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UNION MEN CELEBRATE

Parade and Sporting Events Carried out Successfully by Labor Men of the City--Const. Bertwhistle Wins Five Mile Championship of the Province.

On Monday the labor men had their annual labor day celebration. It consisted of a parade and sports at Dominion Park.

At 1 o'clock the parade formed on Hamilton street and marched around several streets in the city and then to Dominion park. There was a large number of unions represented in the parade which was headed by the Excelsior Band. The prize for the best turn out was awarded to the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners.

The events at Dominion Park were well contested. The main event was the five mile foot race for the championship of Saskatchewan. This was won by Const. Bertwhistle, of the R.N.W.M.P., who covered the distance in 30 min. 42 1/2 sec., beating the previous record of 32 minutes. Five entered in the race, but only three finished. These finished, Bertwhistle, first; Fowles, second, and Wanless, third. Bertwhistle beat Fowles by about 250 yards, and Wanless by about 14 yards more.

The other events were as follows: 100 yards dash, open to registered men only. First prize gold medal, second prize, silver medal, third prize, bronze medal--1, F. Stewart, 2, J. M. Swan; 3, D. W. Grant.

100 yards dash, open to union men only. First prize, \$4; 2nd prize \$2--1, H. Farrar; 2, P. McCoy; 3, J. S. Bedding.

100 yards dash, boys 16 and under, open to all. First prize \$4; 2nd prize \$2--1, R. Gordon; 2, H. Longworthy; 3, E. Stewart.

Sack race, open to all. First prize, \$3; 2nd prize \$2--1, A. J. Gillespie; 2, D. W. Grant.

Running high jump, union men only. First prize, \$4--H. Farrar, 41 feet. 2nd prize, gold medal; 2nd prize, silver medal; 3rd prize, bronze medal--1, Stewart; 2, J. M. Swan; 3, D. W. Grant.

50 yards dash for girls, sixteen and under, open to all. First prize \$4; 2nd prize \$2--1, Annie Bocz; 2, E. Miller.

Running broad jump, union men only. First prize, \$4; 2nd prize \$2--1, H. Farrar, 16.74; 2, Percy McCoy, 16.4.

Human wheelbarrow race, open to all. First prize, \$3; 2nd prize, \$2--1, Farrar and McCoy; 2, Grant and Stewart.

Running hop, step and jump, registered men only. First prize, gold medal; 2nd prize, silver medal; 3rd prize, bronze medal--1, A. Baker, 36.8; 2, F. Stewart, 36.3; 3, McCallum, 37.

129 yards hurdle race, union men only. First prize, \$4; 2nd prize \$2--1, P. McCoy; 2, H. Farrar.

130 yards hurdle race, registered men only. First prize, gold medal; 2nd prize, silver medal--1, A. Baker; 2, Miller.

Death of Oliver Wylie.

Friday morning last, while working in the stable among his horses, in the Tregarva district, one of them kicked Mr. Oliver Wylie. He complained to those working about the place that one of them had kicked him, indicating that he had a pain on the lower left side of the abdomen. He passed into the stable again and it is not known whether he was again attacked by the same animal. He was found in the stable by one of the employees choring about the building. No explanation was given by Mr. Wylie except that he had been kicked. Mr. Wylie failing to recover, a messenger was despatched to Lumsden for medical assistance, and in a short time Dr. Anderson was present. Life was extinct when the doctor arrived. Mr. Wylie was a young man and a resident of the district about five years. Deceased was an energetic, enterprising farmer and the sad intelligence of his death caused a feeling of deep regret all through the community. Along with farming he took an interest in breeding a superior class of horses. He was 38 years of age and leaves a widow and two children, aged 4 and 9 years.

The funeral on Sunday afternoon to Tregarva cemetery, was attended by many from all parts of the surrounding district. Rev. Wm. Arnett, of Lumsden Methodist church, conducted services at the home and cemetery.--Lumsden News Record.

PEARY VISITED NORTH POLE

After Several Attempts Commander Peary Claims to Have Been at North Pole on April 6th, 1909--Messages sent by Him to Different Points.

"Indian Harbor, via Cape Race Nfld., Sept. 8.--Peary reports Stars and Stripes nailed to North Pole."

New York, Sept. 6.--The following despatch was received here today: "Indian Harbor, via Cape Race, Nfld. To the Associated Press, New York. Stars and Stripes nailed to North Pole. (Signed) Peary."

London, Sept. 6.--The Reuter Telegram Co., has received the following message dated Indian Harbor, via wireless telegraph to Cape Race: Stars and Stripes nailed to North Pole. (Signed) Peary.

The foregoing startling message signed Peary is the only reliable information up to this time. It was received in New York today, through the Postal Telegraph Co. It was handed in at Indian Harbor, Labrador, and sent from there by wireless to Cape Race, Nfld., and from Cape Race to Pt. Aux Basque, by the Newfoundland government lines. Thence to Casco, N. S., by cable, and to New York from there over the lines of the Commercial Cable Co.

Admiral Melville, when informed of the text of the associated press report from Peary said, "If Peary has telegraphed the Associated Press that he has found the Pole I believe it, and say bully for him."

Commander Robert Peary left Sidney, N. S., on July 10, 1909 on the steamer Roosevelt on his third attempt to reach the pole. His last remark as he went on board was that he would accomplish his purpose. He arrived at Cape York, Greenland, July 31. On August 11, the Roosevelt was at Etah, which point he left, Sept. 26th. He had a good supply of Eskimo dogs and provisions. The last information concerning Commander Peary was that he was on Polar ice north of Cape Thomas Hubbard, about 560 miles from the pole.

St. Johns, Nfld., Sept. 5.--Commander Peary has just wired the governor of Newfoundland by wireless from Indian Harbor, Labrador, announcing that he had discovered the North Pole, and congratulating Newfoundland on its part in the discovery, seeing that the captain and crew of Peary's steamer were Newfoundlanders.

New York, Sept. 6.--Commander Robert Peary's friends have for several weeks past been expressing the belief that he had already reached his goal, and that the news was delayed by the difficulty of transmission. The receipt of the above message is taken to mean that the relief ship, Jenina, which left here a month ago has reached Etah, Greenland, and established communication with Peary at that point. It is possible, however, that Peary sent word by a chance whaler.

The last word came from Peary prior to his message today, on Oct. 7, 1906, from Harry Whitney, a wealthy resident of New Haven, Conn., who was left by the expedition at Etah on Aug. 15th on its north journey.

The last Peary expedition sailed from New York, July 6, 1906. From New York the Roosevelt went to Sydney, thence to Hawkes Harbor, where she took on supplies, then to Cape York. Etah was reached some time in August and from that point the route of the expedition can only be guessed from the plans the Commander had announced.

Peary's idea was to reach the pole by the American route, a way which he himself had studied and developed during his former expeditions. The advantage of this route is that it follows a base of supplies, approximately 100 miles nearer the goal than Spitzbergen base which has been its chief rival. The advantages of the route were proved by Peary's trip in 1906, when he attained the northernmost point hitherto attained by man, 87 degrees, 6 min, at about the 49th meridian of west longitude.

The commander on his present expedition hoped to follow the course he had taken three years ago, which lay in almost a straight line from Cape Moos, the supposed northernmost extremity of Grannell land to latitude 84 degrees and 36 min. At this point Peary discovered what he afterwards concluded to be an open polar sea. In 1906 his journey over the ice was delayed at this point by an open lane of water two miles wide. When the ice finally allowed him to proceed, heavy gales sprang

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up which forced him to abandon the greater part of his provisions. He found comparatively smooth travelling until he reached 85 degrees 13 min. There he encountered a terrific storm which held him while the ice drift carried him 70 miles farther east. These handicaps, and the constantly widening lanes of water, and increasing roughness of the ice, together with a threatened failure of supplies forced Peary to turn back on April 21st, when he had reached latitude 87 degrees 6 min. To have gone farther would have meant sure death by starvation.

On his present expedition Peary announced that he would take a route from Greenland, more to the west, and not so directly north as that of his former attempt, heading as far almost as far as the 60th meridian of longitude, and thus compensating for the eastern ice drift. He planned to establish his last base on a newly found island, northwest of Greenland. Peary based great hopes on the results to be obtained by following the Arctic currents, which he had studied in his previous expeditions. One of his theories was the "ice nearest the pole moved faster than further south. For this reason in going up to work against the drift, but nearer the pole he believed that the drift would be in his favor.

CONTROVERSY STARTS. New York, Sept. 6.--The Cook-Peary controversy opened here this afternoon with the first expression of disbelief in the report that the latter had reached the Pole. The denial came from Captain Bradley S. Osborne, a veteran explorer, secretary of the Arctic Club, and one of Dr. Cook's most earnest supporters. "I am extremely doubtful that Commander Peary has reached the pole," said Capt. Osborne. "I want much better confirmation than the words so far received. Mr. Peary must have encountered very smooth ice and water to have succeeded in such a short time. All news hitherto indicates that he made his dash for the Pole in the summer of 1908. I do not see how it would have been possible for him to arrive and return with the news so early."

NEWS IN LONDON. London, Sept. 6.--The receipt of the Peary despatch created the greatest degree of excitement in London. The newspapers were at first inclined to treat it as a hoax, and before publishing it they kept the telephone wires busy with inquiries, as to its authenticity. The message reached the evening papers only in time for the briefest stop-press mention. Headlines such as "A Strange Telegram" and "A Mysterious Message" emphasized the caution with which the startling news was received. When the announcement that the message originated in Indian Harbor, Labrador, there was much greater disposition to credit it, as it was first thought to have come from Indian Harbor, Newfoundland. London was soon filled with shouting newsboys, and their papers were bought up with great avidity.

Copenhagen, Sept. 6.--When the report that Commander Peary had discovered the North Pole reached here, Dr. Cook said, "I hope the news is correct. If Peary has reached the pole, his descriptions of that region will confirm mine." Chicago, Sept. 6.--When Mr. Peary makes a fuller statement, it will contain internal evidence on which the validity of his claim that the North Pole has been found can be determined," said Prof. C. C. Chamberlain, head of the department of Geology, of the University of Chicago, when informed today of the reported achievement of Commander Peary.

"After that," said Prof. Chamberlain, "will come a critical scrutiny of his observations, and other data presented, which will give a basis for final decision in the matter." New York, Sept. 6.--Commander Peary announces, April 6th as the date of his reaching the North Pole in a message to the New York Times reading as follows: "Indian Harbor, via Cape Race, Nfld., Sept. 6, to the New York Times, New York. "I have reached the Pole, April 6th expect to arrive Chateau Bay, Sept. 7th, secure central wire for me there and arrange to expedite transmission of big story." (Signed) Peary. The date Peary refers to is April of the present year, although it is not stated in the despatch, as his expedition to the pole did not start until July 19th.

South Hartswell, Maine, Sept. 6.--Commander Peary announces his success in discovering the North Pole to his wife, who is summering at Eagle Island here as follows: "Indian Harbor via Cape Race, Sept. 6.--To Mrs. R. E. Peary, South Hartswell, Me. Have made good at last. I have the old pole. Am well. Love. Will write again from Chateau." (Signed) Bert.

In replying Mrs. Peary sent the following: "South Hartswell, Me., Sept. 6. Commander R. E. Peary, steamer Roosevelt, Chateau Bay. All well, best love, God bless you, hurry home. (Signed) Joe.

Old Timer Gone. The death occurred at Pilot Butte yesterday of David Williamson, one of the old timers of this district. The late Mr. Williamson came to the west in 1864 and settled down at Pilot Butte where he has made his home ever since. In another year Mr. Williamson would have reached the hundredth year mark, he being, at the time of his death in his 90th year.

Of recent years Mr. Williamson has seldom left his home, but has not been confined to his bed. With him, at Pilot Butte lived his brother, father of W. M. Williamson of Regina, and two sisters. The funeral will be held tomorrow (Thursday) afternoon at 2 o'clock to the Pilot Butte cemetery.

A Question for the West. In an interview with the Winnipeg reporters, Lord Northcliffe is reported as follows: "I would make the suggestion, with all respect to you, who are investing your money and your labor in constructing railroads and in building grain elevators, that you keep an eye on European affairs a little and be-

gin to figure out why it is all the ship building yards in Germany are busy constructing rapid cruisers and first class battleships, and why it is that Krupp's works have increased their hands to over one hundred thousand hands--nearly the population of Winnipeg--and exactly what would be the effect on your farms, your railroads, your Port William and your Winnipeg if about harvest time, as happened in France in 1870, you need a cable in the Winnipeg papers tomorrow that all your stuff had been held up in the Atlantic? I should like to know what then would be the price of No. 1 Hard?"

Lord Strathcona Here.

Lord Strathcona is scheduled to arrive in Regina from the west this afternoon at 3.30. He had previously wired an acceptance of the invitation from the president of the Canadian Club to address them at a dinner, but from the shortness of his stay here that will not be carried out. Upon his arrival here he will be met at the depot and escorted to the city hall where addresses of welcome will be delivered by Lieut-Governor Forget and Premier Scott on behalf of the province; Mayor Williams on behalf of the city, P. McARA, Jr., for the Regina Board of Trade, and Com. Peary for the Canadian Club.

In replying to these Lord Strathcona will deliver an address which presumably, will be the same as he intended to deliver before the Canadian Club. After the address there will be an informal reception by His Lordship.

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