

CELEBRATION OF LABOR DAY WILL BE GRIM JOKE THERE

Thousands Idle, Pennsylvania Tollers See Little Reason For Making Holiday

PROSPERITY HAS NOT RETURNED FOR THEM

Wage Earners Still Kept on Basis Adopted During Panic of 1907

(By Associated Press.) PITTSBURG, Penn., Sept. 5.—Labor Day in Pennsylvania presents a unique and grim anomaly. Nearly thirty thousand men are idle as a result of strikes, lock-outs and walkouts.

Still Get Panic Wages. Families of the unemployed men, who have been subsisting for months on public funds, will tomorrow find with difficulty the means to spend the day in pleasure seeking.

The striking workmen of the various plants and mills declare that in spite of the fact that the manufacturing concerns are running full time, and are crowded with orders, the old "panic wage rates" instituted in 1907 apply in practically every operating plant.

Upon this question in nearly every instance the score of large and small strikes in this district has been called.

Mayor Defies Law. Unique in Pennsylvania's many queer legal proceedings is the official act of James H. Chambers, mayor of Vandergrift, a small town near here, who has issued a proclamation to the effect that Labor Day cannot be celebrated in his domain tomorrow.

Residents of Vandergrift are treating the matter as a joke. The United (Continued on page two.)

FROM MILK WAGON TO KING'S TABLE BY WAY OF POLE

Dr. Cook Invited to Dine With King Frederick is Honored Guest Among Distinguished Company Who Believe in Discovery.

(By Associated Press.)

COPENHAGEN, Sept. 5.—Dr. Frederick A. Cook dined this evening with King Frederick at the summer palace a few miles outside of Copenhagen. The king announced Dr. Cook to an audience yesterday as a formal guest. They engaged in an hour's talk and while these royal audiences cannot according to etiquette be minutely described by the members of the court, Dr. Cook made such an impression on the king that his majesty immediately instructed the court chamberlain to summon the explorer to dine with him tonight.

The king invited Dr. Cook to meet him yesterday only after having the government make the closest possible investigation into the merits of his story. All the Danish explorers were asked to give their opinions of Dr. Cook's claims before the audience was granted and their verdict was unanimously in his favor.

Accorded Highest Honor. The dinner tonight was entirely the result of the king's personal opinion regarding the explorer, who had been seated on the king's right, an honor which James cannot remember having been accorded another private person and members of the royal family listened to his every word as he recounted the dangers and privations of his polar journey.

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CONVINCED THEM ALL. One of the most exciting periods of the day was an interview with Professor Stroberg, the leading Scandinavian astronomer who says that when he is permitted to examine Dr. Cook's observations he can decide within half a day whether the explorer has been at the pole. Several other expert Arctic explorers were clustered today in an eye-to-eye conversation with Dr. Cook. When they came out they appeared thoroughly convinced of his absolute good faith.

A luncheon at the American legation offered further opportunity to non-expert persons to strengthen their already firm belief in the explorer's narrative. Then Dr. Cook disappeared from public view for an hour during which time he submitted to the camera at a photographic studio.

Tells King His Story. The dinner at the royal castle at Charlottenlund was the scene of the greatest enthusiasm. The king and every member of the royal family even the smallest children assembled.

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Lieut. Com. R. E. Peary, whose friends still maintain that the North pole is waiting to be discovered by him.

SCIENTISTS AND EXPLORERS SPLIT ON DISCOVERY OF POLE

Some Skeptical, Others Half Convinced, Others Absolutely Certain That Dr. Cook Is Not Perpetrating a Huge Fraud Upon The Whole World.

(By Associated Press.)

BRUSSELS, Sept. 5.—It has been definitely decided, according to the announcement here that Dr. Frederick A. Cook will deliver a lecture at Brussels, September 20. Elaborate preparations will be made to greet the explorer. He will be received by Prince Albert, of Belgium, and perhaps King Leopold.

Professor Leconte, director of the Brussels observatory insists that the explorer can easily prove his facts to the satisfaction of scientists. "There has been some astonishment," he said today, "that Dr. Cook found himself on April 21, 1909, in latitude 89 degrees 23 minutes and 45 seconds. Now, the figures forty-six constitute an approximation which an astronomer himself would make with difficulty. It is a reasonable recall of corrections made to the figures taken in round figures. Therefore after April 21, when he had practically arrived at the pole, he made a complete survey for his fourteen geographical seconds, namely, I suppose, to reply to a possible malevolent critic who might try to say that Dr. Cook had not reached the pole if he did not go beyond eighty-nine degrees thirty-nine minutes and forty-six seconds. We might say that Dr. Cook has gone only three around the pole."

(By Associated Press.)

COOK CAN'T PROVE IT. LACK OBSERVATORY. Col., Sept. 5.—Dr. Cook with the instruments he carried on the North pole with preparations for the North pole with an error of less than five hundred feet," tonight declared Dr. W. H. Wright, astronomer in charge of Lack observatory.

"The only instrument needed," said Dr. Wright, "was a sextant. With three observations taken the same way Dr. Cook could have determined his position with a possible error of less than ten seconds of arc. This would be, roughly, a thousand feet and Dr. Cook says positively that the pole was some where within a circle of five hundred feet radius within which he himself was standing. "As these observations could be taken by any one with a fair knowledge of astronomy, the discovery made on Dr. Cook's voyage alone for my part, I do not think him a man who would take his observations and from what I have read, I believe he made his journey. However, if someone else finds Dr. Cook's flag and brass tube at the pole the matter rests with his veracity alone."

(By Associated Press.)

MRS. PEARY SILENT. PORTLAND, Maine, Sept. 5.—Mrs. Robert E. Peary, wife of the Arctic explorer, tonight requested The Associated Press to say that she had not said anything reflecting on Dr. Cook's reputation as an explorer, as had been reported in some of the newspapers. Mrs. Peary said that for the past two days her mail has consisted of nothing but telegrams.

CAPT. NANSEN SATISFIED. CHRISTIANA, Sept. 5.—Captain Fridtjof Nansen returned here last evening from Bergen. Telegrams from all parts requesting an opinion on Dr. Cook's achievement awaited him, but Captain Nansen declared he did not wish to answer them until the particulars are made public. To a correspondent, he said that errors in the newspaper reports were apparent and that certain points of the published statement required elucidation and scientific explanation. Personally, however, Captain Nansen declared he had confidence in Dr. Cook's trustworthiness. He considered it possible to reach the North pole by the aid of dogs but he pointed out that the placing of a sealed report and the planting of the stars and stripes in the ice were useless as the drift would take them away from the spot where they had been laid down.

SALOONS AT ATLANTIC WIDE OPEN IN SPITE OF MAYOR STOY'S ARREST

Reformers Out With Their Little Notebooks Getting More Evidence.

GAMBLERS LEAVE.

(By Associated Press.)

ATLANTIC CITY, Sept. 5.—Atlantic City ignored the attempts of the reformers to close down the Sunday liquor business today and, barring Sunday baseball, the resort was as "wide open" as on any former Sunday of the season.

The decision to allow the saloons to open was reached by the political and official heads of the resort at midnight last night when the action of the reformers in causing the arrest of Mayor Stoy for failure to obey the order of Attorney General Willson had removed the alternative of saving the head of the city government by closing the saloons today.

Rev. Birley Hudson, leader of the ministerial circle of reformers, declared tonight that the failure of Mayor Stoy to close up the city today will result in further action against him. Special detectives made a further action against him. Special detectives made a circuit of the city saloons and more warrants will be issued on their testimony for additional arrests next week.

The state detectives brought here by prosecutor Goldenburg to break up gambling have driven nearly every gambling house out of business.

WILL ESTABLISH LINEN FACTORY

(By Associated Press.) RONDA, N. C., Sept. 5.—Robert S. Noah representing a number of northern capitalists has just closed the contract for a site here for location of a linen manufacturing plant. The building and grounds which were formerly used by a match manufacturing concern, was purchased for the new enterprise. Spruce, poplar and pine and the waste products of corn and tobacco and straw will be the raw material used. It is hoped to get the plant in operation in a few months.

LITTLE REST FOR TAFT'S LAST WEEK OF VACATION BEFORE LONG JOURNEY

Much Work to do to Shape Up Public Business Against His Absence.

SOME GOLF INCLUDED.

(By Associated Press.)

BEVERLY, Mass., Sept. 5.—Beverly President Taft tomorrow will spend the greater part of Labor day on the grounds of the Myopia Hunt club, in the morning playing golf and in the afternoon attending the annual horse show, the fashionable event of the year.

Secretary Ballinger is expected to Beverly tomorrow and the president will take up with him the reports that have been made respecting the course of certain of the interior department officials in administering the conservation laws.

The president's last week of vacation will be his busiest. Tuesday he will go to Brookline to be the guest of the Yale alumni of Boston, all day. A lunch-hour golf and football game on the program. Wednesday the president will be visited by the director of census, Mr. Durand, who will bring with him the commissions of the various census supervisors yet to be appointed.

Thursday Mr. Taft will entertain at luncheon on board the yacht Mayflower the German captains and officials who participated in the summer races of Marblehead and will present the Taft cup to the winner.

Friday Mr. Taft has a engagement to receive Prince Komatsuki, King of Japan, the emperor of Japan.

Saturday, the president will review in Beverly a parade of all the grand army posts in Essex county. The president motored into church this morning in a driving downpour of rain. This afternoon he had a call from General Clarence Edwards, chief of the insular bureau in the war department, who has just returned from a trip abroad. General Edwards is one of the president's warmest friends. No date has been set for Mrs. Taft's return to the white house. It is likely, however, that she will remain here until October 15.

BRITAIN SENDS FLOWER OF NAVY TO TAKE PART IN HUDSON CELEBRATION

Fleet Will be Under Command of High Ranking Officer.

IS WELL LIKED HERE.

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, Sept. 5.—Not since Great Britain adopted the policy of keeping the main fleet in home waters has such a modern squadron as that which sails for New York at the end of the week to participate in the Hudson celebration visited a foreign country. It is made up of the battleship, one of the latest of the British battle-ship classes, the cruiser Drake, the battle of Edinburgh and Argyle. It will make a notable array in New York harbor. In command of the squadron is Admiral Sir Edward Heath Seymour, of whom Admiral Dewey spoke so highly after the incident in Manila Bay. There are two destroyers with regard to the selection of Admiral Seymour at the last moment after Rear Admiral Frobenius, of Hamilton, had been appointed in command. One is that the foreignness of the admiral, the admiralty of the service in which Admiral Seymour was held in the United States, the second and the most probable is that the appointment was made on account of the selection of a German admiral who would have ranked Hamilton but who would be junior to Sir Edward Seymour.

Admiral Seymour's chief of staff will be Captain Douglas R. L. Sutch, whom, while his flag commander, set the E. G. Loughborough, who won his distinguished service order at Peeking.

REPRESENT ODD FELLOWS.

Raleigh, N. C., Sept. 5.—Eugene Albee, Winston-Salem, and Chas. F. Lumsden, Raleigh, are to represent North Carolina Odd Fellowship, at the annual session of the Sovereign Grand Lodge which convenes at Raleigh, September 21. Mr. Albee takes the place of H. M. Shaw, Oxford, and Mr. Lumsden of Perrin Rusbaw, Raleigh, both of whom have resigned.

WELLMAN STILL INSISTS THAT HE IS GOING TOO

Cook's Discovery Is Not the Same Thing at all as His Flying Adventure.

(By Associated Press.)

PARIS, Sept. 5.—A dispatch to the Martin from Chicago, Sept. 5, in which Dr. Cook's expedition, he was asked if Dr. Cook's story would change his mind, and he replied that he had not modified them. He added that the facts stated by Dr. Cook seemed quite possible, but he doubts that they must be taken into account in any of the explorer's statements and observations which experts could verify.

The Cook expedition has in no way diminished interest in Wellman's plans. These are a particularly popular one to those familiar with Dr. Cook who accompanied a remarkably physical feat, while Mr. Wellman wished to have the advantage of a more modern mode of propulsion. He is of the opinion that "if applied" will not get ahead of him. "The airship has not been greatly improved and all would be ready to use. The ship had been completely constructed. Mr. Wellman continued by saying "I want to go to the pole."

FAIR. WASHINGTON, Sept. 5.—Forecast for North Carolina, for Monday and Tuesday, light variable wind.

GISSENSIONS AMONG STRIKERS BREAK OUT

Leaders in Favor of Resuming Work, but Agitators Prevent It.

(By Associated Press.)

PITTSBURG, Sept. 5.—All but abandoned hope that they will be reinstated in their jobs at the plant of the Dresser Steel and Iron company the 3,500 striking employees of the concern in Schenectady today ended in a noisy mass meeting by violent quarrels among themselves.

Two distinct factions among the strikers have developed, one led by Christopher C. A. West of the strikers executive committee and the other by more unattached orators who gained their following by heaping abuse and invective upon the car plant officials thus causing the same spirit of mobbing in their hearers and advisers that brought on the blood riot of last week's riot.

Today's mass meeting, which ended in a session of noisy quarrels, was called originally to discuss the advisability of the strikers returning to work in a body tomorrow. The strikers committee, but all but concluded the mass that they were powerless to hold out against the car company longer as their funds were low and sympathy for the strikers on the part of the public was turning the tide in favor of a continuation of the new eight weeks old labor dispute.

Another meeting of the strikers will be held tomorrow at which time the executive committee hopes to have the men reach an agreement on the question of returning to work.

ATTEMPTS SUICIDE TO AVOID TWO UGLY CHARGES

Prisoner Accused of Assault on Sister-in-Law Hangs Himself in Jail.

(By Associated Press.)

MONROE, N. C., Sept. 5.—Mrs. Mollie Aycock, who charged Wilson Aycock, her brother-in-law, with making a criminal assault on her, died on Tuesday morning about 1 o'clock. She has taken such a few hours before her death and grew rapidly worse until death came. There is strong belief that the woman died of poison. Coroner Pitzer held an inquest late Tuesday, and the verdict of the coroner's jury was that the woman died of poison from unknown hands.

Aycock was arrested and placed in jail at Monroe on a warrant issued at the instance of the woman just after the crime was committed. Since being in jail he has attempted to commit suicide.

When Deputy Sheriff Julian Griffith went to give the prisoner the dinner he found that Aycock had taken some travels made a rope and fastened the rope in the holes of an iron bucket, which is fastened to the steel wall about as high as an ordinary man's shoulders from the floor and is used to fasten one end of a hammock on which the prisoner sleep. The prisoner had looped the improvised rope around his neck after making one end fast to the bucket and had thrown his weight on the rope and when he did that his head slipped under the bucket, the rope tightening about his neck and in that condition he was found by the deputy sheriff, and the would-be suicide was in the middle of a bad fix, too, for never could he have untangled himself.

The smooth steel wall on the back of the cage affording no hand hold and his head in such a position under the iron bucket the more he tried to pull it out the tighter the rope was drawn about his neck. County physician H. D. Stewart was called to see the prisoner and he was brought around all right, but he was in a serious condition for some time.

TWO BATTERED UP SUSPECTS MAY BE TRAIN WRECKERS

Third Degree Falls to Wring From Them Anything Incriminating

REWARD OF \$25,000 OUT FOR CAPTURE

Every Officer of B. & O. Working to Ferret Out The Criminals

(By Associated Press.)

NEW CASTLE, Penn., Sept. 5.—A one-legged man and a one-eyed man are in the New Castle jail, charged with being suspicious persons. They were brought here from Ellwood City early today, and for twelve hours have withstood the grilling ordeal of five shrewd police officials.

In these two men, the police believe they have the perpetrators of the train wreck on the Baltimore & Ohio railroad at Chewton siding on Friday night. For the apprehension of the wreckers the railroad has offered a reward of \$25,000 and railroad police from the highest official down to the humblest detective are doing their utmost to clear up the mystery.

After twelve hours rapid fire questioning the police announced that they had been unable to shake the stories of the two men, but that the examination would be resumed tomorrow.

Tracing Two Suspects. Frank Coates, of Ellwood City, one of the suspects was formerly a brakeman on the Pennsylvania railroad. A year ago he fell under a Baltimore & Ohio train at Ellwood City and lost his right leg. He received no damages. Herman McComahy, of New Castle, the other man, lost his right eye several years ago in a street brawl. The police have witnesses who swear that they saw these two men walking from Ellwood to Wampum on Friday afternoon, from Wampum back to Ellwood yesterday afternoon. The two towns are about four miles apart. Coates declares he slept in a box car at Chewton all of Friday night, while McComahy says that he was enroute from Rochester, Penn., to Wampum on Friday night.

Strikers Not Guilty. Members of the local lodge of Baltimore Ohio machinists who are on a strike, indignantly deny and the notion between their order and the disaster. Thomas Leathers, a strike leader, said that the whereabouts of every striker on the eventual Friday night is known. The crowbar and sledge hammer used to pry the rail out of alignment are in the New Castle jail. Both are branded "P. & L. E. railroad." The bloodhounds which tracked a blind trail to a slaughter house have been withdrawn from the scene. The bodies of the three men that met death in the wreck were shipped to their respective homes today. Five patients recovered sufficiently to be discharged from the Shenago and New Castle hospitals.

For unknown reasons the railroad detectives have refused to allow one to photograph the wreck scene.

HOTEL PROPRIETOR IS PURSUED BY ANGRY MOB

Unpaid Employes Bring the Summer Season to Sudden End.

(By Associated Press.)

MANCHESTER, Mass., Sept. 5.—The Cuban legion at the Hotel Massachusetts has been summarily thrown out of its quarters by the sudden closing of the hotel, and Madame Garcia-Molez, wife of the minister and her six day old baby, had to be removed on a stretcher from the hotel and conveyed to a neighboring cottage in the town ambulance.

The trouble started yesterday when Manager Austin A. Dutton was confronted with fifty of his employes who demanded their wages. Manager Dutton rushed from the hotel followed by bell boys, waitresses, porters, and chef, and pelted him with rocks and clubs, reached his motor boat and headed out to sea, bound, presumably for his home in New York.

Notices were posted announcing that guests were expected to leave at once. General Velez, the Cuban minister is in Washington with his secretary. Under the care of Dr. Washburn, who was summoned from Boston, Madame Velez and the baby were then removed to another cottage.

Madame Velez and her three children, it was stated, will remain here until she has fully recovered her strength. The family will then go to New York.