

# DR. COOK FAILED, IS DANISH REPORT

## University of Copenhagen Has Spirited Debate Over Polar Data.

### COMMITTEE WORK SECRET

### Public Opinion Changes Against Explorer, and Consistory is Angered Over Rector's Favorable Preliminary Announcement.

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 18.—The Associated Press is informed by a high authority that the committee of the University of Copenhagen, in its preliminary examination of his records, failed to discover proof that Dr. Frederick A. Cook reached the North Pole.

### Committee Works Secretly.

"The committee's work is not yet finished. I cannot tell how long it will continue, but I hope that the result can be made public in a few days. Both the members of the consistory and the examining committee have been forbidden strictly to make public anything regarding what has been accomplished thus far by the investigators."

A preliminary report was made by the examining committee at a secret session of the consistory of the university today. It provoked animated discussion, and it appears that the data so far submitted is not held sufficient to establish the explorer's claims.

The result of today's discussion was a request on the part of the consistory that the committee continue its work. The university body will leave to the investigators proper the matter of making public later the results of their inquiries.

### Popular Opinion Changes.

In the meantime, it is announced by an official of the university, the consistory will not make public any communication based on information received orally from the committee at today's meeting.

Popular opinion here appears to have undergone a gradual change. From the beginning of the controversy the populace of Copenhagen has been decidedly pro-Cook. Recent developments, however, have been disappointing, and today the general impression prevails that Dr. Cook's papers, as submitted, do not constitute proof that he discovered the Pole. It is learned several members of the

university consistory are exceedingly angry over the rector's preliminary report, one of them expressing regret that the university had not waited until Dr. Cook's claim that he had reached the Pole had been proved before honoring him.

### Danish Papers Losing Faith.

The Copenhagen newspapers up to the present have been wholly friendly to Dr. Cook, but it is learned some of the leading dailies tomorrow will print articles throwing doubt on Cook's trustworthiness. They will point out that the Danish people regard Cook in the light of a national hero and still hope that he is an honest man. The slightest evidence that this is not the case, the papers say, will oppress all Danes with grief.

### COOK MAY GIVE MORE PROOF

### If Scotch Verdict Found, He Will Bring Greenland Records.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Dr. Cook's close friends said tonight that the doctor, previous to dispatching his polar data to the University of Copenhagen, had written in private to Rector Torp, informing him that in the event of an adverse decision he, Dr. Cook, would not appeal from the findings. His instruments and the documents important to his case, Dr. Cook pointed out in his letter, are still at Etah, and he thought it possible that, in the event of a verdict that he is not in the university might find a Scotch verdict of "not proven."

In such event, the doctor wrote, he would set out on an expedition to go to Greenland next Summer and bring his complete records and his instruments back with him. If the verdict of the consistory is hostile, however, the expedition will not be attempted.

If the consistory finds in his favor, Dr. Cook will submit his data further, his friends add, to the authorities of Geneva and Brussels, both of which cities have asked for an opportunity to examine them. The records might similarly go to London, though on that point, Dr. Cook's friends say, the doctor was less positive, as he had never received an invitation from the Royal Geographical Society, the body which in all probability would assume the task of passing on the records.

### Funds for the expedition to Greenland, should it be decided to make one, have already been pledged by two friends of Dr. Cook who still believe in him, and John E. Hammond has offered the use of his yacht.

There was a further rumor tonight, well authenticated, that Dr. Cook is now within 24 hours' journey of Copenhagen ready to appear personally before the university consistory, if his presence is desired. The doctor had so written Rector Torp, his friends assert.

### NATIONAL SOCIETY INTERESTED

### Will Demand Absolute Proof of Cook and Then Proclaim Peary.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Intense interest was manifested here today by officials of the National Geographic Society in the preliminary report of the committee of the University of Copenhagen that it had failed to find proofs substantiating Dr. Cook's claim that he had reached the North Pole, April 21, 1908. None of them, however, would permit himself to be quoted.

As soon as official announcement is made of the conclusions of the university's committee, the National Geographic Society will take prompt measures to bring to an end the world-wide controversy as to the finding of the North Pole by demanding from Dr. Cook absolute proof of his claim. Failing to receive convincing proof, the society will proclaim Commander Peary as the discoverer of the Pole.

See Sig. Nichol & Co.'s display advertisement on page 7, section 1.

# BLOOD TIES SNAP

## Mrs. Martin Says She Has No Dealings With Sister.

### SHE IS UGLY AND SQUAT

### As She Raises Veil, Wrinkles Are Seen So Numerous Eyes Are Almost Closed—Proves Fighter of Family When Arraigned.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Mrs. Carolina Martin astonished the court today by her denial of any dealing with her sister, Mrs. Mary Sneed. Both women were brought before a police magistrate to answer whether or not they would fight extradition to New Jersey, where, with a third sister, Virginia Wardlaw, they are all charged with the murder of Ocoy Sneed, Mrs. Martin's daughter. A further hearing will be held Monday.

The sisters stood side by side, heavily veiled, as always, and bobbed in and out of black.

Mary was mute, but Carolina showed herself the fighter of the family. "I hadn't seen this woman," she said. "For a long time until she came to the Tomb. I know little of her. We have nothing to do with each other. Our cases are entirely separate."

Squat, broad and almost shapeless, she planted herself in stolid opposition to the court and the detectives, fighting for time and public sympathy. When she lifted her veil a face was disclosed as brown as a walnut shell and so wrinkled that the eyes were almost hidden.

### HOLDUP JOKE, IS DEFENSE

### Waiter When Identified Insists Affair Was in Fun.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 18.—A man who gave his name as Fritz Erlin and says he is a waiter in Mead's cafe, Ellis street, was identified and arrested early this morning in Fillmore street as the man who tried to hold up the drugstore of the White Drug Company in Fillmore street Wednesday night. According to Detective McHugh, the man when taxed with the attempted holdup admitted that he had entered the White Drug Company's store on his way home from work and had told the clerk to throw up his hands. He said he had no revolver and had done what he did as a joke after reading about the holdup of the Gleason store.

### ADVANCE LAID TO TARIFF

### Governor Harmon, of Ohio, Says New Law Doesn't Suit.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Governor Judson Harmon, of Ohio, who returns to his home today after a 24-hour visit in New York, is alarmed over the increased cost of living in the United States. "I think the higher cost of living is due to the tariff," he says, "for the higher prices do not apply to farm products only. No, the last tariff does not suit me. It suits nobody except the few that profit by it. There is not only much complaint, but

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