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## PEARY'S PROOF THAT COOK DIDN'T REACH NORTH POLE

### Detailed Statement In Which He Attempts to Disprove Cook's Claim.

### TESTIMONY OF ESKIMO WITNESSES INTRODUCED

### Cook's Trip Traced On Map By Boys Who Accompanied Him.

(By Associated Press.) NEW YORK, Oct. 13.—The following statement of Commander Robert E. Peary, which he submitted together with an accompanying map, to the Peary Arctic Club in support of its contention that Dr. Frederick Cook did not reach the North Pole, is now made public for the first time. The statement and map have been copyrighted by the Peary Arctic Club.

"Some of my reasons for saying that Dr. Cook did not go to the Pole, will be understood by those who read the following statements of the two Eskimo boys who went with him and who told me and others of my party where he did go. Several Eskimos who started with Dr. Cook from Annotook in February, 1908, were at Etah when I arrived there in August, 1908.

"They told me that Dr. Cook had with him after they left, two Eskimo boys or young men, two sledges and two dogs. The boys were I-Took-A-Shoo and Ah-Pe-Lah. I had known them from their childhood. One was about 18 and the other about 19 years of age.

"On my return from Cape Sheridan and at the very first settlement I touched (Nerke) near Cape Chalon, in August, 1908, and nine days before reaching Etah the Eskimos told me in a general way where Dr. Cook had been. That he had wintered in Jones Sound and that he had told the white men at Etah that he had been a long way north, but that the boys who were with him, I-Took-A-Shoo and Ah-Pe-Lah, said that this was not so. The Eskimos laughed at Dr. Cook's story.

"On reaching Etah I talked with the Eskimos there and with the two boys and asked them to describe Dr. Cook's journey to members of my party and myself. This they did in the manner stated below.

"(Signed) ROBERT E. PEARY."  
(Signed statement of Peary: Bartlett, McMan, Borup and Henson in regard to testimony of Cook's two Eskimo boys.)

The two Eskimo boys, I-Took-A-Shoo and Ah-Pe-Lah, who accompanied Dr. Cook while he was away from Annotook in 1908 and 1909, were questioned separately and independently and were corroborated by Panikah, the father of one of them, (I-Took-A-Shoo) who was personally familiar with the first third and the last third of their journey, and who said that the route for the remaining third, as shown by them, was as described to him by his son after his return with Dr. Cook. Notes of their statements were taken by several of us and no one of us has any doubt that they told the truth. Their testimony was unshaken by cross-examination, was corroborated by other men in the tribe and was elicited neither by threats nor promises, the two boys and their father, talking of their journey and their experiences in the same way that they would talk of any hunting trip.

To go more into details, one of the boys who was called in, and, with a chart on the table before him, was asked to show where he had gone with Dr. Cook. This he did, pointing out with his finger on the map, but not making any marks on it.

As he went out, the other boy came in and was asked to show where he had gone with Dr. Cook.

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## TAFT TO KEEP HIS HANDS OFF

### Won't Interfere In Melee Between Knox and Crane—Latter Makes Reply.

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 13.—"What will the president do with the resignation of Chas. Crane as minister from the United States to China" is the question which is on the lips of officials in Washington today, and Crane's stinging reply to Secretary Knox has created a diplomatic episode which has greatly excited the national capital. That President Taft has no intention of interfering with the action of the secretary of state is indicated in dispatches from the newspaper correspondents traveling with the president in the west.

### KNOX GIVES VERSION.

Says Crane Forfeited Confidence By Talking Too Much.

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 13.—Secretary Knox has given out a statement saying Crane's resignation had been asked because he had given out a newspaper interview in which matters affecting the state department in its relation to the Chinese-Japanese agreement. The statement continues, "At a conference with Mr. Crane Sunday evening, he admitted having had an indiscreet talk with a reporter which resulted in the publication referred to and assuming the responsibility he stated if the indiscretion was grave enough to shake my confidence in his usefulness he willingly would resign.

"I have reluctantly reached the conclusion that the good of the service demands that I should inform Mr. Crane that his resignation will be accepted and I have done so. Friends of Crane assert the statements made personally to him by President Taft. It was said this afternoon in an authoritative quarter that the department felt assured nothing Taft might have ever said to Crane would justify the disclosures for which the present action has been taken. Crane after receiving Knox's letter calling for his resignation was shown a copy of Knox's statement, read it attentively and returning the paper to a reporter who had brought it, he remarked the matter was too serious to be discussed off hand but he promised an interview later.

### SHOOT SPANISH EDUCATOR.

Convicted Revolutionist Executed Without Flinching.

(By Associated Press.) BARCELONA, Oct. 13.—Professor Francisco Ferrer, a Spanish educator and a convicted revolutionist, was shot today at the Fortress of Montjuich. He faced the firing squad without flinching and fell dead on the first volley.

### TRY TWO CASES.

This forenoon an action of J. W. Ross vs. Geo. Thomason to collect a wage claim for carrying mail was taken up in Justice Penneck's court. A motion of non-suit resulted in adjournment.

This afternoon Justice Penneck is hearing the case of Rohrer vs. Bruno, involving a claim for meat that Rohrer, who lives at Coquille, furnished Bruno at Beaver Hill.

### NOTICE TO EAGLES.

Marshfield Aerie No. 538, Fraternal Order of Eagles, will meet every Wednesday night henceforth.

R. E. PINEGOR, Secretary.

## DR. COOK REPLIES TO MR. PEARY

### Says He Will Bring Man Who Accompanied Him to Pole to Give Their Evidence.

(By Associated Press.) BUFFALO, Oct. 13.—"I can only say that the actual living human witnesses of my journey to the Pole will themselves be able to disprove the distorted conclusions put into their mouths in the statement issued by Peary," said Dr. Cook who arrived here today, to the Associated Press. "There could be no better testimony than that given by the men themselves before an unbiased

body of inquirers. Peary evidently regards their evidence as of the most profound importance and so do I. It seems to me he might have brought them with him if he was so confident they would corroborate his story. He however chose not to do so. I will therefore send for them as soon as possible and place them at the disposal of any scientific or other body that may desire examine them with the aid of competent interpreters whom the examining body may appoint."

Dr. Cook will not enter into a newspaper controversy regarding the matter. He was given a reception at the Chamber of Commerce at noon.

## NEW OUTBREAK IN NICARAGUA

### Central America Government Suffers From Another Revolution.

(By Associated Press.) NEW ORLEANS, Oct. 13.—A special to The Times-Democrat from Bluefields, dated October 12, states a revolution broke out there and Juan J. Estrada has been elected president-governor of Nicaragua.

## WELL KNOWN MEN CLASH

### F. S. Dow Files Charge of Assault and Battery Against W. S. Chandler.

F. S. Dow today filed charges of assault and battery against W. S. Chandler in Justice Penneck's court. At a late hour this afternoon, Constable Cox said that he had not served the warrant of arrest on Mr. Chandler, owing to Justice Penneck being so busy with a couple of cases that he couldn't get around to it.

The trouble which will bring two of the most prominent men on Coos Bay into Justice court arose last evening on the train from Coquille to Marshfield. It seems that there has been bad blood between them for sometime and in some way or other, they became involved in a discussion last night. Some hot words were exchanged and the next thing, so Mr. Dow alleges, Mr. Chandler struck him one in the face.

Others rushed in and the combat was ended so far as the physical side of it is concerned. The date of the hearing has not been fixed by Justice Penneck.

## TOPE FINED; BOUND OVER

### Rev. J. C. Lininger Carries Matter Into Police and Justice Courts.

Geo. W. Tope, the North Bend moving picture show man, was found guilty of disturbing the peace by City Recorder Derbsyshire there this morning. His fine was fixed at \$2 and costs which he promptly paid.

This was the result of Mr. Tope's alleged assault on the Rev. J. C. Lininger of North Bend yesterday. Later Rev. Lininger swore out a warrant in Justice Shuster's court and had Tope bound over to keep the peace under a \$500 bond.

The card issued by Tope for which Rev. J. C. Lininger roasted him in his Sunday evening sermon read as follows: "Geo. W. Tope, dealer in love,

## FOUR DIE IN TEXAS WRECK

### Express Train Goes Through Burning Bridge Near McNeil Today.

(By Associated Press.) AUSTIN, Tex., Oct. 13.—An express train on the Houston & Texas Central ran into a burning bridge near McNeil today. Four are reported killed. A wrecking train has left here for the scene.

## WILL TAKE UP ASSESSMENTS

### Marshfield City Council Wants Coos County Board to Equalize City Values.

At a meeting of the Marshfield city council last evening, steps were taken to have that body represented at the meeting of the Coos County Board of Equalization at Coquille, October 18, when they will make an effort to have the assessment on acreage tracts and other big holdings in the city increased materially. They have had a large map prepared showing the assessment the present year on most of the property in the city limits and it is claimed that there are some wide discrepancies.

Among the matters cited last night was the eighty-acre tract of the Southern Oregon on Nob Hill and just west of it which is assessed at \$100 an acre or \$8,000 for the tract which, it was claimed, was not one-tenth of what it could be bought for. Further, it was pointed out and shown on the map that lots with twenty-five or fifty-foot frontage just across the street from it are assessed at \$100 or more apiece.

Another was a tract of four acres inside the city limits which with a house is assessed for about \$700 while lots around it are assessed at \$200 or so apiece and it was stated that the four acres in question is being held for \$16,000.

Another tract of two blocks in the heart of the residence section which is well improved is assessed at only \$4,000, \$1,800 for the improvements and \$1,100 apiece of the blocks.

A committee from the council, to be named later, with City Attorney J. D. Goss will try and have the board of equalization take up these and other property and increase the assessment to the same rate that other property is assessed.

### TODAY'S WHEAT MARKET.

(By Associated Press.) PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 13.—Track wheat prices: Club, 90c; Bluestem, 89c; Red Russian, 88½c; Turkey Red, 90c; Forty-fold, 92c.

kisses and up-to-date hugs. Blondes a specialty. Others will do. A trial is all I ask. Special attention given to pretty girls. Heaven is my home, I am only here on a visit. Holding hands a specialty."

## MANAGER CLARKE'S HOME RUN WINS GAME FOR PITTSBURG

## BUSY SESSION OF COUNCIL

### J. D. Goss Appointed City Attorney—Various Matters Taken Up.

At last evening's session of the city council, President of the Council A. J. Savage, acting in compliance with the wish of Mayor Straw, who is laid up as a result of his auto accident and unable to act, appointed John D. Goss city attorney. The appointment was immediately confirmed and Mr. Goss took the oath of office and assumed his new duties.

R. O. Graves, who was selected as special attorney for the city in the B street lot case, reported that he had arranged with J. D. Goss, attorney for the C. A. Smith Company, that an extension of fifty days should be allowed the city to pay for the property. The stipulation was arranged by the city agreeing not to ask any further extension of time after the present one expires, December 9. This is nine days after the date fixed for the sale of the municipal bond issue of \$54,000 and it is expected that there will be no further delays about the matter.

### Change Paving.

Dr. C. W. Tower, E. A. Anderson, Dan Campbell, Fred Nelson and others presented a protest against the proposed paving of the west side of North Front street from Alder to the Cold Storage plant with bituminous rock paving. They claimed that the street was not nearly to grade and that such an improvement would work a hardship on them. After discussing the matter, the city engineer was instructed to prepare plans and specifications for putting in a plank street there, brought to grade. This will be pushed through as rapidly as possible.

City Recorder Butler was instructed to notify J. S. Kaufman, Alva Doll and other property owners on Anderson avenue to appear before the council next Tuesday evening and show reason why, if any, that the street should not be paved with bituminous rock. The council wants it improved so as to connect the north and south streets that have been paved this summer.

Notices of assessment for paving the intersection of Fourth and Central avenues with bituminous rock were ordered posted.

Notices of assessment for paving Commercial avenue from the Sacchi property to Fourth street with bituminous rock were ordered posted.

Notices of assessment for paving North Second street north from Highland avenue for a couple of blocks with bituminous rock paving were ordered posted.

### Award Contracts.

The contract for paving North Front street from the city hall to Alder avenue with bituminous rock paving was awarded to the Coos Bay Paving and Construction Company for \$5,368. The city engineer's estimate for this work was only \$4,952.

The contract for the same kind of paving on Second street south, between Central avenue and Anderson avenue, was awarded to the same firm for \$2,853. This was \$346 higher than the engineer's estimate but contractors promised a rebate of ten per cent if cash was paid for the work.

### Remonstrate On Fifth.

Chas. Doane presented a remonstrance signed by the owners of about two-thirds of the property owners on South Fifth street, formerly Baines street, against the proposed paving of the street with bituminous rock. Mr. Doane said that the paving wasn't needed at this time and that by spending \$50 or so for gravel, the street could be made

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### Detroit Defeated This Afternoon By Score of Eight to Four.

### CLARKE BROUGHT IN THREE RUNS

### D. Jones and Crawford Got Home Runs With Bases Empty.

(By Associated Press.) PITTSBURG, Pa., Oct. 13.—Pittsburg took the lead in the great battle now being waged for the baseball championship of the world by defeating Detroit eight to four in the fifth game of the series today. A home run by Manager Clarke in the seventh inning turned the tide in favor of Pittsburg, as he scored Byrne and Leach in front of him.

Detroit got two home runs but in each instance there was no one on bases. D. Jones, the first man to bat in today's game, hit a home run. In the eighth inning, Crawford fanned for a home run.

In the eighth inning, Willetts replaced Summers in the box for Detroit. Schmidt also relieved Stanga behind the bat. There were more sensational features in today's game than in any of the previous contests. The score by innings:

	R	H	E
Detroit	1	0	0
Pitt'g	1	1	0

	D Jones	Byrne	Bush	Cobb	Crawford	Delehanty	Morlarity	T Jones	Stanga	Summers
Pittsburg	Byrne	Leach	Clarke	Wagner	Miller	Abstein	Wilson	Gibson	Adams	

### First Inning.

Detroit—D. Jones hit into center for a home run. Bush walked. Cobb hit high fly to Leach. Crawford singled and Bush took third. Delehanty struck out. Crawford stole second. Morlarity popped to Abstein. — One run.

Pittsburg—Byrne singled. Leach bunted and reached first. Clarke sacrificed. Stanga to T. Jones, sending Byrne to third. Leach went to second. Summers intentionally gave Wagner a base on balls filling the bases. Miller struck out. Abstein drew a base on balls, forcing Byrne in. Wilson struck out. — One run.

### Second Inning.

Detroit—T. Jones flied to Wilson. Stanga and Summers struck out. — No runs.

Pittsburg—Gibson beat out a hit to Bush. Adams sacrificed. Summers to Delehanty, sending Gibson to second. Delehanty made a wonderful one landed pick-up of Byrne's seemingly safe hit and threw him out to T. Jones, Gibson going to third. Gibson scored on a wild throw. Leach hit a high fly to Crawford. — One run.

### Third Inning.

Detroit—D. Jones hit a long fly to Leach. Bush struck out. Cobb out, Byrne to Abstein. — No runs.

Pittsburg—Clarke drew a base on balls. Wagner singled and Clarke went to second. As Clarke started for second, Bush ran to cover the bag and Wagner hit through Bush's position. Miller out, Bush to T. Jones, scoring Clarke, Wagner taking second. Abstein out, Bush to T. Jones, Wagner going third. Wilson out, Bush to T. Jones. — One run.

### Fourth Inning.

Detroit—Crawford out, Wagner to Abstein, Delehanty struck out. Morlarity hit to Miller and was thrown out to Abstein. — No runs.

Pittsburg—Gibson out, Morlarity to T. Jones. Adams fouled to Stanga.

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