COOK'S CLIMB OF HIGH PEAK BRANDED 'FAKE'

Guide Who Was With Doctor on Mt. McKinley Trip Denies Reaching Summit

Says Explorer Failed to Get Within Fourteen Miles of Mountain's Top

NEW YORK, Oct. 14.—The Globe this afternoon prints a copy of an affidavit made by Edwin N. Barrill, who accompanied Dr. Frederick A. Cook at the time he announced his reaching the summit of Mount McKinley. The affidavit was made before a notary public at Tacoma, Wash., October 4, and has just been received in New York.

Barrill's affidavit states in effect that he was the only person present with Doctor Cook on the date when Cook claims to have reached the summit of Mount McKinley, that they did not in fact reach the summit, and the nearest point to the summit reached was at least 14 miles distant from the summit of that mountain, the elevation at no time exceeding 10,000 feet. The affidavit also brings into question a number of the photographs which Doctor Cook has given as representing the summit and other high altitudes of Mount McKinley.

Barrill recounts that at the start of the trip he prepared to keep an exact diary and sets forth that this diary, marked exhibit A, attached to the affidavit, "is a pocket diary kept by me during all the time that I was with Doctor Cook near Mount McKinley, and the same is a truthful record, with the exception of the entries and changes made by me therein under the orders of Doctor Cook."

The diary referred to by Barrill as attached to the affidavit is now in possession of the New York Globe.

The affidavit then proceeds as follows:

On the evening of September 9, 1906, Dr. Cook and I started alone for the purpose of exploring Mount McKinley. He informed me before starting that his purpose was to find a way for ascending the mountain and he and Professor Parker intended to climb the mountain the following year.

As shown by my diary, we took the ice on September 9. From and including the 9th down to and including the 18th of September all writings in my diary are by me, but were made under the direction of Dr. Cook. I also changed the dates during this time under his direction. On September 12 Dr. Cook directed me to stop keeping my diary and leave the pages therein blank.

We quit any further attempts toward ascending the mountain September 15, and returned to the boat at the foot of the glacier. We reached the launch September 19, having traveled 26 miles or more on the top of the glacier from the place we quit climbing September 15.

Dr. Cook first told me to stop my diary September 12, when we were in our fifth camp going up the glacier and at or near the point which Dr. Cook claimed as the top of Mount McKinley. This point was within sight of us at the time. Dr. Cook stated at this time and place that the same conditions existed there as did exist on the top of Mount McKinley, and directed me to stop my diary until further orders. At this time we had been to the top of the point claimed by the doctor as the top of the mountain and the doctor had taken a photograph of the point with me standing out top thereof, with the American flag in my hand. The photograph to which I refer is shown opposite page 227 of the doctor's book entitled "To the Top of the Continent."

I then came down with the flag to where Dr. Cook was standing with his camera and I made the remark that the eight peaks on the other side of this point where I had been photographed would probably show in the picture, and he said that he had taken the picture at such an angle that those peaks would not show. The peaks to which I refer are sketched by me in my diary and are marked 1 to 8, inclusive, and are shown in said diary on a page just preceding the date appearing therein as September 9 and on the pages following September 12.

When I came down from the point and handed the doctor the flag he stated to me as follows: "That point would make a good top for Mount McKinley. It looks just about like the Gunsight peak would look on Mount McKinley," which we had been looking at from the saddle.

In about half an hour after the picture was taken we fixed up our packs, and at about 10:30 or 11 o'clock on September 13 we started down and around on the place designated as sixth camp, the doctor saying that he wanted to go around there in order to get farther up on the main glacier, so as to get a good view of the northeast ridge leading up to the summit of Mount McKinley so as to ascertain if that ridge was connected solid with the top of the mountain so that it would have an appearance similar to the description he would have to give in his writings. As the doctor had seen the mountain from all sides excepting this, and as this was the side where he proposed to claim that he had climbed it, he wished to know the nature of the ridge leading up to the top of the mountain so he could write about it as it appeared.

I was with Dr. Cook continuously every day during the time he was attempting to ascend the mountain, and the nearest point to the summit of Mount McKinley which we reached was at least 14 miles distant from the summit, and at no time did we reach an elevation in excess of 10,000 feet, and the doctor told me when we were at the place where my picture was taken that we were not over 8,900 feet high. I neglected to state that on the 16th of September and on the evening of September 9 Dr. Cook asked me if I were willing to stay with him. I said, "Yes," when he said "I will see you get $200 extra for doing so."

Affidavit is Substantiated

SEATTLE, Oct. 14.—Walter P. Miller of this city, photographer of Doctor Cook's Mount McKinley expedition, has made an affidavit corroborating that of Barrill in every detail. When shown Barrill's story today he said that it was correct. Miller says he has photographs and maps that fully confirm the statements of Barrill.

The affidavits of Barrill, Miller and others were sworn to in the office of James M. Ashton, an attorney of Tacoma, who was retained by certain interests in New York, said to be the Peary arctic club, to investigate the alleged ascent of the great Alaska peak by Doctor Cook.

Cook Denies Charge

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Oct. 14.—Expressing astonishment at the statement of Edward Barrill, Doctor Cook today maintained that he had ascended to the summit of Mount McKinley, and said further that if an expedition will follow the route he took they will find the records deposited by him at the summit of the mountain.

Referring to Barrill's sworn statement, Doctor Cook said:

"If an expedition of experienced mountaineers will follow the route that I took, and will go to the top of Mount McKinley, they will find there the records which I deposited on attaining the summit of the mountain in the manner described in my book, 'To the Top of the Continent.'"

Gotham Honors Cook

NEW YORK, Oct. 14.—An illuminated address conferring upon Dr. Frederick A. Cook the freedom of New York city was signed today by Mayor McClellan and President Patrick F. McGowan of the board of aldermen. This honor, which is seldom accorded, will be formally conferred upon the Brooklyn explorer tomorrow at a reception at the city hall heretofore arranged.

NEW YORK VISITED BY SEASON'S FIRST SNOW

NEW YORK, Oct. 14.—The first snow of the season reached New York early today.

It was only a brief flurry, and the flakes melted as soon as they landed.

The temperature today was only a few degrees above freezing.

C. H. Schlacks, Who Joins Gould Ranks

WESTERN PACIFIC PICKING ITS MEN

Vice President of Denver and Rio Grande Slated to Come to San Francisco

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

DENVER, Oct. 14.—A complete reorganization of the operating and executive departments of the Denver and Rio Grande railroad is scheduled to take place at a meeting of the board of directors following the annual meeting of stock holders in this city next Tuesday.

C. H. Schlacks will tender his resignation as vice president and will be succeeded by Horace W. Clarke, who came to Denver as general manager of the road.

Schlacks is slated for the position of vice president of the Western Pacific, with headquarters at San Francisco.

James C. Jeffery, interstate commerce attorney for the Missouri Pacific and son of E. T. Jeffery, president of the Denver and Rio Grande, has been in the city conferring with Vice President Schlacks regarding these changes, and as a result of the reorganization it is stated that Schlacks will take with him to San Francisco a number of other Rio Grande officials and employes, including Assistant General Passenger Agent F. A. Wadleigh.

Schlacks went east tonight to consult President Jeffery on the organization.

German Cruiser May Reach Port Tomorrow

No more foreign cruisers arrived yesterday and Mayor Taylor and the Portola reception committee spent the day ashore. The Japanese cruiser Idzumo returned from California City with its bunkers filled with coal and anchored in man of war row beside the Noordbrabant and the Calabria.

The torpedo boat destroyers Lawrence, Preble, Goldsborough and Davis arrived yesterday from San Pedro and proceeded to Mare island. After coaling the Lawrence and Goldsborough came down and anchored off Vallejo street beside the destroyers Whipple, Truxton, Hull and Perry, which had anchored near the St. Louis earlier in the afternoon.

The Preble will come down from the navy yard today and join the mosquito fleet, which will remain in the bay until after the Portola festival. The Hopkins and Paul Jones are on Puget sound, but the Hopkins is expected to arive here Monday and will join the fleet of sea scorpions. After the festival the three flotillas will proceed to Magdalena bay for target practice.

The foreign ships in the harbor are open to visitors every afternoon and yesterday many took advantage of this fact to see something of the life on board warships of other nations. Launches to the ships are running at frequent intervals from the Folsom, Howard and Mission street landings and from the ferry to the transport wharf the way of the pedestrian is barred every few yards by insistent solicitors for the different launch companies.

The British cruiser Bedford announced by wireless that it would not arrive until Sunday morning. The German cruiser Arcona, which left Honolulu a day ahead of the Britisher, may be in tomorrow. The British sloops of war Shearwater and Algerine, which left Victoria October 12, should be here today.

PRESIDENT TAFT STANDS BY KNOX

Resignation of Minister Designate Crane Is Accepted by Chief Executive

Friends of Deposed Diplomat to Protest Against Manner of Dismissal

WASHINGTON, Oct. 14.—All doubt as to what action the president would take with respect to the resignation of Charles R. Crane, minister designate to China, was dispelled by the receipt this morning of a dispatch from President Taft addressed to his secretary, Carpenter, directing him to convey to Crane announcement of the fact that the resignation had been accepted.

ACCEPTS RESIGNATION

The telegram was dated Prescott, October 13, and reads as follows:

"Convey to Mr. Crane following communication:

"'I concur in the letter under date of October 12, which the secretary of state has addressed to you, and I greatly regret that the circumstances found to exist by him make it necessary for me to accept your resignation.' TAFT."

Following the receipt of the president's message Crane made the following statement:

"I am greatly relieved by the president's decision. There has been no minute since I heard the attitude of the department of state when I have not contemplated the possibility of a continuance of my official relations with the deepest repugnance.

"Nevertheless, I have felt that my obligation to the preident was to permit him to decide the issue. I have appreciated fully what would be involved in a decision by him that I should continue. I have realized also the impossibility of his securing complete information at this time. He has chosen to base his decision upon the circumstances found by the secretary of state.

"I accepted the Chinese mission at his request and solely because of assurances that I could be and would be permitted to be of service to the country in constructive work of the greatest importance to it and of the greatest interest to me.

PERSONAL HUMILIATION

"It has been made perfectly clear that conditions here were not and are not such as to make this possible. To demonstrate this has involved a personal humiliation such as no self-respecting man who is drafted into the public service should be called upon to endure, but I am grateful indeed that I have had the test of official choice and support here rather than in China, and now, rather than at some crisis involving the honor or the interest of the nation."

Crane will leave here this afternoon for New York.

Crane's Friends Incensed

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

CHICAGO, Oct. 14.—Charles Crane's friends in the financial and commercial circles of Chicago are to place themselves before the nation as unmoved as to his integrity and good citizenship by recent developments in his career which resulted in his recall from San Francisco while he was en route to China as United States minister.

Believing there was greater sin in the manner of dismissal than in the dismissal itself, and asserting that an attempt has been made to humiliate Crane before the world, these friends and others who resent such treatment of a Chicagoan plan some public testimony to their continued allegiance to Crane's cause.

What form this declaration will take has not been decided. It may be a public meeting, it may be a dinner, but thhe sentiment of Chicago's commercial life will be expressed, and it will be wholly complimentary to Crane.

"I do not care to discuss the subject further," said President David R. Forgan of the National City bank, "for I might be anticipating the action of Mr. Crane's friends."

"The heedless butchery of a friend is too sore a topic for temperate discussion," said William Kent. "Mr. Crane's Chicago friends will get together to discuss the affair and take concerted action."

The protest is likely to be in the shape of censure for the state department for its methods and commendation of Crane's attitude in this particular instance and of his actions in public affairs generally.

Japan Informs China

PEKING, Oct. 14.—The Japanese legation today laid before the Chinese government and also gave to the native and foreign press the explanation of Secretary of State Knox for the recall of Charles R. Crane, United States minister designate to China. The incident impresses the government as unfortunate and has aroused the feeling among Chinese officials that the only hope of national security rests in the co-operation of the powers.

FOREIGN

America Has Grip on the English Gold Reserve
Nicaragua Troops Defeated by Rebel Leader
Haitian Disturbance Becoming More Serious

DISCOUNT RATE UP DUE TO DEPLETION

Raise Authorized to Combat Increasing Encroachment of American Paper

LONDON, Oct. 14.—The depletion of the reserve, the continued gold requirements and the gradual hardening of private discount rates had the anticipated effect on the Bank of England discount rate, which today was put up to 4 per cent.

The amount of reserve is nearly $5,000,000 below last week, while the demands for the metal from abroad, and especially from Egypt and Argentina, shows no signs of abatement. The high rate, however, is also directed against America and Germany.

A large amount of American finance paper already has been placed here and it is anticipated that the United States shortly will be in a position to withdraw gold to the further disturbance of the London money market.

In Germany speculation has made money extremely tight and an expansion of German demands for gold is looked for.

In some quarters there is doubt if the 4 per cent rate will attract sufficient gold to build up the reserve as well as to meet future demands from America and Europe, so the market will no doubt not be surprised if a higher rate is imposed.

Today's advance was so consistently anticipated that it had little effect on the stock exchange.

HAWLEY GETS CONTROL OF M., K. AND T. ROAD

Important Territory Added to Rock Island System

NEW YORK, Oct. 14.—Edwin Hawley gave out the following statement today regarding the acquisition of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas railway by him and his associates of the Rock Island system:

"A large interest in the Missouri, Kansas and Texas railway has been purchased by Edwin Hawley and Benjamin F. Yoakum, which, in connection with that of Speyer & Co., gives them a predominating strength in the property.

"This adds another important territory friendly to the system which Mr. Hawley has, through the purchase of Chesapeake and Alton properties, created within the last few years, and is an important factor in the strengthening of all."

Hawley declined to make public the extent of the interest in Missouri, Kansas and Texas common and preferred stock acquired by himself and associates, or the prices paid.

STRICKEN KEY WEST APPEALS FOR SUCCOR

Hundreds in Peril of Starvation Following Hurricane

KEY WEST, Fla., Oct. 14.—Immediate assistance of the outside world is necessary to carry on the work of cleaning up the city and caring for the victims of the hurricane of last Monday.

Mayor Fogarty today announced that the city was forced to suspend work because of lack of funds.

Great suffering already is reported among the employes of the large tobacco factories which suffered heavily by the storm. Hundreds are in peril of starvation, it is declared.

Sewers are broken and clogged throughout the town, and an epidemic of sickness is feared.

GAYNOR RESIGNS FROM BENCH—Albany, Oct. 14.—Justice William J. Gaynor, democratic candidate for mayor of New York city, today filed his resignation as a member of the appellate division of the supreme court, effective immediately.

VICTORIOUS ATTACK LED BY CHAMORRO

Insurrectionist Troops March Upon Greytown and Soldiers Are Killed

COLON, Oct. 14.—A dispatch received by wireless from Bluefield, Nicaragua, says General Chamorro, a rebel leader, marched on Greytown and attacked and defeated the government troops.

Nineteen soldiers were killed.

General Estrada is reported to be marching on Cape Gracias, where 2,000 government troops have been concentrated to oppose him.

FINNISH TREASURY IS DEPLETED BY CZARDOM

Order for $4,100,000 Backed by Reinforcements

HELSINGFORS, Oct. 14.—An imperial manifesto was published here today that the military contribution of $4,000,000 shall be taken from the Finnish treasury and turned over to Russia.

The Finns have not decided upon any definite line of resistance and disorders are improbable.

Russian reinforcements are expected to arrive here soon.

BLIZZARD IS RAGING IN WESTERN CANADA

Mercury Registers Six Above Zero at Many Points

WINNIPEG, Oct. 14.—Snowplows were necessary to clear the tracks for the operation of trains on the railroads east of Winnipeg today.

Snow to the depth of 16 inches has fallen and a blizzard is raging.

The mercury registered 6 above zero at some points in western Canada during the night.

TWELVE DIE IN SINKING NORWEGIAN STEAMER

BERGEN, Norway, Oct. 14.—The Norwegian steamer Sterk, a small freighter, foundered today off Molde and her crew of 12 was lost.

BRITISH SCHOONER SINKS, BUT SAILORS ARE SAVED

Wrecked Mariners Are Rescued off Havana, Cuba

KEY WEST, Fla., Oct. 14.—A thrilling story of the escape of the captain and crew of the British schooner Florence M. Hewson, which lies at the bottom of the Atlantic, 25 miles northwest of Havana, Cuba, where it was wrecked in Monday's hurricane, reached here this afternoon, when the rescued men were brought into Key West on the schooner Pleroma, which was badly battered.

CIGARETTE CONCERN IS DECLARED BANKRUPT

Corporation Was Plaintiff in Suit for $1,000,000

NORFOLK, Va., Oct. 14.—The Ware-Kramer tobacco company, an independent cigarette manufacturing concern, which recently sued the American tobacco company and the Wells Whitehead tobacco company at Raleigh, N. C., claiming $1,000,000 punitive damages for alleged injury in violation of the federal anti-trust laws, was today placed in involuntary bankruptcy.

RUNAWAY BOY FOUND—Muskogee, Okla., Oct. 14.—Onis Evans, the 12 year old youth, heir to a fortune, who was supposed to have been kidnaped here last Saturday, was found today. He had run away from home.

TROOPS LAND FOR ATTACK ON REBELS

Dominican Cutter Arrives at Cape Haitien to Obtain Federal Instructions

CAPE HAITIEN, Oct. 14.—According to advices received here from Santo Domingo the political disturbance near the Haitien frontier is growing more serious.

The Dominican cutter has arrived here to obtain instructions from the San Dominican government, communication with Monte Christi being interrupted. The crew reported that at the time of their departure from Monte Christi a cruiser had arrived there from Punta Plata with troops which were to be landed on the Haitien coast at Port Liberte.

The troops were under orders to attack the revolutionary forces under General Andrew Navarro, now centered on the Haitien frontier at Dajabon.

STEAMER ATHABASCA AGROUND ON ROCKS

WINNIPEG, Oct. 14.—The Canadian Pacific steamer Athabasca is reported on the rocks on Lower Pot island, Georgian bay. She was en route to Fort William. There are passengers on board.

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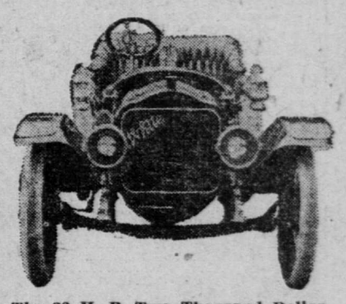

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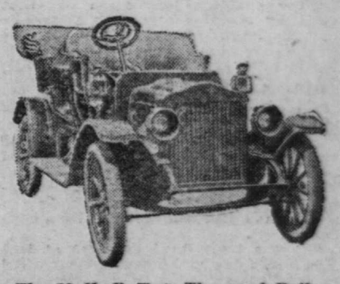

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