

"RAVEY IN IT FOR ME" SAID BARRILL

Ex-Partner of Cook's Guide Gives Alleged Explanation of Motive.

MEANT \$5000 TO \$10,000

Affidavit of Bridgford Tells of Visit From Nichols and Meeting With Miller, Which Led to Affidavit of Barrill.

MISSOULA, Mont., Oct. 22.—An affidavit contradicting the assertions of Edward N. Barrill in his affidavit declaring that Dr. Cook did not reach the summit of Mount McKinley...

Found Barrill Man of Integrity. "I have known Edward N. Barrill, of Darby, Ravalli County, Mont., for about 19 or 20 years. During this time I have had business relations with Mr. Barrill. We have been in the real estate business together..."

Meant Money for Barrill.

"The first time I heard Mr. Barrill say anything relating to Dr. Cook's ascent of Mount McKinley was in September of this year. This was about the time of receiving the news of the discovery of the North Pole. He and I started out in an automobile in the early part of the month. I stopped at the Ravalli Hotel to see a gentleman. When I came out he and Mr. Nichols were talking. This Mr. Nichols is from Chicago and is connected with the Bitter Root Valley Irrigation Company. They still talked while I was there and Mr. Barrill said to Mr. Nichols: 'I will see you that evening.'"

"Means \$5000 to \$10,000 to Me."

"Then the next conversation I had with Mr. Barrill was the evening before he started for Seattle. He had told me that he had sent a telegram to a man by the name of Miller, I think Mr. Miller is a photographer in Seattle. I went to him that evening and told him what he had said to me. He said to me: 'I cannot go; that party Miller from Seattle is at Missoula and I am to meet him there tonight. This means from \$5000 to \$10,000 to me.'"

Said Cook Ascended Mount.

"Mr. Barrill stated that he was there at Mount McKinley when Dr. Cook made the ascent of Mount McKinley. Mr. Barrill showed me pictures in a book and said that the pictures had been taken on the trip up Mount McKinley. He also showed me a picture of the place where they were cutting the steps on Mount McKinley. He then showed me the diary used on the trip and showed me right where Dr. Cook froze his toes; showed me the machines crossing the water and also showed me right where the glaze of ice was on the mountain. From what Mr. Barrill stated, I judged that Dr. Cook had reached the top of Mount McKinley. I judged as much from what other men told me as from what Mr. Barrill told me. Mr. Barrill told me that when Dr. Cook and Mr. Barrill returned from their trip and returned home, Barrill said: 'I introduce to you the man who went to the top of Mount McKinley.' Dr. Cook, congratulate the doctor."

COOK WILL NOT ANSWER PEARY

Will Prepare Report Immediately, Get Instruments Next Summer.

DULUTH, Minn., Oct. 23.—Commander Peary's latest move in the Polar controversy is his dispatch to Washington friends regarding the Rasmussen story—brought nothing but a nod from Dr. Cook when he learned of it here today. The doctor intimated that it was unlikely that he would take any particular notice of the attack on the Danes explorer's report.

Neither could Dr. Cook be induced to say anything regarding the dispatch from Missoula that his agents in Montana had secured satisfactory evidence that Barrill's affidavit was the result of "inducement." His only comment on that dispatch was that General Weed evidently had been mistaken or misquoted regarding his going West, as it would be impossible for the explorer to get to Montana before the latter part of November, and possibly not until the middle of December.

Prepare Report for Copenhagen.

Dr. Cook will go directly to New York from Minneapolis Monday night, and will devote his time to preparing his report of the North Pole trip for

submission to the scientists. After that is done he will feel at liberty to "step up the Mount McKinley matter in Montana, or wherever it may seem best to go about it."

Dr. Cook also dictated a message to Professor Torsh of the University of Copenhagen. The text of the message was: "Hope to send Mr. Lonsdale with data and records in about a month. Instruments cannot be sent until next year."

(Signed) FREDERICK A. COOK. Dr. Cook stated that his lecture tour would be abandoned for the purpose of completing as nearly as possible the data to be forwarded to the University of Copenhagen. These data and records will be officially passed upon by the Royal Geographical Society of Copenhagen. As yet these scientists have not examined the full and complete records of the doctor. He is at work upon these records at the present time.

The instruments regarding which there has been so much comment will be sent for next June, and this will bring them to this country some time next September. Dr. Cook prefers to let the members of the Royal Geographical Society pass upon his complete records rather than engage in any further controversy. In the meantime he says he will leave his case to the American people.

COOK ACCEPTS DYCHE'S OFFER

Welcomes Kansas Professor on Mount McKinley Expedition.

TOPEKA, Kan., Oct. 23.—A special to the State Journal from Lawrence says Dr. Frederick A. Cook wired Professor L. L. Dyche from Duluth today as follows: "Will be pleased to have you join Mount McKinley expedition. Details will be undertaken shortly."

Professor Dyche wired his acceptance.

PROVED TO BE M'CLEAN

PRETENDED SCHLATTER'S WILL FOUND IN POCKET.

Leaves Property to Brother, Who Is Colorado Sheepman, and Names His Parents.

HASTINGS, Neb., Oct. 23.—The discovery of a packet of papers which had slipped unnoticed from the coat of the late Dr. Charles McLean, or Schlatter, will doubtless clear up the mystery which has hung about his death.

The papers were turned over to the County Judge. Among them was found a will which gave the name of a brother, Hector McLean, of Brush, Colo., who is named as heir to any property which may have been left. Judge Button refused to divulge the nature of the will.

A telegram was sent to the postmaster at Brush, who informed the court that Hector McLean was temporarily absent from town, but that he had a brother named Charles McLean.

With the will was a note pinned to a bank book and crudely written as follows: "Was born Swell Island, Scotland. My father and mother, Anne and Donald, were brother and sister, 143 Trafalgar Hotel, New York City."

Two bank books showing deposits of \$200 each in Philadelphia and New York banks were found today, making a total of \$800 in cash deposited in banks in the East.

Following the message from Brush, Colo., Hector McLean, of Hastings, received a letter from David McNaughton, of Chicago, stating that he had "telegraphed Hector McLean, of Brush, Colo., brother of the late Charles McLean, to call at Hastings for the body."

CUBANS MAY FIGHT DUEL

PEPPERY CABINET MEMBERS EXCHANGE HOT WORDS.

Duque Resents Advice of Velez and Court of Honor Will Decide Issue.

HAVANA, Oct. 22.—A duel between two members of the Cuban Cabinet and the retirement from public life of one or both of the combatants is likely to result from a sharp difference of opinion which recently arose between Justo Garcia Velez, Secretary of State, and Dr. Matthias Duque, Secretary of Sanitation.

Both decline to discuss the matter, but it appears on good authority that when the strike of the garbage collectors and street sweepers began Secretary Velez in a friendly spirit advised Dr. Duque that he had better resign his office for the sanitary protection of the city. Otherwise, in the event of any outbreak of disease, there would probably result a movement in the direction of a new American intervention.

Secretary Duque considered this impertinent interference in his department and made an acrimonious reply, which was followed by the issuance of a challenge by Secretary Duque and the nomination of seconds by both members of the Cabinet. At the suggestion of President Gomez, the Ministers presented their resignations, which the President is retaining pending an inquiry.

The parties today submitted the matter to a court of honor, and it is expected that the instant action for a duel. The court probably will render its decision tomorrow.

COLD WEATHER IS COMING

Will Soon Grip Country From Coast to Coast.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 23.—Cold weather is about to grip the country from coast to coast. The sheet of rain that swept across the United States radiating from a storm center near St. Louis, has passed along until now it is sweeping down upon the middle Atlantic Coast. The disturbance is expected to pass out to sea, after which the wind will sweep the country from the North, varying a trifle according to the section.

In the far Northwest the temperature is rising just enough to hold out hopes of a short duration of the chilly spell. Along the entire territory east of the Rockies, however, the mercury is falling with the exception of the Middle Atlantic and the South Atlantic coasts.

High winds will be the rule, according to the Weather Bureau.

Lived 24 Years in Camas.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Oct. 23.—(Special.)—Mrs. C. A. Bates, aged 52, died at her home at Camas yesterday. Mrs. Bates was a Canadian by birth, and has lived in Camas for 24 years. The funeral will be held at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon from her home. Rev. Mr. Huston will conduct the services, which will be in charge of the Florence Rebekeah Lodge, of which the deceased was a charter member.

CITIZENS PROTEST DE LARA'S PLIGHT

Prominent Men of Los Angeles Raise Funds to Help Mexican.

JUDGE WORKS LENDS AID

Strong Resolutions Adopted Declaring Belief in Prisoner's Innocence—Copy Sent to President—Slueths Scored.

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 22.—At a mass meeting held here at Simpson Auditorium tonight, speakers protesting against the proposed deportation of L. Gutierrez de Lara to Mexico were made by prominent Los Angeles citizens, including Judge John D. Works, former Superior Judge.

A collection was taken to assist in defraying the expenses of De Lara's defense, and resolutions were adopted. Mrs. De Lara, the American wife of the imprisoned Mexican attorney and author, was given an ovation by the 3000 persons present when she was introduced by Rev. E. B. Blight, of the Los Angeles Fellowship Club, who acted as chairman of the meeting.

The first speaker of the evening was John K. Turner, attorney at law, who was guided through Mexico by De Lara. Deportation Means Death. Turner said that deportation for De Lara means death. He scored the Los Angeles police force for assisting the Mexican government, and stated that the Department of Justice and the Secret Service of the United States had been placed in the hands of President Diaz.

"I am not here to denounce the Mexican government," he said, "but to deal with our own country. We have evils enough here."

He stated that he had made an impartial investigation of De Lara's arrest and had ascertained that it was wholly without warrant or authority of law.

"These men must unearth an anarchist once in a while or lose their jobs," he said, speaking of the Secret Service. "They make the President believe that he is in constant danger of death, which in my judgment is a delusion."

Prominent Men Speak.

Other speakers were Attorney Joseph Harriman, former Socialist candidate for Vice-President; Rev. Frank L. Wheat and Stanley Wilson, editor of the Citizen. The resolutions which were adopted protested against the arrest of De Lara as an alien, declared belief in his innocence and criticized the alleged action of Government officials in lending their aid to effect a return of political refugees to foreign countries. Copies will be sent to the President and to the Department of Commerce and Labor.

JOY-RIDING IS CHARGED

Patrolman West Accused of Using Taxis, but Denies It.

As a result of information given Chief of Police Cox yesterday afternoon by Councilman Lombard, the conduct of Patrolman Frank G. West is to be investigated. According to Mr. Lombard, who is in the taxicab business, West is given to "joy-riding."

Mr. Lombard called at the police station yesterday afternoon. He told Chief Cox he had discovered that a number of his chauffeurs have been taking out his machines without his permission. Patrolman West had accompanied them. As a result of his discoveries, says Mr. Lombard, he is going to discharge his crew of chauffeurs and engage a new lot.

Chief Cox said last night: "I shall look into this matter, and if I find that Patrolman West has been riding in automobiles during his duty, I shall take steps to rid the department of his services. We don't want a man derelict in his duty. If, however, it is shown that he has merely accepted an invitation which one duty it is not probable that charges will result."

West himself denies all knowledge of any offense such as is described by Mr. Lombard. He says he never has been out in any of Mr. Lombard's taxis, whether on or off duty.

TAX VALUES ARE BOOSTED

Wasco Assessment Roll Will Be Double That of Last Year.

THE DALLES, Or., Oct. 23.—(Special.)—County Assessor J. W. Kootz and assistants, who are writing the 1909 Wasco County taxroll, expect to complete the work within the next two weeks.

Six pages, of 29 names to the page, will be added to the roll, and the assessed valuation of taxable property has been increased 100 per cent. Much tillable land has been added. The 1908 tax assessment was on a valuation of \$5,229,148, and this year it will be in the neighborhood of \$12,000,000.

The banks come in for a raise of \$250,000, and the two railroads in the county will be assessed for \$1,000,000 more than in 1908. The O. R. & N. Co. is assessed at \$38,000 a mile.

The Board of Equalization, composed of County Judge A. E. Lake, County Clerk F. E. Angie and Assessor Kootz, has been in session during the past week, and, strange to say, notwithstanding the great increase, little complaint has been made and no cases of inequity have come up for adjustment.

GOOD ROADS ARE AGITATED

Unaffiliated Association Proposes to Keep Up Enthusiasm.

PENDLETON, Or., Oct. 23.—(Special.)—That the good roads campaign inaugurated recently by the County Good Roads Association is to be waged relentlessly in every part of the county was indicated at the meeting of the association this afternoon.

A vice-president was appointed for each precinct, and, aside from spreading the gospel of good roads, he will be expected to form subordinate organizations in his neighborhood. This will be followed by rousing meetings in which the entire county will participate.

According to a writer in the Journal of the Gypsy Lore Society, it was in 1414 that gypsies made their first appearance in Western Europe.



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LEADER'S FOE BOWS

M'Carren's Political Enemies Praise His Ability.

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—The body of Patrick H. McCarren, State Senator and leader of Brooklyn, who died early today, will be buried from St. Vincent De Paul's Roman Catholic Church in the heart of his political stronghold, next Tuesday morning. To his friends he had expressed the wish that his funeral be as simple as possible. Flags were at half mast today on the City Hall of Greater New York and every public building in Brooklyn.

Testimonials of regard and expressions of regret have deluged the relatives today.

Charles Murphy, leader of Tammany, said of him today: "I have always admired Senator McCarren's ability as a leader and the courage with which he fought for what he believed to be right. All our differences were political, not personal."

Ends Tammany's Fight.

Speaking of McCarren's probable successor to the Democratic leadership of Brooklyn, Joseph Cassidy, formerly borough president of Queens County, said tonight: "This ends Tammany's fight for Brooklyn. Tammany never desired to go into Brooklyn except as against McCarren. Now that he is gone, there will be no more reaching across the river."

Political students who could not agree with Mr. Cassidy held that on the contrary Mr. McCarren removed from the field, and Murphy's ally, William J. Conners, in control of the party machinery of the state as state chairman, it was now all Tammany. Eventually, it is asserted, the Brooklyn Democratic organization will become part of Tammany.

Committed to Direct.

Until after election a committee, headed by Bernard York, a former Police Commissioner, and August Van Wyck, formerly a Supreme Court Justice, will direct its affairs. When in December next the executive committee of the organization holds its regular meeting a new leader will be elected.

The man most generally mentioned for the place is John H. McCooey, the Democratic nominee for Borough President of Brooklyn, a straight organization man, popular with the McCarren following and long in the leader's confidence.

The value of the estate left by Senator McCarren is a mystery. It is known that he owned considerable real estate and was interested in an amusement park at Coney Island.

Grief May Kill Mother.

The aged mother of State Senator Patrick H. McCarren collapsed today on learning of the death of her son and this afternoon her physician said her

condition was critical. Mrs. McCarren is 84 years old.

Keen interest in the choice of a leader of the Democratic party in Kings County to succeed Mr. McCarren arises from the general belief that Tammany will endeavor to gain control of the party's affairs in the Brooklyn borough, which the Senator had persistently fought.

PERSONAL MENTION.

C. B. Stout and wife, of Baker City, are at the Seward hotel.

J. H. Colbert, a Spokane business man, is at the Nortonia hotel.

Mrs. James E. Godfrey, of Salem, is visiting relatives in Niles, Cal.

J. A. Sinclair, of Boise, Idaho, arrived at the Oregon hotel yesterday.

F. L. Smith, a hotel man of Spokane, is a guest at the Ramapo hotel.

F. A. Richardson, of Creswell, Or., is registered at the Ramapo hotel.

Mrs. C. A. Moore, of New York City, arrived at the Portland hotel yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Bussell, of San Francisco, are staying at the Seward hotel.

Mrs. E. K. Van Evers and sons, of Pomona, Cal., are visiting at the home

of her mother, Mrs. Kelsey, 523 Vancouver avenue.

Walter Milliken, a constructing engineer of Seattle, is at the Cornelius hotel.

Victor Martin, a merchant of The Dalles, is among the guests of the Perkins hotel.

Mrs. J. W. Hume, a society woman of San Francisco, is a guest at the Portland hotel.

Ike Diamauer, a capitalist from Tenino, Washington, registered at the Cornelius yesterday.

C. D. Gabrielson, a business man of Salem, registered at the Oregon hotel yesterday afternoon.

R. M. Wilbur is improving in health, and hopes to be able to leave his home by the end of the week.

W. C. Hawley, Oregon Congressman, arrived yesterday from Salem and registered at the Imperial.

C. A. Climet, a merchant of Baltimore,

MD., arrived in Portland yesterday and registered at the Nortonia.

Miss Mary Grant, County School Superintendent, was many of the rural schools of this county are hampered as a result of the great scarcity of school teachers. Many of the schools that should have opened several weeks ago are still closed, and will be for several more unless the supply of teachers increases.

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