

PURE FICTION DECLARES TORP

RECTOR OF COPENHAGEN UNIVERSITY PUTS NO FAITH IN LOOSE AND DUNKLE.

ORIGINAL OBSERVATIONS

Such, Says Secretary Lonsdale, Dr. Cook Submitted to Danish Scientists—Explorer Had But Slight Acquaintance With His Latest Detractors—Names of Examining Committee.

Copenhagen, Dec. 9.—Dr. Torp, rector of the University of Copenhagen, said tonight that the charges published in the New York Times against Dr. Frederick A. Cook are based on pure fiction. Nevertheless, he added, he would accept the offer to examine the documents presented by Messrs. Loose and Dunkle, which the Times has agreed to send to Copenhagen.

Walter Lonsdale, secretary to Dr. Cook, who brought the explorer's records to Copenhagen, also declared that the accusations published in New York and London against Dr. Cook were totally unfounded. He said the papers delivered to the University of Copenhagen contained the original observations made by Dr. Cook on the expedition, without alterations.

Mr. Lonsdale said that the explorer's report was founded on these and dictated by Dr. Cook to him, no other person having anything to do with it. Loose and Dunkle, Mr. Lonsdale added, were guests at the Waldorf-Astoria when Dr. Cook was there, but the explorer's acquaintance with them was slight.

The committee which will examine Dr. Cook's records is composed of the following: President, Professor Ellis Stromgren, director of the astronomical observatory; Dr. C. F. Pecheule, astronomer attached to the observatory; Gustave Holm, explorer; Professor A. B. Jensen, director of school of navigation; Dr. Dooyler, director of the meteorological office and Dr. F. A. Engstrom, director of the Lund observatory.

Copenhagen, Dec. 9.—Commodore Navarant, the noted explorer, and Professor Olufsen, secretary of the Danish Geographical society, also discredited the accusations against Dr. Cook. The National Tidende, in an editorial says:

"It is natural that columns should increase when Dr. Cook's papers are on the eve of examination, the object of his accusers being to influence the committee."

MONTANA SOLDIER GIVES HIMSELF UP

A man of about 30 years walked into the police station Saturday and gave himself up to Desk Sergeant Mehan and Officer Thomas, stating that he was a deserter from the regular army and was ready to go back to the barracks, having become tired of wandering over the country. He was locked in a cell yesterday, orders as to his disposal being awaited from the adjutant general of the war department at Washington. The prisoner said he was a member of troop G, Fifth cavalry, and was stationed at Assiniboine, Mont.—Bloomington, (Ill.) Pantagraph.

NEGROES DID SHOOT.

Washington, Dec. 9.—Conclusive evidence is said to have been obtained by the military court of inquiry in the "shooting" of Brownsville, Texas, that members of the twenty-fifth infantry, colored, who were within the fort, fired on the town at the time their companions were racing through the streets shooting right and left.

STOMACH DISTRESS VANISHES

INDIGESTION, GAS, HEARTBURN, HEADACHE AND ALL MISERY FROM STOMACH GOES.

Nothing will remain undigested or sour on your stomach if you will take a little Diapepsin occasionally. This powerful digestive and antacid, though as harmless and pleasant as candy, will digest and prepare for assimilation into the blood all the food you can eat.

Eat what your stomach craves, without the slightest fear of indigestion or that you will be bothered with sour risings, belching, gas on stomach, heartburn, headaches from stomach, nausea, bad breath, water brash or a feeling like you had swallowed a lump of lead, or other disagreeable miseries. Should you be suffering now from any stomach disorder you can get relief within five minutes.

If you will get from your pharmacist a 50-cent case of Pape's Diapepsin you could always go to the table with a hearty appetite, and your meals would taste good, because you would know there would be no indigestion or sleepless nights or headache or stomach misery all the next day; and, besides, you would not need laxatives or liver pills to keep your stomach and bowels clean and fresh.

Pape's Diapepsin can be obtained from your druggist, and contains more than sufficient to thoroughly cure the worst case of indigestion or dyspepsia. There is nothing better for the stomach or sour odors from the stomach or to cure a stomach headache.

You couldn't keep a handier or more useful article in the house.

WACK QUITS AS COOK'S ATTORNEY

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all expenses on the doctor's account and forward certain papers which Mr. Wack understood to be affidavits bearing on the doctor's disputed affidavit of Mt. McKinley. These affidavits, the doctor had originally intended to take with him to Europe, where they could be available for the University of Copenhagen if desired.

Others of Dr. Cook's friends granted tonight that Captain Loose consulted freely with him and even occupied rooms adjoining him at the Gramatan inn. Whether this propinquity served as an opportunity for cooperation merely, or for collusion, is a point on which not even Captain Loose cared to pronounce positively. The captain, however, went freely into his own motives this afternoon. "I went to Dr. Cook," he said, "thinking I could help him. A short talk convinced me he was ignorant of some of the essentials of navigation. My task enlarged, but that was no question for me to debate so long as I was paid. Now that the payments have ceased and the doctor has disappeared I speak out. I supplied the figures. They were gratefully received. What use was made of them is bound to appear."

PLAINS NEWS NOTES

Plains, Dec. 9.—(Special.)—Wang, a Chinese cook who has worked at the McGowan hotel for several years, was taken very ill Tuesday and was taken to the Missoula hospital the same evening by Dr. Hattery and Cliff Rittemour, but wire came Wednesday morning that the sick man had undergone a successful operation for appendicitis. Wang has had several former attacks of this nature but, would never before consent to an operation.

The ladies of the Christian church enjoyed the hospitality of Mrs. J. A. McGowan's home on Wednesday afternoon. As the snow was falling only a few ventured out but they made up in good cheer what was lacking in numbers. The next meeting is to be at the church in the form of a "cracker social" on December 22.

PINCHOT UPHELD BY WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

FEMININE BRANCH OF R. AND M. CONGRESS STANDS BY THE CHIEF FORESTER.

Washington, Dec. 9.—Indorsement of Gifford Pinchot, chief forester, and a plea for appropriations that will permit the drainage of swamp lands caused a stir in the last big open meeting of the National Rivers and Harbors congress tonight. The woman's auxiliary of the congress, the aim of which is to beautify banks of navigable streams and canals, adopted resolutions asking congress to hold up the hands of Mr. Pinchot in his forestation policies.

Major J. A. Dapray, retired, secretary of the National Drainage association, occupied most of his time in recounting the need for appropriations for drainage of swamps. Other speakers dwelt upon the need for adequate water transportation.

Mrs. Amelia A. Tompkins, president of the woman's auxiliary, spoke tonight. She made no reference to the Ballinger-Pinchot controversy but she announced that the auxiliary had decided Mr. Pinchot should be upheld by congress in his work. Her venture on this political ice was received with coolness.

WOODMEN OF WORLD ARE INSPECTED

HEAD ADVISER T. CLINTON VEALE PAYS CAMP NO. 73 AN OFFICIAL VISIT.

Camp No. 73, Woodmen of the World, was the host last night of the head adviser of the order, T. Clinton Veale of Pasadena, Cal. Mr. Veale did not arrive in Missoula until after 10 o'clock, the train from Butte being delayed, but for all of his lateness, he made a nice little talk on the good of the order to his brother members. He spoke for about 20 minutes, every one of which were thoroughly enjoyed by his hearers. Mr. Veale has been to all of the cities of the state and has had excellent opportunities for observing the conditions. He stated last night to a Missoulian reporter that of all the cities in Montana, Missoula is the best. "You have a wonderful state and a wonderful city," said Mr. Veale. "You do not really appreciate the importance of your state's resources, as no sufficient means of advertising them have been adopted, but you are getting better known in the east. I was here a year and a half ago and never have noticed such improvements and changes in any city in such a short time. It is wonderful."

The head adviser will leave this morning for Stevensville and will go from there to Hamilton. He will return to this city and then make a trip to Phillipsburg.

Card of Thanks.
Most sincerely do we wish to thank the friends who assisted us in our hour of sorrow over the bereavement of our beloved daughter and sister, AGNES, MR. AND MRS. WM. M'BRIDE, HARRY M'BRIDE.



Of course your boy or girl wants a Flexible Flyer! Who wouldn't? They know it is the swiftest and handsomest sled ever built. It steers around every obstacle at full speed by a mere pressure of the hand or foot on the steering bar without dragging the feet. You go like the wind. And no other sled can pass you. Make your children happy with a Flexible Flyer.

"The sled that steers"

It is the only sled for boys: The only safe sled for girls. It is the lightest to pull yet the strongest and lasts the longest. It saves boots and shoes, prevents wet feet and doctor's bills. There's nothing like coasting to put color in the cheeks and sparkle in the eyes, and set the whole body tingling with health and happiness. Get a Flexible Flyer today. All sizes from the smallest, for one child, to the largest, for a number of adults. Prices begin at \$2.50. Sold in Missoula by MISSOULA MERCANTILE CO.



OPENING OF TOYLAND

Tomorrow Morning
At 8 o'clock

Come Young; Come Old: Come See the Wonders of the Greatest Toy Store Missoula Has Ever Known

TOYLAND this year is a revelation—a wonderland, a fairyland, a dreamland rolled into one—and tomorrow morning the gates swing wide open to the children who can hardly wait, to their parents and their friends.

The Happy World of Toys

TOYLAND is a land of real joy—for big folks as well as for boys and girls. The little folks get their delight from seeing the myriads of toys—the best and largest collection we've ever had. The grownups find happiness in the children's happiness—in the remembrance of days when they, too, looked forward with expectancy to Santa Claus' visits. Everything displayed so that it can be seen to best advantage to Santa Claus' visits. Everything bright, new, clean and in running order if it is supposed to run.

See Toyland at Its Best—Tomorrow

Come to purchase, or merely to take in the sights—you will be equally welcome. Be here when the doors open, stay all day if you like, you'll find plenty to interest you.

A Real Automobile and Life-Size Doll To Be Given Away



The "Browniekar" Automobile

TOYLAND will give this "Browniekar" to the person holding the lucky number in a drawing to be held Christmas eve at 10 o'clock. Any and all patrons of TOYLAND, except employees of this house and members of their families, will participate in this grand present. Tickets will be given FREE, one with each 25c purchase, so the more tickets you have the better chance you have. This contest opens next Saturday morning.

Description of the "Browniekar"

The "Browniekar" is a serviceable and practical automobile, built expressly for children. Its 4-horse power engine gives it power to climb hills and it can go wherever most of the larger cars can, and it is so simple that any child of 8 years can operate it safely.

SPECIFICATIONS

- Maximum speed ten miles an hour. There are no gears or other change speed arrangements to get out of order. Speed is varied up to the maximum by manipulation of spark and throttle levers and by allowing drive belt to slip by reducing pressure of foot on clutch pedal.
- IGNITION—Jump spark from coil on dash. Current supplied by four dry cells.
- LUBRICATION—Motor lubricated by splash of oil in engine case. Transmission shaft with grease cups.
- TRANSMISSION—By flat belt from engine shaft to countershaft. By two V-belts from countershaft to rear wheels. No gears, chains or sprockets.
- AXLES—Front 1-beam section, rear 1-inch round section steel.
- FRAME—Selected ash.
- BRAKE—Contracting band on counter shaft pulley. Very powerful.
- WHEELS—24-inch diameter. Wire spoked, ball bearing.
- TIRES—24-inch by 1 1/2-inch Omar Special—4 tugs.
- COLOR—Medium red with black stripe.
- EQUIPMENT—Tire pump and tools.
- TYPE—Two-passenger Roadster. Seat position adjustable to driver.
- WHEEL BASE—66 inches.
- TREAD—34 inches.
- MOTOR—Single cylinder four cycle 3-inch bore by 3 1/2-inch stroke.
- COOLING—By water circulation through jacket cast integral with cylinder to vertical spiral tube radiator at front of car.

The Great Doll Contest Open to Girls Under 15 Years

She is the prettiest and finest big doll we could find, and, bedecked in her silks and satins, she is every inch a queen. You'll see her, along with the "Browniekar," in one of the windows in front of our Hardware department today.

This prize is to be awarded to the girl under 15 years who saves and collects Duplicate Sales Checks of TOYLAND the amounts of which reach the greatest total. The contest closes New Year's Eve at 6 o'clock, when all packages of Duplicate Sales Checks must be in our Advertising department, with name, age and address of contestant written on a slip with the package. Only TOYLAND Duplicate Sales Checks count, but they may be for either cash or charge sales.

Get your friends to save and collect checks for you; don't let a one get away from you. Tell your friends, young and old, that you want that doll and need their help and to please buy their toys and dolls and games at TOYLAND.

Missoula Mercantile Co.



75c Mission Work Baskets
48 Cents
Special for Balance of Week

The usefulness of this article in any home gives it a value ten times greater than its price. It can be used as a work basket, a waste paper basket or catch-all. It is an attractive and ornamental piece of furniture as well, made with a solid oak frame, Mission finish, 13 inches high and 10 inches square, with panels filled with fine quality silkoline, in a variety of pretty patterns and colors—just like the picture.

A Fine Christmas Remembrance
We have only a limited supply of these Baskets—first come, first served—no phone orders taken. Regular price 75c each; while they last you can get them at practically half price. **48c**

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