

## COOK ASKS FAIRNESS

First Article in Magazine Appears Today

## SPEAKS OF HARDSHIP ENDURED

May Not Have Been Able to Correctly Manipulate Scientific Instruments—Rescuers Go into Leyden Mine.

(Special to The Evening News.)  
NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—Pleading that no one should discredit him until they knew what he had been called upon to pass through in the Arctic regions, Dr. Cook, in today's issue of Hampton's Magazine, opens his story and lays the ground work for his defense, not of his alleged discovery of the North Pole, but of his honesty in the belief that he actually accomplished the feat. All through the introductory chapters of the story Dr. Cook refers particularly to the great mental and physical strain that he experienced in his search, and to the possibility that the hardships endured may have effected his mind to the extent that he could not accurately make the scientific observations necessary. He states that he would not have stood the suffering that he did endure if it was true that he premeditated to lie concerning his work and discovery of what he believed to be the North Pole.

**Explore Gas-Filled Shaft.**  
DENVER, Dec. 16.—In a desperate effort to rescue the ten imprisoned miners in the lower levels of the Leyden mine, a corps of rescuers, headed by Prof. Roberts, of the government rescue service, equipped with oxygen helmets, entered the workings today and are endeavoring to penetrate to the place in the tunnels where the men are believed to have wallowed themselves in to protect them from the fatal gases which filled the mine after the explosion occurred. Hope is entertained that the men are all alive, and the rescuers are exploring shaft No. 2, which is filled with gases, and no man could live there only for the oxygen helmets worn. The cause of the disaster has not yet been ascertained.

## ASSESSMENTS REDUCED.

Remonstrances Considered by Committee Last Night.

The mayor, city recorder, city engineer, city attorney, and members of the street committee, met in special session at the council chamber last evening for the purpose of considering the complaints of local property owners opposed to paying assessments resulting in the construction of the so-called Central sewer. Among the property owners present at the meeting were William Van Buren, Fred Wright, T. B. Cannon and John Natchter, each of whom declared the assessment unjust and requested a reasonable reduction. Attorneys W. W. Cardwell and Dexter Rice were also in attendance at the meeting, the former representing L. T. Thompson and F. Long, while the

latter gentleman spoke in the interest of Hyman Wollenberg. The complaints varied somewhat, a number of the remonstrators contending that they were unable to connect with the sewer, while others were of the opinion that the assessment was excessive, and was not in proportion to the benefits derived. After due deliberation the assessments levied against property owners not directly benefited by the sewer, were reduced twenty five per cent, the difference to be paid by the city.

Most of the remonstrators were assessed \$96 per lot, and objected upon the grounds that the assessments were excessive considering the prospective benefits derived. According to the decision arrived at at last night's meeting, the city will pay approximately \$2,000 of the total of \$5,000, representing the cost of the sewer.

Homer Kenyon, aged three and one-half years, died shortly after 9 o'clock this morning after a brief illness. The funeral will be held at Camas Valley tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, interment following at the Camas Valley cemetery.

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## CLINGENPEEL The Jeweler

## HOBSON COMES BACK

Alleges That Tanney is a Sort of Deceiver

## FIGHT CANAL FORTIFICATION

Hobson and Allies Allege that Defenses of Coast are Obsolete—Cowardly to Keep the People in Ignorance.

(Special to Evening News.)  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—Declaring that Representative Tanney is the man responsible for the present lack of preparation for war and the ability to repeal an invasion, Congressman Hobson, of Alabama, assailed the Minnesota representative today. He asserted that Tanney had misrepresented army and navy affairs in his public utterances, and was now preparing to fight the proposed appropriations for fortifying the Panama Canal. The truth is, said Hobson, that Tanney has been deliberately deceiving the public in stating that over sixty per cent of the total revenues of the government have been devoted to preparing for war. As a matter of fact the enormous pension list is paid out of this sixty per cent, but Tanney purposely refrained from making that fact known.

## Charge is Childish.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—In an exclusive wire to the United Press this afternoon, Representative McLachlan replied to Representative Tanney, who charged that there is a conspiracy to stampee Congress into adopting measures for large appropriations for military purposes, and says that the charge is too childish to be taken seriously. Representative McLachlan alleged that it was wicked cowardice to hide the national weakness, and that it was cowardly for alleged patriots to attempt to keep the nation in ignorance of the real state of affairs and then when war was declared to send untrained men into the field with obsolete weapons to uphold the national defense. McLachlan scathingly remarked that Tanney knew nothing of the army or its needs.

## HOME DESTROYER KILLED.

Portland Man Inflicts Fatal Injuries With a Knife.

PORTLAND, Dec. 14.—Surprising his wife and Andrew Mason, so he alleges, in a room in his home, Geo. E. Chamberlain, proprietor of a moving picture show, tonight stabbed Mason to death. Chamberlain surrendered to the police and was held to answer on the charge of murder. According to a statement Chamberlain is alleged to have made to the police, he suspected his wife had an engagement with Mason for tonight. Instead of going to his place of business after supper, Chamberlain says, he secreted himself, and after hearing Mason enter the house, followed him. Chamberlain claims to have found Mason in his wife's room, and when Mason drew a revolver, he attacked the intruder with a knife, inflicting the fatal injuries.

## INSTALL OFFICERS.

Local Lodge of Trainmen Entertain One Hundred and Fifty Guests.

A notable event in the history of fraternal orders in this city occurred at the Maccabee hall, last evening, when the members of Umpqua Lodge, No. 314, Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, installed officers for the coming year.

The interior of the hall was beautifully decorated for the occasion, flags, lanterns, and other emblems of the trainmen's order being used in profusion. W. E. Bates, a well-known Southern Pacific brakeman, acted as installing officer, while O. R. Garner, acted as conductor. The following officers were installed: W. A. Coffin, past president; S. W. Stamer, president; J. W. Fowler, vice-president; W. O. Gordon, secretary; W. E. Bates, treasurer; W. T. Fish, agent of official publication; O. B. Garner, conductor; H. E. Allison, warden; F. C. Allen, chaplain; H. J. Robinson, inner guard and J. B. Hankin, outer guard. The installation ceremonies were carried out without interruption and were greatly enjoyed by those present. Concluding the installation of officers the following program was rendered: piano solo, selected, Miss Elsie Benedict; recitation, "B. of B. T.," Miss Ella Grinn; solo, "The Spanish Gipsy," Michael Watson, Miss Lucy Bridges; recitation, "Custer's Last Ride," O. R. Garner; trio, "Voices of the Woods," Misses Arrie Black, Lucy Bridges and Allie Black; recitation, "He Wasn't in to Clear," "Pay Day," Mrs. J. W. Fowler. Each number was rendered most efficiently and was enjoyed immensely by the 150 guests present.

At the conclusion of the program the guests repaired to the banquet hall where they partook of one of the most delicious dinners ever served in this city, such as is always served by the trainmen's wives who are

renowned for their success in undertakings of this nature.

## LETTERS BY WIRE.

Western Union Has Inaugurated Mail Service.

The Western Union Telegraph Company announced recently another innovation in telegraph service called the "Special Ocean Mail Service," designed to save time in foreign correspondence. A letter from Portland or San Francisco to London requires as much time crossing the continent as it does crossing the ocean. A New York merchant writing to Yokohama must post his letter practically a week before the mail steamer sails from San Francisco or Vancouver.

The Western Union has arranged for the use of its night letter and other telegraphic service in connection with outgoing ocean mails so that this week of transcontinental time may be saved. Its New York office will receive telegrams from any part of the country destined to European addresses and will forward them in a sealed specially addressed envelope by the first outgoing Atlantic steamship mail. The same plan will be followed in San Francisco, Seattle and Vancouver for trans-Pacific mails.

This will enable correspondence to be dispatched from any part of the United States for an ocean mail within a few hours of sailing time. The only charge in addition to the usual telegraphic tolls to the ocean mail port will be five cents for postage. Telegrams should bear the full mail address of the foreign correspondent for whom they are intended and marked "care Ocean Mail, New York" or San Francisco, Seattle or Vancouver as the case may be. No charge will be made for the address.

## MRS. CUDAHY'S LOT.

Thought She Will Not Figure as an Heir to Cudahy Fortune.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 15.—While Mrs. Edwina Cowin Cudahy, divorced wife of "Jack" Cudahy, is in Chicago, according to dispatches, exercising some curiosity as to the will of the late Michael Cudahy and preparing to enact the role of Santa Clause to her four beautiful children, she may be doomed to disappointment on both propositions. Her children are in Ramona Convent, a private school near Alhambra, and apparently she does not know they are out here. They were brought several weeks ago and placed in the Academy of the Holy Name, Pasadena, and have now been moved.

When Michael Cudahy intervened in the domestic tangle following the Lillis affair he entered into an agreement with "Mrs. Jack", when she and he signed it. This made ample provision for the children and virtually placed their mother on probation. The terms have been kept an absolute secret. It is learned from an authoritative source today that Cudahy, through his heirs bound himself to care for and educate the children, and at the age of 21 give each \$150,000, a trust fund having been set aside for this purpose.

"Mrs. Jack" Cudahy is given \$5,000 a year until she shall re-marry or be proved guilty of misconduct. It is strongly intimated that she is ignored in the will.

This afternoon the pupils of the high school enjoyed a splendid address by Hon. B. L. Eddy on the subject of "Memory." Mr. Eddy is at all times an interesting talker, and his wide experience gives him a hold on his topics that always makes his lectures unusually interesting. The high school classes listened attentively to the address today, and there is no doubt but the young people received many valuable suggestions that will be helpful to them all through life.

## EXPOSE ARMY SCHEME

Minnesota Congressman Says Defenses are Good

## PLANNED TO SCARE THE PUBLIC

In Order That Gigantic Appropriations May be Authorized by Congress and Receive the Public Approval.

(Special to The Evening News.)  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—The war department has joined the jingos in an attempt to Hobsonize the entire country, is what Congressman Tanney, of Minnesota, virtually declared in a speech today. The Minnesotan is chairman of the House committee on appropriations, and refuses to believe that the country is so entirely without defense as the war department and the secretary, backed by the California Congressman, would have the people believe. Tanney says at the idea that there is any cause for alarm, and is determined to hold public purse strings tightly against Hobson, Congressman McLachlan and others who declare that the country is concerned, and who maintain that the Pacific Coast could be captured and held for six months by an invading army of 200,000 men. The Minnesota congressman said that the effort to get a confidential report of the secretary of war in reply to the McLachlan resolution was a part of the scheme instituted by the military enthusiasts to alarm the people and thereby get their endorsement of large Congressional appropriations for the army and navy.

Congressman Humphries, of Washington, took a position opposite to that of Tanney, and said that a foreign foe could land an invading force at Bellingham for instance without coming within fifteen miles of any fortifications, and that they could establish an impregnable position there. He stated that the foe might have the whole country at their mercy, and maintained that the report of the secretary of war expresses the opinion relative to the condition of the country which every man on the Pacific coast has known for years to be true.

## For Board Arbitration.

CHICAGO, Dec. 16.—President Taft, John Mitchell and Theodore Roosevelt may be asked to act as mediators in the garment workers strike in this city. Following the rioting yesterday in which two union strikers were killed and a number severely wounded and are likely to die, union leaders and the city officials are trying to bring the strike to an end. The situation is tense, and more rioting is likely to follow, as the strikers are in desperate mood.

## Undertaker Hammitte received word today to the effect that a man named DeWald passed away at Days Creek last evening. The funeral will be held there tomorrow.

## The Sunbeam Photo Parlors have been reopened and during the holidays we are offering bargains. All work guaranteed for 99 days. sw-15

## CONSIDER SCHOOL SITES.

The members of the Roseburg school board convened in special session at 4 o'clock this afternoon for the purpose of considering the various sites for the contemplated high school building. A petition, signed by 250 representative citizens, asking that the school be centrally located, was read by Attorney B. L. Eddy. The petition, although not specific in its form, suggested the purchase of a portion of the Catholic church property, situated on Kane, Chadwick and Washington streets. The church people offer to sell the school board the north half of their block, 165x220 feet in dimensions, for the sum of \$10,000. Among those who spoke in favor of the central site aside from Mr. Eddy were W. L. Dysinger and J. W. Perkins, both of whom expressed themselves as opposed to locating the school in the extreme limits of the city.

Shortly before 5 o'clock the board went into executive session, and will probably arrive at some definite decision this evening.

From expressions, it appears almost certain that the school will be located on the Catholic site, three members of the board, Fullerton, Buchanan and Dillard favoring such procedure.

Another matter discussed by the board was the amount of money necessary to conduct the schools during the years 1911 and 1912. According to a report submitted by Clerk Neuner \$35,000 will be necessary to maintain the schools during the coming year, or an increase of about \$6,000 over the year 1910.

from their long idleness and destitute condition, and officials of both city and labor organizations fear that more blood will be shed if matters are not adjusted and peace brought at once.

## LOCAL NEWS.

Why dread wash day? Get a Davis Lone Star Washer and enjoy it—dawn

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