

DR. COOK TELLS HIS STORY OF SUCCESS IN SEARCH FOR POLE

Finds New Continent on Which Rests Nothermost Rocks of The World

LUCKY DISCOVERY OF DOGS AND SUPPLIES

Esquimaux Had Stored up Provisions For The Winter Bear Hunt

(By Associated Press.)

PARIS, Sept. 2. The Paris edition of The New York Herald this morning published a special statement from Dr. Frederick A. Cook, which is dated "Hans Egede, Esquimaux, for several days" on his experience in the Arctic regions.

"After a prolonged fight with famine and frost," says Dr. Cook, "we have at last succeeded in reaching the North Pole. A new highway, with an interesting strip of unexplored territory has been explored and the game hunted, which will delight sportsmen and extend the Eskimo horizon.

"Land has been discovered on which rest the earth's northernmost rocks. A triangle of 30,000 square miles has been cut out of the terrestrial unknown. The expedition was the outcome of a summer cruise in the Arctic seas on the schooner 'Thetis' which arrived at the limits of navigation in Smith Sound late in August, 1907. Here conditions were found to be favorable to a venture to the Pole. J. K. Pradley, liberally supplied from the vessel suitable provisions for food and My own equipment for emergency served well for every purpose of Arctic travel.

Many Esquimaux had gathered on the shores at Anorok for the winter hunt. Immense quantities of meat had been collected and about the camp were plenty of strong dogs. This combination was lucky for there was good material for equipment. All that was required was conveniently arranged for at every point only seven hundred miles from the boreal center. A house and workshop were built of packing boxes by willing hands and this northernmost tribe of 250 people set themselves to the problem of devising a suitable outfit. Before the end of the long winter night we were ready for the start. Our plans had matured to force

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AMERICAN FLAG FLOATS FROM TOP OF NORTH POLE

Dr. Frederick Cook After Two Years Succeeds in Quest And Cables News Before Going on Shipboard In Polar Regions.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, Sept. 1. Successful.

Well Address Copenhagen, Sept. 1.

Part of message of successful voyage interpreted to indicate that he had reached the North Pole, the message was received in New York today from Dr. Frederick A. Cook, the American explorer, whom the U. S. cable address today credit with having accomplished what many considered impossible.

The message was sent not to the scientific society nor to any of the societies interested in his expedition from a scientific viewpoint, but to the wife who has been counting the days and hours and praying for his return since his departure from this city on July 1, 1907.

Sent News to Wife.

But he claims Mrs. Cook was not at her Brookline home, but spending the summer at Hartwell, Wm., as the message was received by Dr. T. Davidson, a personal friend of the explorer, who made his contacts known, then reached the good news to Mrs. Cook. Brief as it was, it was the first news that she had had from her intrepid husband since March 12, 1908, when he wrote from Cape Hatherton, on the edge of the Polar sea, on the northwest side of Ellesmere land. At that time he advised his companion, Randolph Franks, then stationed at Etah, Greenland, with supplies to wait there until June for his return, but in the event Dr. Cook's failure to appear to Dr. Franks' failure to appear to Dr. Franks.

Last Year.

Franks waited as instructed, but Cook failed to come back to catch the heavy auxiliary ship and reached New York last fall. Since that time Dr. Cook's whereabouts have been a mystery, although members of the Arctic club in this city, viewing the situation optimistically, were inclined to think that he had reached the Pole despite his long silence.

There was, of course, the ever-present probability that he had perished and it will be recalled that a relief ship is now en route to Etah, where she is due the middle of this month. The vessel, the schooner 'Thetis', left St. John, N. F., about two weeks ago with the double purpose of reaching for Dr. Cook and taking supplies to Commander Peary. The expedition

was financed by a special committee, headed by Dr. Roosevelt, consisting of thoughtful and composed of friends of Dr. Cook and men of science who were most keenly interested in his venture. "To these men the news that he had reached the Pole were received with rejoicing tonight, although none of them had any further advice.

What Message May Mean.

No official action was taken tonight by the Arctic club, the explorer's club, or the American geographical society, for none of these organizations had received any formal notification of Dr. Cook's success. Arthur M. Huntington, president of the American geographical society, issued at the city, as Rear Admiral W. S. Sibley, president of the Arctic club. The objects of the explorer's club could not be found.

Today's message from Dr. Cook to his wife was dated at Etah, Greenland Island, the first available point of transmission in the regular steamship course between Greenland ports and Copenhagen, which he is bound because of its lateness the assumption is that the message was sent primarily to reassure his wife of his safety and not to apprise the world of his discovery.

Planned Route Well.

At a meeting of the Explorer's club of New York, in October 1907, a letter from Dr. Cook dated at Etah, August 26, gave this information:

"I feel that I have a good opportunity to try for the pole and there this time I will stay here for a year. I hope to get to the Explorer's club in September, 1908, with the record of the Pole. I plan to cross Ellesmere land and reach the Polar Sea by North or South. I hope you can find some of the members of the club to come and meet me at Cape York, here's for the Pole with the flag!"

About the same time Herbert L. Friedman of Brooklyn received this letter from Cook, similarly dated:

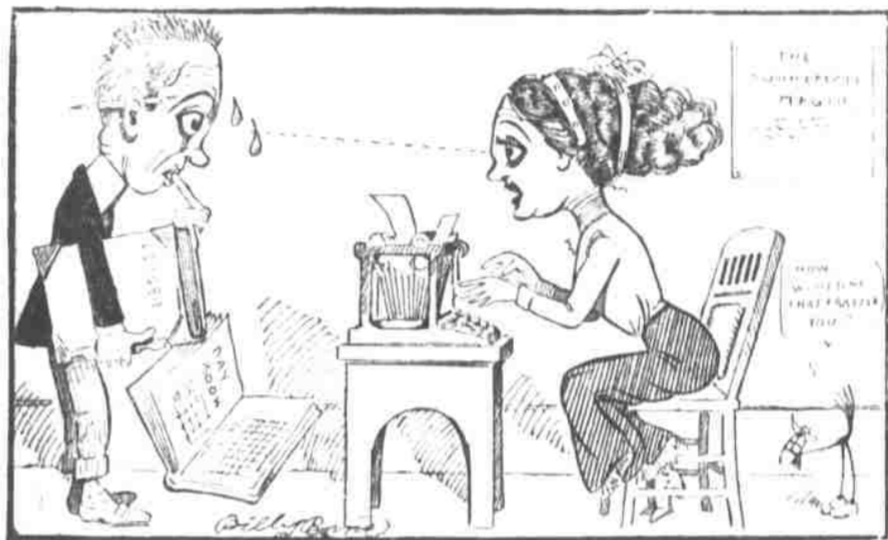
"I have left upon a new route to the North Pole and I will stay to try to reach the pole and northward through the North Pole over the Polar Sea, possibly in a very short time. There are no other routes for the time being, but I will try to get to the pole. My travels will tell you the rest. Kind regards to all."

A Vacation Romance—Shattered. The Dream.



He "My dear Miss Gotrox, I idolize you; I simply can not live without. Say you will be mine!" etc. She "My dear Count—this is—er—so sudden," etc.

The Awakening.



Both "!!!!!!?!!—!!—!!—!!—!!—!!—!!"

FINE EXHIBITION OF HIGH BRED HORSES CLOSES MIDSUMMER SHOW

One of Best List of Events and Entries ever Seen in Local Ring Offered at Riverside Yesterday. Managers Plan Many New Features for Show Next Year.

The midsummer horse show closed yesterday with one of the best exhibitions of horses ever seen in Asheville. The show was held at the Riverside Club and was one of the most successful ever held in this city. The exhibition was held in the afternoon and evening and was well attended. The show was held in the afternoon and evening and was well attended. The show was held in the afternoon and evening and was well attended.

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SOUTHERN MILLS LEAD IN QUANTITY OF COTTON CONSUMED DURING YEAR

Center of Cotton Manufacturing Industry is Fast Moving South.

OTHER STATISTICS.

NEW ORLEANS, Sept. 1. In the second consecutive year, Southern mills have consumed more cotton than the Northern mills, according to Secretary Hester's report on the consumption of American cotton made public on the floor of the New Orleans cotton exchange.

When the Hester report was published for the first time in the fall of 1908, it was generally held to indicate a more serious effect on the New England mills than on those of the South.

The figures reveal considerable increase in cotton used for such purposes as were reported for some time that Southern mills were increasing their spindles at a faster rate than Northern mills and that the expansion of cotton manufacturing in the South was on a scale seldom known in any industry.

For years the mills here have been claiming that the center of the cotton manufacturing industry of the world was fast moving from Lancashire to the United States and that eventually the center would be established in the South.

Secretary Hester's statement this afternoon is taken as confirmation of the latter of their predictions. The total consumption of American cotton in the world was put at 12,112,000 bales last year, an increase of 1,000,000 bales over last year, and 1,000,000 bales more than last year, and 1,000,000 bales more than last year.

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OTHER EXPLORERS GIVE DR. COOK FULL CREDIT FOR REMARKABLE FEAT

Gen. Greeley and Lt. Shackleton Express Admiration For Man Who Won.

A ONE MAN VICTORY

(By Associated Press.)

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ONE RICH MALEFACTOR FINDS NO CLEMENCY AT HANDS OF THE GOVERNOR

Disapproves Recommendation of Prison Commission in Mitchell Case.

MUST GO TO ROADS.

(By Associated Press.)

ATLANTA, Ga., Sept. 1. Governor Brown this afternoon announced that he would not approve the recommendation of the prison commission that the sentence of William H. Mitchell, a prominent citizen of Thomaston, Ga., convicted of attempted assault on Mrs. Lucile Linton, a highly respected young woman, and a relative of his, be changed from a year on the chain gang to a similar period on the state farm at Milledgeville.

General Brown's decision was announced by telegraph to the Mitchell family in Thomaston.

The governor's decision is one of the most remarkable cases in Georgia legal history. Mitchell, though he has exhausted every effort to secure time from the governor, a convict stripes and the execution of the law, is a great surprise to the public.

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EPIGENIC OF PELLAGRA AT INSANE HOSPITAL

Fourteen Cases Being Treated there and one death has Occurred.

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BARBEE ON TRIAL FOR KILLING ENGINEER HOLT

Decides to be Represented by Counsel after Having Discharged Lawyers.

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HOTEL PROPRIETOR NOT A "BLIND TIGER"

Proprietor of Wrightsville Beach is Acquitted of Charge.

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THREE THOUSAND NOW ESTIMATE OF MONTEREY'S LOSS

Five Hundred More May be Added as Outlying Towns Send in Reports

STENCH OF BODIES ALMOST UNBEARABLE

Hundreds of Small Villages Swept Away by Floods of Santa Catalina

(By Associated Press.)

MONTEREY, Mexico, Sept. 2.—Three thousand is now the official estimate of those in Monterey who lost their lives in the recent overflow of the Santa Catalina river and to this total will probably be added five hundred when complete reports are received from along the valley stream and its tributary, the San Juan.

Cadizeta today reported that 125 bodies had been taken from the river and buried at San Juan; 257 were found by searchers. In Monterey 251 bodies, many unidentified, have been buried and the work of the searchers is still far from complete.

Many bodies are undoubtedly buried in the sands of the river bed and will never be recovered.

In San Luisito a terrible condition confronts the authorities as the stench from the bodies half buried in the mud is almost unbearable. Forces of prisoners under soldiers are working continuously burying these bodies and by morning it is expected that most of them will have been interred.

Villages Swept Away. Reports received from along the Tampico branch as far as the telegraph line has been opened indicate that that section has been terribly damaged and that the La Purificacion river has left its banks, causing millions of dollars damage to crops and stock throughout its valley. Hundreds of small villages are reported to have been swept away and from the village of China come reports of great destruction by the rains and flood in that vicinity.

Telegraphic service with Lacruce on the Tampico branch was opened today and the first message over the wires was report of the safety of a fishing party of prominent business men of this city who left last Friday for a week's and fishing trip in that vicinity.

The food situation is a little improved but there is shortage of corn, beans and bread. Fresh meat is almost unobtainable at any price and fresh vegetables are out of the question.

MRS. DUKE OF MOTLEY CROWD IN POLICE COURT IS FOUND TO BE INSANE

Former Wife of Tobacco Millionaire Now One of Drifting Wrecks.

PRAYS IN COURT.

(By Associated Press.)

CHICAGO, Sept. 1. In the un-expected, although haunted woman, whose former life was answered the name of Mrs. William Duke in Judge Conroy's court here today, there was a crowd to witness the spectacle of the former wife of Braden L. Duke, the millionaire tobacco man.

Mrs. Duke was arrested last night and held in the city jail to pay a fine under automobile bill. Today Judge Conroy on the statement of a physician that the defendant is insane, held her for examination in the city hospital.

The former mistress of millions was brought into court by a policeman in a white and brown shirt, and in her own and the neglected manner which she attempted to smile occasionally with a grimace, she was part and parcel of the social police court picture.

The woman in a low but audible voice repeated the Lord's prayer. Then she began singing "Nearer, My God to Thee," in a remarkably sweet tone.

"I had my voice last month—my beautiful voice, because I was nearly starved for the shock of my arrest brought it back to me," she explained to the court.

Investigation today disclosed the disappearance of Mrs. Duke's closest business associate, Charles Appleby, member of the Kentucky Coal and Timber company. Unconfirmed reports say Appleby lost \$7,500 through ill-fated business ventures with Mrs. Duke. Mrs. Duke charged that Appleby poisoned her and took her fortune.

Appleby's office was closed today and Mrs. Appleby and her husband had been missing since yesterday.



FAIR

WASHINGTON, Sept. 1. The first of the fair season in the North Carolina fair grounds at Raleigh, under the auspices of the North Carolina fair board, will be held at Raleigh, N. C., on September 15th.

PUBLIC BUILDING BURNS.

TAMPA, Fla., Sept. 1.—The burning of the parliament building was a complete disaster today for the loss of the building is about \$1,000,000, fully insured, but the loss of the building is about \$1,000,000, fully insured, but the loss of the building is about \$1,000,000, fully insured.