

ETNA WAS NOT SPYING

American Warship Tardy in Answering Her Salute.
COURTESY MADE HER WAIT
Capt. Baggio Indignant at Hint That Affront Was Intended.
SHIP NOT OUT OF COURSE
Did Not Know Target Practice Was in Progress Until Too Late to Avoid Speaking Fleet.

BALTIMORE, Md., September 3.—Charged with violating naval etiquette by lingering near the United States fleet at target practice off Cape Henry, Capt. Baggio, commander of the Italian training ship *Etna*, now at anchor in Baltimore harbor, makes the assertion that had the Americans not been so tardy in answering his salute there would have been no necessity for him to extend, almost to the breaking point, the international courtesy that obliges a ship saluted to remain in the vicinity while the other craft is given an opportunity to make the return salute.

Capt. Baggio, in an interview with *The Star* correspondent this morning, stated emphatically that, while it was true he did remain in the vicinity of the practicing ships, he was nevertheless duty bound to do so in order to receive the reply to the salute he gave as he passed the first ship of the line.

He declares that when he fired his guns he anticipated a quick reply as he steamed along. Not getting it, and appreciating that the Americans may have been taken unawares, with no saluting ammunition handy, he slowed down and then hoisted to. When he heard the salute to him he steamed on.

Not Out of True Course.
"I am indignant that such a matter has been given publication, and I am surprised as well," said the captain. "We were en route from Bermuda and were on a true course to the capes of the Chesapeake."
"Early Sunday morning the first of the American ships were sighted directly ahead. Without changing our course we steamed toward them."
"As we reached the first ship in the line we gave the customary salute. At the time we did not know whether the fleet was at practice. Later, when we found that they were, it was too late for us to change our course, and we kept on, passing ship after ship."

"In the meantime, our salute had not been answered. We slowed down, passing between the ships and the targets, for the simple reason that it was too late to swerve and go around the targets."
"Under reduced speed we passed ship after ship, but not a gun was heard. When we found ourselves off the flagship of Admiral Schroeder, the last ship of the line, we were placed in the predicament of either running away or waiting for the salute. Courtesy demands the latter course, and we have to wait."

Salute Allowed Her to Proceed.
"After a time the salute was fired. This was at once accepted, not only as a return of the courtesy, but all that was expected or wanted. We continued on our way to the capes, giving the matter no further thought."
"While we were passing by the fleet practically every vessel in the fleet saluted us. Those who had glasses no doubt used them to look at the beautiful fighting craft around us. But as to our spying upon them, we are sure that we are not guilty of that. It is ridiculous."
Capt. Baggio, who is the Marquis of Etna, and who is the only Italian officer in the Italian navy, and who is regarded at home as highly prominent in his calling, was greatly interested. He paced his quarter deck while he denounced in most emphatic language the very suggestion that either he or any of his men should be found spying upon the operations of the American fleet.

CANADA CLAIMS POLE

Ready to Assert Sovereignty East of Greenland.
FRANCE PREDICTS QUARREL
Prince Roland Bonaparte Thinks England Will Defend Title.
UNITED STATES NOT GREEDY
Officials in Washington Deem It of Little Consequence to Claim Land Where Cook Plants Flag.

OTTAWA, September 3.—Official circles take the view that the discovery of the north pole by Dr. Cook does not affect Canada's title to the sovereignty of all land which lies to the eastward of Greenland and between the northern shore of Canada proper and the pole.

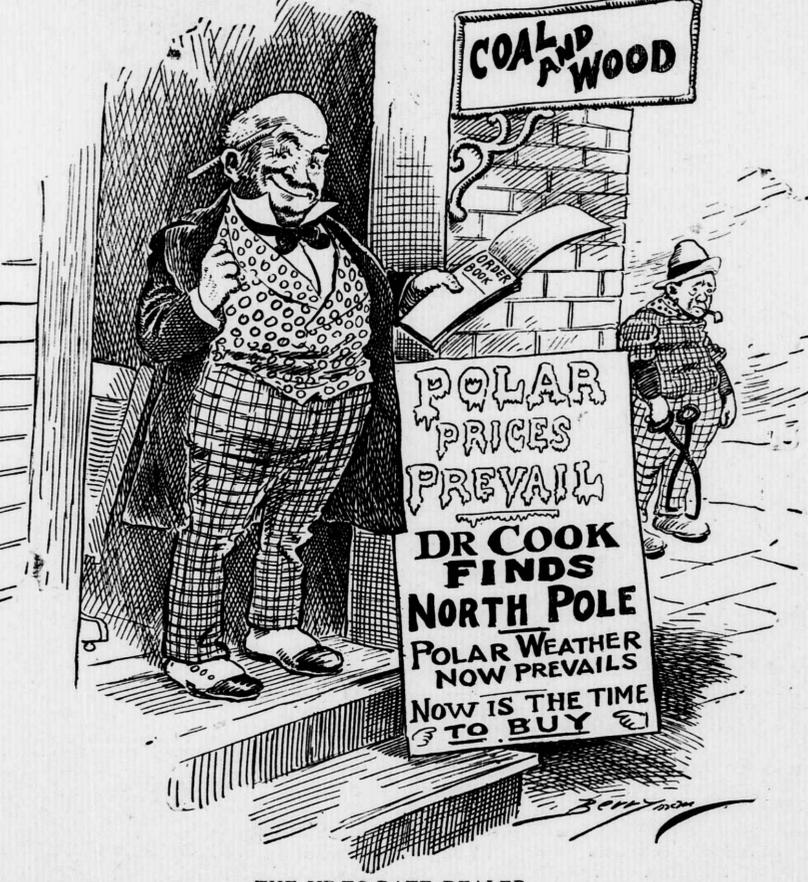
Prince Roland Bonaparte Predicts Row Over Pole
PARIS, September 3.—*The Matin* publishes an interview with Prince Roland Bonaparte, in which he forecasts controversy, if not conflict, between Great Britain and the United States relative to the possession of territory at the north pole.

United States Indifferent to Ownership of New Land
It has not been established that the land in the neighborhood of the pole is a "continuation of Canada."
Some scientists hold that it must be a continuation of Greenland. In that event Denmark could claim control over it.

No Claim Over Waste Lands.
In fact, many of the world's great navigators have, from time to time, made discoveries to which no claim was ever made. The principal reason for this, however, is said to be that these lands in every instance were almost inaccessible and of absolutely no value to any one.

Sovereignty May Be Fixed.
Recently, however, a conference has been suggested of representatives of countries having interests in them to provide some sort of an administration for their government. The United States probably will be represented in that conference by reason of the fact that the only important mineral in the territory are operated by Americans.

By Right of Discovery.
Dr. Hannis Taylor, special counsel of the Spanish treaty claims commission, recognized as an authority on international law, says that this government may claim ownership of the north pole by right of discovery. As the pole seems to be a permanent ice field, Dr. Taylor thinks it might be possible to consider it as land instead of as the high seas.



THE UP-TO-DATE DEALER.

ON DUTY WITH BROKEN ARM

ACCIDENT BEFALLS PROF. WILLIS L. MOORE.
Faints From Acute Pain—Is Nevertheless Serving Today as Acting Secretary.
Prof. Willis L. Moore, chief of the United States weather bureau, is today on duty with a broken arm and in a plaster cast. The accident which deprived him of the use of his left arm occurred about 10 o'clock this forenoon. Prof. Moore was coming in to his office from his country home, near Rockville, on the electric cars. While on 31st street above M street he stepped his carriage waiting for him, and as he was about to enter it he was struck at about the rate of eight miles an hour. As his right foot struck the roadway, which is paved with flat concrete blocks, the heel of his shoe caught against the side of a block and he was pitched headlong to the street. Fred L. Francis, an employe of the weather bureau, who was waiting to take him to his office, saw the accident and helped him up. He recognized his chief and at once picked him up and assisted him into a hardware store in the vicinity.

CONSULTS LEGAL ASSISTANTS

SECRETARY BALLINGER INVESTIGATES GLAVIS CHARGES.
Goes Over the Data in Cunningham Cases and Declines to Comment on Situation.
Secretary Ballinger of the Interior Department is back on the job. He came in today at 10:35 on the first train out of Seattle after he received the President's letter and the Glavis charges. Secretary Ballinger made a quick dive for his desk in the Interior Department, rang his bell and before you could say Jack Robinson had his legal assistants about him and was deep in the details of the Cunningham cases. These coast husters have such a way with them.

SUICIDE FROM DESPONDENCY.

Body of Once Prominent Actress in the Denver Morgue.
DENVER, Colo., September 3.—A woman's body, which has lain in the morgue two days, unclaimed, has been identified as that of Helen Florence Dixon, former political orator and prominent actress of twenty years ago.

RUSSIA INSISTS ON A SLICE

CLAIMS A SHARE IN THE CHINESE RAILWAY LOAN.
French Interests Believed to Be Striving for Greater Share in Empire's Financial Affairs.
PEKING, September 3.—Under instructions from St. Petersburg, M. Korotvitz, the Russian minister to China, will tomorrow for the second time urge the foreign board to recognize Russia's claim for representation in the allotment of the loan of \$30,000,000 for the construction of the Hankow-Sze-chuen railroad. France is said to be supporting Russia in this course. St. Petersburg does not accept the Chinese contention that the loan has been concluded. Because of the new situation arising from Russia's proposed action, and the prospect that the loan will not at present be signed, the manager of the French bank in Peking will leave here tomorrow for Paris.

TESTIMONIAL BANQUET TO EDISON.

BRIARCLIFF MANOR, N. Y., September 3.—Mr. and Mrs. Thomas A. Edison last night attended a banquet given here in his honor by 260 men who have been associated with him in the commercial development of electricity. Five thousand incandescent lamps sparkled among the roses and asters that decorated the tables. There were no set speeches.

LAURELS FOR DR. COOK.

Latest Hat for Women Named for the Arctic Explorer.
CHICAGO, Ill., September 3.—Dr. Cook, struggling against the blizzard blasts of the great north and the more subtle danger of the food tin, little thought of the fame that was to be his when he reached the very top of the world.

ROCHESTER LEADS.

National Association of Letter Carriers Elects Officers.
ST. PAUL, Minn., September 3.—When the ballots were counted this morning it was thought that the National Association of Letter Carriers had elected to meet in Rochester, N. Y., in 1911, but a recount showed that although Rochester led it lost by three votes.

MURDER AND SUICIDE.

Irate Father Kills Daughter's Suitor and Turns Revolver on Self.
FORT WORTH, Tex., September 3.—Forcing the driver of a taxicab at the point of a revolver to take him to the home of his victim, J. C. Woodall, 28 years old, a freeman on the Texas and Indian railroad, shot and killed S. D. Williams, a truck farmer, late yesterday. In an effort to escape, Woodall exchanged shots with two police officers and Williams' attention to Miss Dovey Williams, the farmer's sixteen-year-old daughter, provoked the tragedy, it is alleged.

AGED INMATE OF SOLDIERS' HOME VICTIM OF HEART DISEASE.

NEWPORT NEWS, Va., September 3.—After ordering a glass of beer in a Phoenix saloon yesterday afternoon, Christian Lensch, an aged inmate of the National Soldiers' Home at Hampton, put his head down on a table and expired. Life was extinct when the bartender appeared to serve the drink. After investigating the case and hearing the statements of several old soldiers who were in the place at the time, Dr. G. K. Vandercil announced that death had been caused by heart failure and deemed an inquest unnecessary. Lensch was seventy-eight years old.

KILLED IN THE FOG

Freight Hits Working Gang at Greensburg, Pa.
CAUGHT BY PASSING TRAIN
Nineteen Young People Injured Near Williamsburg, Pa.
ENGINE SMASHES HAY WAGON
Another Serious Accident in Des Moines, When Express Strikes Street Car.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., September 3.—Four men were killed and eleven others had narrow escapes from death when a section gang working on the Pennsylvania railroad a mile and a half west of Greensburg was run down in the fog by an east-bound freight train this morning. The men were getting out of the way of a west-bound train.

Train Hits Street Car.
DES MOINES, Iowa, September 3.—Mrs. R. M. Rollins and Mrs. Edward Lawless were probably fatally hurt and eleven other passengers were severely injured last night when a loaded Rock Island passenger train carrying state fair visitors struck a packed Ford Des Moines street car in the middle and crushed it to kindling wood.

Her Throat Is Cut.
Mrs. Lawless, who may die, had her throat cut by a piece of glass.

Death Comes Suddenly.
AGED INMATE OF SOLDIERS' HOME VICTIM OF HEART DISEASE.

COOK OFF THE SKAW; DENMARK IS EXCITED

Copenhagen Scientists and Officials Preparing Tremendous Welcome.
STEAMER HANS EGEDE DUE AT HER DOCK BY MIDNIGHT
Government Warship and Other Craft Off to Escort Her In.

SKAGEN, Denmark, September 3.—A newspaper correspondent who went aboard the *Hans Egede* from the pilot steamer off here was able to obtain a few words with Dr. Frederick A. Cook. The explorer described his success to the fact that he made use of the old methods, namely, Eskimos and dogs, and that he lived like an Eskimo himself.

MINISTER EGAN IS IN PARTY
Round of Entertainment in Honor of Arctic Explorer Is Planned. King to Receive Noted Far North Traveler.

Copenhagen Plans Fete in Honor of Explorer
Special Dispatch to The Star.
COPENHAGEN, September 3.—The steamer *Hans Egede*, with Dr. Frederick A. Cook, the American explorer, on board, passed Cape Skagen, the northern extremity of Denmark, at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

Entertainments Are Planned.
Banquets will also be given by the municipality, by other civic organizations and by individuals, including Minister Maurice P. Egan, if Dr. Cook will stay here long enough to attend them.

Denmark Claims Right to Honor.
At a meeting held under the auspices of the government, at which the municipality, the Royal Geographical Society and trade and shipping interests were represented, Mr. Egan, the American minister expressed a desire to take Dr. Cook of the honor of bringing him to Copenhagen. Rooms have been reserved for him at the Hotel Phoenix.

Dr. Stolberg, on Hans Egede, Companion of Explorer Cook
BERLIN, September 3.—The Tagblatt's correspondent at Strasbourg writes: