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Alleged Records of Explorer Cook Fail To Prove His Claim

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of his note books submitted, the committee says, contains no original calculations of observations, but only results thereof. Accordingly, the committee concludes that he affords no proof of having reached the pole.

LETTER FROM COOK.

Lonsdale produced before the committee a letter from Cook, postmarked Marseilles, December 14. This lends color to the earlier report that Cook sailed from New York for a Mediterranean port.

The papers were not accompanied by any letters from Dr. Cook, but Secretary Lonsdale stated verbally to the commission that the original notes and books of the explorer from which his copies were made had been sent to Europe by another route as a precautionary measure and would be delivered to the university in the course of a few days.

PAPERS SUBMITTED.

The documents handed the commission of the University of Copenhagen for examination are:

First—A typewritten report prepared by Cook's secretary, Walter Lonsdale, and covering 61 pages of fools cap.

Second—A typewritten copy made by Lonsdale from Cook's note books. This occupies 16 pages of foolscap and includes a description of the expedition during the period from March 18, 1908, to June 13, 1908, during which, according to the statement, Cook journeyed from Svartevog to the north pole and returned to a point on the polar ice not specifically indicated but west of the Axel Heiberg land.

In presenting the data, Lonsdale stated explicitly and repeatedly that the copy numbered two was a complete and accurate duplication of the information collected in all of Cook's note books that could be of any importance to the university for the purpose of this examination.

In spite of the explorer's promise and his secretary's assurance that they would be forthcoming, the commission is not yet in possession of the original note books and diaries.

Up to this time it has been impossible for the university authorities to reestablish communication with Dr. Cook which was suspended some time ago. The explorer's address is not known here, even to Secretary Lonsdale.

After the members of the examining committee had made themselves acquainted individually with the material delivered and so convinced themselves of its utter worthlessness as a means of determining whether Cook reached the pole, the president of the committee, Prof. Stromgren, called a general meeting of the committee for last Friday, when the report to the university and which is now made public was drawn up.

Lonsdale, who had been invited to this meeting to answer some questions, brought him a letter which he had received from Cook which bore neither the place nor the date of its writing. The opened envelope, however, bore the postmark Marseilles, Dec. 14, 1909. The same envelope contained a letter addressed by Cook to the former rector of the University of Copenhagen, Prof. Torp. The letter to Torp was dated New York, Sep. 27, 1909.

RECORDS AT ETAH.

In his letter to Prof. Torp, Dr. Cook states that not only were his instruments left at Etah, but most of his astronomical observations also were left there, and he adds that without these it seems unwise and impossible to pass a final judgment upon his expedition. The committee finds as follows:

"First—The report of the expedition sent to the university by Dr. Frederick A. Cook is the same as that printed in the New York Herald during the months of September and October last.

"Second—The copy of Cook's note books does not contain any original astronomical observation whatsoever, but only results.

"Third—The documents presented are inexcusably lacking in information which would prove that the astronomical observations therein referred to were really made and also contain no details regarding the practical work of the expedition and the long journey which would enable the committee to determine their reliability.

"The committee, therefore, is of the opinion that the material transmitted for examination contains no proof that Dr. Cook reached the pole."

The report is signed by all six members of the committee, who were assisted in their inquiry by Knud Rasmussen, the explorer.

The university council issued this statement:

"The documents handed the university for examination do not contain observations and information which can be regarded as proof that Dr. Cook reached the north pole on his recent expedition."

The committee representing the University of Copenhagen in the examination was composed as follows:

Prof. Elis Stromgren, director of the astronomical observatory; Dr. C. F. Pechuls, astronomer attached to the observatory; Gustav Helm, explorer; Prof. A. B. Vonson, president of the school of navigation; Dr. Royder, director of the meteorological office, and Dr. P. A. Engstrom, director of the Land observatory.

Widespread indignation over the deception which has placed practically the whole of Denmark in a somewhat humiliating position, has taken the place today of the hero-worship heretofore accorded to explorer Cook.

PEARY SAYS HE SOUNDED WARNING THREE MONTHS AGO

Washington, D. C., Dec. 21.—"Three months ago from the Labrador coast I sounded an explicit and deliberately worded warning to the world, based on complete and accurate information in regard to the Cook claims. In doing so I accepted the responsibility devolving upon me and fulfilled my duty to myself and to the world."

With these words, Commander Robert E. Peary pointedly expressed his sentiments regarding the failure of the University of Copenhagen to find any proof of the discovery of the north pole by Dr. Cook.

Seated in a comfortably heated room in his apartments on Columbia Road, Commander Peary received an Associated Press representative who apprised him of the decision by the Denmark scientists against Dr. Cook. Although far from showing any delight over the news from Copenhagen, it was evident that the explorer received the news with much satisfaction. Not so much as a faintest suspicion of a smile illumined his stern face, but his eyes lighted up with the welcome knowledge of a vindication which had come to him after difficult trials.

"I have known the outcome of this since weeks before I reached this country on my return from the pole. It was not a matter of belief with me, but of absolute knowledge.

"However, I shall not discuss this matter in detail for publication; it is not necessary.

"The warning which I sent to the country before I landed is still sufficient. You remember my cablegram from Battle Harbor? Here is the exact wording of it:

"'Cook has not been to the pole April 21, 1908, or any other date. He has simply handed the public a gold brick.'"

With this Commander Peary declined further to discuss Dr. Cook or his affairs and it was evident that he regarded the whole controversy as ended.

He declined to say whether he considered it possible for Dr. Cook to proceed further in presenting additional evidence or in submitting his data to other courts of authority.

"My friends may consider this decision a complete vindication of their attitude on this whole subject, but as for me, I do not care to comment," said Mr. Peary.

CREATED NO SURPRISE IN N. Y. SCIENTIFIC CIRCLES

New York, Dec. 21.—News that the University of Copenhagen had refused to accept Dr. Cook's claim that he had discovered the north pole came as no surprise to scientific circles here and to many of his friends who had been prepared for the result by the early indications that Dr. Cook's claims would not be favorably passed upon.

Dr. Cook is now in Christiansand, Norway, according to William L. Cook, his brother.

Mr. Cook said that the doctor had declared that he was ready to go to Copenhagen to give the university further information concerning his claims.

Dr. Cook mysteriously left the hotel Grammatan in the Bronx November 24, where he had gone to prepare his records supporting his claim that he had reached the north pole. It now appears that he sailed Nov. 27 on the steamship Caronia for Naples, where he remained for several days. The information was contained in a letter the explorer sent to his brother, who said:

"Dr. Cook has authorized me to announce that he is in Europe trying to gain a much needed rest, and that is all that I can say. At the proper time my brother will make a statement for publication and until he sees fit to do so, there will be nothing for his friends to do but to respect his wishes and allow him to remain in seclusion."

"FOOLED US ALL," SAYS BRADLEY

"He has fooled all of us, from the king of Denmark down," was the exclamation of John R. Bradley, Dr. Cook's backer in his arctic trip, when apprised of the news from Copenhagen. "And he fooled me with the rest," Mr. Bradley added.

"As a matter of fact," continued the sportsman, "I long ago lost all interest in Dr. Cook, the north pole and everything connected with it. Polar bears and the wild life of the arctic in general is the only thing that has ever interested me much in that connection, anyway.

"As for Dr. Cook, I haven't seen him or heard of him since he left the Waldorf-Astoria to go to Bronxville to 'prepare his records' for submission to the University of Copenhagen. I wasn't in communication with him while he was at the Grammatan and, as a matter of fact, hardly had an hour's conversation with him all the while he was here after his return from the arctic.

"I discounted this decision from the University of Copenhagen some time ago," continued Mr. Bradley. "In common with the rest of the world, I was delighted with the first news from Dr. Cook that he had discovered the pole. His actions, however, and his failure to make more than the meagre statements regarding his trip, which followed his return to civilization took some of the smack off the supposed triumph. I began to weaken decidedly when Dr. Cook left us all without so much as a word of good-bye. When a man runs away you can't expect his friends to fight for him and Cook's fight—for that's what it seemed to me to amount to—killed all my interest in him and his affairs. Before that I had never had reason to doubt Cook and his whole course in this matter seemed inexplicable to me.

SICK OF POLAR BUSINESS.

"I am sick of the whole blooming polar business, and I don't want to hear anything more about the north pole or any of its attributes," was the characteristic way in which Mr. Bradley summed up his attitude.

Charles Wake, Dr. Cook's closest personal friend and the only person besides the doctor's brother who knew the whereabouts of the explorer in the last few weeks, was so dumbfounded when informed of the verdict reached by the University of Copenhagen that he gasped for breath and dropped the telephone receiver.

"This is such a severe blow to me that I cannot now fully appreciate it," said Mr. Wake when he had partly recovered his composure. "I had every confidence in Dr. Cook. Yet I am well acquainted with the authorities of the University of Copenhagen and I know that any verdict they reach is just and true.

"Dr. Cook never expected this adverse decision, I know, for he always spoke with full confidence that the professors would decide that he had gone to the pole.

"At present I do not know what to think of my old friend, Dr. Cook. Certainly I never dreamed of such a fraud as is apparent now." Mr. Wake said that Dr. Cook's wife is with him in Norway, but that his children are here. Mr. Wake is general agent for a large insurance company, is rated as wealthy, and has been one of Dr. Cook's most earnest champions from the beginning.

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Her Heart Was Broken

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New Jail Proposition Killed Because Bids Were High

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the law, in the matter of advertising for the bids, had not been strictly complied with, in that the statute required an advertisement of not less than thirty days, to put the public on notice that it was the intention of the board on a certain date, and not less than thirty days in the future, to meet for the purpose of considering the necessity of building a jail. At the end of such time, Mr. Blount said, when such requirements had been met, he would be in position to give the board an answer as to the manner of financing the building by the placing of the paper. Such would be the legal proceeding exact.

It was intimated by one contracting representative that possibly the advertisement which had already been published as a notice to architects and contractors would be sufficient. Mr. Morgan quoted from the law governing the erection of public buildings (section 5698, statutes of 1907), saying that "the statute must be complied with absolutely and not by implication." Mr. Blount then stated that he was anxious to land the job, but he wanted all legal matters correctly attended to, and in putting off his reply until the law in all its terms had been complied with, he was following the advice of his attorneys.

Judge Carter then enlightened the board on the law. He said that the board had no right to issue bonds without holding an election, and of observing the proper form as to equities between the contractor and the county. He said that warrants may be issued, but that their acceptance would be on risk, intimating that an injunction would stop their payment should the law not be strictly complied with. They would be non-negotiable warrants and not assignable. Judge Carter reiterated that unless the required notice were given it would not be a legal proceeding.

MR. BROWN TALKS.

Commissioner Brown then, addressing himself, as he said, to the newspaper men, gave it as his opinion which he attempted to prove, that there would not have to be a five-mill taxation assessed to build the jail, but it could be done on not more than a two-mill basis. In support of such expression of opinion, he said, that, up to the last few months, there had been people doing business for years in Escambia county liable to taxation who had never paid a cent of taxes and he was responsible for the fact that there had been a gain of nearly ten thousand dollars of increase in tax collections for the past month. He was responsible, he stated, for having the sheriff to go after the delinquents and tax-dodgers, and the records would bear him out respecting the increase. Mr. Brown has been all along a firm advocate of the construction of the jail, and was much put out by the way things were going, it appeared.

RESOLUTION PASSED.

In order that everything would be passed up in legal form, the following resolution was offered and adopted:

"Resolved, By the board of county commissioners of Escambia county, Florida, in meeting duly asembled, That they deem it necessary to erect a jail for said county, and that notice be given for 30 days in a newspaper published in Pensacola, in said county, that at the next regular meeting of the board, after the publication of said notice, the question of erecting a jail will be acted upon by the said board."

It was proposed that such meeting be held in February, on the 8th inst., and that the question be disposed of then. The notice, however, was never ordered published, at least in open session.

DISCUSSION GENERAL.

Then followed the most animated of discussions. Architect Benz wanted to know if the bids go over thirty days would the same ones hold good, or would they be under consideration just the same. The chairman was of the opinion that a tentative contract could be made and he did not see any reason why the board could not proceed in the matter.

Jett Brothers' representative said it was a question whether or not the certified checks could be held for thirty days. He wanted some sort of action right away.

Mr. Bowman, representing the Stuart Jail company, thought that the paper could be handled with a little interest, and Mr. Allen, another representative, suggested that the bidders be talked with concerning that interest proposition on the warrants.

The discussion was being heard from all angles when Commissioner Brown moved that a recess be declared until 9:20 o'clock, which made an intermission of thirty minutes, in order to give representatives a chance to submit on paper what they would handle the county paper for. During this intermission the matter in all its phases was talked over. When the board re-convened it was found that three representatives had submitted offers for financing the building, but these were not opened, for a resolution from Commissioner Davis declaring that the reception of the bids on the warrant basis would be in the light of new and increased bids. What became of that resolution was not recorded.

Then followed some rapid-fire oratory.

Commissioner Brown, gaining the chairman's eye, said he wanted to know whether or not the people of Escambia county wanted to see the jail finished. He wanted to see the award made at that meeting or there would be no new jail at all.

One of the Jett brothers, of Mobile, started to talk and ended up by giving notice that he would withdraw his bid, and wanted his certified check back.

Attorney Morgan was asked for an opinion as to whether or not the bids with interest proposition added would be new bids. He did not think the reception of the bids on such a proposition would be new bids in the light as suggested.

Mr. Blount then took occasion to call attention to the fact, as the law plainly recited, that all work in excess of $300 should be let out by advertisement and bid. He said the interest on the warrants would be in excess of such amount. He did not think specifications would change the law at all.

Judge Carter, speaking by request on the Davis resolution, said that, in his opinion, the reception of the bids with the interest added on warrant proposition was new bids. "You can make any specifications you want to, but the county commissioners can't change the law and must follow the statutes," rejoined Judge Carter.

Everybody was trying to talk then. S. S. Leonard was on his feet and began talking, when Mr. Blount asked if Mr. Leonard was a bidder, and was the meeting for contractors or the public.

Then Commissioner Steward arose, got recognition and offered his motion that all bids be rejected, "because they were all too high." This was seconded by Commissioner Davis.

Commissioner Brown, as this motion was seconded, arose and said with feeling: "Mr. Chairman, I have worked all along with the board in this matter and have the greatest feelings for all the members, but if this jail proposition is not carried through tonight, sir, I give notice that I will tender my resignation as commissioner from district No. 2."

Commissioner McQuarrie said that the original plans had been to erect a jail for $75,000. The Benz plans made it $85,000. Now it developed that the work cannot be done for less than $100,000. He said the only way out of the predicament was to reject all the bids, and he voted for the Steward motion. Commissioner Brown did not vote.

Mr. Benz did not take kindly to the criticism heaped upon him by Commissioner McQuarrie, and started to say something. Things were in rather a turmoil by this time, and finally Mr. Benz suggested that "he be given about fifteen minutes with the board in executive session to attend to the advertising right this time." The board acceded to this "suggestion," and cleared the room. Twenty-nine people were ousted, and the board talked behind closed doors. What conclusion was reached was, of course, not made public.

The bidders left the court house, about as disgusted a set of men as ever bid on a job. They secured from the clerk their respective certified checks, which had been deposited, amounting to $70,000 in all, and some of them said they were not going to put in another bid.

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BOARD OF BOND TRUSTEES HAD BUSY SESSION

A busy session of the board of bond trustees was held at the office of the chairman, R. M. Bushnell, at 4:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon, and some important matters came up for disposition. The wood block paving contracting firm appeared through their representatives, Messrs. Reed and Carson, and asked that the time they lost on the contract on account of events not of their own and not brought on by them be not charged against the work limit, and also asked that inconveniences and the hindrances be ordered removed as rapidly as possible. The bond trustees heard the representations of the company and will put the matter up to Consulting Engineer T. Chalkley Hatton when that official arrives in the city during the first part of next week.

The electric company, through the local manager, Mr. Warren, and the company's engineer, Mr. Hinckley, asked that the grade at the corner of Alcaniz and Wright streets be changed so as to better meet conditions as set forth by the two officials. The grade of the street has been a matter of much complaint in the past. The sidewalks are higher by fourteen inches than the new level of the street, and it was for the purpose of avoiding trouble with washes during the rains at intervals that the company's officials are preparing now. This matter will also be put up to the consulting engineer, the electric company's officials promising to place their desires in writing and to submit such in written form to the engineer when he arrives.

Block Contractor's Complaint.

Mr. Reed, who appeared before the board of trustees yesterday, stated that he had been in the business for over twelve years and had never been held to account for an over-time contract yet, and he pleaded with the board to have removed some of the hindrances which keep his forces from a rapid execution of the work. This company's contract was to place the entire wood block paving into place within the space of 111 days. The time lacks but a few days, or until about the middle of January, for completion, and there are still perhaps seven yards to build yet. Supporting the claim that the work had been badly interfered with, Mr. Reed stated that he had been unable to build over any of the railroad crossings; that he had started on Intendencia street and had graded it when the sewer was ordered changed on a day's notice. On Gregory street he had been delayed because of the crossings of the electric street and L. & N. railway tracks, while on other streets water and gas piping had to be done and this also interfered to no small degree with the work. He put forth such an argument supporting his claim that the work had been delayed for causes for which he could not be held responsible that one member of the board individually expressed the opinion that the work had been prosecuted with much diligence, and he did not think that it was the sentiment of the board to hold the contractors down to the very last 24 hours of demurrage.

Regarding a number of points where the blocks as down in place now had shown a tendency to bulge up, Mr. Reed stated that the blocks, being in the sun for some time before they could be used, the moisture had been drawn from the blocks and they would naturally expand. He promised, and was supported by a gentleman present, that after final treatment these bad places be noted, and several others which Mr. Bushnell called his attention to, would come around all right.

Before the street railway officials took their departure, Mr. Reed asked them about the material for special work which was to be used at Palafox and Gregory streets. He was informed that this material was now on the road, and that it would be here early in January. This reply was noted by Mr. Reed in his talk to the board to strengthen his opinion that hindrance had been thrown in the way to prevent a rapid consummation of the contract.

All these matters, however, will be referred for adjustment to Mr. Hatton, who comes shortly on important business.

The board had intended at this meeting to approve certificates of past work, there having been about 125 all ready for signature. This will all be attended to today, when Mr. Covington, of the board, will spend an hour or more with the chairman.

Chairman Bushnell and Messrs. Covington and Merritt were all in attendance at the meeting yesterday.

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