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EVENTS OF THE DAY

Newsy Items Gathered from All Parts of the World.

Less Important but Not Less Interesting Happenings from Points Outside the State.

Russia now wants a share in the Chinese railway loan.

The deficit of the German imperial government for 1908 is said to amount to \$30,500,000.

Two colored men have been hanged by a mob at Malcolm, Ala., [for murdering the sheriff.

Explorer Cook says he has data to convince the most skeptical that he was actually at the North Pole.

Jap grape pickers in California have demanded an increase in wages and may be replaced by Hindus.

A small tempest was caused by an Italian warship stopping while the Atlantic fleet was at target practice.

A sword fish has been caught off the Catalina islands, Cal., which weighed 141 pounds and measured eight feet in length.

More explosives have been found in the bunkers of British war vessels and members of the admiralty are in a state of ferment.

The latest creation in the millinery line is to be known as the Cook hat, in honor of the explorer. It is two feet high covered with black fur, while a white aigrette representing the pole bristles from the top.

China is planning the improvement of her army.

Count Zeppelin will continue preparations to fly to the North Pole.

President Taft says he will probably visit Alaska next summer.

A serious epidemic is feared in the flood stricken districts of Mexico.

German scientists say the finding of the North Pole is of secondary importance.

The American Locomotive company says it is rushed with order for new equipment.

An Indiana man has just died at the age of 96. He leaves 38 children and had outlived four wives.

Denmark believes Cook's story of the discovery of the North Pole and will give him a royal welcome.

Attorney General Wickersham says if the polar continent is worth holding this government will annex it.

Dispatches from Java say the volcano Smern is in active eruption, causing great havoc. There has also been an earthquake with hundreds of fatalities.

Revolutionary cocked hats are to be worn by women next season.

Wilbur Wright has suggested that cities appoint an inspector of balloons.

The loss of life in the Monterey, Mex., flood is now estimated at 3,000.

A tornado devastated Dialville, a small town in Texas. Several persons were injured.

Supplies are being sent to Monterey, Mex., and the general condition is much improved.

Mrs. Florence Vandervort, a millionaire widow of Los Angeles, has married a poor man.

No lives were lost in the Nevada cloudburst and the property damage is placed at \$100,000.

Government scientists say Cook will have no trouble in proving that he actually reached the pole.

According to official reports the rice crop of China will be about 17 per cent above the average.

All Western roads have announced new schedules to the coast and each is trying to outdo the other.

The American warship squadron is in Chinese waters.

The international trades union council is in session in Paris.

A severe earthquake has been felt in the canal zone, but the big ditch was not hurt.

The steamer Ohio, wrecked off the Alaskan coast, is said to have hit an uncharted rock.

Hill says he has all the railroad connections he needs in the East and new work will be confined to the West.

The Cunard line steamers are to take a new route between Liverpool and New York which will shorten the time to five days.

A big Carey act project has been started in Colorado by which 250,000 acres of land will be reclaimed at a cost of \$2,000,000.

MORE MEXICAN FLOODS

Cloudburst Floods Rivers and Overflows Fertile Valleys

Mexico City, Sept. 7.—A special dispatch received here from Morelia says that floods yesterday ruined a large section of the Zamora district. A terrible cloudburst in the mountains caused rivers and streams to overflow and miles of fertile valleys are under water.

Further details have been received here of the flood that swept the town of Tula, in the state of Tamaulipas, last Saturday. A wave between 45 and 50 feet high engulfed the lower half of the town. Two hundred houses and the San Juan bridge were carried away and many lives were lost. The storm raged for three days.

Terrible as are the conditions at Monterey, the correspondent declares they are just as bad at Tula and vicinity.

The entire northeastern section of the state is said to have been laid waste. Railroad and telegraphic communication was destroyed and the population of Tula, some 7,000 persons, was cut off from the rest of the nation for four days. It will be six or eight months before the highways can be restored. Thirty bodies have been recovered and many bodies of shepherds and mountaineers are being washed down into the valley below.

ROBBED MAILS WHOLESALE

Man and Woman Caught in Chicago Head Big Gang.

Chicago, Sept. 7.—In the arrest of Allen Posner, 26 years old, and a young woman giving her name as Emily Snyder, 20 years old, who are in custody at the Harrison street police station, Postoffice Inspector Stuart believes he has part of a gang of mail thieves who have been operating in Chicago and other cities. Two men are being sought as accomplices of Posner and the Snyder girl in the theft of letters and cashing of checks found in stolen mail. Posner and a man named Gray and another man whose name is being kept secret are said to be under indictment in New York for a \$1,000 theft of jewelry. The Snyder girl is said to have come to Chicago with Posner four months ago.

It is charged that the pair operated by stealing letters from residence mail boxes after delivery by letter carriers. Posner is declared to have admitted cashing a number of stolen checks. According to the postal authorities, Posner and his associates stole \$1,000 worth of jewelry and other valuables which were brought to Chicago.

TUBERCULOSIS INCREASES

Nathan Straus Says Plague is Gaining Against Fight.

Budapest, Sept. 7.—Nathan Straus, the New York philanthropist, who on Tuesday appealed to the International Medical congress to stop the spreading of disease that results from the use of infected milk, today submitted detailed figures to that body to prove that tuberculosis, instead of being conquered, is on the increase.

He cited the official vital statistics of New York city, which was credited by Dr. Robert Koch with leading the whole world in the fight against tuberculosis. He showed that the increasing skill of the physicians in treating tuberculosis had reduced the death rate from this disease in proportion to the population from 2.42 per 1,000 in 1902 to 2.39 per 1,000 in 1907, and 2.29 in 1908, but he showed that the number of deaths from tuberculosis in proportion to the total number of deaths from all causes had increased from 13.04 per cent. in 1902 to 13.90 in 1908.

Cholera Loses Terrors

Paris, Sept. 7.—Serum and vaccine for treatment of cholera has been discovered by Dr. Salambini, working under the direction of Professor Metchnikoff and Dr. Pierce Roux. Their serum has been tried in Russia in desperate cases and reduced the death rate, which was 50 per cent, to below 23 per cent. The vaccine is prepared by taking bacilli from the body of a cholera patient and making a culture thereof, which is injected subcutaneously into healthy persons. Local infection follows and immunity results.

Tornado Wipes Out Town

Catania, Sicily, Sept. 7.—The village of Scordos was about wiped out today by a tornado. Five persons were killed and 50 injured. One hundred houses were completely demolished and many others unroofed. The tornado was accompanied by a torrential rain. The population took refuge in houses on the Quarter Santa Maria, where the statue of Santa Maria Maggiore fell, adding terror to the superstitious element.

Tennessee Stays Dry

Chattanooga, Tenn., Sept. 7.—The legislative act prohibiting wholesale as well as retail sale of liquor in the state was upheld except as regards sales for shipment outside of the state, in an opinion handed down in Chancery court today by Chancellor T. M. McConnell.

WILL WELCOME COOK

Nation Preparing Home Coming for Arctic Explorer.

ADDS LARGE AREA TO DOMAIN

President Taft May Be Requested to Honor Man Who Hoisted 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 international 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 will take part, while prominent explorers—Cook's former rivals—from all parts of the globe, will gather to pay personal tributes to his achievements.

Members of the Arctic club hope President Taft may be present. "Such an honor would be no more than fitting," one declared, "in view of the fact that the explorer has placed the Stars and Stripes on the apex of the world and added perhaps 60,000 square miles to the nation's territory."

Among the explorers who are expected to take a prominent part are the Duke d'Abruzzi, Dr. Nansen, Captain Ronald Amundsen, General A. W. Greeley, Rear Admiral George Melville, Anthony Fiala and Captain Joseph E. Bernier.

Captain Bradley S. Osborne, secretary of the Arctic club, says the explorer is not expected here for several weeks. "He is due in Copenhagen in three days," said Captain Osborne, "and if he came straight home would arrive in New York about the middle of September, but his friends believe that he may make several stops on the way. For one thing the geographers and scientists of Copenhagen will tender him a welcome. He may go to Christiania to meet Captain Amundsen discoverer of the Northwest passage; it is likely that he will visit Belgium where he has been decorated for his services to science and it is scarcely conceivable that the British geographical societies would allow him to pass them on his way home without an invitation to London."

WORRY HARRIMAN LINES

Santa Fe Will Put Fast Train on Run to Coast.

Chicago, Sept. 4.—The management of the Santa Fe railroad has about decided to put into operation a new fast mail and express train to run between Kansas City and Los Angeles, with a view to capturing the bulk of the Southern California mail.

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 different territory between the East and California.

The entire Southern California mail is involved in the move, and this is said to bring about \$1,250,000 annual revenue to the railroads. The Santa Fe and Rock Island, in connection with the Southern Pacific, now have this business about equally divided.

The bulk of this mail comes from the St. Louis gateway by the Missouri Pacific. The reweighing period for all the territory west of the Missouri river and west of St. Paul begins next February and on this account every road in that territory is urging the disposition of the mails for the yearly period following the 10 days' weighing by the government. Formerly the Santa Fe carried the bulk of the Southern California mail, but several years ago the Missouri Pacific put on a fast train which captured the mail out of St. Louis and the Rock Island put on its 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 its schedule to wait for the mails.

Russians to Be Imported

Honolulu Sept. 4.—The territorial board of immigration has decided to attempt the solution of the labor problem in the Hawaiian group by the importation of Russian families from Manchuria. L. C. Atkinson, agent of the board, sailed for Harbin today on the liner Siberia and is expected to make arrangements for the immigration of 50 such families to Hawaii. If the experiment proves successful, it is probable that many more Russian families will be induced to settle in the islands.

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 option on the Santa Gertrude mine in the Pachuca district of Hidalgo. The proposed purchase price is \$3,000,000, Mexican money.

SUGGESTIONS FROM FARMERS

Census Director Durand Invites Their Practical Co-operation.

Washington, Sept. 6.—The farmers of the United States are naturally very much interested in the census of agriculture and farms that will be taken April 15, 1910, as one of the subjects to be covered by the thirteenth decennial census. Many are showing their interest by writing to the census bureau for the purpose of making comments upon census information regarding agriculture as presented in the past. The director of the census welcomes all such suggestions and gives them careful consideration, as he is anxious to have the results of the coming census correspond as nearly as may be to the desires of the people most interested.

In addition to studying carefully these suggestions, the director has on his own initiative requested certain professors of economics and agriculture of the more important universities of the country, and other persons who have specialized in agricultural matters, to come to Washington for a short time for the purpose of studying carefully and criticizing plans now under way. Especially is it desired to obtain their opinion relative to the questions to be asked and their form, as the results to be obtained will so largely depend upon the character of the schedule and the manner in which the questions are propounded. These suggestions, coming from outside experts, are proving to be of great value, and it is believed that in consequence of this preliminary study more valuable and accurate data will be obtained than could otherwise be secured. After these special students and experts have made their preliminary studies, formal conferences are held in the office, in which the whole matter of the character of the schedules and the best methods of securing the information are thoroughly gone over.

The department is also seeking to secure the advice and co-operation, as far as possible, of the officers and experts of the department of agriculture, of the state agricultural colleges, farmers' societies and like organizations.

SANTA FE STIRS UP RIVALRY

Officials Call Hasty Conferences on Schedules.

Chicago, Sept. 6.—The manager of the Santa Fe road has made a definite proposition to the Postoffice department to put on a new mail and express train between Kansas City and Los Angeles that will reduce the present running time by ten hours. This will require a trip of over 1,800 miles to be made in 50 hours, or at the rate of over 37 miles an hour, including stops.

When it became definitely known today that the Santa Fe had agreed to take ten hours off the latest schedule between Kansas City and Los Angeles, consternation reigned in the official ranks of the Western roads. Conferences were held on all sides, agents of competing lines were dispatched to Washington with instructions to learn at all cost the position the government is likely to take in the matter, and orders were hastily issued by the Rock Island and Southern Pacific for time-card meetings.

NATURAL BRIDGE FOUND

Rock Span 274 Feet Long Discovered in Utah.

Salt Lake, Utah, Sept. 6.—With a span of 274 feet and more than 300 feet high, a natural bridge, said to be the largest known, has been discovered by members of the Utah Archaeological society, who have returned from an expedition along the Colorado river, in Northern Arizona and Southern Utah.

The bridge is located four miles north of the Arizona line in the state of Utah, six miles east of the Colorado river. On its top were found imbedded several fossils of remarkable size, indicating the presence in earlier times of giant animal life.

The party brought back photographs as well as a collection of rare pottery and baskets used by the cliff dwellers centuries ago.

Decisive Battle is Expected

Pera, Sept. 6.—The culmination of the border affrays between Turkish troops and the Montenegrins occurred near Cusink, a city in Turkish territory, where a pitched battle was fought, according to advices received here today. There were heavy losses on both sides and a number of casualties reported. Among those injured were five Turkish women. The Montenegrins fired upon the Turks, according to the dispatches. Armed forces are now facing each other on the frontier, and a decisive battle is expected.

Many Lost in Java Flood

Batavia, Java, Sept. 6.—It is estimated that 600 natives have perished in the floods in Southeastern Java. The damage to property and crops has been enormous.

TO REACH CONGRESS

Ballinger-Pinchot Row Likely to Be Settled There.

MAY FIGHT IT OUT IN HOUSE

Forestry and Reclamation to Be Bone of Contention—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 issue probably will be forced upon them in congress by the far Western members, who have fought the Roosevelt 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 policies. In that event Secretary Ballinger 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 congress this winter was strongly indicated 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 unavoidable 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 gathering 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.

The Japanese are employed extensively in the orchards and fields and have in many instances purchased or leased vineyards and orchards. There 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 impossible 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. As 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 port out the flames, shows the damage to be so extensive that the company probably will not repair the vessel. It is estimated that it will cost more than \$500,000 to refit the steamer.

Swedish Strikers Starve

Stockholm, Sept. 2.—The Affendel asserts that many strikers are actually starving and that others are subsisting on bread and water and fish caught in the archipelago or tramping the country robbing the potato fields.