

\$1,000 REWARD!

ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS REWARD WILL BE PAID BY THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT TO ANY PERSON WHO CAN SHOW BY AUTHENTIC TESTIMONY THAT ANY CITY OR TOWN IN THE UNITED STATES, OUTSIDE OF THE ROGUE RIVER VALLEY, HAS WITHIN A 10-MILE RADIUS, A 20-MILE RADIUS, A 30-MILE RADIUS OR A 40-MILE RADIUS, AS MEDFORD, OREGON, HAS WITHIN A CORRESPONDING RADIUS A COMMERCIAL CLUB.

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CLEARING BRUSH OUT OF FISH LAKE

Large Crew of Men at Work Clearing Land Preparatory to Raising Dam Twenty Feet

A large force of men are at work at Fish Lake clearing all undergrowth and trees from its shores so that there will be no submerged vegetation when the dam is raised 20 feet, as is now planned. The lake feeds Little Butte creek, the source of supply for the gravity water system, and it was due to this submerged vegetation that opposition was found to that source for city water. At that time I. L. Hamilton promised that the

lake would be cleared of all such vegetation, and that promise is now being made good.

A large crew of men are also at work constructing the canal from Four-Mile Lake, which will empty its waters into Fish Lake, greatly increasing the Fish Lake Ditch company's supply.

The present dam at Fish Lake is ten feet high. This is to be increased to 30 feet.

WEDNESDAY IS TAG DAY

Ladies of Greater Medford Club Plan to Raise Funds for the City Park.

Tag! You're it! Next Wednesday, September 8, the "men folks" will have to pony up enough change to buy anywhere from one tag to a dozen from the ladies of the Greater Medford club, who will use that day to raise funds for the betterment of the city park. All day the ladies of the club will be on the trail of the man who does not wear a tag, and woe to the man who does not pungle up.

Remember, Wednesday is tag day.

OREGON POSTMASTERS WILL GET TOGETHER

Oregon postmasters of the fourth class are to assemble in Portland September 10 and 11 for the purpose of making themselves felt as a unit at the national capital, and having offices placed on the classified list, in order not to be at the beck and call of the congressmen of their respective districts. The meetings are to be held in the convention hall of the Commercial club, and are expected to be the most generally attended of any since the organization was effected.

The meetings are to be held simultaneously with those of the presidential postmasters of Oregon, and there will be some attempt at unity of purpose with both classes of officials. The railroads of the state have made concessions in regard to rates, and credit will be given on the tickets at the Portland offices on presentation.

HARRIMAN BUYS HISTORIC PLACE

NEW YORK, Sept. 3.—E. H. Harriman has purchased the historic Taylor farm at Central Valley, thus beginning the campaign by which he intends to extend his realty holdings. Mr. Harriman is said to have paid \$20,000 for the Taylor place. It was in the market for half this amount before Mr. Harriman located at Arden.

The way to a man's heart is via his stomach, such being the case, the Louere cafe is entitled to the thanks of every woman whose friend or relative has ever sat at its table—it is a pleasure to eat there.

EIGHT LIVES LOST IN OHIO

Divers in Hull of Wrecked Steamer Find Eight Bodies Including Purser.

VICTORIA, B. C., Sept. 3.—A diver in the hull of the wrecked steamer Ohio today found the body of Purser Stephen. It has been forwarded to Prince Rupert. It has been determined that eight lives were lost.

VALUE OF EXPORTS AND IMPORTS GROWS

WASHINGTON, Sept. 3.—There was an increase in the value of both the imports and exports of the United States during the month of July over that month last year, according to the monthly statement of the country's foreign commerce, issued by the bureau of statistics of the department of commerce and labor.

The value of the imports for July was \$112,488,354, an increase of \$26,052,862 over July a year ago, making the total imports for the seven months ending with July \$830,485,646, which is an increase of \$221,598,998 over the same period for 1908.

The increase in exports for July was more than one-fourth that of imports. The exports were \$109,337,952, an increase over the previous July of \$6,138,376; for the seven months ending with July the exports amounted to \$897,311,122, a decrease during the same period in 1908 of \$3,685,967.

RAILROAD COMMISSION ORDERS IMPROVEMENTS

SALEM, Or., Sept. 3.—Acting upon the results of the investigation of the livestock facilities of the O. R. & N., Southern Pacific and Corvallis & Eastern railroads, the railroad commission this morning ordered that the Southern Pacific company, within 45 days from date of service of the order, provide double-deck loading chutes at its stockyards at Albany, Jefferson, Halsey and other points where such facilities are not maintained, for the benefit of shippers of sheep in loading double-deck stock cars. The hearing of the complaints against the O. R. & N. and C. & E. companies have been discontinued.

PORTLAND MAN TO INSTITUTE LOCAL ELK LODGE

Grand Exalted Ruler Sammis of B. P. O. E. Appoints Special Deputy to Visit Medford.

LOCAL HELLO BILL BOYS PLAN GREAT JOLLIFICATION

Date of Institution Fixed Definitely for September 23—All Arrangements Made.

LEMARS, Ia., Sept. 3.—T. E. Daniels, Medford, Or.; A. Edgar Beard, Portland, has been appointed special deputy to institute Medford lodge.
J. U. SAMMIS,
Grand Exalted Ruler.

There is joy in the heart of every local Elk today. At the largest meeting ever held by the local members at the temporary quarters last night it was determined to go ahead with the work of preparation for the entertainment as first arranged for the night the local lodge is instituted. A reception that will be second to none ever attempted in Medford has been already perfected and an elaborate program is being arranged.

On September 23.

In order to accommodate the Jackson County Clearing House association, which has set its date of an annual meeting September 15, the Elks graciously changed the original date for the institution from September 23, the latter date having been finally settled this morning by a special committee composed of Messrs. Eifert, Orth and Daniels, over the long distance phone, with A. Edgar Beard, a prominent Portland Elk, who has been honored with the special appointment to institute the local lodge.

Handsome Souvenir.

A handsome souvenir invitation in booklet form has been placed in the hands of the engraver with instructions to spare nothing to make it a work of art well worth preserving. The invitations will be sent to every Elks' lodge in the country inviting them to come to Medford and partake of the hospitality that will be offered and from reports from Portland and the north and Redding and Sacramento to the south Medford will see an attendance of Elks close to 600 strong.

That the date is finally set, the entertainment on a lavish scale assured and attendance promised that will be a record breaker will all be good news to local people, who are anxious to see everything undertaken in Medford done in a manner second to none attempted in any city of its size.

Local members are requested to file their dimitts with T. E. Daniels at once in order that it may be definitely known who will be among the first members of the Medford lodge.

COOK TO REACH COPENHAGEN SOMETIME TONIGHT

Scores of Correspondents in Capital of Denmark to Greet the Discoverer of the Pole.

IS SAID TO BE SECOND ONLY TO COLUMBUS

Scientists World Over Are Giving Credit to Report of Cook's Success.

COPENHAGEN, Sept. 3.—A royal welcome for Dr. Frederik A. Cook has been prepared and is ready when the scientist reaches here tonight.

The torpedo boat "Jutland," bedecked with flags, left here to meet and escort the Hans Engede, which is bearing Cook.

Correspondents from all parts of Europe are flocking here to see and talk with the hero of the hour.

Greatest Since Columbus.

NEW YORK, Sept. 3.—That the discovery of the north pole and the probable discovery of the south pole in the near future will result in a stimulus for arctic explorations and in a rush of scientists to the polar regions is the belief of E. B. Baldwin, the celebrated explorer and meteorologist. He said: "Cook's achievement is simply wonderful. He is fortunate in finding a chain of islands, where game was plentiful, and also to encounter a smooth surface to within five degrees of the pole. The assistance of the brave little Eskimos was of great value, and cannot be underestimated. The skepticism that is being manifested regarding Cook's wonderful feat of traveling 500 miles in 35 days is not well founded, as it is not only possible, but very probable under favorable circumstances. He is the greatest discoverer since Columbus."

LETS COWS EAT PLANTS. THUS GETTING TWO CROPS

DAYTON, Wash., Sept. 2.—An important discovery to fruitgrowers of Washington has been made by W. E. Huntley of Dayton, who claims to have found a method of growing two crops of strawberries annually. This is not so important as the fact that his method will produce a second crop equal to the first crop in June. If the discovery proves successful it will mean thousands of dollars annually to Washington fruit men.

Mr. Huntley's first crop of berries yielded \$450 an acre this year. From present indications the second, which will be ready to gather this month, will yield equal if not larger returns. After gathering the first crop in July, Mr. Huntley turned a band of cattle into the patch, and the plants were eaten off to the ground. Then he turned water into the ditches again, and the plants grew wonderfully fast. Berries have commenced to appear, and are thriving. The method is at least unique, and promises much for the Touchet valley, with its immense strawberry crop.

ROGUE RIVER BARTLETTS CONTINUE TO BRING TOP PRICES IN MARKETS EAST

Many Cars Sold Thursday and Today Ranging Well Over \$3 Mark Demand Still Continues

NEW YORK, Sept. 3.—(Special.)—Hillcrest Bartletts this afternoon averaged \$3.21; Bear Creek, \$3.32; half boxes, \$1.50; Clairgeaus, boxes, \$2.48.

CHICAGO, Sept. 3.—(Special to the Tribune.)—The Stewart Fruit company sold yesterday: New York—Bear Creek Bartletts, firsts averaging \$3.20; seconds \$3.05; half boxes \$1.65. Chicago—Bear Creek Clairmeaus, \$2.10; Gore Bartletts, \$3.

Today the Stewart Fruit company sold: Montreal—Bear Creek Bartletts averaging \$2.90.

Pittsburg—Burrell Bartletts averaged \$3.20. New York—Bear Creek Bartletts

averaged \$3.25 firsts, \$2.95 seconds; \$1.50, half boxes.

Boston—Burrell Bartletts \$2.90. Gibson sold in Chicago today one car Buckeye Bartletts averaging \$3.

Prices for coast fruit yesterday averaged as follows in New York: Tokays, Florin, averaged \$1.80; winters averaged \$1.92; Malagas averaged \$1.10; Gros, too green, averaged \$1.45; Eggs averaged \$1.05; half-Clairgeaus averaged \$1.50; Bartletts averaged \$3.25.

In Chicago: Malagas, mostly poor condition, averaged 45c to \$1; Tokays averaged \$2; Bartletts averaged \$3; B. Hardys averaged \$2.70; peaches averaged \$1.15; Italians averaged \$1.20; Gros averaged \$1.85; Eggs averaged \$1.20; Germans averaged \$1.20.

BRITONS HAVE ANOTHER SCARE

Discovery of High Explosives in the Bunkers of Battleships Leads to Great Excitement.

LONDON, Sept. 3.—Following the discovery of high explosives in the bunkers of the crack battleship "Forward" by Admiral Tystate Fremont, England is plunged into another spasm of excitement. The discovery comes in the midst of a rigid investigation following the finding of explosives in three other battleships recently. As a result of the findings every commander is ordered to overhaul his vessel for explosives. It is feared that a systematic attempt to destroy the best British ships has been made.

EARL GREY'S AIDE PAYS \$275, THE MAXIMUM FINE

VICTORIA, B. C., Sept. 3.—Viscount Lascelles, aide-de-camp to Earl Grey, governor general of Canada, who shot a mountain goat and a deer out of season during the governor general's trip to northern British Columbia, has been fined \$275 by the British Columbia game warden. The game warden went to Viscount Lascelles' room, where he admitted having shot the mountain goat and deer, the heads of which had been sent to a taxidermist to be mounted. He proffered the maximum fine, which was accepted, and the game warden then proceeded to the taxidermist and confiscated the heads. It has been proposed to proceed also against the governor general of Canada, Earl Grey, but investigation failed to show that he had killed any game.

BALLINGER ARRIVES AFAIN IN WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON, Sept. 3.—Secretary of the Interior Ballinger arrived here today from Seattle, and authorized a statement that he expected to present personally to Taft a report of his department concerning the Cunningham coal land claims in Alaska. Ballinger refused to discuss the Pinchot controversy.

FLOODS WORK GREAT HAVOC

Mazas River in Mexico Overflows—City of 9000 Is Entirely Destroyed.

MONTEREY, Mex., Sept. 3.—The Mazas river is overflowing its banks and a wide strip of fertile valley is inundated. Larda, Gomez, Palacio, and Matamoras are threatened with destruction. The lower part of Toroen is directly in the path of the flood. The city of Tula, having 9000 inhabitants, has been destroyed. Tula is in the state of Tamalpais.

CONFINING SANTIAM TO ONE CHANNEL

SHELburne, Or., Sept. 3.—A large wing dam is being built in the North Santiam river at Stayton to keep the waters in one channel. The big bridge spanning the river is also being overhauled. The work is under the supervision of the Marion county court, and will be completed by another month.

BRITAIN'S STRENGTH IN PACIFIC TO BE INCREASED

LONDON, Sept. 3.—Premier Asquith told the house of commons this afternoon the results of the recent conference on imperial defense.

The only point of interest not already made known in press dispatches relates to the proposed remodeling of the Pacific fleet, which both Australia and Canada are anxious should be strong.

The remodeled fleet will consist of three units, the East Indies, Australia and China squadrons, each unit to be composed of a large armored cruiser of the Indomitable type, three cruisers of the Bristol type, six destroyers of the river class and six submarines. New Zealand and Australia will present to the empire vessels of the Indomitable type instead of Dreadnoughts, and these ships will form a part of the Pacific fleet.