

DANES REFUSE TO YIELD FIRST LOOK

Copenhagen University Holds Dr. Cook to Promise of Records.

RECTOR GROWS IMPATIENT

Cablegram Sent to Explorer Asking Him to Hurry Up With Data to Prove His Claim to the Pole. America's Demand Denied.

COPENHAGEN, Oct. 20.—The University of Copenhagen has declined to forego its privilege to the first examination of the North Pole records of Dr. Cook. The authorities of the university today cabled to the National Geographic Society at Washington as follows: "Sorry, University not able to comply with your request."

PEARY FILES POLAR PROOFS

Commander Submits Records to Geographic Society.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 20.—Commander Robert E. Peary's proofs, records and observations that he reached the North Pole April 6, 1909, were submitted today to the National Geographic Society. The board of managers of that body referred them for examination and report to a sub-committee of experts comprising Henry Ganett, chief geographer of the United States Geological Survey; Rear Admiral Colby M. Chester, U. S. N., and O. H. Titman, superintendent of the United States Coast and Geodetic Survey. The society announced that the only question it now had to decide was whether Commander Peary reached the North Pole on the date claimed.

COOK READY IN TWO MONTHS

Explorer Expects to Begin on His Proofs Next Monday.

TOLEDO, Ohio, Oct. 20.—Dr. Frederick A. Cook said today that he will be ready to submit his proofs of the discovery of the North Pole to the University of Copenhagen within two months, or possibly within a month. He will begin work upon his documents after the close of his lecture tour at Minneapolis next Monday.

COOK CALLS KANSAS' HAND

Explorer Will Accept Chancellor Stron's Offer to Climb Mount.

ANN ARBOR, Mich., Oct. 20.—Dr. Frederick A. Cook, the Arctic explorer, who lectured here tonight before a large audience of students at the University of Michigan, said he was delighted to hear of the offer made by Chancellor Stron, of the University of Kansas, to send Professor L. L. Dyche to scale Mount McKinley.

PROFESSOR BACKS DR. COOK

Chancellor of University of Kansas Would Aid Explorer.

LAWRENCE, Kan., Oct. 20.—Dr. Frank V. Stron, Chancellor of the University of Kansas, today sent a telegram to Dr. Frederick A. Cook, tendering in the name of the university the services of Professor L. L. Dyche, on an expedition to scale Mount McKinley to recover the records the explorer declares he left there in 1906.

ANOTHER JAP BANK FAILS

Fresno Institution Shares Fate of Others in California.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 20.—Alden Anderson, State Superintendent of Banks, today closed the Industrial Bank, a Japanese institution, at Fresno, Cal. The bank has \$22,000 on deposit and a reserve of \$26,000. Deficiency in cash reserve and lack of securities for loans were given as the causes for closing the bank.

PROMINENT FIGURES IN ST. HELENS EXTORTION CASE NOW ON TRIAL



J. K. Blakesley, Defendant.



Sheriff Martin White.



Treasurer E. E. Quick.



District Attorney E. B. Tongue.

STATE PASSES PLOT

Prosecution in St. Helens Case Slights Conspiracy.

'TOOTS' BLAKESLEY IS MUM

Evidence of Handwriting Experts Looks Dark for Man Accused of Attempted Blackmail of Treasurer Quick—Blamed Alone.

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"Toots" Blakesley was alone in the alleged blackmailing of County Treasurer Quick and that Jack McCarty, convict and all-round bad man, was not associated at all with Blakesley in any phase of the alleged extortion.

Convict's Writing Different.

That McCarty, though his name is attached to the unlettered letters received by Treasurer Quick, did not write the messages will be testified by Tom Word, who is armed with several letters from McCarty, the cursive of which is widely different from the handwriting of the letter which bases the indictment against Blakesley of attempted extortion.

Two handwriting experts from Portland, W. W. Williams, of the Rose City Business College, and A. W. Albin, are prepared to take oath that J. Kendall Blakesley, nicknamed "Toots," wrote the letter which bore County Treasurer Quick to produce \$300 or beware. To substantiate their contention the handwriting experts have prepared a photographic exhibit showing enlargements of the name and letters written by Blakesley compared with excerpts from the letter received by County Treasurer Quick. The penmanship seems to be identical and it is believed the state will rest its case after producing the handwriting evidence, so confident is District Attorney Tongue that the penmanship is a clinching clue.

Blakesley and Blackmail.

Most odd is one feature of the handwriting evidence. Five letters of the name Blakesley are found in the word blackmail, which contains the same number of letters as the name of the alleged would-be blackmailer. "Toots" Blakesley, as court bailiff, Deputy Sheriff, identifier of note-indorsers and what not, signed his name frequently in St. Helens, and court records, bank checks and subpoenas will be presented by the state to prove that he and not Jack McCarty is the author of at least the last of a series of letters received by Treasurer Quick. It looks dark for Blakesley. He is as silent as a tomb about the case and, judging from the examination of venetians by his attorneys, it seems safe to predict that they will endeavor to prove their client the victim of a Columbia County political conspiracy. This was made evident today by the appearance in St. Helens of a detective from Portland, subpoenaed by the defense. Entering Treasurer Quick's office near the courthouse, he was hailed by F. B. Prescott, Quick's partner in the abstract business.

Woman Observed Gifts.

If it had not been for a woman it would have been returned against Blakesley. That woman is Mrs. Quick, wife of the complaining County Treasurer.

"On and off for two years," said Treasurer Quick yesterday, "I was held up by 'Toots' Blakesley, who had me shivering in mortal fear, believing my life, my family, my home were in danger if I did not

give 'Toots' money he said was demanded by Jack McCarty, who would not stop at murder to accomplish his designs.

"In all I gave him about \$500 to quiet that monster, McCarty, and until my wife became a keen observer of Blakesley's sister's household did I realize that I was being bilked. My wife frequently visited Mrs. A. J. Dunning, 'Toots' sister. Returning one night, she told me of expensive gifts given by 'Toots' to his sister and her children. Then it dawned upon me suddenly that 'Toots' Blakesley was in Portland, and after I had given him money. Then and there I decided to be victimized no more and reported the case to the grand jury when I received the next letter demanding money."

Four Years Back.

Blakesley's alleged extortion of Treasurer Quick is said by the county official to extend as far back as 1905. Then, states Mr. Quick, "Toots" Blakesley approached him, laying bare a plot to rob the vaults of the old Courthouse and dynamite the building, the daring work to be done by Jack McCarty, and until my wife became a keen observer of Blakesley's sister's household did I realize that I was being bilked. My wife frequently visited Mrs. A. J. Dunning, 'Toots' sister. Returning one night, she told me of expensive gifts given by 'Toots' to his sister and her children. Then it dawned upon me suddenly that 'Toots' Blakesley was in Portland, and after I had given him money. Then and there I decided to be victimized no more and reported the case to the grand jury when I received the next letter demanding money."

Four Letters Received.

The alleged extortionate letters purporting to come from McCarty, but in reality written by Blakesley, says the state, followed at four intervals.

"Toots" Blakesley is a brother of Chief Deputy Sheriff C. W. Blakesley. This relationship almost wrecked the state's case yesterday. Sheriff Martin White, obliged by the duties of his office to glean venetians, requested the court to be excused from the task, saying his appointment of Blakesley's brother, Stevenson, as his deputy and the intimate relations maintained by him not only with his assistant, but with "Toots" Blakesley, made his position a delicate one. The coroner, Judge Sakin, ordered Coroner Sherwood to gather a venire in lieu of the Sheriff.

The coroner gathered a dozen men from Rainier, one of whom was accepted. The defense cited the code to show the coroner to be an illegal gatherer of a jury when the Sheriff was neither biased, incapacitated nor absent from the county. Thereupon Judge Sakin ordered Sheriff White to resume the duty of selecting venetians.

On this point a fight is promised by the defense, particularly if Blakesley is convicted. It is presumed the defense will then request the verdict to be set aside on an error.

At 9 o'clock this morning the Blakesley case was resumed, District Attorney E. B. Tongue prosecuting, assisted by Attorney George Bagley, of Hillsboro, Attorneys Bert E. Hane and John H. Stevenson, of Portland, were counsel for the defense.

McCarty Not There.

While no surprise was evidenced in the camp of the defense, it was apparent the best existed that Jack McCarty, the notorious convict indicted with Blakesley, would be in court. He wasn't there, however, and a Portland detective subpoenaed to identify him or pronounce him to be the wrong Jack McCarty, returned to the metropolis.

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ASKS LOWER RATES

Baker Appeals to Interstate Commerce Board.

MILEAGE BASIS PROPOSED

Eastern Oregon City Wants Cut All Along Line in Rates From East With Lower Rates Than with Portland.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Oct. 20.—The Citizens League of Baker City today appealed to the Interstate Commerce Commission for a readjustment of all freight rates to Baker City from Utah, Colorado and all points east.

It is alleged in the complaint that all Eastern freight moving to Portland over the O. R. & N. necessarily passes through Baker City and in view of that fact, it is asked that Baker City be given rates from the East proportionately lower than the rates to Portland, based on the difference in the length of haul. It is set forth that passenger fares from points east to Portland and Baker City are equitably apportioned on a mileage basis and this same principle is asked as applied to freight rates. Stated competition at Portland is not mentioned.

Assuming that the Commission will give Baker City rates lower than those at Portland, reparation is demanded on all past shipments from the East made under existing rates, such reparation to represent the difference between the rates now in effect and the rates which the Commission may hereafter establish.

Three other letters of a similar character were received by Treasurer Quick, but the message embodied in the indictment was selected by the state as the best in furthering its proposed conviction of Blakesley. Jack McCarty, the ex-convict, indicted with Blakesley, has not been found. He is believed to be serving time in a penitentiary, where, neither the state nor the defense has been able to ascertain. It has been established that he is not in Sing Sing, Joliet, Folsom, San Quentin or at Salem.

The defense, it is understood, will endeavor to reject the testimony to be given by Tom Word concerning McCarty as inadmissible. The state will call about eight witnesses, the defense probably less than half that number. County Treasurer Quick will be called upon simply to identify the blackmailing letter, if the intention of the prosecution to keep the dynamite plot hidden is not abandoned.

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