

THE NEWS.

Domestic

The conference of Democrats at Saratoga, N. Y., declared for an income tax, federal and state control of the trusts and taxation of corporations by the state alone.

A bronze statue of former Secretary of War William H. Seward, the father of Alaska, was unveiled at Seattle.

The corpse of a three-week-old baby was left in the Library Park Hotel, Detroit, by a well-dressed woman.

Prof. Adolph Struempell, the Vienna specialist, declares Harriman had a cancer.

A decrease of 48,848 idle railroad cars occurred during the last two months.

Moble, which fought hardest against the passage of the drastic state-wide prohibition laws, gave evidence of determination to enforce the laws to the letter.

Governor Warner, of Michigan, appointed the Withington Zouaves, of Jackson, as Michigan's official representatives at the Hudson-Fulton celebration.

The Farmers' Union in annual convention at Birmingham, Ala., decided by a small majority to ask Congress to take the tariff off jute bagging.

Thomas J. O'Brien, ambassador to Japan, who is now visiting in Brussels, Belgium, will return to his home in Grand Rapids on September 25.

A westbound passenger train on the Salt Lake, Los Angeles and San Pedro Railroad collided with a local train near Tintic Junction, Utah.

Alice Webb Duke, divorced wife of Brodie L. Duke, the tobacco magnate, was committed to the asylum for the insane at Kankakee, Ill.

The fifty-ninth anniversary of the admission of California to statehood was observed at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition.

Thieves are believed to have been the murderers of an unidentified man whose body was recovered from the river at Chicago.

During a quarrel at the dinner table Edward Black, of San Antonio, Tex., shot his wife twice, fatally wounding her.

Missouri Pacific passenger train No. 501, westbound, was derailed near Palmer, Kan.

By practically a unanimous vote the strikers of the Pressed Steel Car Company's plant at Schoenville, Pa., decided to return to work at the plant and accept the concessions granted them by the company.

What is believed to be a "Black Hand" murder was unearthed when the body of Givoppi Casamento, an Italian, 60 years old, was found in a hotel at Piqua, Ohio.

Prof. George B. Foster, of the University of Chicago, whose religious views were attacked by the Baptists, has accepted a call to a Unitarian pulpit.

Miss Olga Mann, because of whom Baron Oscar Rothschild ended his life, arrived in New York from Europe, suffering from nervous collapse.

Mrs. Daisy Davenport, wife of Homer Davenport, the cartoonist, has been granted \$400 a month alimony pending her suit for divorce.

Lieutenant General Henry C. Corbin, U. S. A., died at the Roosevelt Hospital, New York, after an operation for renal disorder.

James N. Jarvis, of Montclair, N. J., devoted his wedding gifts, worth \$101,000, to charitable and educational institutions.

Vice President Sherman and Governor Hughes addressed a reunion of Union and Confederate veterans at Utica, N. Y.

Prof. W. W. Campbell, director of the Lick Observatory, reports that water vapor exists on Mars.

Miss Stella Levy, of Pittsburg, died from a needle piercing her heart.

Foreign

The University of Copenhagen conferred an honorary degree upon Dr. Cook, who reiterated his statement that he would bring forward the Eskimos to give evidence of his trip to the Pole.

The British government has agreed to a continuance of the Newfoundland modus vivendi until the conclusion of the arbitration proceedings at The Hague.

Representatives of Chicago packing firms are in St. Petersburg investigating the possibilities of the Caucasus and Western Siberia as a source of meat supply.

The signing of a treaty between Brazil and Peru put an end to the frontier dispute concerning possessions in the Amazon.

Crown Prince Frederick and the Crown Princess of Germany saw Orville Wright fly over the Templehof parade field.

United States Ambassador and Mrs. Hill have arranged to sail from Germany for New York September 23.

The deposed Shah of Persia has gone to Russia, where he will live in practical exile at Odessa.

The King of Saxony enjoyed an hour's flight with Zeppelin in his airship at Friedrichshafen.

James Campbell, of New York, pleaded guilty at the old Bailey Police Court, London, to the charge of having obtained \$10,000 under false pretenses.

The Rio Grande River overflowed its banks at Matamoros and caused much damage.

Miss Florence Breckenridge daughter of Gen. J. C. Breckenridge of Washington, D. C., was married in Paris to Thomas F. Hasketh.

A private soldier named Kharis was sentenced to death at St. Petersburg for an attempt to kill Lieutenant General Mischchenko.

Robbers entered the postoffice of Miss, Russia, killed the watchman and three policemen and escaped with \$40,000.

John W. Riddle, the retiring American ambassador to Russia, left St. Petersburg for Berlin.

EDWARD H. HARRIMAN THE WIZARD DEAD

News of His Death Withheld For Two Hours.

WAS LEADING RAILROAD OPERATOR.

All The Family Assembled Around The Bedside—Demise Not Expected To Cause Any Great Unsettled Conditions—Continuation Of Enterprises Believed To Be Provided For.

HARRIMAN'S LIFE.

Born February 25, 1848, in Hempstead, L. I.

One of six children of a country clergyman who earned about \$300 a year.

Taught at home by his mother, and later spent two years at a church school.

Forced to go to work at the age of 14 and obtained a job as office boy in a Wall Street brokerage house.

Rose to position of clerk in four years and was given share of profits.

Speculated boldly and was successful from the start.

Bought a seat on the New York Stock Exchange when he was 22 years old.

Began his railroad career when he was 36.

Made vice-president of Illinois Central four years later.

At 50 reorganized the Union Pacific.

Dominated more than 50,000 miles of railroad before he died.

Virtually realized his dream of ocean-to-ocean railroad system under his control.

Arden, N. Y. (Special).—Edward H. Harriman is dead. The final crisis came just before noon. He was conscious until within a few moments before the end, and conversed with Mrs. Harriman and other members of the family.

It was just 1.30 o'clock when Dr. William Gordon Lyle, the family physician, released his hold on the patient's pulse. Turning to Mrs. Harriman, who was bending over the bedside, he whispered:

"He is dead."

For two hours and five minutes the secret of the financier's death was carefully guarded. The first announcement was telephoned from Tower Hill to Judge Robert S. Lovett, Mr. Harriman's personal counsel, at the Union Pacific offices, 120 Broadway, New York, at 3.40 P. M.

"Mr. Harriman passed away peacefully at 3.35 minutes past 3," was the brief bulletin dictated by Dr. Lyle. Seven minutes later the same statement was received from Dr. Lyle by the correspondents and newspaper men who have been keeping an almost constant vigil since the railroad man returned from Europe.

Not until 6 o'clock was it known that the hour of Mr. Harriman's death had been withheld from the world.

"He passed away at 1.30," said Mrs. Charles Simons, Mr. Harriman's sister, to a reporter who talked to her at her home in Arden just after she returned from Tower Hill.

"Are you certain about the hour?" she was asked.

"I am," she replied. "I was at his bedside and it was about 1.30 o'clock."

An optimistic, but significant bulletin had been brought from Arden House early in the day by Judge Lovett, who spent the night at Mr. Harriman's bedside. It was signed by Dr. Lyle and gave only the information that there had been no change in the patient's condition.

Hopeful To The Last.

There had been an all-night vigil at Arden House. Mrs. Harriman and Judge Lovett did not close their eyes in sleep. The family fully realized that the financier was dangerously ill and that only his marvelous will power would bring him through the crisis.

Although suffering from a high fever and with his vitality at a low ebb Mr. Harriman did not abandon hope until a few hours before his death. As weak as he was he tried to cheer Mrs. Harriman and his children.

"Don't worry, my dear," he said to his favorite daughter, Miss Mary Harriman, "I am going to get well."

It was the fight of his life. Edward H. Harriman had fought his way from a minor clerical place to a position where he was looked upon as one of the most dominant figures in the financial and railroad world.

But on Sunday night he found himself face to face with death. He realized it, but never lost hope. He was determined to win in the unequal struggle.

Dr. George H. Brewer had returned to New York Wednesday afternoon, and Dr. Lyle resorted to every means known to medical science to prolong the life of the patient until other physicians could be summoned. Oxygen was freely administered. But the financier's vitality had reached such a low state that he was unable to survive the relapse—the third since Sunday night—and the end came peacefully.

Bade All Last Farewell.

The scene at the bedside as described by a member of the family was most touching. Mr. Harriman bade each member of the family good-by. He had words of cheer for his wife and his daughter and good advice for Walter and Roland, his sons.

NIGHT IN COFFIN FOR \$50.

Suffolk, Va. (Special).—To win a purse of \$50, W. G. Elam, a local insurance man, spent a night in a coffin on the top floor of the Florida Club, at Lake Phillip, six miles from Suffolk.

Heavily armed and taking a dog as a companion, Elam drove out in his automobile about midnight and lay in the coffin box until after 5 o'clock, but acknowledges he did not sleep. A party of watchers followed in another car and found that he kept the compact.

COMMANDER PEARY GIVES DETAILS OF HIS EXPEDITION

Summary of the Journey of the Roosevelt From the Time the Ship Left Sydney Until Grant Land Was Reached.

London (Special).—The Times published the following message from Commander Peary, dated Battle Harbor, via wireless, to Cape Ray: "As a prelude, which may stimulate interest and partly to forestall possible leaks, I am sending you a brief summary of my voyage which is to be printed exactly as it is written."

"The Roosevelt left New York July 6, 1908. She left Sydney July 17, arrived at Cape York, Greenland, August 1; left Etah, Greenland, August 8, arrived at Cape Sheridan, Grant Land, September 1, and wintered at Cape Sheridan.

"The sledge expedition left the Roosevelt February 15, 1909, and started North of Cape Columbia March 1. It passed the British Record on March 2; was delayed by open water March 2 and 3; was held up by open water from March 4 to March 11; crossed the 84th parallel March 11 and encountered an open lead March 15; crossed the 85th parallel March 18; crossed the 86th parallel March 22; encountered an open lead March 23; passed the Norwegian Record March 23; passed the Italian Record March 24; encountered an open lead March 26; crossed the 87th parallel March 27; passed the American Record March 28; en-

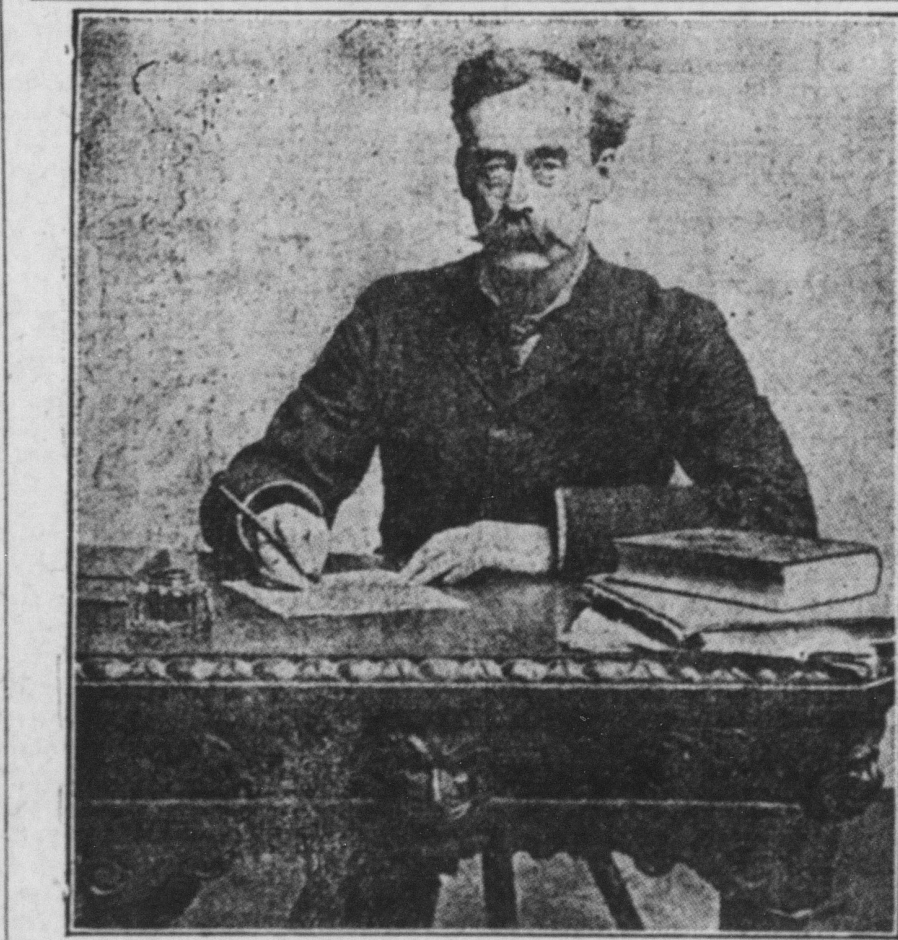
countered a lead March 28; held up by open water March 29; crossed the 88 parallel April 2; crossed the 89th parallel April 4, and reached the North Pole April 6.

"On returning we left the Pole April 7; reached Camp Columbia April 23; arriving on board the Roosevelt April 27.

"The Roosevelt left Cape Sheridan July 18, passed Cape Sabine August 8; left Cape York August 26 and arrived at Indian Harbor.

"All the members of the expedition are returning in good health, except Prof. Ross G. Marvin, who unfortunately was drowned April 10, forty-five miles north of Cape Columbia while returning from 86 degrees north latitude in command of a supporting party."

In effect Peary discredits Cook's claims with the intimation that he (Peary) and he alone planted the American flag at the North Pole on April 6, 1909, and that Dr. Cook, who asserts that he unfurled the flag at the Pole on April 21, 1908, must substantiate his claim.



COMMANDER ROBERT E. PEARY.

In the meantime Peary continues his homeward journey on the ice-scarred Roosevelt.

Mrs. Cook is in New York, and Mrs. Peary has left her home in Maine on her way to join her husband at North Sydney. Though pressed for a statement, Mrs. Cook declined absolutely to say anything concerning her husband.

By those who received word of Dr. Cook's discovery with skepticism Commander Peary's challenge was received with gratification; by those who had been neutral it came as another surprise in a series of remarkable happenings, while to Dr. Cook's supporters it was a signal for war.

Cook, if his plans do not miscarry, will sail for the United States on Sunday next and will arrive here by September 21. By that time Commander Peary will have reached home, but no one has as yet suggested the possibility of a dramatic meeting of the two faces to face.

Peary's statement reflecting on Dr. Cook's achievement came from Indian Harbor, Labrador, the point through which he first reported his success by wireless. It had probably been delayed in transmission, and read as follows:

"I have nailed the Stars and Stripes to the North Pole." This is authoritative and correct.

"Cook's story should not be taken too seriously. The two Eskimos who accompanied him say he went no distance north and not out of sight of land. Other members of the tribe corroborate their story."

About the same time Mrs. Peary received the following message under the same date, both having been sent via Cape Ray, N. E.:

"Good morning. Delayed by gale. Don't let Cook story worry you. Have him nailed."

Telegraph Operator Eaten.

Antwerp (Special).—Advices from the French Congo say that cannibalism is rampant in the Mataba and Sangha regions, where the blacks are in complete revolt. They have killed and eaten a number of factory employes, and a telegraph operator was slain at his key and devoured.

Native detachments, headed by four French officers, have left for the scene to quell the revolt and punish the cannibals.

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Mr. Hanna adds that a local Red Cross has been organized and that he has offered to cooperate with them.

KILLED BOY WITH STICK.

Miedehl's Fatal Attack On Youth He Attempted To Rob.

Wheeling, W. Va. (Special).—Angered because two boys had frustrated him in an effort to rob them of some Indian stogies that they had taken from a tree, Charles Miedehl, of Benwood, W. Va., picked up a sharpened broomstick and, using it as a javelin, threw it at the head of Joe Kobinski, 10 years old. The weapon struck the boy in the head and pierced the brain to the depth of three inches.

The little fellow dropped to the ground and expired in a very short time. Miedehl was arrested and placed in the Marshall County Jail at Moundsville.

Shot From Ambush With Rifle.

Knoxville, Tenn. (Special).—Jeff Richards, an employe of the Little River Lumber Company, in one of its camps in Sevier County, near the Blount County line, was shot from ambush and instantly killed. A rifle bullet entered his breast. A fellow employe, George Moore, is suspected of the crime and a warrant has been issued for him. He left the camp a short while before the shooting, armed with a rifle.

Had Passport To Hades.

New York (Special).—Henry Kendall, 21, after suddenly going insane in Hackensack, N. J., as the result of the excessive use of cigarettes, was taken to Morris Plains Asylum. The unfortunate young man exhibited a colored supplement of a newspaper, saying he had a passport to hell via a white automobile. Although he is slender, it took three policemen to control him.

Army Sergeant A Suicide.

New York (Special).—Quarter-master Sergeant Eugene F. Helm, Company A, Fifth United States Infantry, a veteran of the Spanish War and of the Philippine insurrections, after years of unblemished service in the regular army, was missing from inspection for the first time. He had shot himself dead with an army revolver.

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PRESIDENT TAFT HAS ROYAL VISITORS

Prince and Princess Kuni Call at Beverly.

M NY ASKED TO MEET THEM.

The President Gave The Prince A Message Of Regard And Personal Good Will For The Emperor Of Japan—Exchange Of Courtesies Is Stilled. As An Interpreter Had To Be Used—Mrs. Taft Unable To Attend The Ceremonies.

Beverly, Mass. (Special).—President Taft received in informal audience Prince Kintoyoshi Kuni, grandson of the Emperor of Japan, and through him sent a message of regard and personal good will to his distinguished grandfather. The President was received most cordially by the Emperor of Japan on the occasion of his trip around the world as Secretary of War.

With Prince Kuni came his wife, the Princess; Colonel Kurita, his military aid; Kusuru Matsui, charge d'affaires of the Japanese embassy, at Washington, and Capt. S. N. Cheney, of the United States Army, who is representing the government on the staff of the Prince while he is in this country.

The party was met at the Montserrat Station by Captain Butt, the President's aid, and two White House automobiles. The President had invited a number of guests to the cottage to meet the Prince and Princess.

During the ceremony the health of the Japanese Emperor was pledged, and Prince Kuni, speaking through Mr. Matsui as interpreter, toasted the President and the American people.

President Taft's greeting to the Prince and his party was most cordial. The exchange of courtesies between the distinguished visitor and the Chief Magistrate were more or less stilled, however, because of the necessity of employing an interpreter throughout. The President asked after the health and well being of the Emperor and all of his family. In return the Prince expressed the sincere hope of the Emperor that the President and his family would be found in the best of health.

After the formal toasts had been drunk the Prince and Princess and their attendants sat down to tea with the President and his guests.

Mrs. Taft did not attend the ceremonies.

Owing to her superior rank the Princess Kuni was first to be presented to the President.

After the call on the President the Prince and Princess motored to the home of Henry C. Frick and thence to the home of W. J. Boardman, who was in Taft's Philippine party several years ago, was among those at the Montserrat Station to meet the Prince and Princess as they stepped from their private car.

24 Miles In 36 Minutes.

Berlin (Special).—Orville Wright made two successful flights over the Tempelhof parade grounds. Alone he did twenty-four miles in 36 minutes, but on his second flight he carried Captain Von Hildebrand as a passenger and flew for 17 minutes. A distinguished company witnessed Mr. Wright's flights, and it is estimated that fully 200,000 people were on the parade ground.

Knox To Tour With Taft.

Washington, D. C. (Special).—The President has invited Secretary Knox to join him on his trip through the West. It has been arranged that the Secretary shall meet the President at San Francisco, October 5, and accompany him to El Paso, and very likely through the rest of his trip.

Three Instantly Killed.

Detroit (Special).—A. A. Robinson, owner of the Commercial Supply Company of this city; his wife and Mrs. E. E. Tremaine, of Bay City, were instantly killed in Bay City, when their automobile was struck by a fast Michigan Central train. A daughter of Mrs. Tremaine is thought to be fatally injured.

WASHINGTON BY TELEGRAPH

Senor Don Guillermo Dominico, general inspector and vice director of Railroads in the Argentine Republic, will shortly arrive in the United States.

The Pennsylvania Railroad notified the Treasury Department that it proposes to operate trains into its new station in New York City on December 1.

There was an increase in