

# DR. COOK BRANDS BARRILL AS LIAR

Gen. Hubbard, President of the  
Peary Club, Instrumental in  
Obtaining the Affidavit.

GEN. ASHTON'S EXPLANATION.

He Acted for Hubbard—Case Resolves  
Itself into Question of Veracity  
Between Cook and Barrill.

New York, Oct. 15.—Dr. Frederick A. Cook came back to New York today as calm and smiling as ever, and received the freedom of the city, as conferred by the board of aldermen, brand-new as to the affidavit of Edward N. Barrill, the guide who says Cook did not attain the summit of Mt. McKinley, and finally, to crown the day, fired the shot which started a 24-hour automobile race at Brighton Beach.

The conferring of the freedom of the city was a formal affair, conducted jointly by the board of aldermen and the Arctic club of America. The club presented to Dr. Cook a gold medal in recognition of his discovery of the pole, while the aldermen took the occasion to recognize him officially for the first time since his arrival on home shores. George Horan and Prof. Donald B. McMillan of the Peary expedition, were among the interested spectators.

In his speech, Dr. Cook said in part: "This is the proudest moment of my life, to feel that you have confidence in me, in the face of the unfounded statement and against the false affidavit published during the last few days."

"I will substantiate every claim I have made with every word within the power of man."

The charges brought against me relative to my polar trip have been based upon evasive answers by my lawyer, Edward N. Barrill. The alleged affidavit of Mr. Barrill is a deliberate falsehood. The confidence I gave him is not misplaced. The Eskimos were made to say what they did not say, and I will bring them here to prove it."

After the ceremony Dr. Cook had a luncheon with his lawyer, Henry W. Wick, concerning the Barrill affidavit. He afterwards intimated that he had not decided on taking legal action in the matter.

He was asked whether he could produce his original affidavit, and he said he would produce it if he could find it. He said he thought he had it stored somewhere.

Dr. Cook reiterated his charge that Barrill lied in his affidavit.

"The declaration that the point where the photograph with a flag was taken was far from the top of Mt. McKinley is a falsehood," he said. "It was taken at the summit. His statement that I told him not to tell anyone about the trip is also baseless. There was no secret whatever about it. As to Miller, he has been hostile from the beginning to the end. I have no reason to say I found him untruthful, but he knew nothing about the climbing of Mt. McKinley, as he was 60 or 70 miles away at the time."

HOW AFFIDAVIT WAS GOT.

Details of how Barrill's affidavit was obtained became available here today. The guide came here two days ago, and informed Gen. Thomas H. Hubbard, president of the Peary Arctic club, that everything in the affidavit was true.

Barrill also talked with Gen. J. M. Ashton of Tacoma, who obtained Barrill's affidavit together with the affidavits from Fred Printz, a packer on the Mt. McKinley expedition; Samuel Becker, the cook; and Walter Miller, the photographer, all members of the Peary party.

Gen. Ashton, speaking of the matter in which the Barrill affidavit was obtained, said:

"I received word from Gen. Hubbard to ascertain the exact truth concerning Dr. Cook's climb to Mt. McKinley. I had not the remotest idea what he was on, or would be on. I sent him to Barrill, and the other members of the expedition, and had them brought to Tacoma. They were carefully examined. Barrill spoke openly and squarely from the start."

"Barrill said the doctor was a good fellow, and that he (Barrill) had not given the Mt. McKinley matter a thought until the north pole question came up. The guide said to me: 'Then

I talked it over with my wife after you sent for me and we reached the conclusion that it was my duty to give the world the real truth.'"

Gen. Ashton said there were other affidavits, and that he understood that the originals were all to be turned over to the committee of the Explorers' club and other authorized organizations.

DR. COOK'S STATEMENT.

Dr. Cook's statement, made to the Associated Press, follows:

"Upon my return from Atlantic City today I conferred with a confidential agent whom I had sent to Montana to investigate stories to the effect that strong inducements had been offered Edward N. Barrill, the guide who accompanied me to the summit of Mt. McKinley in the summer of 1908. This confidential agent returned from Montana this morning, and for good reasons I do not care at the present time to make his name public."

"After thorough investigation his reports to me that an offer of a considerable sum of money was made to Mr. Barrill on the condition that he prepare and sign an affidavit which would be calculated to discredit my claim that I succeeded in scaling the Alaskan peak. This offer, so my representative informs me, was made to Mr. Barrill in the presence of C. G. Bridgford, a reputable citizen of Hamilton, Mont., who is associated with Mr. Barrill in the real estate business."

"Barrill at that time, according to the statement of Mr. Bridgford to my representative, declined to make such an affidavit, and informed the men who had requested him to swear that I did not reach the top of Mt. McKinley that he would not sign an affidavit, he would not commit perjury and sell his own soul."

"Several days after this proposal was made to Mr. Barrill, he, in company with Frederick Printz, who is also a member of my Mt. McKinley expedition, joined Walter P. Miller, the official photographer of that expedition in Missoula, Mont., and accompanied him to Seattle and Tacoma. It was while on this trip, I am informed, that Barrill made the affidavit which was printed in New York for the first time yesterday."

"Since Barrill and myself were the only two members of the party to reach the top of Mount McKinley, it is now simply a question of my word against his statement. Within the next 48 hours, however, affidavits made by prominent citizens of Hamilton, Mont., will be handed over to the Associated Press, and will be to the effect that during the last three years Barrill has continually deceived the mountaineering public, and has at all times insisted that we succeeded in reaching the summit of the mountain."

"No one has been found in Hamilton who can testify that at any time he has even heard Barrill tell the story as it is related in his sworn affidavit."

I have today received numerous telegrams from reputable citizens of Montana, who have talked with Barrill and who are willing to make affidavits as to his former version of the Mount McKinley trip. I have tonight forwarded a telegram to Anthony Fiala asking him to head an expedition to Mount McKinley to bring back my record. Another telegram has been sent to Prof. H. C. Parker, a prominent citizen of Montana, to accompany me in the early stages of my last Mount McKinley expedition, asking him to join Fiala. I have the assurance that the necessary funds for the expedition will be forthcoming and the expedition will be entirely under the supervision and direction of Mr. Fiala. The preliminary arrangements for the trip will be made at once, and the expedition will start as soon as the weather permits next year."

Mr. Fiala and Mr. Parker will no doubt invite a number of expert mountaineers to accompany them. The result of their efforts will set at rest forever any doubt that may exist as to whether Barrill and myself reached the topmost summit and deposited there records as described in my book, 'To the Top of the Continent.' The result of this expedition will further demonstrate whether Mr. Barrill, in the affidavit just made and published, has sworn falsely regarding the result of the 1908 expedition."

DANISH EXPLORERS

STAND BY DR. COOK

Copenhagen, Oct. 15.—The affidavit of Edward N. Barrill denying that Dr. Frederick A. Cook reached the summit of Mount McKinley and which was considered here as a vague reply to the affidavit by Dr. Cook are believed to have weakened somewhat the American explorer's position that he ascended the mountain.

Public opinion, however, still favors his claim that he reached the north pole.

Prof. Torp, rector of the University of Copenhagen, said:

"It is clear that Dr. Cook is being pursued by enemies. There is no reason for a change of mind because the stories are printed. It is impossible to check them."

Capt. Overdorp, the arctic explorer, also thought that the denial of Dr. Cook's conquest of Mount McKinley was due to his enemies.

Commander Nordgaard, also an arctic explorer, said:

"I have not changed my mind about Dr. Cook. I know nothing about Mount

McKinley, but I think he can prove that he reached the pole."

PARKER DOESN'T BELIEVE  
MCKINLEY'S BEEN CLIMBED

New York, Oct. 15.—Prof. Herschel C. Parker of Columbia university, who is Dr. Frederick A. Cook's next nearest rival for the honor of being the first to reach the summit of Mount McKinley, has issued a statement which makes it appear unlikely that he will accept Dr. Cook's invitation.

Mr. Fiala, to whom a similar telegram was sent by Dr. Cook, left New York yesterday before receiving the message and will probably not send his answer until next week.

Prof. Parker's statement says that he and Belmont Brown of Tacoma, Wash., who is now visiting him, and who, with Prof. Parker, was one of Dr. Cook's companions on his Mount McKinley expedition, have been for some time preparing to make an independent expedition on Mount McKinley early next spring in an effort to reach the summit. Prof. Parker says that he considers Mount McKinley as still unclimbed and he does not expect to discover any records on the summit, if he should be fortunate as to reach that point. The professor says that he took many observations while in the north with Dr. Cook and from these he was led to believe that it was impossible to scale the mountain from the direction from which Dr. Cook says he followed. Dr. Cook has announced that in connection with his next lecture trip he will stop in Hamilton, Mont., the home of Edward N. Barrill, whose recent affidavit regarding the Mount McKinley expedition has reopened the controversy. The explorer will deliver an illustrated lecture free of charge to the people of the little Montana town.

ROBBER GETS SENTENCE  
OF 140 YEARS

Rockford, Ill., Oct. 14.—Melvin Crowell and Henry Brown, who for years systematically robbed the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul trains in Rockford, were sentenced to the penitentiary yesterday. The aggregate sentence of each defendant was 140 years.

GOV. HASKELL'S CASE.

Judge Marshall Overrules Motion to Quash Indictments.

Arkansas, Oct. 14.—Federal Judge Marshall overruled the motion of Gov. Haskell and the other defendants in the Munksgaard town case to quash the indictments against them here this afternoon.

The court treated the motion to quash in the nature of a plea in abatement and the exceptions of the government attorneys as a demurrer.

Attorneys for the defense announced tonight that tomorrow they would file a demurrer to the indictments in which they will contend that the acts charged in their indictments are not violations of the federal statutes.

Argument on the demurrer probably will begin Monday.

EMPEROR WILLIAM  
WATCHES WRIGHT'S FLIGHT

Potsdam, Oct. 15.—Emperor William today witnessed a half hour's flight by Orville Wright, the American aviator, leaving important state business unfinished.

After Mr. Wright descended Emperor William engaged him in a lengthy conversation and showed himself to be thoroughly familiar with the technical features of the aeroplane.

Before leaving Emperor William presented Mr. Wright with an autograph photograph. Mr. Wright will start for Paris tomorrow.

HARRY BOYLE SAW  
JOHN FREDERICK MURDERED

San Francisco, Oct. 15.—Harry Boyle, the crippled professional beggar, who is under arrest, charged by the police with being one of the murderers of John Frederick, a fellow beggar, admitted today that he was present when Frederick was murdered, but denied he had participated in the crime.

According to Boyle, Frederick had charge of the earnings of a gang of professional beggars and was killed in a quarrel over the division of the spoils.

CANADIAN BOUNDARY  
LINE SURVEY COMPLETE

Seattle, Wash., Oct. 15.—With the completion at Point Roberts today of the work of a party of government engineers directed by Edmund Morris, there is in existence for the first time a complete and accurate survey of the boundary line between the Dominion of

Canada and the United States from Eastport, Me., on the Atlantic, to Cape Flattery, on the Pacific. Mr. Morris's part of the work consisted of a survey of the shore lands of the United States from Cape Flattery off the entrance to the Strait of Juan de Fuca to Point Roberts near the Canadian border on the Strait of Georgia. Mr. Morris will go to San Francisco, where he will compile his notes for transmission to Washington. The boundary survey has been carried out under the direction of a committee authorized by Congress three years ago and working in conjunction with a like committee named by the Canadian government.

STILL INVESTIGATING  
DEATH OF MISS MILLMAN

Detroit, Oct. 15.—J. W. Leach, chauffeur and acquaintance of George A. Fritch, is detained as a witness in the case against Dr. Fritch for alleged connection with the death of Maybelle Millman, the young girl whose dismembered body was recently found in Ecce Creek. Dr. Fritch was re-arrested Thursday night. Prosecutor Van Zile and Capt. McDonald part of the statements made by Leach.

"Dr. Fritch was alone when he discovered the body and placed it in three sacks," said Capt. McDonald, telling of Leach's revelations. "Then he telephoned Leach, whom he had known for 12 years and told him to be on hand at 10 o'clock that night with an automobile. The doctor, while impressing him with the necessity of secrecy, did not tell him what was afoot."

"They drove at once to Dr. Fritch's garage. Here the physician untied the sacks and hurriedly stuffed bodies into them. Then they sped at once to Ecce Creek and the doctor tossed the weighted bags into the water. When the last splash assured him that they had been disposed of, he ordered Leach to hasten back to the city."

RECLAMATION EMPLOYEES.

Government Taking Care of Those Injured in the Service.

Washington, Oct. 14.—The government is taking care of its injured employees so far as the reclamation service is concerned. Congress passed an act on May 30, 1908, granting to certain reclamation employees the right to receive compensation for their injuries. From Aug. 1, 1908 to Oct. 1, 1909, 74 claims were filed, aggregating more than \$20,000.

CHORUS MASTER RELEASED.

New York, Oct. 14.—Hans Steiger, the Metropolitan Opera House chorus master, who has been held at Ellis Island while a special board of inquiry investigated charges made against him, was released today and allowed to come to New York.

GREATEST COMMUNION  
SERVICE EVER HELD

Pittsburg, Oct. 14.—The greatest communion service ever held in the world's history will take place here tomorrow morning, when it is expected 75,000 disciples of Christ of the various Christian denominations will assemble in Forbes field baseball park. Special trains will be run from many towns and cities.

The arrangements for the communion service will be carried out by thousands of the attendants at the centennial convention of the Disciples of Christ, which is being held here. Hundreds of police will maintain order. Every participant will register so that the exact number of those receiving communion will be known.

MRS. PEPHER EXONERATED  
FOR KILLING HER HUSBAND

Pioche, Nev., Oct.—The coroner's jury impaneled over the body of Howard Peper, the saloonkeeper, who was killed by his wife at Atlanta, 50 miles north of here last Monday, brought in a verdict exonerating the defendant. It was shown by the evidence produced that the woman shot in self-defense. As it was she was badly beaten and maimed by her husband.

COL. ROOSEVELT KILLS  
THREE MORE ELEPHANTS

Nairobi, Oct. 15.—Col. Roosevelt today sent a cablegram to Commander Peary, at Port Harcourt, Me., saying: "I deeply appreciate your cable and congratulate you from my heart. All Americans, and indeed all civilized mankind, are your debtors. You performed one of the greatest feats of the ages."

"THEODORE ROOSEVELT."

The Roosevelt party arrived here this afternoon from the north. All are well. A porter accompanying the party was tossed by a rhinoceros, but he is recovering.

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