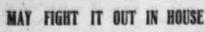
TO REACH CONGRESS

Ballinger-Pinchot Row Likely to Be Settled There.



Forestry and Reclamation to Be Bone of Contentior-More Liberal Coal Laws for Alaska.

Washington, Sept. 2.-Congress is expected by all sides of the Ballinger-Pinchot controversy to investigate the various phases of that row during the session next winter, unless President Taft should intervene and settle the difficulty to the satisfaction of all concerned before that time. This new turn of affairs is not looked forward to with relish by the friends of the Taft administration, who realize that the insue probably will be forced upon them in congress by the far Western members, who have fought the Roose velt policies and who now believe they have an opportunity to get more liberal terms from the administration.

As a matter of fact it is generally understood here that the policy of the administration will be to ask congress to strengthen the laws of conservation along the lines of the Roosevelt poli-In that event Secretary Ballingcies. er at least will be placed in the position of having to fight the friends who think they are helping him by taking up the cudgels against the forest and reclamation services.

That the Interior department and the forestry and reclamation services will be bones of serious contention in gress this winter was strongly indicat-ed today. The house committee on agriculture controls practically all the appropriations under which the forestry bureau operates, and hitherto it has made it its business to inquire specifically into the workings of that bureau.

Likewise, the house committee on territories two years ago requested the Interior department to furnish congress with data relating to Alaska railroads and coal lands, but, after continuing the investigation for a short period, the department gave it up. As a strong effort is to be made in congress next winter to increase the amount of coal land which may be held under one management, it is believed almost un-avoidable that congress or one of its committees must investigate the conservation row.

CROWD OUT WHITES.

Hundreds of Japanese Find Employment in California.

Marysville, Cal., Sept. 2.-Special Agent Pierce, of the bureau of labor and statistics, is in this valley gather ing labor statistics relative to Japanese invasion. He spent a couple of days at Chico and found conditions fairly good, there being comparatively few Japanese in that section. In this section, however, there are hundreds of Japanese engaged in all pursuits, and the Japanese] population of this county is large.

POLE IS FOUND.

Frederick Cook, American Explorer, **Reaches Most Northern Point.** Paris, Sept. 3 .- "After a prolonged

fight with famine and frost, we at last have succeeded in reaching the North Pole.

Thus declares Dr. Frederick A. Cook in a signed statement this morning in the Paris edition of the New York Herald. The statement, which is dated "Hans Egede, Lerwick, Wednes-

day," continues: "A new highway with an interesting strip of animated nature has been explored and big game haunts located, which will delight sportsmen and extend the Esquimo horizon. "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 favorable for launching a venture to the pole. J. R. Bradley liberally supplied from his vessel suit-able provisions for local use. My own equipment for emergencies served well for every purpose in the Arctics, "At sunrise of 1908-February 19-

"At sunrise of 1908—February 19— 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 day-light. The chill of the winter was felt at its worst. As we crossed the heights of Ellsmere 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 the way was easy.

"There was an unknown line 460 miles away which was our goal. We made encouraging progress. A big lead, which separated the land from the ice of the central pack was crossed with little delay.

"We advanced steadily over the monotony of moving sea ice and now found ourselves beyond the range of all life-neither footprints of bears nor the blowholes of seals were detected. Even the microscopic creatures of the

deep were no longer under us. 'Thus, day after day, our weary legs spread over great distances. Incidents and positions were recorded, but adventure was promptly forgotten in the next day's efforts. The night of April 7 was made more notable by the swing-ing of the sun at midnight over the northern ice. Sunburns and frostbites

now were recorded on the same day, but the double day's glitter infused quite an incentive into one's life of shivers.

"We were now about 200 miles from the pole and sledge loads were reduced.

One dog after another went into the stomachs of the hungry survivors, until the teams were considerably diminished in number, but there seemed to re-main a sofficient balance for man and brute to push along into the heart of the mystery to which we had set ourselves

"On April 21 we had reached 89 degrees 59 minutes 46 seconds. The pole was in sight. We covered the remaining 14 seconds and made a few final

The Japanese are employed exten-sively in the orchards and fields and have in many instances purchased or leased vineyards and orchards. There With a single step we could pass from one side of the earth to the other; from midday to midnight. At last the flag floated to the breezes at the pole. 11 was April 21, 1908. The temperature sengers and shippers.

OREGON STATE ITEMS OF INTEREST

WOOL SEASON GOOD.

Yield is Large and Prices High and Wheat and Fruit Will Bring Farmers Growers Satisfied.

Portland-The Oregon wool season with the result. It has also been a profitable year, so far as it has gone, for the dealers.

The wool clip of Oregon this year netted the farmers of the state about \$4,000,000. They have also received very good prices for their mutton, sheep and lambs, and are altogether in as prosperous a condition as the farm-ers in other parts of the state who heav devoted their energies to raising grain

It has been an ideal year for the Oregon sheep men with the weather right at every season to produce the best results. As a consequence, the output was larger than it has been in recent years and the quality was better. At the same time there was a sharper de-mand from buyers and prices were higher.

The quality of the wool was excellent. year, though of heavier shrinkage, owing to the dry spring. The average weight of the fleeces was placed at 9 % pounds, the heaviest average ever mown in the state. The wool sheared fully one pound to the fleece more than it did last year.

The highest price paid during the season in Eastern Oregon was 23 cents, which was realized on a part of one clip at Shaniko. The larger part of the best grades sold between 20 and 22 cents. Some scouring wools went at 13 cents, and other coarse grades mov-ed at prices up to 17 cents. For the clip, as a whole, the average price was Special features are being arranged abpout 19% cents.

CLEARING UP LAND TITLES.

Special Agents Making Visit to Klamath County.

Klamath Falls-H. P. Jones, a spe-cial agent of the general land office, and Peter Ogden Applegate, state land agent, have arrived from Salem to inspect some lands about the lakes the titles of which are in question between the state and the United States.

The greater part of the lands in this section have long since been classified either as government or as belonging to the state under the swamp land grant of March 12, 1860, but there are ome odds and ends still undetermined. The classification of these becomes very important, since the Klamath basin is now coming into its own and the rich alluvial lands about the lakes will soon be in great demand.

Meesrs. Applegate and Jones went up the Klamath lake by launch to begin their examination of the low lands at the head of the lake and will probably spend several days in their investigatio

Complains of Late Trains.

Salem-A. F. Will, of Aurora, mplained to the railroad commission of poor train service maintained by the Southern Pacific at Aurora. The train due to arrive at 9:25 o'clock in the morning is from two to four hours late regularly, says Mr. Will, and that city had about as well not have any train as far as it is an accommodation to pas-

town, a settlement just south of Rawhide, was swept by a 10-foot wall of water following a cloudburst in the hills to the north last night and 130 CROPS IN GRANT HEAVY.

Good Prices.

Prairie City-For the first time in of 1909, which has now been brought to a close, has been one of the most successful in the bistory of the state. The yield was large and the price high, and the growers are entirely satisfied raisers will be able to send their supplies to Baker City and all railroad points.

According to reports received here there is a short fruit crop in many sections of Eastern Oregon. Grant coun-ty never had a better yield of all kinds of fruits and grains than this year. Heretofore apples have been fed to the hogs and fruit could be had for the picking. This summer contractors are buying the fruit in the orchards. It will be boxed and shipped to railroad four feet. points.

The flour mills of the John Day valley are paying \$1 a bushel for wheat. Although the yield is much in advance of previous years, there will not be enough wheat to supply local demands. The people of Grant county have im-mense tracts of land that have never been cultivated, and now that the land is contingent to the railroad the wheat It was of better staple than last yield should be very materially in reased.

Wheat of Grant county compares fa-vorably with wheat raised in the lower night. Before the wave had passed, 500 people were homeless and their counties. In fact, the Blue mountain wheat is of superior quality, especially where it has been irrigated.

Umatilla-Morrow Fair.

Pendleton-The annual Umatilla and Morrow counties' fair which will occur here this month is causing considearble interest and activity. Preparations are being made for agricultural Special features are being arranged for the entertainment of the crowds, the latest being a "broncho busting" contest for which a local firm has put contest for which a local firm has put up a handsome saddle as a prize. It is expected that the best riders in this section will be here. The section of Brooklyn.

Conserve Waste Water.

Arlington-The John Day Power tory in which they slept was directly company, composed of Oregon and Washington irrigation enthusiasts, is discovered about 8 o'clock last night. preparing to develop the immense wa- Three hundred and fifty small children ter power of John Day river, about 14 were in their cots on the third and miles west of Arlington. The energy of this water, which has been idling of the older children were attending away its strength for ages, will be converted into electricity and distribprayers in the chapel. As the alarm sounded the older children marched from the chapel to uted over three or four counties. The company hopes to be ready by next spring to furnish Arlington and neighattendants began carrying the little boring towns with electricity for lights children from the floors above. and power.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat-Bluestem, 95c; club, 87c; red Russian, 85%c; valley, 90c; Fife, 87c; Turkey red, 87c; fortyfold, 89 %c.

Barley-Feed, \$26.50 per ton; brew-ing, \$27.50, Hay-Timothy, Willamette valley, \$120016 per ton; Eastern Oregon, \$1760 with a large number of inmates, was saved, all its occupants escaping. 18; mixed, \$15.50@16.50; alfalfa, \$13.50; clover, \$11@13; cheat, \$13@

Chicago, Sept. 1 .- The women ticket 14,50. Butter-City creamery, extras, 34c

per pound; fancy outside creamery, 29 wages. Their action @33c; store, 21@22c. Butter fat without precedent. gr33c; store, 210222c. Butter ist without precedent. The store of 5 cents a day. With the Southern Pacific, now have regular butter prices. Poultry-Hens, 16%c per pound; soon as their wages were raised to \$2 springs, 17c; roosters, 96210c; ducks, a day. At the present women are getadvance of 5 cents a day it would

Nation Preparing Home Coming for Arctic Explorer.

WILL WELCOME COOK

ADDS LARGE AREA TO DOMAIN It is reported that two women and four children are missing, but up to a late hour it was impossible to secure a

President Taft May Be Requested to Honor Man Who Holsted Flag Over Polar Continent.

New York, Sept. 4 .- Preparations already are on foot to make the homecoming of Dr. Frederick A. Cook an event of national, and possibly inter-national importance. If plans outlined today by members of the Arctic club are carried out, the welcome Dr. Cook will receive in New York will be an

ovation in which city, state and nation Several structures were torn from will take part, while prominent explor their foundations and floated some distance down the street, while the distance down the street, while the ers Cook's former rivals-from all crest of the flood was covered with parts of the globe, will gather to pay personal tribute to his achievements, furniture, animals and all sorts of de Members of the Arctic club hopse

President Taft may be present, "Such Gathering force as it poured down the channel, the flood swept into Squatan honor would be no more than fit-ting," one declared, "in view of the tertown, half a mile further down. The water formed a wall 10 feet high as it fact that the explorer has placed the Stars and Stripes on the spex of the world and added perhaps 60,000 square miles to the nation's territory." crashed into the structures, overturning them and demolishing them. The work of devastation went on in the

Among the explorers who are ex-pected to take a prominent part are property was piled in a tangled heap in the basin at the foot of National hill. the Duke d'Abruzzi, Dr. Nansen, Cap-tain Ronald Amundsen, General A. W. Greeley, Rear Admiral George Mel-ville, Anthony Fisla and Captain Joseph E. Bernier.

Captain Bradley S. Osberne, secretary of the Arctic club, says the explorer is not expected here for several weeks.

New York, Sept. 1,-That seven "He is due in Copenhagen in three little children, inmates of St. Malich's days," said Captain Osborne, "and if he came straight home would arrive in home for children, at Rocksway park, L. L., were suffocated in a fire which New York about the middle of Septemdestroyed a portion of the home last night, was discovered by firemen today ber, but his friends believe that he may make several stops on the way. For one thing the geographere and sci-entists of Copenhagen will tender him a welcome. He may go to Christiana to meet Captain Amundsen discoverer Nearly all the dead were under five of the Northwest passage; it is likely that he will visit Belgium where he years old. The portion of the dormihas been decorated for his services to stience and it is scarcely conceivable that the British geographical societies ? would allow him to pass them on his way home without an invitation to fourth floors of that wing, and some

WORRY HARRIMAN LINES.

Santa Fe Will Put Fast Train on Run to Coast.

men assisted in searching the building Chicago, Sept. 4 .- The management of the Santa Fe railroad has about de-cided to put into operation a new fast and found a few children lingering in the halls too frightened to leave the building, but the rescue work had been mail and express train to run between Kansas City and Los Angeles, with a conducted with such dispatch and good view to capturing the bulk of the Southern California mail. order that it was believed until today that all the children were out of the building. The Hebrew home, nearby,

This adds another speed war to that recently declared by the Hill roads in the mail, express and passenger traffic to the Pacific coast, affecting a differ-ent teritory between the East and Cal-ifornia ifornia.

The entire Southern California mail agents on the elevated loop of this city today refused to accept a raise in wages. Their action is said to be revenue to the railroads. The Santa

was pouring down the alope, covering three miles from the summit to Main street, with a speed of a railroad train. The flood rushed into the street, which lies in a hollow and forms a general drainage channel, and every business house on the east side was flooded from a depth of from one to

WATER SWEEPS RAWHIDE.

Cloudburst in Nevada Hills is Cause

of Disaster.

buildings were partially or completely

verification of this report, as every

The cloudburst occurred on the sum

mit of low hills to the north of the camp at 6:40 last evening. In a few

moments a three-foot wall of water

SEVEN LITTLE ONES BURN.

Rest of 750 Children in Home March

Through Fire to Safety.

the board walk along the beach and the

Refuse to Take More Pay.

Fire

thing is?in darkness and confusion.

destroyed.

bris

Rawhide, Nev., Sept. 1.-Squatter-

are several Japanese employment agencies here doing a thriving business. It is estimated that there are over a thousand Japanese in this section and more are coming daily.

Every Japanese here is employed steadily, while there are a few white men who are not working, principally because they have an aversion for work. Labor is scarce and the Japanese are filling places that it is impossi-ble to get white men to take.

Fishguard Important Port. London, Sept. 2 .- The inauguration of the new Fishguard route which brings New York within five days of London is heralded as a great triumph on the part of the Cunard and railway companies. Fishguard now takes rank with Liverpool, Southampton and other great ocean ports and from a little town of 2,500 population it is expected it will grow to a considerable city. A soon as sufficient passenger traffic justifies the step a special train will be run to Dover to avoid the delay of transference at London.

Lusitania is Abandoned.

Liverpool, Sept. 2 .- A survey of the Cunard liner Lusitania, which caught fire at her dock here August 14, and was sunk to put out the flames, shows the damage to be so extensive that the company probably will not repair the It is estimated that it will Yes cost more than \$500,000 to refit the steamer.

Swedish Strikers Starve.

Stockholm, Sept. 2 .- The Afton-bladet asserts that many strikers are

was minus 38 centigrade; barometer 29.83; latitude, 90; as for longitude, it was nothing, as it was but a word.

"Although crazy with joy, our spirits began to undergo a feeling of weariness. Next day, after taking all our observations, a sentiment of intense of earth, had aroused the ambition of so many men for so many centuries? to Wenaha springs. There was no ground, only an immensity of dazzling white snow, no living being, no point to break the monotony. "On April 23 we started on our re-

turn."

Scientific Value is High.

Winnipeg, Man., Sept. 3 .- The Britgreat interest in the report that Dr. Cook had reached the North Pole. Colonel Sir Duncan Johnstone, declared

the expedition would be of the highest scientific value if scientific observations were made by qualified men. C. H. Chisholm, professor of geography at Edinburgh university, said magnetic observations that could be made at the pole would likely be among the most valuable results of the day.

Pittsburg Miners Win.

Pittsburg, Sept. 3 .- The dispute be men, was settled tonight at a conferactually starving and that others are subsisting on bread and water and fish caught in the archipelago or tramping the country robbing the potato fields.

Government to Build Dredge.

Pendleton-The government has com menced advertising for bids for a \$10,-000 bridge across the Umatilla river at Cayuse station. The appropriation for the structure was made last winter solitude penetrated us while we looked The bridge will have a carrying capa-at the horizon. Was it possible that city of 20 tons. The building of the this desolate region, without a patch bridge will form an important link in the construction of the proposed road

Governor Benson Invited.

Salem-There has been received at the governor's office a copy of the official call for the fourth annual session of the Dry Farming congress at Billings, Mont., October 26, 27 and 28. A feature of the congress will be govish association for the advancement of ernors' day, when the governor of a spinach, 5c per pound; so science at its national meeting showed number of the Western states will be matoes, 506275c per box. present

Apple Fair for Hood River.

Hood River-The apple growers of Hood river valley held a rousing meeting at the Coommercial club rooms last choice, 24@25c. week for the purpose of forming a permanent organization, and to lay plane for an annual apple fair. C. D. Thompson was elected chairman and W. H. Walton secretary,

Coos Plans Own Dredge.

Marshfield-Now that positive ouncement has been made that tween the miners and operators of the nouncement has been made that the Pittsburg district, affecting 18,000 government dredge Oregon is to be removed from this harbor, the port comence between the operators, the nation- mission will probably at once begin construction of a larger and better workers of America and President dredge to be used permanently for im-Thomas L. Lewis. provements on Coos bay.

per dozen.

young, 14c; geese, young, 10c; tur-keys, 20; squabs, \$1.75@2 per dozen. Pork-Fancy, 11@11%c per pound.

Veal-Extra, 9%@10c per pound. Fruits-Apples, \$1@2 25 per box; pears, \$1.25@2; peaches, 50c@\$1.10 cantaloupes, \$1.50622; per crate; dums, 35@90c per box; watermelons, 100134c per pound; grapes, 50c00\$1.75 per crate; cambas, \$1.5002 per dozen. Potatoes-\$1 per sack; sweet pota-

oes, 3c per pound.

Onions-\$1,25 per sack.

Vegetables-Beans, 4615c per pound cabbage, 14211/c; cauliflower, 75cm \$1.25 per dozen; celery, 50c@r\$1; corn, 15020c; cucumbers, 100226c; onions, 12350215c; peas, 7c per pound; peppers, 56010c; radishes, 15c per dozen; spinach, 5c per pound; squash, 5c; to

Hops-1909 contracts, nominal; 1908 crop, 140015c; 1907 crop, 11c; 1906 crop,

Wool-Eastern Oregon, 16@23c per pound; valley, 236/25c; mohnir,

Cattle-Steers, top, 4.50@4.60; fair to good, \$4@4.25; common, \$3.75@4; top, \$3.40@3.65; fair to good, cows, \$3@3.25; common to medium, \$2.50@ 2.75; calves, top, \$5665.50; heavy, \$3.5064; bulls and stags, \$2.763.25; common, \$2@2.50.

Sheep-Top wethers, \$4; fair to good, \$3.50@3.75; ewes, 34c less on all grades; yearlings, best, \$4; fair to good, \$3,50@3.75; spring lambs, \$5.25 @5.60.

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Hogs-Best, \$8.75; fair to good, \$8
(25.50; stockers, \$6@7; China fats, \$7.50@8.
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Fuel Oil for Argentina.

bring them to the danger line.

Buenos Ayres, Sept. 1.-Experitina petroleum as locomotive fuel have been successful and it will be used also for torpedo boats and destroyers.

Wellman Quits Balloon.

Tromsoe, Norway, Sept. 1,.-Wal-ter Wellman, who recently made an unusuccessful attempt to reach the North Pole in a dirigible balloon, ar rived here today from Spitzbergen. He

at the Spitzbergen camp through the winter.

Redwood Foresta Saved.

San Francisco, Sept. 1.-The fire which has threatened the giant redwood forest in the Yosemite national park has been gotten under control by the troops who have been fighting the flames vigorously. The extent of the damage cannot now be ascertained.

Australian Exports of Wool.

Melbourne, Sept, 1.-The Dalghetty Review says that the exportation of wool this year will be nearly 26,000,-000 pounds, in addition to 500,000 con-

revenue to the railroads. The Santa

pense with all women ticket sellers as the St. Louis gateway by the Missouri soon as their wages were raised to \$2 a day. At the present women are get-the territory west of the Missouri river the territory west of the Missouri Feband west of St. Paul begins next Febroary and on this account every road in that territory is urging the disposi-tion of the mails for the yearly period following the 10 days' weighing by the Buenos Ayres, Sept. 1.-Experi-ments for proving the value of Argen-carried the bulk of the Southern California mail, but several years ago the Missouri Pacific put on a fast train Contracts have been concluded with Louis and the Rock Island put on its which captured the mail out of St. the Germans Krupp, for field guns and Golden State Limited, which left Kansas City just after the arrival of the Eastern mails. At that time the Santa Fe was not in a position to change

Cooks Estate \$10,000,000.

Honolulu, Sept. 4.-The will of the late Charles M. Cooke disposes of but has left three men to guard the airship little property, the bulk of his holding being the corporation of C. M. Cooke, limited. Everything is bequeathed to the family. The will asks that the property be not appraised, that no bond be required and that the administration do not publish an inventory of the estate. This latter provision has been declared illegal by Attorney General Hamenway, owing to the in-heritance tax law. Some estimates value the estate at \$10,000,000.

Hammond Is Buying Mine.

Mexico City, Sept. 4.-A deposit of \$200,000 has been made in a bank here by John Hays Hammond to bind an op-tion on the Santa Gertrude mine in the Pachuca district of Hidalgo. The pro-posed purchase price is \$9,000,000, Mexican money.