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OREGON

Opie Reed Charmed With Medford and Roque River Valley--May Return to Sketch Oregon Life

"I never saw a prettier place nor a more beautiful valley than that of the Rogue river," said Opic Reed, the faous humorist, author and writer, after a three days' stay in Medford. "The climate seems as near perfection as can be made. Apparently all that anyone could ask for to make life enjoyable has been showered on the country by nature. Medford is a live, progressive city, with a fine class of citizens.

city, with a fine class of citizens. All that is lacking to make the attractions complete is a golf club—and I'm told steps are under way to organize one.

"Did you ever play golf? If not, you don't know what you mise. I used to laugh at it myself, but don't any longer," continued the humorist in his pleasant southern drawl. "It is hunting that the matter divinited fiching with pleasant southern drawl. "It is hunting with the cracity eliminated, fishing with the hardships out. A good golf links will mean more to Medford than a foundry. It's an advertisement to the world that people of culture and refinement are here, and when people know you have a golf course you will be surprised at the fine class of citizens who will be attracted here by it. There are

prised at the fine class of citizens who will be attra-ted here by it. There are thousands of people, like President-elect Taft, who will not stop at a place they cannot play golf."

Mr. Reed gave a most enjoyable lecture Saturday evening—perhaps the most enjoyable lecture ever heard here. The audience was small, but that was because the ladies of the Greater Medford club didn't hustle to sell tickets—but what the audience lacked in size but what the audience lacked in size it made up in enthusiasm. Then Mr Reed was taken to the Rogue to enjoy of the state of two larg some and a couple of steelhead we landed by the novelist, who greatly

enjoyed the sport.
"I am in love with the west," said Mr. Reed. "The east seems so eramped and small. Why, you people don't real and small. Way, you people and small with the east—in seenery, elimate—everything that makes life worth while.

"How did I come to write 'The Juck-

" replied Mr. Reed in response lins? "replied Mr. Reed in response to a query. "It just came to me. I had been out playing eards until late at night—couldn't sleep when I return-ed—and as I lay tossing in bed, the whole story came into my head and I got up and began it—worked three weeks without a letup until it was fin-

"Some people criticize my books be cause of dislike for characters portray ed, but I can't help it. I don't make of the presumptuous educated negro i is founded upon that of Book er Washington."

It was suggested to Mr. Reed that he return the coming summer and write novel on Oregon life, and he half wa promised. If he comes, he will proba

Mr. Reed, who is a native Tennessen stands considerably over six feet in height, is broad shouldered and built in proportion. He is much better look ing than the lithographs make him on be, 50 odd years of age, and wear his wavy grizzled hair long. He is on of the greatest story tellers of the agand always has one to fit the occasion

and always has one to it the decays who among those in the fishing party who entertained Mr. Reed were Messra. J. D. Henn, J. E. Enyart E. E. Keily, F. L. Ton Velle, Clarence Snyder, R. C. F. Astbury, Dr. C. S. Cilley of Davenpor

ENJOYABLE DINNER GIVEN FRIENDS BY GRANT STON

A most enjoyable dinner was g by Grant Stone, unperintendent of the Saturday evening at the Burrell rand house. An elaborate mean was prepare by Chef W. A. Collins of the Louvr cafe and it was a late hour before th turned to Medford. Among those pre-H. Stalker, H. G. Rowley, Wes Green H. A. Thierolf, H. B. Tronson, R. C. F

HAS OFFERED A PRIZE FOR AN AEROPLANE THAT WILL FLY



OCTAVE CHANUTE, PROMOTER OF THE AEROFLANE.

Octave Changte of Chicago is no engineer who has been interested is perial navigation for many years and has rescally effected a prize for an ecoplane that will fly. Mr. Chanufe is a Free human, been in Paris in 1832 but he has lived in America, since infancy and has been countered with man, engineering operations in various pays of the equatry

DEAD UNKNOWN

OF FANCHER

Estimates Vary as to the Business Cards and Pa-Number Perishing in a Great Mine Disaster Found Above Talent

ates of the number of dead as the esalt of the great disaster of Saturday in the mine of the Pittsburg-Buffa to Coal company vary today from 120 to 230. The officials of the company declared that noe more than 120 were killed and assert this is the largest possible estimate.

The foreman of the mine, neverthe me at the time of the explosion. On escaped alive.

One resene party says that 150 ladies een removed. This would make the total number of 233,

Of the 83 bodies taken out, 78 have seen identified. The other five are consisted and so badly mangled that

Several bodies which are in sight of he reseners this morning undoubtedly will be removed today.

Within three minutes after a state inspector and the mine superintendent had returned from an inspection of the district, the model Mariana mine of he Pittsburg Buffalo Coal company was

Two hundred and secenty five merere reported entombed beneath th housands of tons of coal caving in

The Mariana mine, which has been operation less than three months, was unidered the model usine of the world Every device known to modern invenhad been installed to prevet just recked by a mysterious explosion, the erident impossible is bumpering the ich a network of contrivances that the diggers cannot here through them to bodies of the men lying dead in

the bottom of the shaft, The explosion came just before the soon hour, in the Rachel shaft. It was s terrific that the blast, blowing up

FOUND PAPERS

pers of Missing Man

L. W. Fancher of this city, who dis appeared from his home in this city last week, has not as yet been located, alhough his friends and relatives have The uncle of the missing man, I. B.

that pince to Ashland hoping to find some trace of the man, and succeeded in finding, about two miles above Talnt, a blank order book, a price list Faucher. These were senttered along both sides of the track and looked as if there had been a holdup of the man ruilroad hoboes. But further trace

Fancher was last seen near Phoenix by A. L. Rose and others. Since then the friend has truce of him. John Gore and Mr. Shiveley saw him the day he eared natural.

Mr. Goodpasture save that all ac ounts left by the man were straight nd that there is no other reason for

FLOODS IN OKLAHOMA RENDER THOUSANDS HOMELES

GUTHRIE, Okla., Nov. 30,-Sever as are dead and many are missing and thousands are reported to be beene es stoday as the result of floods in Iklahoma and Texas, Southwestern Mis-

our and southern Kansas.

Rivers throughout this whole section are rising rapidly and the worst floods f 30 hours is responsible for the high

work in various sections, taking people rom the upper stories of houses, where

Reports today indicate that heavy damage has already been done to projectly, and much more is threatened.

CONDITION OF THE POPE CHANGES FOR THE WORSE

ROME, Nov. 30 .- All audiences at the ratioan were suspended indefinitely to day, owing to a slight change for the worse in the condition of Pope Pins X. The pontiff's cold is worse and a slight H. A. Thieroff, H. B. Tronson, R. C. P.

the whole length of the deep shaft, tore
worse in the condition of Pope Pins X.

Asthury, George Putnam, Claude
loose the giant elevator edge at the
Wright, Grant Stone and B. D. Lock surface of the mine and hutled it 300 fever has developed, requiring that he is

CUT FREIGHT RATE IN

Result of Reddy and Olwell's Trip to Portland Means Great Saving to the City in Freight

PORTLAND, Or., Nov. 29, 1908. W. W. Eifert, Medford: Have co freight rate in two. Will save city abou

> J. F. REDDY. J. D. OLWELL.

Portland of Mayor Reddy and Council nan Olwell, made in the interests of the city, to secure a cheaper rate on the materials for the construction of the

gravity water supply, Reddy and Olwell left Saturday nigh o discuss the matter of a reduced rate with R. B. Miller, traffic manager of the Harriman lines in Oregon, as the inetrstate commerce commission has rul railroads for material to be used for counterpal purposes. As the building it a gravity water system comes under his hearl, Mr. Miller granted a reduction which amounts to \$7000.

Shows Priendship.

Such a reduction is but another in lication of the friendly feeling the rail road holds for Medford. Any reasonable request that is made is at one granted by the officials and coming a oon after the visit of the officials ins week proves that their proffers of friendship while here were not all of hem for an impression only—they have unde good.

The reduction of the freight and the ecent action of Naveen & Company and buyers, who are handling the grav ity water bonds, resulting in a larg saving to the city, both argur we for the building of the line at as lo

LACK OF WORK DRIVES MEN TO HOLD UP

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Nov. 30,-Masked robbers, who held up the so oon of Sahnderene Brothers at 283 their crime and explaining that it was their first offens: and one to which they were driven on account of lac-The two thugs gave their and Louis Gianini, a laborer. With the order, "hands up," the robbers en ered the saloon yesterday merning holding up one of the proprietors an e customer. Only 16 was taken from the eash register and \$1 and a gold watch from the customer, John Lurette Then the thuge ran out of the plac and were scampering down the Southern Parific tracks when they were stopped and acrosted by Patrolman John J. C ey, who took his prisoners to the city rison and found the masks and leader evolvers on their persons. Their vitims later identified them.

TWO ROYAL AMERICANS

lemn and her sector, Charlotte, prin-cesses of the royal blood of Massaccit the Indian chief who welcomed the Puritans to Plymouth, have won a figh setts courts to secure title to land which they claim is theirs by right of bered ity. Henry A. Wyman held title to the land, which is in Lakeville,

sigh Demoranville claimed in snoth

ister on the shores of lake Assowomp ett. She niways wears her royal cotome and head dress and sells herbs i

"I and my sister are the sole s ore of the Massassii, " she said today "With as the tribe dies, for we are as

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Brooke have Brooke will be superintendent of the orchard recently purchased by Hun

PRINCIPALS IN THE RECENT CHANGES IN CHINESE EMPIRE



CHINA'S LATE EMPEROR, DOWAGER EMPRESS AND NEW REGENT

Before the outside world had been apprised of the particulars of the deaths of the Chinese emperor and the aged downger empress Prince Chan had assumed the regency and his three-year-old son, Prince Pu Yi, had been elevated to the throne. The succession of the infant to the chief sent in the empire was its near-dame with a promise given by the downger empress soon after the marriage of Prince Chun in 1963. It is believed that under the regency of the a troopers will take root with renewed vigor in the Yellow ed, the ared that Calan will enter upon an era of advancement such as she

SENATE SORE PORTUGAL OVER SLIGHT

Say State Department Makes Unsuccessful At-Went Step too Far in tempt to Borrow \$5, Drawing Up Treaty

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30,-While ingland, Russia and France are excoming their satisfaction at the alleged treaty" which is said to have been rawn up between the United States artment to explain just what it has one in apparently listegarding the na-ions is traditional policy of avoiding for eigh alliances and ignoring the sen-sta's legislational right to ratify any hing which netwally amounts to a

There is some thing in which it is step beyond its right.

committee on foreign relations, said eday that, in the absence of any au-boritative text of the alleged agreede to say just what the senere to and as before, it to do. If

Limit, six months, allowin had before Taft's inauguration, feet to all California point

hausted. coment disturbances Emil Ped of Ashland was recently n Medford on business

The ereamery, which was badly dam aged by fire a week age, has been entirely renovated and the work of cut with Japan, it would be impossi making butter is going on as merrily

LISBON, Portugal, Nov. 30.-The

000 from the Portugul state bank to

pay the salaries of the government offi-

"the treaty" is really a firm For full information, sleeping car rese is the view taken of the five by the London papers, A. S. Rosenbaum, Agent, Medfu is praised for having solved the stern question so that hostilities

Parific have been postponed in---- basis for this theory is

original control of the control of t leged treaty purported to have torial possessions in the Pacific shall draws up by Secretary Root and be respected and that the "open door" a Takahira, are the fruit of nego policy shall be maintained. This, it is as undertaken by President-elect argued, would have been superfluous ift when he was in Japan a year ago. onless the governments had intended to this was the case, say leading sons reach more than "a gentleman's nus, it is more imperative that an ex-derstanding" in relation to their re-

Cut this out and mail it with one dollar to Dr. Louis Bundy, treasurer, as to apples.

Louis Bundy, Treasurer, Medford, Or, England find one dollar, one year's dues, for membership in the Rogue River Plah Protective Association, organized to protect fish in

the Rogue rives and its tributaries, secure needed legislation and re-stress the streams.

THEME OF

Scientist Defines Reasons As to Why Fruit Trees Vary in Variety of Fruit **Produced on Same Trees**

(By Charles Meserve.)

The fruitgrowers' meeting held Saturday afternoon at the Angle opera house under the anspices of the Rogae River Horticultural society was one of the best over held in this valley, bothin attendance and instructive features of the program. Every sent in the opera house was filled and some late opera house was filled and some late comers were compelled to stand, and so close was the attention given that not a person left the room during the two hours that Professor P. J. O'Gara A noticeable feature of the ecting was the number of ladies pres-States are taking an active interest in the most successful fruitgrowers in the lay are expected and will be made welcome at all meetings of the Horticulturn) society. And a feature that pleased those who live at a distance fromMcdford and had to travel a long distance after the meeting to get home
was that the meeting began on time,
for Vice-President Tou Velle called it
to order promptly at 2 p. m.
The subject for cansideration was not

The subject for consideration was pol-lenization of pomaceous fruits and it was presented by Professor P. J. O'Gara from the department of agriculture, at Washington, D. C. Professor O'Gara is tempt to Borrow \$5,one of the part of th tends from Spekane to Los Angeles. Finding that the professor is a verifable fountain of knowledge on every of the intricate problem of handling the modern orchard the fruitgrowers government of Portugal today made an unsuccessful attempt to borrow \$5,000, of Rogue River valley are availing themselves of his willingless to aid them, and he gets more invitations to speak at fruitgrowers' meetings than he can possibly fill aside from his regu-The treasury is improverished and of-fice holders have received no remun-cration for their recent services. The lar pathological work.
In his address Professor O'Gara quot-

present resourses of the governmnt for the realization of eash have been exanusted.

The revolutionary party throughout agricultural colleges and by individual orchardists that prove that there are be country is using the situation to ixed rules of nature in the breeding of fruit as well as in the breeding of animals. And that one of the principal auses of failure to bear or decrease in feld in many apple and pear orchards s due to no provision having been made at the time of planting for the proper pollenization of the blossoms. Mating, as it were, the right varieties was or apple or pear trees to get that wil thear true to type fruit and prolifie, and if the beginner tacks this knowledge it is but chance that he

Must Be Similar Types.

In the cross pollenization of ap-it is necessary that the varieties blat the same time and that the fruit be of similar type. The roler is not so essential, but it is best to have like ed in crossing most varieties of apples to any extent. A Splitzenberg will take the soil and climatic conditions are favorable. But the shape and type of the apple will be redically affected, and a dozen Epitzenberg trees scattered about in a mixed orchand may have as many different types of apples;

or O'Gara gave a long list of both apples and pears that in sombina-tions of two would cross- pollenize and enable both to produce a good yield of first class fruit, and he gave those that were failures in cross-pollenization or that produced small yields of inferior fruit. He will give another address on pollenization under the anspices of the Horticultural society in Medford the last of March. At this meeting he wants to arrange with a large unmber of fruitgrowers to carry on this season to ascertain to what extent local con-ditions affect the crossing of the pollen

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