

DECLARES PEARY COLOSSAL FAKER

Capt. Osborn, President of Arctic Club of America, Says His Statements Are Untrue.

CHARGES SERIOUS OFFENSE.

Claims in Have Affidavit Stating Peary Opened Cook's Trunks and Took Out His Data.

New York, Sept. 8.—Among the friends of Cook here who rallied to his defense today was Capt. B. S. Osborn, president of the Arctic Club of America, who in an interview attacked Peary's credibility and declared that his statements would be forthcoming shortly after the return of Cook's expedition and to show that Peary's charges are unfounded.

Capt. Osborn said: "Peary in making these charges is doing his own work. He is a colossal faker and his statements are a fabric of untruths. As soon as he sets foot in New York Mr. Bradley and myself will give out affidavits in support of our position."

"I have an affidavit stating that Peary opened Dr. Cook's trunks and took out his observations and data and that he opened a letter Dr. Cook had written to Mrs. Cook, read it and then said it up again. Peary also wrote to Cook telling her baldly that her husband was a faker."

COOK'S STATEMENT.

Paris, Sept. 8.—The Matin prints a special article by Dr. Cook in which he says to Commander Peary, saying: "I do not deem it well at first to reply to the attacks of Commander Peary. I thought it better to maintain

the reserve becoming a gentleman. Besides if Peary has reached the pole I am glad of his victory. It does not prove that I have not succeeded and before him."

Dr. Cook then takes up the charges in detail with regard to the questions of provisions and his use of the Eskimos and continuing to name the Eskimos said I did not go very far north. Let this answer:

"Reverend has undertaken to command an expedition to seek out my two Eskimos and bring them back to civilization. It is I who will pay the expenses of this expedition; we will see what they will say."

"I am asked for proofs of my veracity. Well, I will give proofs, for I solemnly bind myself to submit all the documents and instruments to the geographical societies of America and Denmark, or to any assembly of scientists anyone likes to name. I think that declaration will suffice to prove my good faith."

"One must not be astonished that I refused to furnish proofs to various persons. I want to present the results of my work as a whole and not to private individuals, but to constituted bodies. I think those who have doubted my word will not doubt that of the geographical societies which I shall take for judges. I shall say no more. I hate this quarrel into which it is being sought to drag me. I am satisfied that I have done what I have done and know that in a little while no doubt will be possible."

SAYS COOK IS AN IMPOSTER.

London, Sept. 8.—The London morning papers apparently consider that the polar controversy has passed the stage where serious comment will serve any useful purpose. All the statements from either side tending to throw light on the disputed points are printed in full, but most of the papers either refrain from making editorial comment or confine themselves to a few semi-humorous remarks.

The Daily News points out the complete unreliability of evidence from Eskimos who are likely to say anything calculated to please the questioner whoever he may be.

The Daily Chronicle, however, fairly charges Dr. Cook "with having fabricated all the statements of any significance with which he supported his claim to having reached the north pole."

Continuing in this line the Chronicle says: "We charge him with attempting an imposture upon the world and with the knowledge that he could not long sustain the pretense."

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Paris, Sept. 8.—The Cook-Peary con-

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Provision is now the principal feature of the Paris newspapers. The comment, however, has a different tendency. The Soleil says: "One fact alone is certain up to the present, that is that Cook arrived before Peary at the telegraph office."

The Republic Française thinks that Admiral Nares is right in his opinion that Cook heard the news in Greenland from the Eskimos who have been with Peary and rushed to civilization and claimed the glory for himself.

The Radical says: "The dignified attitude of Dr. Cook in the face of Peary's hostility and malice gives Cook the first point in the controversy."

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Missoula, Mont., Sept. 8.—"Oh, you needn't look for any more evidence, for I killed the woman."

With these words John Clayborn, the negro porter arrested on suspicion of killing Pearl Anderson, a negress of the restricted district early Tuesday morning, confessed his guilt of the murder to the sheriff's officers today. Clayborn was confronted with the revolver with which he fired the fatal shot. The weapon was found hidden in a barrel in the basement of the barber shop where Clayborn had worked, and was identified by the proprietor of the colored club as the weapon taken from behind the bar in his place by Clayborn on the night of the murder. Clayborn admitted having known his victim in Seattle, and ascribed jealousy as the cause of the crime.

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September 15.

CHANGES ASKED IN RECLAMATION

Representatives of Irrigation Projects Draw Resolutions To Senate Committee.

LAW HEARTILY ENDORSED.

Opinions Unanimous That to Secure Benefits of Enactment, Some Changes Must be Made.

There was another meeting yesterday afternoon of representatives of various irrigation projects and definite action was taken looking to changes in the reclamation law, as outlined in this paper. F. H. Sears of the Truckee-Carson project presided at yesterday's meeting. Last evening the representatives unanimously adopted the following resolutions:

"Appreciating the intent of the honorable secretary of the interior and the United States senate committee on irrigation to serve themselves on the actual conditions existing in the construction of the various government reclamation projects, by personally inspecting the works and hearing complaints by personal meeting with the settlers interested;

"Therefore, the representatives of the following projects, the Klamath, North Platte, Snake, Strawberry valley, Garden City, Milk river, Williston, Truckee-Carson, Orland-Unit, Buford-Trenton, Uncompahgre valley, in meeting assembled in Salt Lake City this 8th day of September, 1909, present these urgent needs of the people connected with the foregoing projects:

"We heartily endorse the reclamation law and appreciate the beneficial results obtained from the reclamation of the arid lands by the government.

"But, whereas, the people who accepted the government proposition to construct irrigation systems under the act of Congress of June 1, 1902, did so assuming that the law as passed was mandatory in its provisions and conclusive in statement;

"And, whereas, relying upon the act and statements made by the government engineers as the source of our information on what we were to receive;

"And, whereas, relying upon the law and estimates furnished us by the government engineers, we voluntarily signed contracts for water and pledged our land and homes for the payment thereof;

"And, whereas, after these contracts had been secured, based on the estimated cost of the engineers, the reclamation law has been so interpreted that the actual cost instead of the estimated cost of construction is charged against the land;

"And, whereas, these liens on the land and homes were given on the estimated cost furnished by the government engineers;

"And, whereas, section 4 of the reclamation law specifies that the said charges shall be determined with a view of returning to the reclamation fund the estimated cost of construction and that only;

"Therefore, be it resolved, That the estimated cost of projects on which these liens were secured be the amount the settlers and water users should be required to pay.

"We further beg to recommend the following changes in the reclamation law:

"First—That the time of payments for construction charges be extended from 10 to 20 payments, or in lieu thereof, that the water users be given the use of water for three or five years without charge, or a form of graduated payments be adopted to enable the settlers to get the land under cultivation, and on paying the balance making it possible for them to meet their obligations.

"Second—That the first clause of section No. 6 of the irrigation act be interpreted as mandatory, that operating and maintenance charges be paid from the reclamation fund as provided in said section 4.

"Third—That the engineers themselves of reclamation projects be required to make a statement quarterly of the amount expended and for what purpose.

"Fourth—We recommend that the residence restriction as imposed by section 5 of the irrigation act be removed.

"Fifth—That the operation of the homestead law be restored, so that final proof may be made either by commutation or by settlement, and when so made patents shall be issued therefor, subject to the government lien for construction charges.

"Sixth—That the co-operative plan of construction, as heretofore in operation be legalized and operated under government supervision.

"Seventh—We beg to submit to your honorable body that these recommendations are based on actual experience, and by men who are actual water users and owners of land pledged to the government for the payment of construction charges, and therefore, we trust that these will be given due consideration."

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INHERITANCE TAX ON GEN. PALMER'S ESTATE.

Colorado Springs, Colo., Sept. 8.—The state inheritance tax on the estate of the late Gen. William Palmer, pioneer railroad builder in the west and founder of Colorado Springs, was paid yesterday to the county treasurer. The tax, amounting to \$3,415, is the second largest ever paid in the state. The largest tax ever paid was that on the W. S. Stratton estate, amounting to \$230,000.

CHILD FALLS, IS KILLED.

New York, Sept. 8.—Emily and Charles Taylor, twins, 3 years old, were playing on the fire escape of their parents' flat, on the fourth floor of No. 30 Madison street yesterday, while the mother was preparing luncheon. The children had a set of building blocks on the fire balcony and in reaching for one of them, the little girl lost her balance and fell. Charles reached out and seized his sister's dress, and he, too, toppled headfirst downward from the balcony. The girl was killed; the boy will recover.

ELEVEN MEN CLUBBED TO DEATH BY CANNIBALS.

Ottawa, Ont., Sept. 8.—The murder of 11 men by cannibals is announced in a cable from Sydney, N. S. W. It says: "A dreadful tragedy is reported from the New Hebrides. Capt. Lindsay, master of the Ketch Rahal, was first captured and then clubbed to death by a horde of cannibals, the crew, numbering 16, was massacred, and the vessel seized by savages and burned at Mullumbidgee, New Hebrides, where cannibalism still exists."

"Some of the crew of the French Ketch Guadalupe were captured by natives and have since been unheard of."

"The natives of German New Britain have rebelled against the government and many fresh outrages are feared."

BEEF PRICES REACH NEW HIGH LEVEL.

Chicago, Sep. 8.—Best grades of dressed beef reached a level that has not been attained in years when the prices of No. 1 ribs and loins were raised 10 and 2 cents respectively yesterday. This upturn, combined with the rise reported last week, brought No. 1 ribs to 18 cents a pound and No. 1 loins to 21 cents a pound. A year ago the same grade of ribs sold at 17 1/2 cents a pound, while loins were quoted at 18 1/2 cents.

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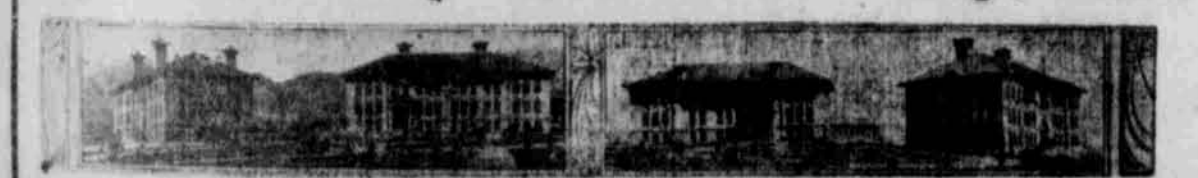
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