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COOK TO CLEAR HIMSELF
Says He Will Climb to Top of Mount McKinley Again.
New York, Oct. 18.—Dr. Frederick A. Cook, in accordance with his announced policy, did not leave town last night, as he had planned, again to take up his lecture tour, but remained at the Waldorf. He announced that he was going to cancel all the lectures he could and fight the detractors that have risen against him.
He made a start on the latter part of this program by appearing before a meeting of the Explorers' club, which has in hand the question whether or not Dr. Cook really did climb Mount McKinley back in 1906. Dr. Cook wanted to know whether any charges against him had been filed at the club that he had not made the climb. The doctor said that he wanted to answer such charges if they had been made. If they haven't been regularly filed, he didn't want to put himself on the defensive by producing his proofs. He was told that no regular charges had been preferred, but the question having arisen as to his claim through the recent statements of the guide, Barrill, and others, an investigation was in progress with regard to that question. Dr. Cook said that he was going on with his plans for another expedition to Mount McKinley to prove the validity of his claim.

ROOSEVELT TO PEARY
Ex-President Says He Performed One of Greatest Feats of Ages.
New York, Oct. 16.—Colonel Roosevelt sent a cablegram to Commander Peary at Portland, Me., saying: "I deeply appreciate your cable and congratulate you from my heart. All Americans, and indeed all civilized mankind are your debtors. You performed one of the greatest feats of the ages."
The Roosevelt party arrived here from north of Ganso Nyro. All are well. Colonel Roosevelt has killed three more elephants, completing the group intended for the Smithsonian institution at Washington. Kermit Roosevelt killed two elephants and an exceptionally large rhinoceros.

JEFFRIES ON WAY TO AMERICA
Must Fight Johnson or Admit He Does Not Intend to Re-enter Ring.
New York, Oct. 18.—Jim Jeffries will be compelled to make a match with Jack Johnson for the heavy-weight championship of the world or admit that he does not intend to re-enter the prize ring. Jeffries is on the Lusitania, which will arrive here Thursday morning, and has promised to make arrangements for the big fight without further delay. Johnson will be in Chicago probably by the end of the week and says he will be ready to sign articles and post a forfeit to go as a side bet.

Johnson's victory over Ketchel, the latter being knocked out in the twelfth round, has put the pugilistic situation squarely up to Jeffries.
Ketchel did his best, under overwhelming odds, but that was about all. The fact that he knocked Johnson down in the twelfth round showed that he had his punch with him, but that he could not land it on the right spot, because of the negro's clever defensive tactics. The way Johnson cut loose his attack after being floored showed that he did not have any yellow streak and was a slugger as well as a boxer.

CHILDREN RETURN HOME
Little Ones Kidnaped in St. Louis Brought Back by Their Fathers.
St. Louis, Oct. 18.—Grace and Tommaso Viviano, who were kidnaped from their home here Aug. 2, arrived home in the company of their fathers. The mothers of the children, who are cousins, and many other relatives and friends were at the Union station to greet them.
The children were showered with kisses and their mothers held them in their arms en route to their homes. Special services of thanks were held in St. Charles Borromeo Catholic church in honor of the return of the children.
The children were found wandering aimlessly on the streets of Chicago by Detective Stephen Parody. The police believe that the kidnapers had the children secreted in a secluded section of the city and turned them loose when efforts to extort ransom failed.

NICARAGUAN REVOLUTION
Chile Falls and, It is Reported, San Carlos, Also.
New Orleans, Oct. 18.—A special from Bluefields, via wireless from Colon, said: The town of Chile, an important point twenty miles above Nansa, is in the hands of the insurgents. There was sharp firing long before the place was taken. The leaders of Zelaya's forces and Estrada's force were both killed.
It is reported that San Carlos, a strategic point on Lake Nicaragua, has been captured by insurgents.

Meat Packers Convene.
Chicago, Oct. 18.—The fourth annual convention of the American Meat Packers' association was opened here today. Five hundred delegates from all parts of the country have arrived. Governor Deneen welcomed the delegates at the opening of the convention this morning.

Pirates Win World's Championship.
Detroit, Oct. 16.—Once more the National Baseball league is triumphant. The Pittsburgh Pirates today won the championship of the world by beating the Detroit Tigers in the seventh and deciding game of the series, 5 to 0.

NEBRASKA NEWS
Bank Guaranty Law Held Invalid by Federal Court.
INJUNCTION MADE PERMANENT

Judges Vandeventer and Munger Hold Statute Illegal on Two Points—Cannot Prohibit Private Banks From Conducting Business—Guaranty Fund Contravenes Constitution. Undecided on Extra Session.
Lincoln, Neb., Oct. 18.—The Nebraska bank guaranty law, enacted by the last legislature, is invalid, the federal court decided. Judges Vandeventer and T. C. Munger handed down a decision affirming the decision of the lower court and making permanent the temporary injunction granted by the district court preventing the law from going into operation.
The court holds the provisions which forbid an individual from engaging in the state banking business without incorporating is in violation of the fourteenth amendment to the federal constitution and section 3, article I, of the Nebraska constitution, as is the enforced contributions to the guaranty fund.
Inasmuch as these two features of the law were inducements to the passage of the act, the court held the entire act is invalid.
The decree makes the temporary injunction perpetual and taxes the costs of the case to the defendants, Governor Shallenberger and the members of the state banking board and the secretary to the banking board appointed by the governor, Samuel Patterson, who never served.
"I shall not say whether I will call an extra session for the enactment of another law or not until I have read the decision," said Governor Shallenberger when told of the decision. "If the decision points out the weak points of the law, and they appear to be fatal I may call an extra session."

Move in Surety Bond Case.
Attorney General Thompson filed an affidavit in the federal court, signed by John M. Gilchrist, resisting the application of the American Surety company of New York for a temporary injunction to prevent the newly created state bonding board from regulating the rates charged by surety companies in Nebraska. Mr. Gilchrist is a certified public accountant and during the last eight years has spent considerable time auditing and adjusting accounts of surety companies. After the legislature created the board he was employed by the board to assist in making up a schedule of rates to be charged in Nebraska.

SILICA SAND FOR THE WORLD
Furnas County's Big Bed Draws Buyers From East.
Beaver City, Neb., Oct. 16.—The beds of silica sand near Beaver City, comprising several hundred acres, have been opened and the sand is being shipped in carload lots to Cambridge, Mass., where it will be used by a large manufacturing concern, but for what purpose has not been disclosed. These beds of silica have been known for years. In 1892 options were secured upon them by a large concern at Cleveland, O., and several carloads were shipped east. It was claimed, to polish glass. This scheme was abandoned and the options expired. Later some of the silica was sent to Denver, where a soap company, under a flaming name, advertised it as a "natural soap" deposit, accidentally discovered. The beds of silica in the eastern part of the county were purchased by the Cudahy Packing company and are now being actively worked, trainloads of the stuff going to the company's plants, where it is used in the manufacture of a cleaning preparation. If the product is as valuable as claimed, Furnas county can supply the world.

SYNOD TAKES UP APPEAL
Committee Investigates Location for New Church at North Omaha.
Minden, Neb., Oct. 18.—The committee appointed by the Presbyterian synod to investigate the location of a new church in North Omaha will make its report today. This comes up on appeal from the presbytery by the church covenant. The committee on foreign missions reported progress in its work. The report was accepted and the recommendations adopted. The progress of the synod thus far has developed that the church generally is in fine condition throughout the state. Advance is made in all branches. It will take up the work of the coming year following this synod and make still greater progress.

Grain Growers Interested.
Hastings, Neb., Oct. 19.—President Nelson of the grain growers' department of the American Society of Equity, who recently issued a call for a national conference of grain growers in Indianapolis on Nov. 15, said that letters he has received from many points in the western states indicate that the attendance will be large. The proposition to enlist farmers and cooperative elevators in a concerted movement has attracted much attention in the local unions, and definite proposals to bring the institutions together are expected to be advanced at the national conference.

JOHNSON HELD FOR MURDER
Such is Recommendation of Coroner's Jury in Frankland Case.
Omaha, Oct. 16.—The coroner's jury in the case of Henry R. Frankland of Chicago, who was murdered and robbed in the railroad yards at the Union station Wednesday night, recommended the holding of Thomas Johnson, the negro now under arrest. Johnson is a veteran of the Spanish war and draws a pension for disability.
The testimony against Johnson as introduced was entirely circumstantial. Witnesses appeared who testified that within an hour after Frankland was killed Johnson was wiping blood stains from his coat at the Humboldt hotel, at 1419 Dodge street, where he spent the night after the killing. The knife with which the killing is supposed to have been done was introduced in evidence and identified by Dolley Walker, a negro woman, who declared that Johnson had stolen it from her at her home on Tuesday before the killing.
Johnson maintains his same attitude and stands on his original story to the officer, denying the murder absolutely.
The prisoner was returned to the city jail. The date of his arraignment has not been determined upon.

CLUB WOMEN TALK OF HOME
Miss Bouton of State University Gives a Lecture on Her Work.
Lincoln, Neb., Oct. 15.—The Federation of Women's clubs spent a good deal of its time discussing the making of the home. Miss Rosa Bouton of the department of domestic science of the State university gave a lecture on her work, which was of intense interest to the visitors. Miss Bouton explained what is being done to advance the young women of the state in the affairs of home making and her work was given the indorsement of many of the women.
A. L. Mains, state food commissioner, gave a lecture on his work, in which he told the women how he was trying to make it possible for them to secure pure food for their husbands. A feature of the session was the discussion over the proposition to take into the federation the auxiliary organizations of the farmers' institutes.

C. H. SMITH PLEADS GUILTY
Plattsmouth Postmaster Acknowledges Making False Voucher.
Omaha, Oct. 19.—Chester H. Smith, postmaster at Plattsmouth, appeared before Judge T. C. Munger in the United States district court and entered a plea of guilty to an indictment charging him with submitting a false and erroneous account and voucher to the auditor of the postoffice department. He was fined \$1,000. The fine was paid before Mr. Smith and his attorney left the building and Smith was discharged from custody.
Mr. Smith had been postmaster of Plattsmouth for about twelve years. The specific charge on which he was indicted was of pretending to have paid to his assistant postmaster, Mabel C. Truessler, the sum of \$250 for the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1906, securing her receipt for that amount, when, in fact, he paid her but \$150.

NO SALOONS OR PREACHERS
Warfare at Pender Results in Banishing Both From the Town.
Pender, Neb., Oct. 15.—The keeper of the Pender Liberty club was arrested and the goods seized by the sheriff. The Pender Liberty club came into existence several months ago, after the saloons were closed. Its membership consisted of about 150 people. James Maloy was the keeper or dispenser for the convenience of its patrons. Rev. C. S. Hughes is the complaining witness and is credited with closing all the saloons. His new field of operation, he says, is the boot leggers.
Pender preachers and saloons are in the same boat, in that there are none here at the present time. The conflict has ended in the disposal of both.

LIGGETT SUED FOR \$15,000
Held Responsible for Death of John M. Campbell by the Widow.
Omaha, Oct. 14.—Guy H. Liggett has been sued for \$15,000 in the district court by the widow of the man killed in an automobile accident when Liggett was driving the car.
Mrs. Mary Campbell, who was the wife of John M. Campbell, is suing as the administratrix of his estate.
Her petition avers that her husband met death through Liggett's carelessness last August. It recites that Liggett was an inexperienced driver, that he caused his car, an electric, to trail a street car and that he not only knocked Campbell down when the latter got off the street car, but that Liggett's car struck him a second blow, which was the cause of death.

FARMERS SLOW TO HUSK CORN
No Accurate Estimate of Crop Can Be Made as Yet.
Omaha, Oct. 15.—Nebraska farmers do not seem to be in a hurry to husk their corn, being engaged in other work and no further estimate can be made of the crop, although what has been gathered shows good condition. Rainfall has been general over the state, putting the soil in excellent condition for fall plowing. There is no complaint anywhere concerning the condition of the winter wheat crop. Seeding began in earnest after the rains and that which was sown before the rain is in fine shape.

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