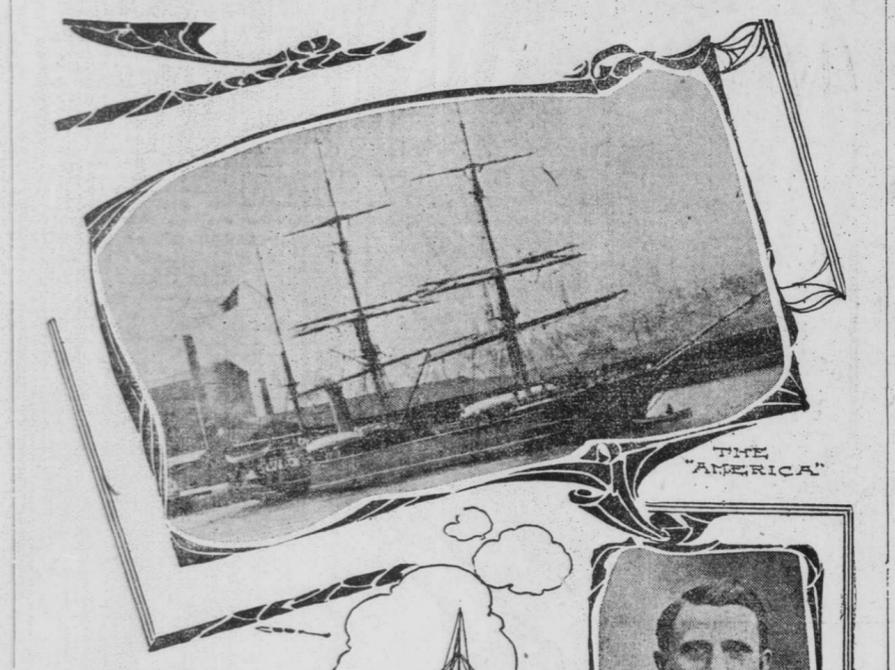


BALDWIN RETURNS FROM ARCTIC, BAFLED, BUT NOT YET BEATEN

Explorer Reaches a Port in Norway After a Long and Successful Season on Ice of the Northern Sea, Establishing Food Depots in the Preparation for a Dash to the Pole Next Year



HONNINGSVAAG, Norway, Aug. 1.—Evelyn B. Baldwin, the Arctic explorer, arrived here today. He reported all his men in good health and said: "We have been baffled but not beaten. The year's work has been successful in that enormous depots of condensed food have been established by means of sledges, one at Rudolfsland, within sight of the Italian expedition headquarters; another in latitude 81 degrees 33 minutes, and a third at Kane Lodge, Greely Island. These depots, together with houses and stores left at Camp Zeigler, will afford the means for a large polar dash in 1903. All channels through Framoefjorden remained blocked with ice during the autumn of 1901 and prevented the establishment of depots by steamer last year. The breaking up of ice early in June compelled the use of reserve supplies, hence the departure from Camp Zeigler on July 1. I dispatched fifteen balloons with 800 messages, and in June I obtained the first moving picture of Arctic life. I also discovered Nansen's hut, recovering the original documents and securing paintings of the hut. Marine collections for the National Museum, including new charts, etc., were obtained. "In the field work, thirty men, thirteen sledges and 170 dogs were employed from January 21 to May 21, and this severe work resulted in the destruction of sledges and depots of food for ponies and dogs, thus rendering our return imperative. I shall remain at Honningsvaag for week for repairs to the America's rudder and propeller frame, which were broken by the ice on the return voyage. The main anchor was lost in the straits of the famous Framoefjorden on July 3, 1901. An auxiliary expedition started from Vardoe on July 7, 1902, under command of William Shamp, to go with them.

OPINION OF MELVILLE. Navy's Chief Engineer Talks of the Expedition Under Baldwin. CALL BUREAU, 1406 G STREET, N. W., WASHINGTON, Aug. 1.—Rear Admiral George W. Melville, chief engineer of the navy and the noted Arctic explorer, who was a member of the famous Framoefjorden expedition, was much interested in the report of the return of Baldwin's expedition to Tromsø. In the absence of more detailed information, Rear Admiral Melville was unable to estimate the value of the results of the expedition. "The Baldwin expedition was the best equipped that ever sailed from the United States," said Melville. "Perhaps it was overfitted. The expedition may have been overburdened by the amount of things carried. The object of the Baldwin expedition, which was fitted out in England and which sailed from Tromsø, in the north of Norway, to which point it is now reported as having returned, was to land in Franz Josef Land. Whether the ship was to return to Norway or to later return with supplies, I do not know. Having landed, the intention was to make an overland journey with sleds and boats to as high a latitude as possible in the string of islands which extend from Franz Josef Land northward toward the pole. The approach of winter had anticipated and entirely too much so for further advance. As a result he probably retired across the chain of islands from Franz Josef Land and from the southern coast of Franz Josef Land crossed to Norway in boats or in a ship, if he found his ship waiting for him at the coast. The channel between Franz Josef Land and the Norwegian coast is about 50 miles wide and is filled for a part of the time at least with floating ice. Franz Josef Land is about 500 miles from the north pole, but inasmuch as it is unknown how far north Baldwin established his camp, it is impossible to say how much of an advance he made poleward. "This route was first tried in 1889 by the Austrian Thegthoff expedition, of which Payer and Wyprecht were leaders. They named Franz Josef Land in honor of their Emperor and explored it to about the eighty-third degree, north latitude. Nansen returned from his last Arctic expedition by this route. He started for the pole from Nova Zembla and then followed the coast of Franz Josef Land, which had drifted years before in the direction of the pole. When he thought he was being driven away from the pole he changed his course and made a dash northward, but was later obliged to retreat. This he did and returned by the way of the chain of islands to Franz Josef Land.

SEER'S WORDS EMPTY HOTELS. Prediction of Tidal Wave Alarms Atlantic City. Special Dispatch to The Call. WATERSVILLE, Wash., Aug. 1.—George McCann has just arrived with a report that at 9 o'clock this morning, about fifteen miles west of Coulee City, he passed a man answering Tracy's description. The stranger had the horses supposed to have been taken near Wenatchee. Deputy Sheriff Friel and City Marshal Deyers left last night to intercept Tracy at Moses Lake, the only route that could be taken if he were headed for the mountains. Deputy Sheriff Sedgwick of Coulee City has been directed to look up the crew reported by McCann. Tracy crossed the Columbia at 5 o'clock Thursday morning and could easily have covered the distance between the ferry and the point where McCann met the man answering his description. SPOKANE, Aug. 1.—Posses are starting from several points in Eastern Washington to intercept Tracy. The posse under six Warden's that at the beginning of each administration he was asked to retain command of the yard. The inside captain comes into contact with the most desperate of the convicts, but never during the many years of his service has Edgar feared an attack or shirked his duty in repelling disorder. Captain Edgar is 68 years old. He and his family will leave San Quentin in a matter of days for the East where they will remain several months.

Light Shocks Continue to Frighten the Populace. Landslide Blocks Highways Near the Stricken Town. Resume of the Damage Done Shows That Few Substantial Structures Suffered Greatly.

Special Dispatch to The Call. SANTA BARBARA, Aug. 1.—Throughout the day until 3:10 o'clock this afternoon, occasional slight earthquake shocks were felt in Los Alamos Valley. A report from Los Alamos at 1 o'clock last night said that no shocks had occurred since 3:10 o'clock. The wagon road over what is known as the Los Alamos grade, extending over the mountain into the valley, is in bad condition. Tons of boulders and dirt have been thrown from higher elevations and persons arriving in Los Alamos from Lompoc this evening report having had great difficulty in making their way over dangerous places. Professor Larkin of Mount Lowe observatory arrived in Los Alamos this morning. He said the disturbances were of a nature known as oscillatory earthquakes and were common. It is quite probable the were due to the sudden displacement of immense bodies of gases, seven or eight miles beneath the surface of the earth. While the country about Los Alamos gives evidence of once having been the scene of great volcanic action, Professor Larkin reserves nothing to indicate that another great upheaval of that nature is likely to occur. Professor Hilgard, head of the agricultural department of the University of California, who telephoned to Attorney Leslie advising him and the people of Los Alamos to desert their homes for places of safety, and whose statements have been attributed to President Benjamin Harrison, has written to Leslie that the advice was given as a precautionary measure and not in anticipation of further earthquakes. EXTENT OF REAL DAMAGE. Some of the early reports of the damage done by the earthquakes in this vicinity have been exaggerated. It is an unprecedented number of earthquakes, some of them severe, but the reports of great fires and landslides have been exaggerated. Several landslides have occurred, but the most serious of them, about nine miles northeast of Lompoc, displaced an enormous body of earth which slid into the frontage of the town of Lompoc. The slide is so extensive that it is difficult to estimate its extent. It is admitted, considerable damage resulted from the earthquakes. The Presbyterian Church, a brick building, was damaged to the extent of about twenty-five feet and a depth of thirty-five feet. The front wall collapsed and the side walls are so badly bent as to render them unfit for future use. The brick walls of Wickenden's general store were partially destroyed. The chimneys of the Graham house were badly damaged, it being a brick dwelling. His furniture was damaged and estimated that his loss will aggregate \$1000. The majority of dwellings sustained losses in chimneys, and in some cases, as far as reported no one was seriously hurt during the disturbances. Dozens of chimneys were shaken to pieces, some of them falling through paper-like roofs into the rooms below, badly frightening the occupants of the houses. The chimneys were damaged in various ways, and one or two of the larger places of business suffered considerably, but will probably be repaired. The damage done in the town proper. The greatest loss was sustained by the Los Alamos company, two of its 14,000-gallon tanks were destroyed. One of the tanks, which stood into a little ravine and out into Santa Ynez River. The loss to the oil company amounts to \$400. Several slight shocks were experienced this morning, but no damage beyond further disarming the inhabitants resulted. Last night a number of the more numerous shocks, and the vibrations of their blankets, passing wakeful hours by the side of immense log fires. It is expected that those who have fled from town during the past few days will return. LOSSES AROUND LOMPOC. LOMPOC, Aug. 1.—The earthquake shocks of last night did no damage, but the frequency of the vibrations of the night commenced last Sunday night and have continued at intervals since, caused severe damage to the property of the Los Alamos company. Several heavy landslides are reported from the mountains about Lompoc, and in some cases have closed in one or two places. The farmers have large gangs of men at work. REASSURES LOS ALAMOS. Professor Hilgard Believes the Crisis Has Passed. BERKELEY, Aug. 1.—Professor E. W. Hilgard, dean of the college of agriculture at the University of California, has been called upon for advice by the terrified residents of the earthquake district at Los Alamos. At 2 o'clock yesterday morning he received a long distance call from District Attorney Leslie of Los Alamos, asking him, on behalf of the people of the surrounding country, whether it would not be advisable to immediately vacate the district. Professor Hilgard, who was for eighteen years State Geologist of Mississippi and is perfectly acquainted with the geological conditions of the country, forwarded a letter to-day to Attorney Leslie, reassuring the residents of the shaken city and expressing his belief that the quakes would not be of long duration. He gave his explanation for the occurrence of the tremors in part as follows: "Earthquakes outside of volcanic regions are now fully accepted as readjustments of the equilibrium in the earth's crust which we know to consist, not of a solid rock strata, but rather of a congeries of blocks, being adjusted by other somewhat in the nature of an arch, but imperfectly, as the numerous 'faults' found everywhere in mines, and out of them, and in the readjustments rendered necessary by the slow but sure contraction of the earth take place gradually, but sometimes so readjustment is too long deferred and the block or blocks, miles in length at times, remain in a state of delicately balanced, unstable equilibrium, which may be disturbed by a very slight cause, sometimes even by a change in the barometric pressure. Now that the block of earth upon which you are situated has evidently fallen into its new place, I think the strong probabilities are that you will in for a protracted period of quiet. I should not advise you to move out through fear of more violent tremors, not because the oil in a conversation concerning the reported volcanic shocks, Professor Hilgard said: "The country about Los Alamos is very rich geologically in petroleum and asphaltum. Often these veins of asphaltum will become ignited from gas fires and will burn for years, emitting a dense black smoke. The famous Red Rock near Santa Barbara burned for many years and was considered a curiosity by the people of the district. It is one of these asphaltum veins, recently tested, which the terrified people have seen. The presence of numerous veins of asphaltum and oil products in the region about Los Alamos contributes to some extent to the likelihood of shocks, not because the oil or asphaltum has been taken out of the ground in quantities great enough to cause any appreciable disturbance, but because the asphaltum has a tendency to be constantly forced up from the interior of the earth and a consequent disarrangement of the surrounding ground takes place. To-day's News Letter. A special feature recently added to the San Francisco News Letter is its automobile department, which officially represents the California Automobile Club and the San Jose Automobile Club, and which contains every week much news of interest to drivers, owners and fanciers of horseless carriages. To-day's issue of the News Letter has more than its usual amount of good reading matter. The Old Newspaper Man deals again in an entertaining manner with bonanza days. Politicians are fully dealt with in the editorial section and in Campaign Echoes. The News Letter has a reputation for being cynical and satirical. Its reputation fully borne out by its Town Crier department, where many bubbles of fraud and pretension are pricked. The alleged correspondence between Mary MacLane and Richard Le Gallienne is a stringing satire. The Locker on Tells a host of good stories on prominent people, and Betsy Bird's entertaining society gossip is as reliable as ever. In drama, literature, finance and insurance the News Letter is always to the fore. A little red hair goes a long way through succeeding generations.

DR. PIERCE'S REMEDIES. LIGHT AND DARK. Day and night, sunshine and shadow are not more different from each other than a beautiful from a sickly woman. The healthful woman carries light and sunshine with her wherever she goes. The woman who suffers from ill-health casts a shadow on her own happiness and the happiness of others. She cannot help it. Those who suffer cannot smile and sing. Ill-health in woman is generally traceable to disease of the delicate womanly organism. Many women have been restored to happiness by the use of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. It establishes regularity, dries weakening drains, heals inflammation and ulceration and cures female weakness. It makes weak women strong, sick women well. "I feel it my duty to inform you that I had been a sufferer for many years from nervousness which all the symptoms and complications writes Mrs. O. N. Fisher, of 1861 Lexington Ave., New York, N. Y. "I was constantly going to see a physician and purchasing medicine, but I felt that I was improving faster than at first. I am now as well as ever and I have a good color in my face; have also gained about ten pounds in weight and am thousands of thanks for I am a new woman once more."

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THE SOROSIS OPENING. The new Sorosis Shoe Parlor at 216 Post street was a scene of beauty yesterday; music and flowers and bustling animation. It was opening day, and fashionable San Francisco turned out in its best bib and tucker for the house warming. Not all at all an ordinary opening. Parlor in the new Sorosis Parlor at all like an ordinary shoe store. It is different from anything in this city. Entering, one passes into the reception parlor. This room is magnificently furnished in session style and is singularly beautiful. Back of the reception parlor, and separated from it by a very artistically designed arch, is the selling and fitting department. This section of the store is also fitted and furnished along entirely in the same style. The color tone in which the wall cases and fixtures are finished being brought out in sharp relief by the snow white shoe boxes. The new parlor has several other distinctive features—a reading room, containing all the latest periodicals, a writing parlor, a retiring room, a bureau of information, a private telephone exchange, an electric shoe polisher and a smart appearing maid to look after the wants of lady guests. The show windows are beautifully fitted up and artistically trimmed with all the latest footwear fashions. The different Sorosis parlors throughout the world were taken as models in the fitting of this store. One good feature from this one, another from that, are picked up here, there and everywhere. The result has been eminently satisfactory.

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