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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1920.

## OREGON WEATHER

Weather for the Week  
Pacific Coast States: Fair until about the end of the week; then rain in Oregon and Washington; temperature will be slightly below normal first half, rising second half.

Generally fair with moderate northwest winds.

## DISCOVERING THE NORTH POLE

The death of Robert E. Peary closes the life of the one explorer whose achievements mark the present generation. The attainment of the north pole was about the last call that sounded to the ambitious seeker after new worlds, and today we find attention of the explorer directed to other planets—the old world has yielded about the last palm of fame that can come from the carrying of the flag into new territory.

It was on the afternoon of September 6th, 1909, that the Associated Press received the few words from Indian Harbor that carried the news of the conquest of the northern axis of the earth. Peary wired simply: "Stars and Stripes nailed to the North Pole."

Peary's actual attainment of the Pole had been just five months before, on April 6, 1909.

When this dispatch came, the world was, quite unknown to Peary, already praising Dr. Frederick A. Cook as the discoverer. Only four days previous to the Peary announcement, Cook, who was on his way back to Copenhagen on board a Danish steamer, had telegraphed the claim that he reached the Pole on April 21, 1908, nearly a year ahead of Peary.

While Dr. Cook's claim did not go unquestioned from the first, he had four days at least been widely acclaimed as the discoverer of the Pole. With Peary's message there arose one of the greatest controversies of all ages over the honor of actual first discovery. There can be no one who has forgotten the dispute. Peary's assertions were not seriously questioned, but among newspaper readers there came to be two great camps, for an against Cook.

Peary with his record of seven successful trips to the Arctic, his official standing in the United States navy and in scientific circles, easily held the commanding position in the controversy. But it was only after the scientific bodies one by one had sifted the evidence and pro-

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announced Cook's claims unfounded, that Peary's title as discoverer of the Pole was really won.

The bitterness of this episode is only one item in the price which Peary paid for the immortal fame that is now acknowledged to be his. He spent practically all he had in money, gave all that was in him for hard work, and suffered all that the human frame could endure from hunger, cold and disappointment. He made eight journeys into the Arctic, spent upwards of half a million dollars and several times he barely escaped the death which in various forms had been the fate of more than 700 explorers before him.

When he got back to civilization Peary was surprised to find such a fierce controversy raging over him and his rival, Dr. Cook, but he easily established his claim before scientific bodies throughout the world. He was raised to the rank of rear admiral of the United States navy and retired on pay; congress voted him its thanks in a special act, and gold medals, declarations and honors of many kinds were showered upon him.

A scientific and popular narrative of his success he wrote into a book called "The North Pole," while his other expeditions are described in detail in his "Northward Over the Great Ice," and "Nearest the Pole."

## FERRYDALE

Mr. and Mrs. Johnson and Miss Davison, who have been on a trip through California and are on their way back to their home in Vancouver, have stopped to visit Mrs. Johnson's daughter, Mrs. Frank Morrison, for a few days.

Mrs. Gladys Hogue and two children of Gold Beach, arrived Saturday to visit Mrs. Frankum.

Dick Every, of Draper, and A. B. Ragan, of the Anderson Station farm were visiting at Chas. Dora's Monday.

T. A. Glover, who has been visiting his father on Picket creek, returned to his home in Portland Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Schmidt and son are moving on to the Van Dorn place this week.

Malinda, Bertha, Myrtle and Clarence Ford are home this week on account of the schools being closed in the city.

Miss Audry Griffin is home a few days this week from Grants Pass.

Little Willard Robertson, son of F. N. Robertson, is very ill with pneumonia.

Mrs. Leifer and Mrs. John Farmer spent the afternoon of Tuesday calling on Mrs. Leifeld.

Mr. McFarlin, of the Picket Creek ferry, spent a couple of days this week in Grants Pass.

Mrs. A. C. Ford was in Grants Pass Wednesday.

All kinds of legal blanks at the Courier.

## WENT TO HEAVEN IN AUTO

Novelty in Burning of Effigy of Machine at the Grave of Wealthy Chinaman.

It is the custom of the Chinese to burn various kinds of effigies at the funeral ceremonies of the rich, and the more wealthy the departed the more elaborate the figures burned over his grave. These effigies represent every manner of thing, such as human figures, horses, sedan chairs, tables loaded with money, etc.

At the funeral of a Mr. Li, who died a short time ago in Tientsin, and who was a very wealthy man, the bereaved family outdid themselves, and made an imitation of the deceased gentleman's automobile, to be burned at his grave. The effigy was made entirely of strong Chinese paper stretched on bamboo frames. The car was complete in every detail, the pedals accurately placed, and all made of paper and bamboo.

The interior of the car was also accurate in detail, being carefully upholstered in paper. The car was carried about three miles through crowded streets to the graveside, where a match was applied, and it was consumed in a few minutes.

## Japanese Flowers.

It is often said Japanese flowers have no scent, but this is incorrect, for among them we find the wild rose and many sweet-smelling lilies and orchids. Flowers enter largely into the life of the people, and are associated with national holiday-makings at different seasons of the year.

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COUNTY JUDGE

## Ancient Mesopotamia.

Survey research work in Mesopotamia has revealed the fact that in former times the country was covered with a network of canals, showing that a very celebrated system of irrigation must then have been in vogue. Some of these canals were 20 feet deep with steep embankments. This interesting information was stated by Lieut. Col. G. A. Benzeley, royal engineers, in a lecture given by him at the British Royal Geographical society recently. He also brought to light the fact that the city of Samarra, which is now a comparatively unimportant town, at a period before the Christian era must have been one of the most populous trading centers of the East. The ancient city was 20 miles in length and 2½ in width, and it is estimated that it contained about 4,000,000 inhabitants. There were miles of walls and warehouses, and it formed a converging point for caravans from a vast area. Another city in Mesopotamia, the lecturer said, showed traces of having been laid out on the lines of a modern American city.

## Government Newspaper.

It is not generally known that in consequence of the railwaymen's dispute in Great Britain had developed into a general strike, and the public had been unable to obtain its customary newspapers, arrangements had been made for the production of a government daily.

It was to contain no editorial views whatever, but simply a record of what was happening at home and abroad.

Five million copies would have been circulated by a squadron of 150 aeroplanes. The government's idea was that the dangers of a general strike would be enormously enhanced if the general public did not know what was going on.

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