

DANISH EXPLORERS ALL FOR COOK King Frederick Makes the Closest Investigation of the American's Story

SUNDAY DINNER AT THE ROYAL CASTLE

Discoverer of North Pole Plied with Pertinent Questions Which were Answered Without Hesitation—Dr. Cook to Visit Brussels and Paris After Which He Will Return to Copenhagen and Sail Thence for Rome

Copenhagen, Sept. 5.—Dr. Frederick Cook this evening dined with King Frederick at the summer palace, a few miles outside of Copenhagen. The king summoned Dr. Cook to an audience yesterday at a formal dinner. They engaged in an hour's talk and while these royal audiences cannot, according to etiquette, be minutely described by the members of the court, Dr. Cook made such an impression on the king that his majesty immediately summoned the explorer to dine with him tonight.

The king invited Dr. Cook to meet him yesterday only to have the closest investigation into the merits of his story. All the Danish explorers were asked to give their opinions of Dr. Cook's claims, before the audience was granted, and their verdict was unanimously in his favor.

Dinner at Danish Royal Castle. The dinner tonight was entirely the result of the king's interest in the explorer, who had the seat on the king's right, an honor which Dr. Cook cannot remember again. The king had under a veritable bombardment of questions from the members of the royal family listened to his every word as he recounted the dangers and privations of his polar journey.

Bombarded With Questions. Dr. Cook was immensely pleased today by receipt of a telegram from President Taft, in which the president of the United States extended his heartiest congratulations on the announcement that Dr. Cook had reached the pole. He had to undergo a veritable bombardment of questions from the members of the royal family intended to test the accuracy of his affirmations.

Although after midnight when he reached his hotel at the end of the first day's trying experience, he sat up for two hours engaged in correspondence with the king, and the next morning, Commodore Nordgaard and Professor Ommundsen, secretary of the geographical society, the explorer was asked to read before seven o'clock this morning, reading translations of the comments in the Danish newspapers. Later he received Commodore Nordgaard and Count Harald Moltke, a member of the Mylius Erichsen expedition, who will probably illustrate Dr. Cook's book.

Interview With Leading Scandinavian Astronomer. One of the most exacting periods of the day was the interview with Professor Stromberg, the leading Scandinavian astronomer, who says when he is permitted to examine Dr. Cook's observations, he will be able to determine within half a day whether the explorer has been at the pole. Several other expert Arctic explorers were closeted with Dr. Cook, when they came out they appeared thoroughly convinced of his absolute good faith.

Great Enthusiasm at Royal Dinner. The dinner at the royal castle at Charlottenlund was the scene of the greatest enthusiasm. The king and every member of the royal family, from the smallest child to the crown prince, Dr. Maurice F. Egan, the American minister, the Rev. Mr. Dane of Chicago, and several other guests came to the dinner. Dr. Cook dined off quietly, as is customary on Sunday in the royal household, but after dinner there was a regular bustle around Dr. Cook, who had a succinct recapitulation of his adventures, whose graphic depiction of the dangers and privations of his expedition, and whose personal observations of the explorer, were so greatly interested in the story of the pole's discovery that they remained in the dining room long after the king and queen had retired. Dr. Cook retired with Minister Egan who was the center of a congratulatory group.

Sails Soon for New York. It was easy to be seen that the royal family had implicit faith in him. When he returned to his rooms at the hotel, Dr. Cook was met by a group of correspondents on which he had engaged, writing until a late hour. It has been decided that he will visit to Brussels, where he will deliver a lecture at Paris. He will then return to Copenhagen and sail from here for New York. Doctor Does Not Realize How Conspicuous He Has Become. One of the most interesting features of Dr. Cook's present position is that he is about the only intelligent man in the world who does not realize how conspicuous and talked about Dr. Cook is today. Minister Egan shielded him as carefully as possible. While he is theoretically living as the government's guest at a hotel, he is practically living at the residence of the king, which he may be kept away from the pressure of the crowds who are all surrounding the hotel. Dr. Cook thinks that he will be able to get back to New York quietly so that he may revise his scientific records before he gives them to the world.

Ships Sections of His Papers from Greenland on Different Vessels. The explorer's papers were considered advice from experts, given him such honors as never before have been given to a private person. All the Danish papers draw the first day's skepticism except him wholly. There was strong doubt of his claims before he arrived, but one of the strongest factors now in his favor is the endorsement of the absolute freedom and candor with which he answers all questions. To obviate the possible loss by shipwreck of his papers, Dr. Cook shipped sections of them from Greenland by different vessels and is arranging to have them sent from Denmark in a single steamer.

Dr. Cook disclaimed any title to unusual bravery. He says that the success of his expedition was due to the fact that he had strong men and dogs for the final dash on which several others had started with weaker teams, and he did not follow the "starvation route."

THE ONLY INSTRUMENT NEEDED WAS A SEXTANT. Lick Observatory Astronomer Believes Dr. Cook "Got There."

Lick Observatory, Cal., Sept. 5.—"Dr. Cook with the instruments he carried could have determined the position of the north pole with an error of less than five hundred feet, according to W. H. Wright, astronomer in charge of Lick Observatory, tonight.

"The only instrument needed," said Dr. Wright, "was a sextant. With the observations taken the same day Dr. Cook could have determined his position within a possible error of less than five hundred feet. This would be, roughly, a thousand feet, and Dr. Cook says positively that the pole was somewhere within a circle of 500 feet radius within which he himself was standing.

"As these observations could be falsified by anyone with a fair knowledge of astronomy, the discovery rests on Dr. Cook's veracity alone. For my part I do not think him a man who would make such a claim unless he had what I have read I believe he made the journey.

Cabled Paragraphs

Minsk, Russia, Sept. 5.—A remarkable trial on charges of polygamy was just come to an end here. A tailor named Pris was found guilty of having married twenty young women. His punishment he was sentenced to four months imprisonment.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 5.—Six armed men last evening attacked the cashier of the imperial racetrack, in the suburbs, and carried off a large sum of money. They fired a dozen shots from revolvers and wounded a track clerk, but the money was recovered and drove back with the money in safety to the racetrack.

Peking, Sept. 5.—Nearly six hundred Chinese students, ranging from fifteen to forty years of age, assembled in the offices of the board of education yesterday to take part in the first competitive examinations for college courses in the United States. They were taken to the examination rooms by a part of the boxer indemnity returned by the United States to China.

BIG STICKS FROM OREGON TO REBUILD CHINESE TEMPLE These Mammoth Logs to Be Transported Up Chinese Mountain Side on Backs of Coolies.

Portland, Oregon, Sept. 5.—A remarkable shipment of mammoth logs is now being loaded here for China. The logs are to be used to rebuild the temple Ling Yen, the most famous house of worship in all China. The logs are being loaded on the steamer "The Oregon," which is bound for the coast of China.

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Newcastle, Pa., Sept. 5.—A one-legged man and a one-eyed man were arrested on suspicion of being wreckers of the Royal Blue Flier. They were found in possession of tools and materials used in the wrecking of the ship.

AT THE POLE THE ICY PLAIN TOOK ON ANIMATED MOTION As if Rotating on an Invisible Pivot—Eskimos Prostrated with Fear.

Paris, Sept. 5.—A despatch from Copenhagen gives Dr. Cook's version of further incidents of his expedition to the pole, when he remained by two valiant and faithful Eskimos as an escort as he plunged over the vast extent of the ice.

TOURING CAR WRECKED, FIVE PERSONS INJURED Near Burlington, R. I.—Injured All Belonging in Fall River.

Barrington, R. I., Sept. 5.—Skidding on a street car track into another automobile which it was attempting to pass in the narrow highway at Princeton's Hill near this town today, a touring car owned and driven by Herman G. Meyers, manager and treasurer of the Electric Light Company, was wrecked and five people injured, three of them seriously.

STEEL CAR COMPANY STRIKES QUARREL AMONG THEMSELVES Two Distinct Factions Developed After Sunday's Mass Meetings.

Pittsburg, Sept. 5.—All but abandoning hope that they will be reinstated at the plant of the Pressed Steel Car Company, which is being operated by employees of the concern in Schoenvelt, ended a big mass meeting today by violent quarrels among themselves.

RAZOR CUTS ON HEAD AND FACE Meriden Man Bumps Into Two Sicilians Late Saturday Night.

Meriden, Conn., Sept. 5.—Fred E. Roberts of this city is suffering from six razor cuts on his face and head inflicted by an encounter with two Sicilians near the passenger station late Saturday night. Roberts accidentally bumped into the two men while walking through the station and he was quickly attacked, a razor was drawn by one Italian and he cut deep gashes in Roberts' face and neck.

STRATFORD GIRL HIT BY AUTO. Miss Fannie Love Had Just Left Electric Car.

Stratford, Conn., Sept. 5.—Miss Fannie Love, 12 years old, daughter of Mrs. Love, was struck this afternoon by an auto, which was driving on the Washington bridge, and seriously injured. She, with a companion, had just left the electric car and started across the road, not knowing the approaching auto. She had gone but a short distance when the machine struck her.

MRS. ROBERT E. PEARY DENIES MAKING STATEMENTS Against Dr. Cook as Has Been Reported in the Newspapers.

Airships that Pass in the Night

CLINTON PEOPLE SEE THINGS FLYING AT GREAT SPEED HIGH UP IN THE HEAVENS.

Wonderful Maneuvers Witnessed Last Evening—Rapid Dartings Ahead, Downward, Upward, Abrupt Turns.

Clinton, Conn., Sept. 5.—Residents of this place, who have been watching during the evenings of the past week the manoeuvres of a large airship over this town, were tonight spectators of the flight of a small, brightly lit up in the heavens, with bright lights fore and aft.

Two Visitors Last Night. The first ship came in sight from the direction of the west, and was soon after joined by the second ship, which came from the southwest, both ships flying very high in the air.

Were Seen Last Week. The descriptions given by the townspeople of the airships are similar to those given of the machines which have been seen flying over Fishers Island and Watch Hill. One night last week one of the ships was seen flying over the town at an early hour in the morning, finally disappearing in the direction of Long Island.

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Body of Unknown Man Found in Ashes of a Bonfire. New Haven, Conn., Sept. 5.—Lying across the ashes of a bonfire the body of a man so badly burned that identification was impossible, was found today at the site of a bonfire on the bank of the West river today. From the position of the body it was evident that the man had fallen onto the fire and had been burned to death.

WATER AT RESERVOIR DOWN NINE FEET. Trifle Over Half as Low as It Was Last Year—Work at Meadow Brook.

When Superintendent Burnap measured Fairview reservoir on Saturday it was 108 inches below high water mark. This is a trifle over half as low as it was last year, when it touched 207 1/2 inches below. In the past few days it has not been dropping as fast as it did for some time previously.

DAVENPORT ARMS COMPANY. Inventory is About Completed, But Appraisal is Yet to Be Made.

The work of getting an inventory of the contents of the Davenport Arms Company has been underway since the appointment of appraisers, there being several employed on this task, and it is about completed. The appraisers have their work to do yet, however, before the report will be ready, but the work is being pushed along as fast as possible.

Found With Arm Crushed. Sunday night William Vickery, employed in the Central Vermont yards at New Haven, was struck by a street car with his arm badly crushed. He was taken to the hospital, where it was hoped to save the arm. His left arm was lost some time ago in an accident. Mr. Vickery is a brother-in-law of Editor F. J. Brunner of the New London Telegraph.

Picnic at Bailey Grove. A well attended picnic was given Sunday afternoon at Bailey Grove, Trading Cove, by the Amittville Athletic Club. The expected programme of sports and a ball game were interfered with by the morning rain and were finally given up. A shower was served late in the afternoon.

Runaway Accident at Bridgeport. Bridgeport, Conn., Sept. 5.—Dominick Judge of this city was thrown from a carriage this afternoon, striking his head and sustaining a fracture of the skull, besides other injuries. Misses Mary and Annie Sweet were also on the carriage, which was driven with him, were thrown out and sustained slight injuries.

Stamship Arrivals. At Liverpool: Caronia, from New York. At London: Caronia, from New York.

State Police at South Norwalk

NINE MEN CAPTURED AND HELD UNDER BONDS. SUNDAY RAID AT HOTEL

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Prisoners Charged With Violation of Liquor Laws—Proprietor Held Under \$100 Bonds, Customers \$25 Each.

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Women's Trades Union League to Ride in Automobiles. New York, Sept. 5.—With no strike of consequence in progress in Greater New York except the hatmakers, Labor day tomorrow will find more marchers in line for the great annual parade and more of them will join to return when the celebration is over than last year. At 10 o'clock approximately 4,500 workers and forty bands, representing fifty-nine unions of the Central Federated union, will begin their procession down Fifth avenue from Central park to Washington square. Nearly all the unions will wear distinctive uniforms and the Women's Trade Union league will ride in automobiles, drawing eight spots.

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ATLANTIC CITY RESORTS WIDE OPEN YESTERDAY. Attempts of Reformers to Close Down Sunday Rum Business Ignored.

Atlantic City, N. J., Sept. 5.—Atlantic City ignored the attempts of the reformers to close down the Sunday rum business by closing the city on Sunday. The city council has refused to pass a law which would prohibit the sale of liquor on Sunday.

THREE PERSONS DROWNED IN THE NORTH RIVER. Six Others Rescued—Launch Collided With Freight Car Float.

New York, Sept. 5.—Two young women and a man were drowned in the North river today when the gasoline launch Olga, carrying eight persons, New Jersey shore closely to escape a stiff northwest wind, went down after colliding with a freight car float backing into the river from a ferry slip. Six other passengers were rescued.

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Cordoned Telegrams

Isaac Brook, who claimed to be 121 years old, died at Waco, Texas. Orville Wright made a successful beginning of his exhibition flights on the Tappanfield field in Berlin.

The Gross Earnings of Twenty-five railroads for the first half of August exceeded the high records of August, 1907. In an effort to raise a deficit of \$40,000,000, the French minister of finance has raised the price of tobacco.

Mayer Franklin P. Stay of Atlantic City was arrested, but released on bail on a charge of not closing saloons on Sunday. A destitute workman dropped fainting from starvation in front of the queen mother in the streets of San Sebastian.

The Searching of Prominent passengers arriving in New York from Europe has resulted in 200 seizures in three days. Mrs. Roosevelt has engaged a house at Kharntown, where she will meet her husband when he emerges from the jungle.

The Russian Minister to China notified the foreign board that Russia would now like to participate in the foreign loan. Two Hundred Members of the German Reichstag accepted Count Zepelin's invitation to inspect and ride in his dirigible.

Thirty-nine Cases of Bubonic plague were officially reported at Guayaquil, Ecuador, during the month of August. Eight were fatal. The Organization of a Negro anti-tuberculosis league is being organized by the officers of the public health and marine hospital service.

The Exposition at Seattle was decorated with 50,000 lanterns in honor of the Japanese commercial commissioners, who visited the fair. President Taft's Automobile was halted by constables near Newberry, Mass., who informed the president that he was exceeding the speed laws.

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PRESIDENT'S LAST VACATION WEEK

The Programme Laid Out for the Few Remaining Days of Summer Outing

MRS. TAFT TO STAY UNTIL OCT. 15. Secretary Ballinger is Expected Today—On Wednesday a Visit from the Director of the Census—Grandson of the Emperor of Japan to Be Received on Friday—Auto Ride to Church in Driving Rain.

Beverly, Mass., Sept. 5.—Beginning the last week of his stay in Beverly, President Taft tomorrow will spend the greater part of Labor day on the grounds of the Myopia Hunt club. In the morning he will play his usual 18 holes of golf and in the afternoon he will attend for a time the annual horse show, the fashionable event of the year along the North shore.

Secretary Ballinger is expected in Beverly some time tomorrow and the president will take up with him the reports that have been made respecting the course of certain of the interior department officials in administering the conservation laws. His Last Days the Busiest.

The president's last week of vacation will be his busiest. Tuesday he will go to Brookline, just outside of Boston, to be the guest of the Yale alumni of Boston and the women's association, golf and baseball games are on the programme. The attendance at the various functions is to be limited strictly to the members of the family.

Thursday President Taft will entertain a luncheon on board the yacht Mayflower the German entrants and officials who participated in the sailing regatta, and will be accompanied by Mrs. Taft and the countess of Bismarck. Mrs. Taft will be accompanied by Mrs. Taft and the countess of Bismarck. Mrs. Taft will be accompanied by Mrs. Taft and the countess of Bismarck.

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NEGRO PHYSICIAN HELD FOR BURLARY. Hingham, Mass., Sept. 5.—William L. Council, a negro physician and son of the late Prof. W. H. Council, III, the well known negro educator, was arrested here yesterday charged with burglary. He was held in the Hingham jail. Several smaller tents were blown down.

Barn and Contents Burned. Granby, Conn., Sept. 5.—Fire of unknown origin today destroyed a large barn belonging to Clarence Case, together with a large quantity of hay and a horse and cow. The loss will amount to \$1,000.

MISTOOK HER FOR BURGLAR. Prominent South Carolina Planter Visited at Physician's Wife's. Charleston, S. C., Sept. 5.—Mistaking her for a burglar, William Avant, a prominent planter of Georgetown county, South Carolina, and his wife, Mrs. C. C. Bigham, who had accompanied her husband, a physician of Harper's, a small town in the same county, on a professional visit to Avant's home, were awakened by a noise in the night. Mrs. Avant asked Dr. Bigham what he should do.

GRIM AND UNIQUE ANOMALY PRESENTED BY LABOR DAY. Situation in Western Pennsylvania—Burgess in One Town Prohibits Celebration. Pittsburgh, Sept. 5.—Labor day in western Pennsylvania presents a unique anomaly. Nearly 30,000 men are idle as a result of strikes, lock-outs and other labor troubles. The glass workers of the American Glass company, whose grievances paralyze the glass industry of the country; the Pressed Steel Car company of Schoenvelt; the 13,000 organized but dissatisfied coal miners in this vicinity; and the 100,000 non-union workers of all these and more, will aid in making the day set apart for the workman in Pennsylvania a day of mourning. Families of the unemployed men, who have been subsisting for months on the charity of the state, are being treated in his domain tomorrow. This statement is in direct defiance of the state's law, which sets aside the first Monday in September as the working man's day. Residents of Vandergrift are treating the matter as a joke.