

ALASKAN GRAB DENIED BY TAFT

President Sends Special Message on Controller Bay Charges—Denies That Brother Charles Deceived Him.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 27.—Resenting vigorously imputations that his action in permitting Alaska lands to be acquired by private corporations arose from any improper influences and maintaining that his acts have in no way made it possible for the forming of any monopoly in Alaska, President Taft late Wednesday sent to congress a message on Controller bay situation, in response to a request from the senate.

After detailing the activities of the Morgan-Guggenheim interests and other capitalists at and near Controller bay, the president in his message referred to the locations there of Richard S. Ryan, representing the Controller Railway & Navigation company, giving in detail Ryan's efforts to obtain locations. Of the elimination from the Chugach national forest of a part of its territory President Taft said:

Is Alone Responsible.
"I wish to be as specific as possible upon this point and to say that I alone am responsible—the suggestion was mine."

The message then says that Ryan, the Controller Railway & Navigation company, its backers, Probst, Wetzel & Co. had never been shown to have any connection with the Morgan-Guggenheim Copper River Railway company. He points out that the rates of freight for coal from the Katala fields would always be under government control.

"The thing which Alaska needs," says the message, "is development, and where rights and franchises can be properly granted to encourage an investment and construction of railroads without conferring exclusive privileges, I believe it in accord with good policy to grant them."

Monopoly Impossible.
President Taft then declares that monopoly at Controller bay is impossible because no one entrant can acquire more than 160 acres of land in a body because on each side of this 160 acres must be reserved a plot of government land and, third, because the distance from high water mark on Controller bay to low water mark is between two and three miles and that this mud flat is and will be retained in the possession of the federal government.

In the last part of his message President Taft quotes the famous "Diek to Diek" letter which was said to have been sent by Richard Ryan to former Secretary Ballinger. He refers with heat to the insinuations that his brother, C. P. Taft, had induced him to make possible Ryan's obtaining the Controller bay land. The president denies that he was ever approached by his brother in the matter and strongly intimates his doubts that Ryan ever wrote any such letter or that Ballinger ever received it.

In closing the message he says:

Is Against Monopoly.
"I am in full sympathy with the concern of reasonable and patriotic men that the valuable resources of Alaska should not be turned over to be exploited for the profit of greedy, absorbing and monopolistic corporations or syndicate. But everyone must know that the resources of Alaska can never become valuable either to the people of Alaska or the public of the United States unless reasonable opportunity is granted to those who would invest their money to secure a return proportionate to the risk run in reinvestment and reasonable under all the circumstances.

"On the other hand the acrimony of spirit and the intense malice that has been engendered in respect to the administration, of the government in Alaska and the consideration of measures proposed for her relief and the wanton recklessness and eagerness with which attempts have been made to besmirch the characters of high officials having to do with the Alaskan government, and even of persons not in public life, present a condition that calls for condemnation and requires that the public be warned of the demoralization that has been produced by the hysterical suspicions of good people and the unscrupulous and corrupt misrepresentations of the wicked.

Hampers Development.
"The helpless state to which the credulity of some of the malevolent scandal mongering of others have brought the people of Alaska in their struggle for its development ought to give the public cause, for until a juster and fairer view be taken investment in Alaska, which is necessary to its development, will be impossible and honest administrators and legislators will be embarrassed in the advocacy and putting into op-

JACKSON HERE TO SEE ROAD

President of Crater Lake Road Commission Appointed by Governor Is Much Interested in Highway Built by Public Subscription.

Col. C. S. Jackson publisher of the Oregon Journal who has been a consistent booster of the Rogue River Valley for a number of years arrived with a party Thursday morning on his way to Crater Lake. Col. Jackson is much interested in the condition of the present road to the lake especially that portion built by popular subscription eliminating the Pumice grade. He was the president of the State Crater Lake road commission which was appointed by the governor to expend the \$100,000 in building the road, later knocked out by the supreme court.

"An automobile tour through Oregon is a great pleasure," stated Col. Jackson this morning. "The greatest objection I have to find is the fact that there are not enough signboards along the route to keep a traveler on the right road. The roads are in a fair condition."

Col. Jackson is accompanied by Mrs. Jackson and child, Miss Helen Whitney, F. C. Jackson, P. L. Jackson and Charles Hoyt. They will leave for the lake either this evening or early tomorrow.

LABOR LIENS FILED UPON MINE NEAR GOLD HILL

The Enterprise mine near Gold Hill, owned by the Gold Ray Realty company, the Enterprise Mining company, the Grants Pass Banking and Trust company and the Condor Light & Power company, had twenty-six liens filed against it Wednesday for wages and material. Those who filed the liens were Robert Burghart, J. Conroy, Charles Turner, G. Willburgh, D. N. Turnin, O. R. Penny, T. J. Orvers, G. Lond, F. T. Boyer, E. Whipple, W. H. Beck, J. P. DeGrasse, W. M. Burkhardt, Rabie Mercantile company, Charles H. Hebrard, R. M. McLean, R. J. Heer, E. Griffith, Thomas Zetterland, R. Stevens, D. Robinson, A. A. Corbett, and W. M. Hialt, Charles V. Hebrard, T. B. Pope and the Woods Lumber company.

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NOTICE.
Carpenters take notice, important business to be transacted next Thursday night, please be present as this concerns you. Meeting calls at 8 p. m. K. of P. Hall.

P. W. GILLETTE,
Rec. Secretary.

NOTICE.
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will apply to the city council of the city of Medford, Oregon, at its next regular meeting on August 1st, 1911, for a license to sell spirituous, vinous and malt liquors in quantities less than a gallon, at his place of business at No. 25 South Front street, in said city, for a period of six months.

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GERMAN PRESS UTTERS THREATS

Belligerent Tone of Berlin Newspapers Toward England—Hands Off in Morocco Is Ultimatum—Situation Gravest in Years.

BERLIN, July 27.—"Hands off in Morocco" is the belligerent cry of the Berlin newspapers today to British statesmen. It is coupled with the statement that the Moroccan question is one for France and Germany alone to settle, and what amounts almost to threats of war are freely made in case British diplomats continue to interfere.

Foremost of the aggressive sheets is the Lokal Anzeiger which in an evidently inspired article declares that Great Britain had adopted a policy of unwarranted intervention and of open hostility to Germany. It adds: "Germany is not disposed to tolerate this interference and warns England to keep her hands off."

The press in unanimous support of the government in its attitude of aggressiveness in the Moroccan questions and it is believed the government is advising the papers as to their editorial utterances.

That the situation is of the gravest is seen here today in the announcement that the kaiser has shortened his northern cruise and will arrive at Swinemunde tomorrow, where he will be met by Chancellor Von Bethmann-Hollweg. It is reported that the kaiser will resume his cruise but will return immediately to Berlin, there to take personal charge of the clash with British interests and to personally push Germany's projects in Morocco to completion.

FOUND LARGE COLONY OF PERSIANS IN CALIFORNIA

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., July 27.—Mirza Alikul Khan, head of the Persian legation at Washington, is in San Francisco today preparatory to selecting a site for the founding of a large colony of Persians in California.

FIND NO CAUSE FOR MURDER

No Light Thrown on Shooting of Miss Dudley at Sacramento by Unknown Man—No Reasonable Motive Found to Exist.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., July 27.—Believing that Dr. Wong Him, the Chinese physician with whom Miss Anna M. Dudley treated in San Francisco, and Mrs. Mary Haskell, a nurse employed by him, can throw some light on the murder of the stenographer yesterday by a presumably insane man whose name appears to be Sydney Cole, Coroner Gormley today asked District Attorney Wachhorst to secure their attendance at the inquest tomorrow night.

Investigation today failed to develop any reasonable motive for the murder. Friends of the dead woman, who was employed in the office of State Engineer Ellery, declare they never saw Cole before. Otis W. Dudley, a cousin of the girl from San Francisco, viewed the remains of the murderer who was killed in a battle with the police, and asserts that the man is a total stranger to him. The body of Miss Dudley will be taken to Eureka, her former home, Sunday, for burial.

NOTICE TO ALL CEMENT CONTRACTORS AND BUILDERS

That on and after the first day of August, 1911 the local Cement Workers Union No. 155 will enforce the following scale of wages and hours: for finishers 62 1-2 cents per hour, for finisher's helpers \$3.50 per day, for laborers \$3.00 per day, for box mixers \$3.50 per day. Eight (8) hours to constitute a days work. Hours from 8 a. m. to 5 p. m. and time and one half for over time and double time for Sundays and holidays. F. H. McDorald, pres.; C. W. Davis, sec.

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