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NORTH SHORE NEWS-LETTER

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Highland Park NEWS

Mr. A. A. Putnam is having plans drawn for a handsome home to be erected on Lake avenue between Mr. Baldwin's and Mr. Andrews' residences.

Mr. John P. Kline, who has been enjoying a long walk, some two hundred and fifty miles, has returned and is again at his business. Mr. Kline feels much improved in health and heartily advocates walking.

Miss Helen Hill of Green Bay Road has recovered from the measles.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. MacDonald of Chicago were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry M. Prior on Sunday.

A Box Social was given by the Epworth League of the North avenue Methodist church on Monday evening at the home of Mrs. R. W. Davies. Everyone reports a very enjoyable evening.

Mr. John Putman and family have returned from Green Lake, Wisconsin, where they have been for the past three weeks.

George Shelton of Moraine Road was hurt while playing foot-ball last week.

Mr. John Mayer of Toledo, Ohio, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Bell of North avenue last week. Mr. Mayer is Mrs. Bell's brother.

A Dime Social was given at the home of Mrs. B. O. Fritsch on Tuesday evening of last week. Mrs. Boyd of North avenue entertained the guests by singing several beautiful songs. Mr. Alvin Getchel of Wheelerville gave several readings. Games were played and refreshments were served. All those present hope that Mrs. Fritsch will soon be hostess again.

Mrs. C. C. Thoma of Battle Creek, Mich., visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Williams for the past two weeks. Mr. F. B. Williams was the first Manual Training teacher in Battle Creek.

Mrs. May A. Warner of Detroit, Mich., is visiting her son Mr. M. Warner of North Second Street.

Miss Alice Warner of North Second St. had as her guest, Saturday and Sunday, Miss Lelah Wilson of Morton Park.

A Bazaar is to be given at the City Hall, Highwood, October 28, 29 and 30, under the auspices of the Catholic ladies of Highwood, for benefit of the new school. Dancing every evening. Everybody is invited to attend. Admission free.

Robert Pease has returned to Highwood after working for several months in Chicago and is employed at The Enterprise Drug Store of which Mr. Julius Laegler is owner. Mr. Pease is boarding at the home of Mr. R. W. Davies.

Miss Joy Miller has returned from Troy and Dayton, Ohio, where she has been visiting for several weeks.

Harry Osborn of North St. Johns avenue is ill with the measles.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Grant have returned from their wedding trip and will go to house keeping on Green Bay Road. Mrs. Grant was Miss Elsie Brand before her marriage.

Oscar Bell of the class of 1909 has accepted a position with the Chicago and Milwaukee Electric Road.



Mr. and Mrs. Erich Gerstenberg and daughter Alice, have opened their winter home in Chicago after having spent the summer at the Moraine. Miss Alice is the author of the play that was given at the Moraine for the Gad's Hill charity.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Adler and their daughter Mrs. Samuel A. Gerstley are at their Chicago residence at 4048 Grand Boulevard after having spent the summer at Mrs. Wiemers' on Laurel avenue.

Mr. Charles E. Schaffler has just returned from a meeting of the Railway Association at Denver. While there he visited Pike's Peak during the recent blizzard where the mercury was ten below zero.

Mr. Palmer A. Montgomery, of Chesham, Michigan, for many years a resident of Highland Park, is visiting friends here.

Mr. Kenneth R. Smoot was in Highland Park last week on a short visit from his California home.

We regret to hear of the illness of Miss Lloyd and hope that she will soon be better.

Miss Katherine Sullivan spent the week-end with her parents Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Sullivan of Park avenue.

Mr. Lester Levin is studying dramatic art at one of the Chicago studios.

A club has been organized in the North end of Highland Park, some twenty young men have made the Port Clinton School house into a club house, and call themselves "The Port Clinton Turners." Saturday evening they entertained at a euchre party.

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We are glad to learn that Mr. W. K. Sidley of Linden avenue, who has been ill is improving.

Mrs. William Hogan of Higwood is visiting friends in Kenosha, Wisconsin.

Miss Pricilla Carver will sail for Europe in a few months where she will continue her musical education.

Several Highland Park people attended Madame Gadski's concert.

The woman's Library club of Glencoe listened to a very interesting talk by Prof. Jesse Smith on "Autumn's Pageantry" Thursday afternoon.

The debut of Miss Ruby Chandler, daughter of R. G. Chandler will take place on December fourth at their home 106 Bellevue Place.

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The new tennis courts at the High School have been finished and the new back stops are being put up. The High School with its running track, foot-ball field, tennis courts, basket-ball field and gymnasium gives the student an opportunity to enjoy his favorite sport.

Mrs. O. F. Bell and Mrs. Shelton spent Wednesday as the guests of Mrs. Harry Sampson of Winnetka.

Miss Emma Muench and Miss Grace Hoffert of this city, visited in Chicago, Sunday.

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PEARY REFUTES THE CLAIMS OF EXPLORER COOK

ISSUES LONG PROMISED STATEMENT IN NORTH POLE DISPUTE.

GIVES STORY OF THE ESKIMOS

Quotes Interesting Narrative in Support of His Claim to Being Only Discoverer of Top-of-World.

A STARTLING STORY IF TRUE

The Statement is Signed by Peary, Bartlett, McMillan, Borup and Henson of the Roosevelt Party—Eskimo Boys Closely Questioned by All.

(Entered according to Act of Congress, in the year 1909, by the Peary Arctic Club, in the office of the Librarian of Congress, at Washington, D. C.)

New York, Oct. 12. — The following statement of Commander Robert E. Peary, which he submitted, together with the accompanying map, to the Peary Arctic club in support of his contention that Dr. Cook did not reach the north pole, is now made public for the first time. The statement and map have been copyrighted by the Peary Arctic club.

INTRODUCTION BY PEARY.

Some of my reasons for saying that Dr. Cook did not go to the north pole will be understood by those who read the following statements of the two Eskimo boys who went with him, and who told me and others of my party where he did go. Several Eskimos who started with Dr. Cook from Anoratok in February, 1908, were at Etah when I arrived there in August, 1908. They told me that Dr. Cook had with him, after they left, two Eskimo boys, or young men, two sledges and some twenty dogs. The boys were I-took-a-shoo and Ah-pe-lah. I had known them from their childhood. One was about eighteen and the other about nineteen years of age.

On my return from Cape Sheridan and at the very first settlement I touched (Nerke, near Cape Chalon) in August, 1908, and nine days before reaching Etah, the Eskimos told me, in a general way, where Dr. Cook had been; that he had wintered in Jones Sound, and that he had told the white men at Etah that he had been a long way north, but that the boys who were with him, I-took-a-shoo and Ah-pe-lah, said that this was not so. The Eskimos laughed at Dr. Cook's story. On reaching Etah, I talked with the Eskimos there and with the two boys and asked them to describe Dr. Cook's journey to members of my party and myself. This they did in the manner stated below.

(Signed) R. E. PEARY.

Signed Statement of Peary, Bartlett, McMillan, Borup and Henson, in Regard to Testimony of Cook's Two Eskimo Boys.

The two Eskimo boys, I-took-a-shoo and Ah-pe-lah, who accompanied Dr. Cook while he was away from Anoratok in 1908 and 1909, were questioned separately and independently, and were corroborated by Panikpah, the father of one of them (I-took-a-shoo), who was personally familiar with the first third and the last third of their journey, and who said that the route for the remaining third, as shown by them, was as described to him by his son after his return with Dr. Cook.

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