was little to remind the spectators of the former wife of Brodie L. Duke, the tobacco man.

Mrs. Duke was arrested last night, charged with having failed to pay an automobile bill. In her cell last night she sang snatches from grand operas. Today Judge Gimmell, on the statement of a physician that the defendant is insane, held her for examination in the county court.

"Does that mean I am irretrievably insane?" pleaded the woman.

"No, no, not at all," answered the judge. He asked her a few questions and she replied that she was worth millions and that there was a plot against her life.

DETAINED FOR 17 MONTHS.

Seven Year Old Boy Immigrant Released at Last.

New York, Sept. 1.—A seven year old boy, Philip Miller, who had been detained for observation and treatment in the Marine hospital on Ellis Island for seventeen months, was today released and will go with his mother to South Dakota, where his father has a farm.

On April 7, 1908, Mrs. Miller, accompanied by several children, arived at this port on the Kronprinzessin Cecelie. Philip was suffering from trachoma and was ordered deported. The mother and her other children went west. The father of the child has paid the immigration authorities $372 for the medical attendance given his son while detained on Ellis Island.

$500,000 FIRE AT PITTSBURG.

Five Firemen Buried Beneath Falling Walls of Storage House.

Pittsburg, Sept. 1.—Five persons were injured, one seriously, and a monetary damage of $500,000 resulted today by a fire which destroyed the J. A. Blanck express and storage house in the East End district of the city. The fire started from crossed wires in an elevator shaft. Five firemen were buried beneath the debric when the side walls of the Blanck building collapsed.

Trainmen Refuse to Bring Any More Strike Breakers.

Pittsburg, Sept. 1.—Another victory was recorded by the Schoenville strikers today when it was reported that the members of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen employed on the Pittsburg, Fort Wayne and Chicago railroad had refused to bring any more strike breakers to the Pressed Steel Car company's plant.

A committee representing the trainmen called at the strikers' headquarters at McKees Rocks and after the conference Chairman Wise of the strikers' executive committee said positively that no more imported men will be transported over the Fort Wayne route. But three hundred are working in the plant today.

Steamship Arrivals.

At Hamburg, Sept. 1: Cincinnati from New York.

Condensed Telegrams

Mrs. Theresa Habits, who weighed 500 pounds, died in New York.

The Cotton and Corn Crops in Arkansas are reported to have deteriorated.

Scientists Said the Panama canal is in no danger from possible earthquakes.

Henry M. Hoyt Took the oath of office as counsenor of the state department.

Police Magistrate Henry E. Furlong of Brooklyn, N. Y., is under charges of accepting a bribe.

The Steamer Homer has arrived at San Francisco with 14,368 seal skins valued at half a million dollars.

The American National Red Cross appealed to the American people for aid for the Monterey sufferers.

Engineer Walter D. White for fifty years with the Northern Pacific railroad, was killed in a collision.

Secret Service Officials Found there was increased complaint about counterfeit notes imported from Sicily.

Mrs. Adolph Hirsch Missed $12,000 worth of diamonds while in the dining-room of the Hotel Vendome, Chicago.

Students with an Agricultural training and who are familiar with laboratory and field work are wanted by the government.

Miss Alice White, aged 16, daughter of Sheriff White of Indiana, held three escaping prisoners at bay at the point of a revolver.

Owing to What is Called an error in aiming, the French cruiser Cloire fired six shells in target practice into the cruiser Marseillaise.

The American Minister to Guatemala reported to the state department that General Jiminez was successful in Guatemala's presidential election.

A Despatch from Constantinople said that emperor Nicholas on board the Standart had passed through the Dardanelles on the way to the Crimea.

Eight Thousand Employes of the Southern Railway shops at Spencer, N. C., have been placed on a nine instead of an eight hour workday.

The Conclusions of the Chinese-Japanese negotiations regarding Manchuria shows that China has granted many concessions in return for few.

A Despatch to the State Department from Tampico said that a portion of the north jetty and both lights at the entrance to the harbor have been destroyed.

Prince Nicholas, Third Son of the King of Greece, has asked permission to resign the post of inspector general of artillery, owing to the agitation in the army.

The Spanish Troops in Morocco have advanced into the open country before Zeluan; the troops are clamoring for a forward movement, being hampered by the lack of water.

Lord Charles Beresford told Canadians "our people in England have a weary look," and that the continuance of the British empire depends on its supremacy on all seas.

The Chicago Street Car Controversy is expected to end in a day or two in the adoption of a compromise scale presented by Walter L. Fisher, special representative of the city in the negotiations.

Magistrate Corrigan, after a conference with District Attorney Jerome, told counsel for George Bronson-Howard, a playwright, charged with taking a $750 diamond ring from Mrs. Therese Raymond, an actress, at the point of a dirk, that he would not dismiss the complaint. He paroled Howard indefinitely.

SPANIARDS DRIVE BACK RIFFS.

Punitive Expedition Sent Into Interior Successful Against Moors.

Melilla, Morocco, Sept. 1.—According to official reports, the Riffs, who are opposing the advance of the Spanish punitive expedition into the interior of Merocco, recently directed a heavy artillery and musketry fire against the garrison at Sidimusa. They were, however, silenced by the Spanish batteries.

The Riffs attacked the town of Lalmdara because the inhabitants asked for Spanish protection, but they were driven back by a Spanish column sent out from El Arbar.

QUICK RECOVERY OF HAMPER.

Lost in the Shifting of Baggage but Detective Hazelhurst Found It in Chesterfield.

Being called to New York Monday by General Manager Browning of the Norwich and New York Proseller company, Detective C. E. Hazelhurst of this city was put on the trail of a wicker hamper which had been lost in transit. It was valued at $70 and belonged to Mrs. Freelich of Richmond Hill, L. I. During the rush of travel it is supposed it got mixed up in the shifting of baggage. It had been missing since June 1 but was located in Chesterfield Wednesday by the detective.

New I. O. O. F. Sign.

The Odd Fellow lodges using the hall in the Olympic building on Water street, have just had erected a new electrical sign outside the windows of their hall on the third floor. The sign contains the letters I. O. O. F. in vertical arrangement and is lighted on meeting nights, adding considerably to the illumination of the street.

Will Be Civil Engineers.

Raymond Sherman and Norbert Schutz are to begin a two years' course in civil engineering at the Connecticut Agricultural college at Storrs this year. Beginning next week they will take a special course of two weeks of outdoor work there before the term regularly begins.

Gilbert Defeated Chandler.

But one match in the tennis tournament on the courts at the roque club grounds was played Wednesday, this being a match in singles, in the first round. Walter E. Gilbert won his way into the second round by defeating Albert E. Chandler.

Burned by Electric Wire.

On Wednesday William Parvy, employed at the power station at Thamesville, was burned when a wrench came in contact with an uninsulated wire. The burn was severe and was dressed by Dr. Donohue.

Midweek Dance.

Midweek dances under the auspices of the Fairmount orchestra were begun in Maher and Kennedy's academy on Wednesday. A large crowd took advantage of the cool night and the time was enjoyably spent.

POSTMASTER GENERAL AT BEVERLY

Important Conference with the President Regarding Plans for Cutting Down Expenses

$20,000,000 DEFICIT LAST FISCAL YEAR

Largest Deficit Ever Known in the Postal Service—Investigations to be Made in All Eranches by Men Rated as Experts—Belief that the Whole Service Can be Put on Self Sustaining Basis.

Beverly, Mass., Sept. 1.—Postmaster General Hitchcock had an important conference with President Taft this afternoon regarding the plans he has formulated for cutting down expenses in the postal establishment. The postmaster general told the president that according to the latest estimates the postoffice department will show a deficit for the fiscal year ended June 30 last of more than $20,000,000. This is the largest deficit that has ever been known in the postal service, and Mr. Hitchcock informed the president that it was his purpose and his ambition to show a material decrease in the amount every year that he has control of the department.

All Branches to Be Investigated.

Investigations are to be made in all branches by the most able and efficient men in the service, men who are rated as experts in their respective fields of labor.

The postmaster general has now at work in Washington a commission of some forty odd experts in the registry service. The registry division has far outgrown the methods that were first employed in it and it is Mr. Hitchcock's intention to bring it down to a more businesslike institution.

When the registry commission has finished its labors, Mr. Hitchcock will summon another commission of money order experts to make a similar examination of the money order division. This division also has been showing a growing deficiency, whereas the postmaster general thinks it should soon be placed on a self-sustaining basis. In fact, Mr. Hitchcock believes that the whole postal service can eventually be put on a similar basis.

After the money order division has received an overhauling, work probably will be begun on the rural free delivery system.

The Franking Privilege.

The subject of the "franking" privilege, or the sending of matter through the mails free by government officials and members of congress will also come in for a share of consideration.

The custom has grown of recent years in Washington of sending out many government documents as "registered mail." This system has been very expensive and is in part responsible for the heavy deficit of $2,000,000 in the registry division.

EVELYN THAW NEEDS MONEY MORE THAN A DIVORCE.

Disgusted With Rumors That She Had Joined Nevada Divorce Colony.

New York, Sept. 1.—"I have never been in Reno in my life," said Mrs. Evelyn Nesbit Thaw in her West Thirty-third street apartment today, when asked regarding persistent rumors that she had joined the divorce colony in the Nevada town. "Furthermore," she continued, "I don't intend to go there. I have been right here in this house for the past three years and I am tired of hearing these reports that I have been seen in different parts of the country. I need money more than I need a divorce just at present. That is necessary to live on, and I shall make no plans until I arrange a settlement with the Thaw family."

FIRE IN PARLIAMENT BUILDING AT TORONTO.

Loss $100,000—Fine Mowat Law Library a Total Loss.

Toronto, Ont., Sept. 1.—The west wing of the parliament buildings here was completely destroyed today by a fire which was discovered about noon. The loss to the building is about $100,000, fully insured, but the fine Mowat law library, one of the best collections in the Dominion, is a total loss, with no insurance. The fire was due to defective electric wiring.

ENGLAND DEMANDS REDRESS.

Minister to China Insists on Punishment of Murderers of a Subject.

Peking, Sept. 1.—Sir John Jordan, British minister to China, without waiting for the cooperation of the American legation, today called on the foreign board and demanded reparation and punishment for the killing last June in Kan-Su province of Hazrah Ali, a British subject.

Ali was an Indian surveyor attached to the meterological expedition taken to China by Lieut. R. S. Clark, a former officer of the American army. He was set upon by Chinese and killed.

Sir John informed the government that an investigation of the occurrence must be made. The government demurred, but the minister was firm. In return, China asked for reparation for the Chinese killed in the encounter with the members of the expedition.

Harry P. Fletcher, the American charge d'affaires, will take independent action. The apparent lack of co-operation between the British and American legations is due to divergent views in the matter of China's responsibility. Mr. Fletcher, however, has given assurances that he will support the British action.

IN HANDS OF RECEIVER.

The National Fruit Products Company, Doing Business in Boston.

Boston, Sept. 1.—Upon the petition of Marcus M. Bacon of Hartford, Conn., dealer in soda fountain supplies, confectioner and fruit products, Judge Colt in the United States circuit court today placed the National Fruit Products company, a Massachusetts corporation, doing business in Boston, in the hands of a receiver.

Judge Colt appointed M. Douglas Flattery of this city receiver under a bond of $10,000.

The liabilities of the concern are $90,000 and the assets are slightly in excess of that sum.

Mr. Bacon is a creditor for the sum of $4,475, and Lee, Higginson & company and the City Trust company, both of this city, are among the largest creditors.

DESTROYER'S GREAT RECORD.

Flusser Does Three Knots Faster Than Any Ship in United States Navy.

Rockland, Me., Sept. 1.—A record three knots faster than that of any ship in the United States navy was scored today by the Bath built torpedo boat destroyer Flusser in a standardization trial, the first of her official acceptance trials on the Rockland mile course. Her fastest mile was made at the rate of 33.7 knots an hour, while another was at the rate of 32.4 knots. The average of her five top speed runs was 32.7 knots.

Timber and Coal Deal in West Virginia.

Charleston, W. Va., Sept. 1.—Railway interests are said to be behind an impending deal involving $10,000,000 in timber and coal lands in Boone, Raleigh and Logan counties in this state. Kuhn, Loeb & company of New York, it is said, will finance it.

Reached Height of Over Two Miles.

Dayton, Ohio, Sept. 1.—The new balloon "The Delight" in its initial voyage yesterday reached a height of twelve thousand feet. It landed fourteen miles beyond Delaware, Ohio.

PROMINENT PHYSICIAN SHOT, DR. HICKS OF JAMAICA, L. I.,

Wounded by Mrs. William Condon, Who Then Shot Herself.

New York, Sept. 1.—Mrs. William Condon, wife of a plumber living in Dunton, L. I., today shot Dr. S. M. C. Hicks, a prominent physician of Jamaica, then sent a bullet into her breast with the same revolver. The physician's wound is not dangerous, but the woman will probably die. Dr. Hicks said that the woman was hysterical and probably not responsible for her act. No other explanation of the shooting has been given.

The shooting occurred at Mrs. Condon's house. At the hospital the woman inquired constantly for her victim and seemed pleased when told he was in no danger. Dr. Hicks was shot in the leg. He is about 30 years old and married. Mrs. Condon has been married fifteen years and has two children.

MONTEREY FLOOD SITUATION.

Danger of Food and Water Famine is Now Over.

Mexico City, Sept. 1.—The flood situation at Monterey shows some improvement today. Money and food are pouring in and the danger of a water and food famine is now over. Returns from outlying districts show immense crop losses and many smaller towns situated in the river regions have been destroyed with a considerable loss of life.

A relief train left there this afternoon for Monterey and the first train from Laredo got into that city early this morning.

The European and American mails, four days overdue, came into Mexico City this morning.

LOPUKINE ON WAY TO SIBERIA.

Ex-Chief of Russian Police Sent Into Exile.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 1.—The minister of the interior has selected Krasnoyarsk, Siberia, as the place of exile for Alexander Lopukine, ex-chief of the Russian police department, who was recently found guilty of being a member of the revolutionary organization and was sentenced to five years' imprisonment at hard labor. The conditions of Lopukine's exile, however, have been mitigated. The Lopukine family will be allowed to bring its household furniture and the library from St. Petersburg.

Lopukine, accompanied by his wife and brother-in-law, Prince Urussoff, is now on his way to Krasnoyarsk. He will be joined later by his daughter.

REPRIEVE FOR THE STRAW HAT.

Mayor of Chicago Will Permit Their Being Worn Until Sept. 15.

Chicago, Sept. 1.—Mayor Busse, owing to the unusual warmth of last September, issued a proclamation "permitting the wearing of straw hats up to Sept. 15." This year he has issued another proclamation making his former one permanent.

London to New York in Five Days by Steamer.

New York, Sept. 1.—The latest bulletin by wireless via Halifax from the Cunard liner Lusitania, now speeding westward, confirms earlier indications that she will land her passengers on Thursday night, thus realizing for the first time the ambition of her owners to cut the time between New York and London to five days. The Lusitania at 5 o'clock this afternoon was