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CONTROVERSY WOMAN KILLED IS WAXING WARMER BY UNKNOWN PERSON

COOK'S AND PEARY'S RIVAL CLAIMS TO DISCOVERY OF POLE DISCUSSED. COLORED INMATE OF RESTRICTED DISTRICT RESORT MYSTERIOUSLY MURDERED.

BOTH HAVE A FOLLOWING ONE SUSPECT IN PRISON

Explorer Is Presented With Gold Medal by Crown Prince and Makes an Address Which Is Listened to by Royalty—Refuses to Enter Into Controversy With Naval Officer. Body of Girl With Bullet Hole Over Eye Is Found in Her Room and Bloodstained Collar Identified as Belonging to Colored Porter Leads to His Detention by Officers.

Copenhagen, Sept. 7.—A remarkable result of Commander Peary's rivalry with Dr. Cook for the discovery of the pole is that Dr. Cook's profits from the enterprise likely will be largely increased. He received today offers for his books and lectures at twice the figures previously tendered. One American cable terms almost startling, and it is believed, far beyond any sum hitherto paid for such work. Dr. Cook is likely to accept this offer. The controversy is beginning to wax warmer here. Commander Peary's statement is unanimously accepted as true, but there is a very large following faithful to Dr. Cook. His lecture before the Geographical society tonight, however, added little to the information he had given out with reference to his expedition, and he repeated his intention to withhold details until the publication of his books.

The body of Pearl Anderson, a colored resident of the restricted district, was found in her room, 235 West Front street, about 8 o'clock yesterday morning by S. T. Dorsey, a colored man employed as a porter in the Southern saloon, who was taking a flask of whiskey to the woman. A bullet hole was over the right eye and she had evidently been dead for several hours, although the body was still warm. The only clue to the identity of the woman's slayer is a collar which was found on the dresser in the room. The collar was identified as being the property of John Clayborn, a colored porter in a barber shop on West Main street, and he is now in the county jail, pending an investigation.

Dorsey, the finder of the body, states that he had been requested by the woman in the morning to bring her the whiskey, and that furnished the reason for his visit to her room. When he discovered the body he did not stop to see whether or not the woman was dead, but at once notified Officer Hoel, who has the Front street beat. The officer went to the room and saw that the woman was past all help, and notified County Coroner W. D. Kendrick. The coroner went to the place and, after an examination of the premises, removed the body. The collar was found by Officer Hoel, who gave it to the sheriff's office.

Collar Identified. A visit to the Missoula and Florence laundries to endeavor to find out who owned it disclosed nothing, but when the Northwestern laundry was visited it was stated there that the collar belonged to Clayborn, ownership being established by the laundry mark and by the fact that Clayborn was in the habit of sending his laundry to the Northwestern. When it was seen that Clayborn was the owner of the collar, Under Sheriff Miller went to the colored club on West Main street and there found the man and placed him under arrest. At the county jail the collar which Clayborn was wearing was taken from him and found to correspond exactly with the collar found in the woman's room.

At the jail the prisoner told many stories in explanation of his actions during the night, but they were all contradictory. He stated that he had slept all night with a colored man by the name of Jennings, but this has been disproven. He claims that he had done some work in the barber shop early in the morning, before the arrival of the barbers, but when they arrived he was told that some of the work was carelessly done and that he must do it again. He left the shop, going out the back way and went down West Front street, where he met Dorsey, who told him that Pearl Anderson, with whom he had been friendly, had been murdered. He said that he then walked past the house and watched the officers. He watched the dead woman take away the body of the woman and then went to the colored club.

Partly Drunk. When placed under arrest, he was partly drunk and when asked why he was in such a condition, stated that he had heard that Pearl was dead and he felt so bad over it that he had commenced drinking. He also wept. An investigation conducted by the sheriff's officers and the coroner has disclosed several important pieces of evidence. Joseph Johnson, proprietor of the colored club, says that Clayborn was in his place yesterday morning about 2 o'clock and stood around for a few minutes. Johnson left the bar for a few minutes and during his absence Clayborn went behind it. This act was seen by a habitue of the place. Before Johnson returned Clayborn had left the saloon and in a few minutes Johnson noticed that a 44-caliber revolver which had been on the fixture behind the bar, was missing. He says no one else could have taken the gun.

One of the barbers in the barber shop found a flattened bullet near a bathtub in the place and gave it to the sheriff's officers. Although the coroner states that the bullet which killed the woman had entered her head over the right eye and is still in the head, the bullet found in the shop may have something to do with the case, the officers think. Another contradiction is the statement of Dorsey that he did not see Clayborn until after the body of the dead woman had been removed to the morgue.

Time Uncertain. Just what time the crime was committed is not known. A friend of the murdered woman declares that she

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ANXIOUSLY LISTENING



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Washington, Sept. 7.—Through Herbert L. Bridgeman, the secretary of the Arctic club, formal official notification of Commander Peary's achievement in reaching the north pole was made known to the government today. Mr. Bridgeman sent a dispatch to the secretary of the navy, in which he says that Commander Peary telegraphs from Indian Harbor, Labrador, as follows: "North pole reached April 6 by Peary Arctic club expedition, under my command."

Claims to Be First. London, Sept. 7.—The Reuter Telegram company publishes a dispatch from St. Johns, N. F., in which it is said Commander Peary claims that he was the first man to reach the north pole.

Second Message. New York, Sept. 7.—A second message from Commander Peary's pole was received by Herbert L. Bridgeman, secretary of the Peary Arctic club, early today. In this message Peary requested Mr. Bridgeman to notify the geographical societies throughout the world that the Peary Arctic club expedition had reached the north pole. The message was dated at Indian Harbor, Labrador.

Anxiously Waiting. New York, Sept. 7.—While Commander Peary, on board the Arctic exploration steamer Roosevelt, is on his way from Indian Harbor, Labrador, to Chateau bay, on the straits of Belle Isle, the world awaits anxiously details of his successful trip to the pole, of which he gave information in brief, but stirring messages yesterday from Indian Harbor, where Commander Peary can reach a telegraph line by which to tell the world the story of his dash to the pole. The Roosevelt was due at Chateau bay this morning during a heavy fog, and when Commander Peary reaches there he probably will send confirmation of his first message, giving the results of his trip and tell, for the first time, how he achieved the goal that has been his ambition for so many years.

Is Notified. Paris, Sept. 7.—The French Geographical society was notified officially today by the Arctic club of the achievement of Commander Peary. An official of the society said:

"We have full confidence in Commander Peary, whose experience, together with his equipment of modern instruments and appliances, insures to the scientific world a rich feast. We do not doubt Dr. Cook, but we merely say that Commander Peary's superior outfit from every standpoint makes it impossible that he should be mistaken."

Commander Peary probably will be invited to lecture in France.

Is Accomplished. St. Johns, N. F., Sept. 7.—The Peary Arctic steamer Roosevelt left Indian Harbor, Labrador, today for the south. She will touch at Battle Harbor, which port she probably will not reach before tomorrow.

Race Is Won. Dalton, Mass., Sept. 7.—Zenas Crane of this town, one of the financial supporters of the present Peary expedition, today received the following telegram from the explorer: "Indian Harbor, via Cape Ray, N. F., Sept. 6.—Zenas Crane, Dalton, Mass.: Thanks for your assistance; we have won the century's race of the nations for the pole. The pole is ours. Peary." (Signed) PEARY.

Expresses Thanks. New York, Sept. 7.—General Thomas Hubbard, president of the Peary Arctic club, today received the following message from Commander Peary: "Indian Harbor, via Cape Ray, N. F., Sept. 7.—Thanks for your assistance. The 300 years' search for the north pole is ended. Pole reached by club's expedition April 6. Roosevelt returns uninjured." (Signed) PEARY.

In response, General Hubbard sent the following telegram to the explorer: "New York, Sept. 7.—Commander Robert E. Peary, Indian Harbor, via Cape Ray, N. F.: Your cable gives me the best news I have had this century. Congratulations and best wishes."

Messages of congratulation are being sent to Mr. Bridgeman, one from President Darwin of the Royal Geographical society of Great Britain reads: "Delighted to hear of Peary's safe return. Warmest congratulations. Have wired Peary at St. Johns." Henry J. Osborne, president of the

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DOCTOR DENIES FIGHT IT OUT ALARMING RUMOR BALLINGER SAYS

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ONLY BRIEF STATEMENT INTERVIEWS PRESIDENT

Story That Railroad Magnate Had Taken a Turn for the Worse Gains Wide Circulation, and Refusal of Physician to Do More Than Make Brief Denial Causes Speculation. Official Spends the Entire Day in Boston, but Returns to Beverly for Another Conference With the Chief Executive—No Announcement From the President at the Present Time.

Arden, N. Y., Sept. 8.—After a night of uncertainty it was determined shortly after midnight that E. H. Harriman is not in such a critical condition as earlier reports indicated. A party of newspaper men succeeded in reaching the Tower Hill residence and conversed with Dr. Lyle, who said emphatically that there was no cause for alarm.

Rumors of the most alarming nature were circulated throughout the earlier part of the night. Shortly after 10 o'clock there came a report that the financier had died in a sudden collapse. Where this rumor came from no one can say, but with the difficulty of obtaining communication with the Harriman home it was given wide circulation and had spread on the wings of the wind from the Atlantic to the Pacific before a terse denial over the telephone from Dr. Lyle set it at rest. But Dr. Lyle declined to add even a word to his denial, and his refusal to give out any further information regarding his patient's condition gave further grounds for speculation—a situation that was readily seized upon by the alarmists. The optimistic tenor of the statement issued in New York by a friend of Mr. Harriman did not serve to quiet even during the afternoon the apprehension which was felt there. It was pointed out that the information upon which the statement was based may have been a day old.

Serious Setback. Evidence pointing to a serious setback in Mr. Harriman's condition began to accumulate early in the afternoon, confirming reports given out through unofficial channels. Three men whose professional appearance led at once to the conclusion that they were physicians were rushed through the town in an automobile and up the hill shortly after noon, and there were other visitors, personal friends of the sick man, whose hurried arrival was taken to mean a change for the worse.

While Judge R. F. Lovett, Mr. Harriman's business adviser, was in his office in New York during the day attending a meeting of directors of the Union Pacific and Southern Pacific railroads, it was learned early tonight that he had left immediately after the meeting and hurried to Arden. He reached the Harriman home shortly before 8 o'clock. His hurried trip, it was believed, was the result of disquieting news from the Harriman house.

Enemies Busy. The report of a New York paper that the rumors were being circulated by enemies of the Harriman interests on the stock exchange gained special significance this afternoon, when it was learned that certain Wall Street interests have a representative whose only duty is to report on what transpires on Tower Hill. The marked slump in Union Pacific today is largely accounted for by the belief that the reports of this representative upheld the most sensational newspaper bulletins issued here today. Dr. Lyle declined all day to respond to telephone calls or to make any statements, and during the night the only words which could be elicited from him were in the brief denial, which he authorized when informed that reports of Harriman's death were being circulated.

"That report is untrue; Mr. Harriman is not dead," he said, and then hung up the receiver.

Beverly, Mass., Sept. 8.—"So far as I am concerned, let the war go on." This was the reply of Secretary Ballinger today when pressed for an expression of opinion as to how long he thought the controversy in Washington regarding the conservation policy of the interior department would continue.

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Mr. Ballinger consistently declined to discuss the situation in any way, but President Taft let it be known that no decision on the matters at issue could be expected for some time. He intimated that there would be no statement from him as to any feature of the controversy. It had been supposed that a settlement might be announced before the president leaves for the west next Wednesday, but Mr. Taft dispelled this idea today by saying that he did not know when he would be in a position either to talk or to act.

President Taft became plain "Bill" Taft today to many of his old Yale classmates and companions in college. During the day he played in a golf foursome with three other friends and schoolmates. As the guest of honor at an outdoor luncheon on the estate of Sherman L. Whipple, adjoining the Country club, he got mixed up in a veritable blue football rush during the afternoon reception, and sat through the first inning of a baseball game played by former stars of Yale's best team.

Rev. Charles F. Carter, '78, who pitched a no-hit, no-run game against Harvard in the '70s, pitched today for one of the picked nines, and was hammered all over the greensward. Just to show his old-time form as a batsman, however, Mr. Carter made a hit every time he faced the opposing pitcher, a young man but recently out of college.

SUIT IS COMMENCED TO RECOVER FUNDS. Lewistown, Sept. 7.—The Bank of Fergus county, acting at the request of the bondholders, today brought suit in the district court against the North Missouri Gold Mining company. A writ of attachment was issued for a mortgage for \$100,000, and it is added that a receiver be appointed to take charge of the property until it is sold. In November, 1907, the mining company gave a mortgage, or deed of trust, for \$100,000 to secure bonds issued to that amount. It is set out that the bonds remain unpaid and that \$10,000 is due on them as interest, making a total of \$110,000 that judgment is asked for, as well as \$2,000 attorneys' fees. In this suit the Kendall Gold Mining company is also named as a defendant, this being done to have its claims, if any, declared subordinate to those of the bondholders.

A JAPANESE PRINCE REACHES AMERICA. New York, Sept. 7.—Prince Kunikida, a grandson of the emperor, reached New York tonight from Liverpool. With him came the Princess Kuni and her lady-in-waiting, Miss Nagasaki, and Colonel Kurita, the prince's military aide. The federal government and the state were represented in a delegation that met the royal party. The prince will be presented to President Taft at Beverly. Prince Kuni knows no English, but through an interpreter he spoke with enthusiasm about America, mentioning especially the high buildings.

STRIKE IS OVER. Pittsburgh, Sept. 7.—The strike that has been in progress 32 days in the Pressed Steel Car company's shops at McKees Rocks is over. The 2,000 workmen have won a complete victory. Beginning Thursday morning they will return to work a thousand a day, according to a statement made tonight by C. W. Wise, chairman of the strikers' executive committee. Practically all the demands by the men, he said, have been granted.

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Got There First. Copenhagen, Sept. 7.—"I think that in justice to Dr. Cook we should remember he got there first. He selected what seems to have been the best route," said Commodore Hovgaard, the noted Danish scientist, today. "How long after Dr. Cook reached the pole do you think Commander Peary arrived there?" the commodore was asked. "Probably a year, but perhaps only six months," he replied. "Could Peary have learned at the

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RESERVATION LOTS TO BE SOLD AT MISSOULA

Special to The Daily Missoulian. Washington, Sept. 7.—Commissioner Bennett of the general land office announced today that the public sale of lots in the different townships on the Flathead reservation had been fixed for November 16 at Missoula. The terms of the sale will be cash to the highest bidder; persons who are living on the different townships at the time of appraisal will be given the right to purchase not exceeding two 50-foot lots on which their improvements are situated. Official publication of the sale and full particulars are ordered published in The Missoulian. Commissioner Bennett has sent photographic copies of the various township plats to the Missoula land office, where they can be purchased at 25 cents each as soon as received.

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SPANISH ATTACKED.

Melilla, Morocco, Sept. 7.—Two columns of Spanish troops leaving El Parbo to concentrate at Haddara were attacked by the Moors yesterday, but repulsed the enemy with heavy losses. The Spaniards had two men killed and 15 wounded.

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HEIRS NOT LIABLE FOR THE PENALTY

San Francisco, Sept. 7.—The long struggle of the department of justice to collect from the heirs of the late Senator John H. Mitchell of Oregon the \$1,000 fine levied against Mitchell shortly before his death, when he was convicted of participation in land frauds, came to an end today when the United States circuit court of appeals held that the entire cause of action abated upon the death of the senator and that the heirs were not liable for the fine.

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