

COOK PROVEN TO BE RANK FAKER

UNIVERSITY OF COPENHAGEN REPORTS SO-CALLED PROOFS HAVE ABSOLUTELY NO VALUE

Copenhagen, Dec. 21.—The University of Copenhagen, the institution of learning to recognize Dr. Cook as the discoverer of the North Pole, today solemnly declared the explorer had established the claim on which his high honors had been conferred. The committee appointed to examine the records represented in its report to the consistory of the University, reviewed the deductions of the experts with the greatest care and discussed the findings from every standpoint. That committee and consistory are disappointed over the outcome clearly shown. The consistory met today and adopted a report to the effect that the alleged records submitted in support of Cook failed to prove his claim.

part of the committee off from his Arctic expedition. The professor Stromgren is chair-copies of his note books as submitted to the consistory, contain no original calculations or a Cook's papers are with-observations, but only the results of his report to the consistory and accordingly the committee of Copenhagen is practically concludes that he affords no name as that published in proof of having reached the pole. The Herald on his return there was produced before the com-



COMMANDER PEARY

Who seems now to have the only authentic claim to the discovery of the North Pole.

mittee a letter from Cook post-marked Massillon, Dec. 14. This letter

lends color to the earlier report that Cook sailed from New York for a Mediterranean port.

The documents submitted for examination, are first, a typewritten letter prepared by Cook's secretary, Walter Lonsdale, covering sixty-one pages of foolscap. Second, a typewritten copy made by Lonsdale from Cook's notebook. This occupies 18 pages of foolscap and includes a description of the period from March 18, 1908, to June 13, 1908, during which, according to the statement of Cook, he journeyed from Sverdrup to the north pole and returned to a point on the Polar ice not specifically indicated, but west of Axel Heiberg land.

The papers were not accompanied by a private letter from Cook, but Lonsdale stated verbally to the commission that the original notes and books of the explorer, from which the copies were made had been sent to Europe by another route as a precautionary measure and would be delivered to the University in a few days.

In presenting the data Lonsdale stated explicitly and repeatedly that the copy numbered two was a complete and accurate duplication of the information contained in all of Cook's notebooks that could be of any importance to the University for purposes of examination. In spite of the explorer's promise and his secretary's assurance that they would be forthcoming the commission is not yet in possession of the original notebook and diaries. Up to this time it has been impossible for the university authorities to re-

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DR. FREDERICK A. COOK'S OFFICIAL PHOTOGRAPH.

FOREST SERVICE ROW SUBJECT FOR CONGRESS

Ballinger-Pinchot Controversy Will Be Fully Inquired Into

Washington, Dec. 21.—The senate today practically decided upon an inquiry into the Ballinger-Pinchot controversy by adopting a resolution introduced by Senator Flint, of California, calling for all papers bearing upon the case. Senator Jones of Washington, stated that if no one else should propose a resolution of inquiry he would do so after the holidays. Jones presented a letter from Secretary Ballinger expressing his desire that the investigation should be undertaken, sufficiently broad and far reaching to cover the entire subject, including the forest service, which he charges with pernicious activity. Flint's resolution requested the president to transmit to congress any reports, statements or documents on which he acted in reaching his conclusions with reference to the charges against L. R. Glavis.

WALLA WALLA GOES VERY WET

Washington City Gives Over Six Hundred Majority for Saloons

Walla Walla, Dec. 20.—After a campaign notable for the intense partisanship displayed by the respective factions, Walla Walla today voted "wet" by a majority of 622. The total vote cast was 2633, which is 81 per cent of the registered vote.

Only One Precinct Go Dry.
But one precinct in the eight was carried by the "drys," and that had been conceded by the opposing forces with a larger majority than was recorded. Clark precinct, with a majority of 67, was captured by the "dry" people, the vote having been 181 in favor of no license and 248 opposed. Whitman precinct, which had been conceded to the "dry" faction, went "wet" by a vote of 273 to 257, and the other six rolled up majorities far beyond the expectations of those who following the campaign closely.

MORE LYNCHINGS ARE QUITE LIKELY IN ALABAMA

Montgomery, Ala., Dec. 21.—The

burning of four whites and the lynching of the negro, Clint Montgomery, poses are in pursuit of Will Montgomery, the fourth of the negro brothers implicated in the murder of Chief Algeron Lewis on Saturday. The other two brothers are under arrest at London, Ala., and the feeling is so high that Will Montgomery is almost certain to be lynched if caught.

LUMBER PRICE WILL ADVANCE IN JANUARY

High Water and Closed Camps Cause Shortage of Logs

Aberdeen, Wash., Dec. 21.—The Evening World today says that owing to the shortage of logs which will soon be apparent as the result of high water and closed camps, the lumbermen of the Grays Harbor country predict sharp increase in lumber prices sometime in January. The lumber mills of Aberdeen will close on Friday until January 3rd.

At the meeting of the board of governors of the promotion department, held last evening, the manager was instructed by the board to prepare a list of delinquents and submit it to the board next Monday evening. He reported about 3000 delinquents, which with the balance on hand at the end of the year, after all delinquents are paid, would make about \$500 in cash, besides the \$1700 in stock.

BRADLEY ADMITS HE WAS FOOLED WITH ALL THE REST

New York, Dec. 21.—"He has fooled us all from Denmark down" was the exclamation of John R. Bradley, Cook's tacker on his Arctic trip, when apprised of the news from Copenhagen, "and he fooled me with the rest," Bradley added.

"As a matter of fact," continued Bradley, "I long ago lost interest in Cook, the north pole, and everything connected with it. I discounted this decision some time ago. In common with the rest of the world I was delighted with first news from Cook that he had discovered the pole. His actions however, and failure to make more than meagre statements regarding his trip, which early followed his return to civilization, took some of the smack out of his supposed triumph. I began to weaken decidedly when Cook left us without so much as a word of goodbye. When a man runs away we cannot expect his friends to fight for him, and Cook's flight from the inevitable disclosures that were impending, killed all my interest in him and his affairs."

"Before that I had never had reason to doubt Cook and his whole course in this matter seems explicable to me. I am sick of the whole blooming polar business and I don't want to hear anything more about the north pole or its attributes."

EXPLORER PEARY SAYS HIS ACTIONS HAVE BEEN VINDICATED

Washington, Dec. 21.—"Three months ago from the Labrador coast I sounded an explicit and deliberately worded warning to the world, based upon complete and accurate information, in regard to Cook's claims. In doing so I accepted the responsibility devolving upon me and fulfilled my duty to myself and the world."

With these words Commander Peary today pointedly expressed his sentiments regarding the failure of the University of Copenhagen to find any proof of the discovery of the north pole by Cook. When appraised by the Associated Press representative of the decision of the Danish Scientists against Cook, not a suspicion of a smile illuminated Peary's stern face, but his eyes lighted up with the welcome knowledge of a vindication, which had come to him after difficult trials. Peary's manner indicated it was evident that he regarded the controversy as ended.

WACK HINTS AT COOK'S MENTAL STATE

New York, Dec. 21.—"If the public knew the truth concerning Cook's mental state and physical condition, as it is known to his close friends, they would not be so ready to believe his story. In 1905 the amount spent on roads will double the amount spent in 1909."

BRIDGMAN SAYS I TOLD YOU SO

New York, Dec. 21.—"From my personal knowledge of Cook and my knowledge of his work in the Arctic, I never wavered in my belief that Cook could never prove the claims he made," said Herbert L. Bridgman, secretary of the Peary Arctic club.

COPPER COMPANIES COMPLETE MERGER

New York, Dec. 21.—The merger of the Utah Copper Company and Boston Consolidated Copper Company has finally been effected, according to a statement issued today by Samuel Undermyer, representing the two companies.

AMERICANS AT GRANADA APPEAL FOR PROTECTION

Managua, Dec. 21.—The United States consulate today received a plea for the protection for Americans at Granada. The petition asked that the United States marines be disembarked at Corinto immediately and sent to Granada. Granada is one of President Madrid's strongholds.

CONFERENCE MAY SETTLE THE STRIKE

St. Paul, Dec. 21.—Governor Eberhart today announced he would call a conference of the Northern Pacific and Great Northern officials and officials of the American Federation of Labor to pave the way for a settlement of the switchmen's strike.

FAMILY OF FIVE BURNED TO DEATH

were burned to death in a fire in a frame dwelling in Sherwild park, Yonkers. All the dead are members of the family of Theodore Fredericks, who lost his life in the fire.

Between \$125,000 and \$150,000 will be spent next year on the roads of Duval county. In 1909 more than double the amount ever spent in a year was spent on the roads of the county. In 1910 the amount spent on roads will double the amount spent in 1909.

STORE OPEN EVENINGS THIS WEEK

AFTER SUPPER SALE

down town Tuesday Night to HAMPTON'S HALF-PRICE AFTER SUPPER SALE.
 Sewing Boxes and Purses, worth regular \$1.50 to \$5.00, After Supper Half-Price Sale 75c to \$2.50
 Bag Art Ticking Handkerchief Bags—After Supper Half-Price Sale each 25c
 Millera Embroidered Centre pieces, 39x30 \$1.85

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There isn't a woman in the Northwest who doesn't realize that furs are necessary. The GORDON FURS are the most luxurious necessity in can own. Don't be satisfied with a fur unless it is a GORDON. It stands for all to be desired in furs—correct style, highest and most expert workmanship. We have these matchless furs in any purse.
 up from \$2.75 to \$60.00
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 Tailored Suit, special garment sale price \$18.50
 Suit, newest models, perfect tailoring, each \$19.00
 Beautiful Gray Suit, faultlessly tailored, special \$22.00
 Suit of Striped navy suiting, military collar, special \$27.59
 Tailored suit of Navy Broadcloth, exquisitely tailored special price, each \$37.50

Rose Are Useful Presents

Have a large assortment of popular shades of these much needed and useful articles; the pair \$1.25



We Never Tire of Telling About Hart, Schaffner & Marx Fine Clothes

It's so easy for a man to be well dressed these days that there's no excuse for not being so, for these famous suits can be had of us at much less than the made-to-your-measure kind, and just as good—in most cases better, because they are made by tailors who know how. No misfit, no cotton mixed, but all-wool goods. These suits can be had or overcoats either, from \$18.00 to \$30.00

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- GLOVES—Maybe you would like to give a pair of gloves; ours are from the best makers. The pair \$1.00 to \$2.25
- NECKWEAR—Of net silk; latest styles, best qualities, newest colorings, largest assortments; each 25c to \$1.00
- MUFFLERS—Heavy Silk Mufflers, colors and cream; very comfortable these cool evenings; prices light, up from \$1.00
- HOUSE COATS—Are appreciated "by him"; he wants one, or would if he thought about it; each, up from \$4.50
- FANCY VESTS—For dress or business; we have both kinds in several styles and qualities; each up from \$1.25
- HOSE, TIES AND SUSPENDERS—In fancy box, all match in colors; just what "he" wants; always useful; the set, up from \$1.25
- UMBRELLAS FOR XMAS—What is better; good heavy silk, rain-proof, with fancy handle, or a mercerized cotton; looks like silk; each, up from \$1.25

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