

STEFANSSON FINDS LOST CONTINENT

But It's the Continent From Which No Man Returns



Above, map of Arctic regions north of Alaska's northernmost point, showing where members of Stefansson expedition probably have gone to their deaths. Below, picture of Explorer Stefansson, taken by Fred L. Boalt of The Star, just before he sailed from Esquimaux, B. C., last year.

By Fred L. Boalt

It was more than a year ago that I saw Vilhjalmur Stefansson and his party sail on the Karluk from the Esquimaux navy yard, near Victoria, in search of the Lost Continent. For an hour at least Stefansson talked to me of his plans and hopes.

He was sure of success. His theory seemed to him so sound that he did not see how he could fail. "Why," he asked, "do the currents in the Arctic flow from Greenland along the Siberian coast instead of straight across unless it is that they are deflected from the natural course by a great body of land—a continent? It is there—I know it is there."

Then, too, there were the blond Eskimos whom he had found on a previous expedition on the northern edge of the American continent, between the Mackenzie river and Prince Albert Land. Brother scientists had laughed at Stefansson's "blond Eskimos," and he was angrily determined that he would bring back such proof of the existence of these strange people as would turn the laugh on his critics.

The men of the party were as buoyantly sure of success as was their leader. Young they were, and hardy—men of science and men of the sea. Their ship was stout, equipment good.

They sailed away to search for the Lost Continent. Some of them found it, but they send no message. They are dead men.

Stefansson left the Karluk to find again his "blond Eskimos," as he told me he would do. And while he was ashore, the Karluk, caught in the ice, drifted away, and was lost in the Arctic ocean.

Storms drove it this way and that. Ice floes bore down and crushed those strong wooden walls. And finally the Karluk was wrecked on Wrangell Island, off the coast of Siberia.

Meanwhile, Stefansson, on April 7 last, with a supporting party of four men, left the Arctic shore and proceeded 50 miles out to sea over the ice.

Then he went on alone, saying he would return to report on the condition of the ice. Two days later an open lead appeared in the ice. The floes drifted. Stefansson was adrift on the Arctic ocean—alone.

There is no question but that he, at least, has found the lost continent.

The crew of the Karluk reached shore on Wrangell Island in safety, only to be marooned.

Capt. "Bob" Bartlett, the Newfoundlander, who was Peary's skipper, crossed the ice to Siberia to get help. When he left the island, his shipmates had enough food to sustain them for 85 days. Unless they found game and here, apparently, is the only hope that the men of the expedition are still alive—they must have eaten their last meal about August 15.

Bartlett organized a relief party and tried to return to Wrangell Island. He failed. And tried again and again.

Ice surrounds Wrangell island, ice as far as the eye can see. Windrows of ice, like the mountain ranges with valleys between, ice that, as it flows and swells, cracks with crushing sounds which are like the roar of a great battle between armies of infantry. Then, as the pressure grows and mounds of ice are split and rent, they explode with the ear-splitting racket of siege guns. And storms and tides agitate that mass of ice, so that it heaves and moves, and grinds and groans. And leads appear, and close. And no man can cross that ice.

On the island are 18 white men and three Eskimos. Wrangell island is but a waste of rock and ice and snow. At certain seasons a few seals come there. Seal and walrus are sometimes found.

The other day there came down from the North word of Stefansson's undoubted death and of Bartlett's failure.

The news was brought by H. R. Smith, second mate of the wrecked schooner Transit. After the wreck Smith joined the United States revenue cutter Bear, at Point Barrow, and was aboard when the cutter made a futile effort to reach Wrangell Island.

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Class A Until Saturday Night "A Typographical Error," Selig drama; "For the Cause," Biograph drama; "The Unwritten Play," Vitaphone drama; "Nearly a Widow," Edison comedy.

Colonial Sunday Until Tuesday Night "The Honeymooners" and "Such a Hunter," two John Bunny comedies; "The Devil's Signature," drama; "The New Reporter," Biograph drama.

Grand Sunday Until Tuesday Night "Conscience," two-part Thursday drama; "Mutual Weekly,"

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"John Barleycorn," the film dramatization of the story of the same name by Jack London, is shown at the Mission for the last time tonight. Tomorrow brings W. B. Warner in "Lost Paradise," a labor story, for an all-week run.

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VALLEY FOLK TELL SIDE OF RENTON FUSS

Editor The Star: Before the people condemn the proposed Renton agreement it is desired they should thoroughly understand it. Councilman Erickson admits that the city is in a "hole," with reference to the many lawsuits attempting to clear the Renton tangle. From reliable sources it has been learned that Corporation Counsel Bradford said the Renton company would be able to collect damages from the city—several hundred thousand dollars, and that the public service commission would grant the company increased rates, and that the case now pending in the supreme court would not be settled for years. Rainier av. cannot be improved until the case is settled. In view of all this the city would be justified in acquiring the railway on any kind of reasonable terms. The road is being operated this year for 65 per cent, and the city can, therefore, undertake to pay 25 per cent annually to the company out of the total receipts. This matter should be left largely with the people of Rainier valley, as we will have to pay the bills. C. W. GILLESPIE

Edward Ferguson robbed in Tourist hotel lobby. It is reported Fritz Kreisler, noted violinist, has been killed fighting with Austrians near Lemberg.

BIG WORDS GET CHICAGO DOC IN HOLE

PARIS, Sept. 12.—Dr. Schumann of Chicago got into trouble with the authorities at Dijon, France, because he was in possession of a manuscript filled with horrid words dealing with bacteria. The French thought him a German spy. The names of the bacteria looked to them like a spy's code. The plain fighting men read these fearsome words and decided that a man who used them must be dangerous and ought to be shot. Dr. Schumann got out of his dilemma by falling to the ground in great evident pain, and the humane, if stern, French soldiery called a doctor to treat the German-American's stomach ache. The patient leaped to his feet and pressed the diabolical manuscript on bacteria into the hands of the French doctor. "Science embraced across the international frontier," said the doctor. "But, Monsieur Doctor," said the soldier, "there are certain statements here about azotobacter, bacterium, merisopocidides and B. pyocyanus. Do you assure me on your honor as a soldier that there is nothing in these terms designed to help the Germans reach Paris?" "Reach Paris!" scoffed the doctor. "Simple, everyday words like those!" Dr. Holmes justly states that "words lead to things." Dr. Schumann can testify that they sometimes lead to embarrassing things.

STAR CIRCLE FOR YOUNG FOLKS

UNCLE JACK SETS ASIDE WEEK FOR YOUNG ARTISTS

Next week's contest will be a change from story writing to drawing. The Circle has not held a drawing contest for so long, many letters have been received asking for one, so that Uncle Jack has decided on that subject. If the letters speak anything for the number of drawings that will be received, the contest promises to break all former records. Uncle Jack hopes that all boys and girls who read The Star will compete. The rules of the contest are: Drawings must be made in ink and must be on regulation drawing paper, the names and addresses of the contestants to be written on the back of the drawings submitted. No more than three drawings from each contestant may be entered, and no drawing received later than 3 o'clock next Friday will be considered. The prize is a pound box of candy. The age limit for all contests is 16 years.

A KIDS' CONCERT

The South Park Choral club gave its first public concert at the South Park fieldhouse Wednesday night, under the direction of J. D. Trenholm. Several vocal and musical solos were on the bill.

WASHINGTON, D. C., KIDS WRITE TO THE CIRCLE; WANT TO HEAR FROM SEATTLE'S YOUNG FOLKS

THE "Kamel Kids," or, in real life, Rebecca, William, Gary and Francis Campbell, are four children in Washington, D. C. In every state in the Union there are children who write to them. If there are any Circleites who would like to correspond with them, come down to The Star and give your names to Uncle Jack. If you can't do that, phone. The first four to get their names in will have the privilege of writing to the "Kamel Kids." In next week's Circle Uncle Jack will give the names of the four Seattle correspondents.

BOYS WILL RALLY AT LESCHI PARK IN OCT.

The opening rally of the boy scouts will be held at the Leschi Park pavilion, on the first Saturday of October. A program committee will look after the stage performances and a team attached to an ice wagon became frightened and dashed down the main street. Harold Jones, 13, member of the boy scouts, gave chase on his bicycle, and finally brought the animals to a standstill. He refused a reward.

BRAVE BOY SCOUT IS A HERO IN RUNAWAY

The excellent training of the boy scouts was demonstrated recently in Montoursville, Pa. While a driver was making a delivery, the team attached to an ice wagon became frightened and dashed down the main street. Harold Jones, 13, member of the boy scouts, gave chase on his bicycle, and finally brought the animals to a standstill. He refused a reward.

FRANKLIN HIGH DESCRIBED; GIRL WINS THE PRIZE

Early studies must have taken up much of the time of the Circleites this week, as there were only 17 competitors in the Circle's weekly contest. Bernes Northern was the winner. Her description follows: FRANKLIN HIGH By Bernes Northern As one nears Franklin high school, it is seen to be a beautiful building, in a commanding location. It is imposingly situated on a green, terraced slope, commanding a sweeping view of Rainier valley. In the front, the white Doric columns are surmounted by a white tiled roof. The many long windows are curtained with brown shades. Entering the massive doors of Washington fir, the wide, cool hall is seen. On one side of the hall are the class room doors and on either side are lockers. The assembly hall is large and well lighted, the library large and the laboratories well equipped. There are, also, a large lunchroom and gymnasium. All these things combine to make it one of the finest and best high schools on the Coast.

SCOUTS GATHER

The monthly meeting of the scoutmasters was held at the Park board room Thursday evening. Plans for the fall and winter were discussed.

SULTAN HEARS POWERS' GROWL

ROME, Sept. 12.—Trouble with Turkey was considered here today to be very seriously threatened. News that the ambassadors at Constantinople had told the sultan the powers could not accept a termination of the Turkish extraterritorial rights was looked on as likely to bring matters to a head immediately. Announcement that the German ambassador was among those who refused to listen to the Turkish proclamation of the abrogation of its extra-territorial treaties was puzzling. It had been assumed the sultan had German backing in making his declaration.

HELD AS FORGER

He who hesitates is lost. That's why Timothy Hopkins, alias John G. Hopkins, 25, is in jail today. Yesterday he presented a check for \$250, drawn on the Mutual Film Corporation, and made payable to Paul Di Toure, to A. Friedlander, a jeweler at 923 First av. He asked the jeweler to cash it and was told to call later. He hesitated, then decided he would. He did. Patrolman H. C. Smith got him. Capt. of Detectives Tennant declares it is a plain case of forgery. C. F. Fredericks, manager of the Three Girls' bakeries, fined \$10 for failure to label a number of loaves of bread, declared today he is a victim of persecution. Missing thousands of two while labeling loaves of bread, he insists, and adds that his arrest occurred because the inspectors were antagonistic toward him. He has appealed.

PHOTO PLAYS

"Cabria," to be presented at the Metropolitan theatre, beginning Sunday night, is one of the greatest works turned out by the Italia Film company, of Italy. The buildings, temples, and other structures used in the productions have been made especially for the picture. The eruption scene is said to be wonderfully realistic. The picture will be shown twice daily, for two weeks from tomorrow. Special music will interpret the picture. Popular John Bunny will be seen in a double bill on the new program at the Colonial theatre today. Bunny appears in a Vitaphone comedy, "Such a Hunter," and another, "The Honeymooners." The last named photoplay appeared 250 times in the Vitaphone theatre in New York city. Flora Finch is allocated in both stories. The dramatic feature of the bill is "The Devil's Signature," an intensely interesting dramatic story, is shrouded by a spell of mystery, that compels close attention. "The New Reporter" is a Biograph story of a girl's success as a news gatherer during a heated campaign.

World's news; "A Lesson in Mechanics," comedy. Melbourne Sunday and All Week "Dope," six-part drama. Mission Sunday and All Week "Lost Paradise," with W. B. Warner. Alaskan Sunday and All Week "The Odyssey of the North," a Jack London picture story. Odeon Tonight "Tennessee," two-part drama; "The Girl in the Shack," two-part drama; "Jane the Justice" and "Our Cousins." Alhambra Until Sunday Night "Traffic in Souls," six-part melodrama.

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