

GREAT NATURAL WORLD WONDER

Artist Describes Crater Lake As Incomparable in Its Grandeur.

A jolly party of campers arrived yesterday from Eagle Point on the Pacific and Eastern trails. This was the last stage of a trip of 308 miles, of which they have walked the entire distance except for the trip from Eagle Point here.

There were five in the party, Eugene Willis, traveling salesman for a Portland firm, F. A. Rutledge, artist for the Oregonian, Dr. D. T. Kerr and L. J. Hicks, of the Hicks-Chatenau Engineering Co., of Portland, and S. S. Mohler, of Oregon City, who acted as guide. They started three weeks ago from Portland, meeting Mr. Mohler with the pack train at Detroit. They walked from there to Marion Lake, where they had their first hunting and fishing. Then, after a few days camp, they commenced their long hike along the summit of the mountains, past the Three Sisters, down through the innumerable lakes to the greatest and most wonderful body of water in the world, Crater Lake. After a visit of a day or so there they came to Medford, and finished the last stage of the journey.

Had Grand Time.
"We had a grand time," said Mr. Hicks, "the fishing was fine and the hunting was simply great. We got all the venison we wanted and had our fill of trout."

"The trip was fine and well worth the walk, but the sight of Crater Lake was wonderful. I think it the greatest and grandest sight of the world. I am in the engraving business, and I know of what I speak when I say that to engrave a picture with that deep blue blue, the jet black shadows of the cliffs and that marvelous background and setting to the picture of the mountains and the rim of the lake would be impossible.

"But beautiful as this is, I will say that moonlight on the lake is far more grand. After the sun has set the shadows quickly fall, and soon the lake is shrouded in gloom. The picture looks dead and weird. Suddenly the moon appears, the shadows play at hide and seek with the rays of the moonlight, the lake turns to silver and close at hand a darker blue. The picture moves, it breathes, and you feel as though nature were alive, made over one comes a feeling of awe and wonder.

Stories Not Overdrawn.
"People may think that the stories of Crater Lake and its pictures are overdrawn, but I tell you that exaggeration, when speaking of that sight is a physical impossibility. Besides this, after I have seen the lake, I would not have a picture of it, for it would seem dead and lifeless compared to that picture I saw, that living picture, that moved and seemed to glow with life.

"Oregon, in Crater Lake, has one of the greatest and grandest wonders in the world. It is only stupid if we do not appreciate it and throw it open to the world.
"It is a shame there are not good roads leading to it. Why, the sight of the lake, besides those wonderful trees, is worth the trip. We don't realize what we have—we will have to awaken to the fact that Oregon has within its boundaries something the world cannot produce again, nor compare to it. Oregon, in one year, of tourists, would gain more advertising and fame than by 50 years of booklet work."

FIRST OF THE SEASON Party of Tourists Make Trip to Crater Lake in Auto

It will likely be good news to automobile owners to learn that from now on during the season they will be able to run their machines to the rim of Crater Lake. The first driver to do so this season was Wes Green, and the first car to make the trip was a Chalmers-Detroit 30.

This car was sold to Mr. Green by the Valley Auto Co., and was the first one sold by them after the business was started in this city. As to the merits of the car it might be stated that the trip was made there and back without the slightest hitch, and during the trip there the machine consumed less than 12 gallons of gasoline.

Mr. Green, accompanied by W. S. Toms, of Fresno, California, C. W. Perkins, of San Francisco, and Bert Thieroff, left Wednesday morning at 5:20 and arrived at the rim of the lake the same evening, making the trip in nine hours running time. Only one small drift of snow was encountered, at there was nothing to interfere with the running of the ma-

chine. "From where we ran the automobile," said Mr. Green, "we could get a splendid view of the lake, and the two California visitors who were with us were delighted with what they saw. They both admitted that they thought from the accounts they had heard about the lake, that they were somewhat overdrawn, but they admitted that the half had never been told. We found the roads all the way in very fair condition, and all of us enjoyed the trip immensely."

It might also be stated that Mr. Toms and Mr. Perkins recently became financially interested in orchard property in the valley, and it is understood that both of them intend to make their homes here.

WON OVER AT LAST

P. G. Proper, After a Year's Hesitation, Decides Upon Medford

W. G. Proper of Jonesville, Michigan, arrived in Medford yesterday and will visit a few days with John Olmstead and C. B. Gay, and his family. Mr. Proper and his family were in Medford for several weeks last summer, and they tried desperately hard not to become infatuated with this part of Oregon, and they made it stick fairly well, and went back to Jonesville fully convinced that if there was one spot on earth which was dear to them it was their own little hamlet back in Michigan, and things looked good to them there for a while—but there began to grow a yearning for something which Jonesville could not satisfy, and that yearning kept right on growing until it developed that Medford, Oregon, was the fountainhead of all this discontent. Mr. Proper could be well likened to the child in the soap advertisement who "would never be happy until he got it," and he is here in Medford again—this time to get some of it—and he will be the possessor of property here before he returns East. Mr. Proper would be here with him if his health would permit, but the whole family will be here within a very few months. Mr. Proper does not mind his words when he gives expression to his opinions of this country. They are emphatic and to the point. He knows now full well that the Rogue River valley and Medford is the best combination of good things ever put up for man to partake of. Mr. Proper and his family are the kind which materially help in making a good community better—and the Morning Mail is pleased to know of their decision to make Medford their home.

FARMER HILKED Bought Traction Engine From Man Who Did Not Own It

George Phevus, who in June flim-fummed a Medford farmer named Hilkey out of \$150 cash and a note for \$500, by selling the latter a traction engine that he had no claim to, but was the property of D. Peruzzi, the Ashland creameryman, has been located in Indiana, and an effort will be made, it is said, to have him extradited and returned to this county and state to answer to a charge of grand larceny which has grown out of the transaction.

Phevus, according to the story of the affair given out, was in the employ of Dr. J. F. Reddy, president of the more or less famous Pacific & Eastern railroad, when he came to Ashland and negotiated a lease which Reddy approved, for Peruzzi's engine for use in construction operations on the railroad.

Phevus took the engine to Eagle Point and operated it for a fortnight and in due season it was returned as far as the Medford terminus of the P. & E. by Phevus. Farmer Hilkey, rather covetous of the machine, was importuned to buy it by Phevus, who set up a hard luck story of a poor old mother in Eastern Oregon about to be consigned to the poor house and lose her farm on account of inability to meet a certain payment due and owing.

A deal was closed and Phevus gave a bill of sale in exchange for \$150 cash and a note and quietly slipped the scene. When the farmer discovered that he had been flimflammed steps were taken to locate Phevus, and now the state is asked to pay the expense of bringing him back across the continent to Oregon to answer the demands of justice.

HILL PROVES FAITH

Shows Belief in Prosperity by Ordering Fifty-Seven Locomotives.

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 10.—J. J. Hill's faith in the prosperity, which is everywhere confidently expected to follow the revision of the tariff, has been revealed in a contract for 57 locomotives which he has given the Baldwin Locomotive Works. The cost of these engines is estimated at \$1,000,000. The contract is the second large one captured by the Baldwin since May, when Harriman gave an order for 113, costing approximately \$2,000,000.

POLLINATION EXPERIMENTS

Prof. C. C. Vincent Makes Report of His Work in Local Orchards.

Medford, Or., Aug. 7. Editor Morning Mail. Sir: I have received numerous inquiries concerning my results in pollination, and as I have just finished checking up my work, I wish to publish the following report through the columns of your paper. Respectfully, C. C. VINCENT.

No subject before the fruit growers of this valley is of greater interest and of more vital importance than the problems pertaining to pollination. In fact it is the alpha and omega of horticultural development, and the solving of such problems as "Sterility and fertility of the different varieties of fruits"; "best pollinizers for our leading varieties of apples and pears"; "blooming periods," etc., will place the Rogue River valley in a far better position to cope successfully with other fruit growing sections, where problems of a similar nature have been solved.

Should Begin Right.
"An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure," so if growers unfamiliar with orchard conditions will begin right, no fear need be felt of their success in the future. If the few remarks to be made in the following article will help growers to become better acquainted with the different varieties grown in this valley we will feel that our efforts have not been wholly fruitless.

Since the climatic conditions, soil, rainfall, elevation, etc., differ greatly in various sections of this state, different elements having their effect upon pollination problems, the Agricultural college was led to make investigations on the following phases of pollination: Sterility and fertility tests of apples and pears.

The Pears Lead.
Owing to the fact that the pear is primarily the leading commodity of this valley, the flavor and keeping qualities being unparalleled, it was thought best to determine the self-fertile and self-sterile varieties found growing here at present. In the study of the self-crossing of varieties, frames covered with house lining were built around different varieties growing in the Bear Creek orchards, just before the blossoms opened, and were allowed to remain unvisited until after the blooming period, or until the pistils had passed their receptiveness, the object being to exclude insects and to prevent any other external agency from transferring pollen to the pistils of the flowers.

The blossoms expand, scatter the pollen over the stigmas of the pistils and if any fruits set, it is evidence of some degree of self-fertility. If, on the other hand, the flowers shrivel and dry up, it indicates lack of affinity between the pollen and pistils, and is a strong evidence that the variety is self-sterile and requires pollen from another variety to perpetuate its species.

Interesting Things Revealed.

After the removal of the frames some very interesting things were revealed. On the Comice tree there was not a blossom that set fruit, while the Bartlett had probably half a crop, as compared with the surrounding trees exposed to insect visitation. At this time we are prepared to make the following classification:

Self-fertile — Bartlett, Clarigeau, Howell, De Anjou, Flemish Beauty. Partially self-fertile — Winter Nells, Seckel. Self-sterile — Comice, Henkle. It is interesting to note that the Winter Nells falls into the partially self-fertile class, but for all practical purposes should be cross-pollinated. Out of 960 blossoms included only 10 set fruit, and on examining three of these they were found to be seedless. These results show very plainly the advisability of planting out large blocks of this one variety alone.

It is also true with the Comice. To meet with better success inter-planting of varieties should be planted. The more we work in pollination experiments the more strongly we are impressed with the advisability of mixing varieties in commercial orcharding.

Extensive experiments were also conducted with apples, the method being practically the same as outlined above. The following report is made:

The Report Made. Self-fertile — Newtown, Maiden's

Blush, Nonesuch, Smith's Cider. Self-sterile — Jonathan, Winesap, Canada Red, Northern Spy, Missouri Pippin, Red Cheek Pippin, Fall Pippin, Bellflower.

Partially self-fertile — Ben Davis, Roxbury, Russet, Seek-No-Further, Spitzenburg, King, White Winter Permain.

Our results indicate that a large majority of our different varieties of apples are self-sterile, and to insure a crop of fruit cross-pollination must take place. When this is done much larger and finer apples are obtained. Crossing of self-fertile varieties with foreign pollen produce larger fruits than when confined to their own pollen. While the results of a single season are not sufficiently comprehensive to be final, it indicates that care should be exercised when selecting varieties for an orchard.

Blooming Period.
For cross-pollination it is essential that varieties blossom together. Without this is done, contradictory results will still be gotten. Several things determine the length of the blooming period of a given variety. Cold weather preceding and during the blooming period has a tendency to extend the blooming time, while cold weather followed immediately by a few hot days, shortens the blooming season very materially.

To throw some light upon the blooming period of the different varieties of pears and apples in this valley, a record was kept embracing the time from the appearance of the first blossom until the trees were in full bloom. The following table shows the blooming period for the year 1909:

Variety	First Blossom	Full Blossom
Henkle	3-25	4-3
Clarigeau	4-2	4-6
De Anjou	4-2	4-7
Howell	4-4	4-10
Bartlett	4-4	4-9
Flemish Beauty	4-5	4-11
Seckel	4-6	4-11
Winter Nells	4-7	4-13
Comice	4-8	4-14
Bose	4-8	4-12

Variety	First Blossom	Full Blossom
Red Attraction	4-8	4-15
Wagener	4-8	4-16
Gravenstein	4-9	4-14
Newtown	4-12	4-22
Ben Davis	4-11	4-19
Baldwin	4-12	4-21
Roxbury Russet	4-12	4-20
Canada Red	4-13	4-19
Akansas Black	4-14	4-22
Spitzenburg	4-14	4-21
Red Cheek Pippin	4-15	4-22
Winesap	4-16	4-20
Northern Spy	4-19	4-25

The Blooming Period.
To reach a high state of perfection in the development of a young orchard one should be familiar with the blooming period of the different varieties and only work with those that blossom together.

Later in the season we will be able to determine some of the best pollinizers for our Bartlett, Winter Nells and Comice pears. At that time a report can also be made as to the best pollinizers for our commercial varieties of apples, such as the Spitzenburg and Newtown.

We also wish to take this opportunity to thank Messrs. Whialer, Waterman, Porter & Gould, Gore, Allen, Judy, Morris, Mineau, Berger, Parsons, Weston, Merrick, Marshall, Tuttle and Washburn for co-operating with us and extending to us the use of their orchards for demonstration purposes.

KING MAKES A MILLION

England's Monarch Said to Have Profited in Steel Stock

NEW YORK, Aug. 7.—One of those unconfirmed reports bobbed up in Wall street today to the effect that King Edward of England had made a winning of more than a million dollars on U. S. Steel common. The rumor was based on the fact that J. P. Morgan, who is supposed to know all there is to be known of steel, had been entertained at Windsor castle by King Edward, and that an order to buy 50,000 shares of Steel common, coming apparently from an English source, was executed when the stock was from 50 to 52.

The stock sold today at 76 1/2, and those who credited the English monarch with the deal, estimated that he realized \$1,000,000 on the transaction.

SEATTLE'S SHIP CANAL

The One to Give Fresh Water Harbor Will Be Begun Soon.

SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 7.—Work on the Lake Washington ship canal, which is designed to give to Seattle a fresh-water harbor, will be begun within 60 days. Major C. W. Kutz, chief of the United States engineers, was today awarded the contract for the preliminary excavations on the proposed canal between Union Bay and Lake Union.

REDMEN WILL BUILD A HOME

Medford May Be Candidate for State Institution for the Order.

From a letter received from J. H. Fitzgerald, of this city, it would appear that Medford has a chance of bidding for and perhaps securing the proposed state home for the Redmen. It is estimated that the building will cost the sum of \$75,000 and with the furnishings the total will be the sum of \$100,000.

At the last state session of the Redmen, recently held in Portland, the matter of a state home was discussed and it was finally decided that the order should have a home in Oregon and three of the leading officers of the order in the state were appointed to have plans prepared, to pick out a site and to report at the next meeting, one year from now, when it is expected final action will be taken regarding the matter.

Fortunately for Medford's chances, one of the three officers is J. H. Fitzgerald, of this city, who is high up in the councils of the order. Unfortunately, however, there are two others who live in other parts of the state. One is Chief M. N. Mayo, of Portland, and the other is Dr. Jared D. Wetmore, of Myrtle Point. Each one of these men are already working for the home in the place they represent, and the Myrtle Point man has even gone so far as to ask Representative Fitzgerald to help them to get it located at that place, as will be seen from the following clipping from the local paper there:

Dr. J. D. Wetmore returned Saturday from attending the great council of the Improved Order of Redmen at Portland. One of the most important matters considered by the great council was the selection of a site for the Redmen's home for the aged and feeble. The building, work upon which is expected to commence soon, will cost about \$75,000, says the Portland Daily Journal.

A committee was named to select a site for the institution, of which Dr. Wetmore is a member, and M. N. Mayo, of 310 Washington Street, Portland, and the chairman is Great Representative Fitzgerald, of Medford, who was the guest of Dr. Wetmore here a year ago. Mr. Mayo, who is in business in Portland and owns a fine vegetable and poultry farm near that city, is of course, zealous of having the home located there, but there are two representatives from Southern Oregon on the committee and the doctor believes that the home could be located at Myrtle Point if the business men and citizens would assist. He says that he will give liberally towards securing the home for this place, believing that this would be an ideal location for it. He wants to invite the other members of the committee to meet here and look over the ground.

The donation of a site would be a strong inducement, and a site overlooking the beautiful Coquille valley would be a drawing card that could not well be resisted, in his estimation. It would mean a great thing for Myrtle Point, and there are numerous arguments that can be offered in favor of this place. Dr. Wetmore believes that Mr. Fitzgerald, of Medford would be with him in selecting a southern Oregon location and it will be up to the people of Myrtle Point to make their offer as attractive as possible.

Mr. Fitzgerald, although not committing himself, admits that he would naturally favor Medford for the site for he proposed home, as he resides here and expects to continue to make Medford his home, although his present position in the order will require him to travel most of the time.

MEET AT DETROIT.

The Great Council of Redmen Will Begin Session Sept. 15.

The Great Council of the Order of Redmen, will meet in Detroit, Mich., for annual convention. This will begin September 15 next, and will be attended by three members of the order from this state as delegates. They are G. M. Orton, president of the Multnomah Printing Co., of Portland; Roy Ritner, cashier of a bank at Pendleton, and J. H. Fitzgerald, of Medford. The latter will go by the way of Portland, and will meet Mr. Orton there.

DEATH BED PHILOSOPHY

Pat Sheedy, Notorious Crook, Says Gambling Is Not Profitable

NEW YORK, Aug. 5.—Pat Sheedy is dying. The doctor says so. His wife fears so, and the man who has led a life of chance admits that he is playing his last card in his last game.

"I am not afraid," he said as a grim smile flitted across his face today. "I know I am going to get a square deal. I'll have as good a chance as I had here—better. The Maker plays no favorites."

Sheedy lies in a big, snowy bed in a long, cool room above the art gallery that is the pride of his later, and to use his own term, "squarer" years.

"No man has been happier in his home than Pat Sheedy," the owner of that name declares. "If I came home flush, or if I came home broke, it was all the same with my sweetheart."

Sheedy is dying, one doctor after another said, of fatty degeneration. Two sweet-faced nuns came over from the convent at Bridgeport last week to pay him a last visit.

"We are satisfied that Uncle Pat will go to heaven," they said. "His good deeds have far outnumbered his bad."

"If a boy came to you for advice what would you say?" the dying man was asked.

"There wouldn't be any use of giving it," said he, "but I would, I'd say."

"I can't tell you what to do, for no two people in the world are alike. You'll have to find your own way. But, I'd say to him, take any road but the crooked one."

"I've been a gambler. So are all men. Most business is a form of gambling. Think of Wall street. But gambling is no profession for any man. It is not even a profitable one, for it's the only one of which you say:

"The higher you go, the lower you go."

"The more you succeed, the more you fail. The cleverer a man is the more brilliant he becomes, the harder it is for a man to get on as a gambler. They get afraid of him. 'I am not afraid,' he said, as his head sank deeper in the big pillow. 'I am taking nothing—no baggage with me. I brought none. But I shall take as much as any Astor or Vanderbilt ever took on this voyage.'

"Come in again, or," the look in the fireless gray eyes was significant, "come in over there."

WONT BE BLUFFED

Judge Lindsey Will Not Suppress Magazine Article

DENVER, Aug. 10.—A political upheaval in Denver is promised as a result of the forthcoming publication of an amusing story by Judge Ben B. Lindsey, of the Denver Juvenile Court, in "Everybody's Magazine," which is to begin in October and run through nine issues.

J. O'Hara Cosgrave, editor of "Everybody's," tells in a letter how the big corporations of Denver have gone to extraordinary methods in attempting to "kill" the story. Lawyers and detectives admittedly in the employ of Denver corporations have notified Cosgrave that they have evidence of actions by Lindsey that will besmirch his character and that of the magazine.

It is impossible, says Cosgrave, for the corporations to do more than guess at what is in the Lindsey story, yet they are seeking to suppress it.

Cosgrave declares the Lindsey story the biggest sensation since the Lawson story of the "System."

Lindsey's story goes back many years to point out conditions in Colorado. There is evidence in black and white, say those who know, showing how judges are corrupted and even the exact amount of money given the various judges for services performed for corporations.

It will also deal with \$4,500 paid to Mayor Speer by the general manager of the Denver Gas and Electric Company, a payment which Speer has never denied.

Judge Lindsey said today that he had been continually harassed by detectives trying to find something to discredit him.

GOING TO THE FAIR.

Los Angeles People and Commercial Club Pass on Special Train.

Los Angeles, California, in general and the Los Angeles Commercial club in particular, were well represented yesterday afternoon on a special train which passed through Medford at 4:38. There were eight coaches on the train and two dining cars. There appeared to be fully as many ladies in the party as there were men. They were on their way to the Seattle fair, and as to making a showing, they were evidently trying to outdo the San Francisco business men's trip of a few week's ago.

TROUBLE OVER CRETE.

ATHENS, Greece, Aug. 7.—The Turkish government has communicated to Greece an urgent note asking that she express her disapproval of the annexation of Crete and formally declare that Greece has no ambitions regarding the island. Otherwise, the note adds, diplomatic relations will be severed.

POWERS WILL PREVENT WAR

European Nations Will Take Hand in the Turko-Greece Row.

LONDON, Aug. 10.—The powers will prevent war between Turkey and Greece, should those two nations attempt to fight over the possession of Crete.

The crisis undoubtedly is acute. Left to themselves Turkey and Greece might easily drift into war. The Cretans have declared in favor of annexation to Greece. Turkey charges that the annexation move was directed by officers of the Greek army. It has asked that Greece disavow the action of these officers and give guarantees of absolute neutrality in Cretan matters. This is the sum and extent of the dispute.

The governments of Great Britain, Russia, France and Italy have been conferring over the crisis since Friday. The announcement is made unofficially, tonight, that under no circumstances will Greece be permitted to annex the island.

Greece Warned to Go Slow.

Greece has been warned that the Greek flag must not be raised over any public building in Crete, the capital of Crete. At the same time Turkey has been assured that the powers will maintain the status quo in Crete.

As the result of the activity of the powers, both Turkey and Greece are talking more moderately. Turkey denies that it has presented an ultimatum at Athens. Greece disavows any responsibility for the Greek officers who engineered the annexation work and insists upon its own neutrality in the island.

England, Russia, France and Italy are under pledge to Turkey to prevent Greece from absorbing Crete. The fact explains the remark at Coves last Thursday by M. Lawolsky, Russian minister of foreign affairs, that if there is any onward development in its situation, Europe will see that no mischievous effects result.

Porte Polite Thus Far.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Aug. 10.—The steps the Porte has taken at Athens concerning Crete have been confined exclusively to verbal representations. No written note has been presented. The representations have been couched in the friendliest language consistent with firmness.

Greece has already informed the Porte that the Greek officers in Crete had been struck off the Greek army list since 1906, and that the whole question was in the hands of the four protecting powers. Greece said, also, that it expected to make a formal reply in this sense tomorrow, and to reiterate assurances of Greek neutrality.

From the Turkish standpoint, such a reply will be unsatisfactory, but much is hoped from the energy the protecting powers are displaying to prevent the crisis from becoming dangerous.

The Ambassadors of Great Britain, Russia, France and Italy conferred today and will meet again tomorrow to agree upon a common action which will be taken without delay.

Agitation against Greece is growing in the Turkish provinces. In some towns it has taken the form of a boycott of Greek goods. A volunteer force of 5000 men at Monastir is ready to march against Greece.

WITNESSED BY FATHER.

Son of Superior Judge Buck, of Redwood City, Killed at Railroad Crossing.

REDWOOD CITY, Cal., Aug. 10.—Norman Buck, 17 years old, the son of Superior Judge Buck, of San Mateo county, was struck by a south-bound train this morning while riding across the track on a bicycle. He died in his father's arms a few minutes later. Buck was a student at Santa Clara College.

The accident occurred while the young man was on his way from his maas. When he arrived at the Aguello street crossing he found it bars down. Being in a hurry he rode under them and back of a north-bound train, a south-bound train crashed into him. He was hurled, feet and his bicycle was twisted in scrap iron.

Buck's father was standing on two blocks away. He rushed frantically to the side of his dying son. Doctors Barrett and Ross arrived an automobile before the young man expired, but nothing could save him. Judge Buck has been on the superior bench in San Mateo county for years. His wife died at the birth of the son.

TOWN DESTROYED.

SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 7.—The town of Snoqualmie was destroyed fire today. Loss \$60,000.