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## "I WILL NEVER AGAIN RETURN" SAYS DR. COOK

**Explorer Reaches Copenhagen and is Greeted by Thousands—Is Overcome by Reception**

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COPENHAGEN, Sept. 4.—"Once is enough for any man. I will never again return to the north pole. A single experience of that sort is enough to last a man for a lifetime." The above was practically the first answer Dr. Frederick A. Cook, explorer, gave to a small army of newspaper men representing the press of the entire world, who boarded the steamer Hans Engede as that steamer drifted into this harbor at 9:30 o'clock this morning.

While admitting the probability of the drifting ice removing the evidences left at the pole, Dr. Cook stated that when he presented his records and observations to scientists that skepticism would be removed.

"I first planted the Stars and Stripes at the pole on April 21, 1908," said Dr. Cook, "and, My God! I tell you it was a thrilling sight. The mercury was scores below zero, but

my blood coursed through my veins as I realized what it all meant. After the first flag had waved to the breeze a while I took it down, planted a second and now have the first with me.

"I hope that the pole will soon again be reached and my record found. I spent two days at the pole taking observations all the time that I was not sleeping or eating. The weather was ideal and my instruments in perfect order."

The explorer today is the guest of honor at the most ardent welcome in the history of the world. The native population is augmented by thousands of people from all over Europe. Ovation after ovation was given the successful explorer and the police had hard work to restrain the crowds as Cook's automobile passed through the streets of this city at a snail's pace, inch by inch.

Dr. Cook was entirely overcome and exclaimed that he never dreamed of such a welcome. He expresses a desire to return to America as soon as possible and greet his wife and family.

## WILL SOON LET CONTRACT FOR EXTENSION OF P. & E.

**Board of Arbitration Will Get at Work Next Week to Settle All Right of Way Questions With Property Owners.**

**BOTH PORTER BROS. AND TWOHY BROS. WILL BID ON ROAD'S CONSTRUCTION**

**Line From Medford to Eagle Point Will Have to Be Rebuilt to Lay Seventy-Five-Pound Rails.**

**ENGINEER HAS ORDERS TO RUSH CONSTRUCTION WORK**

**Allen Refuses to Talk Beyond Stating That First-Class Independent Road Will Be BBUilt.**

As soon as rights of way are deeded by a few property owners, who have so far held out for damages, a contract will be let for the construction of the Pacific & Eastern from Medford to Butte Falls. Friday President J. R. Allen and Chief Engineer William Gerish met the property owners at Eagle Point and an agreement was made to leave the amount of damages to a board of arbitration, to be selected by those affected and Mr. Allen. The viewers will begin their work at once and by the middle of the week it is expected the railroad's right of way will be complete.

**Little Trouble Expected.** Those whose property is affected are Walter Woods, Ely Dabaek, Johnson Brothers and Ayers. With these exceptions, practically all those whose land is crossed have deeded right of way free, holding that the increase in the value of the property due to the railroad's advent far more than compensated for any possible damage.

**Bidding on Construction.** Representatives of both Porter Bros., the Hill contractors, and Twohy Bros., the Harriman contractors, have examined the work and will bid on construction, according to Chief Engineer Gerrish. The line from Medford will have to be rebuilt, as it is not suitable for traffic. Seventy-five-pound rails will probably be used, making the line suitable for heavy traffic.

**To Rush the Work.** "My instructions are to rush the construction of the line as fast as possible," said Engineer Gerrish. "Whether it will be extended through the Casades or not, I do not know." Beyond this Mr. Gerrish would not talk.

President Allen left Saturday in company with Edgar Hafer, William Hart Hamilton, Dr. J. F. Reddy and W. J. Hotchkiss of San Francisco, for Butte Falls to inspect the timber belt and view the country the road will traverse. On his return Sunday it is expected that an announcement of his intentions will be made, but

## INDIANS BEGIN TO ARRIVE IN MEDFORD FOR BIG SHOOT

### GRAIN FIELDS THIS COUNTY GROW SCARCE

**Only One Thresher at Work This Year Where Before Six or Eight Were Needed.**

**WHEAT AVERAGED 40 BUSHELS TO ACRE**

**Next Year Thresher Will Be Taken to Klamath Valley—Mostly Fruit Near Medford.**

Where, a few years ago, six or eight threshing machines were needed to thresh the grain grown in the Rogue River valley, only one was required this season, and the outlook for next year is so dubious that the remaining machine is to be taken to Klamath county for operation in those fields.

It was by no means due to any failure in crops that grain fields in the county are growing scarce, but to the fact that the land is far more valuable for the raising of fruit, which pays over \$1000 an acre annually. Crops of grain pay well, but nowhere near the returns from fruit. The grain this year averaged per acre: Wheat, 40 bushels; barley, 60 bushels; oats, 65 bushels.

Next week work will start on hulling alfalfa. This yields about 1000 pounds of seed to the acre, which is worth \$180. To this income can be added about \$20 for straw and, with the cost figured, alfalfa grown for seed will pay about \$125 an acre net.

A. B. Connell, district manager of Oregon Life, has opened offices in Medford and will move his family here soon from Grants Pass.

beyond the statement that a first-class railroad will be built, Mr. Allen refuses to talk.

**Hotchkiss Here.** The visit of Mr. Hotchkiss has an important significance at this time. He is president of the Hobbs-Wall company of Crescent City, owners of an immense belt of redwood on the coast, who are among the largest redwood manufacturers in the world. The company owns a logging railroad extending into the timber from Crescent City and is greatly interested in securing railroad connections with the east. His consultation with President Allen is understood to be to induce him to extend the Pacific & Eastern to Crescent City, a considerable subsidy being offered by the Hobbs-Wall company.

**Big Cannery Man.** Mr. Hotchkiss is also one of the controlling spirits in the cannery trust in California, owning and operating several large canneries.

Among those present at the Eagle Point conference Friday were Walter Woods, M. S. Woods, Tom Nichols, Ely Dabaek, W. R. Johnson, Frank Brown, S. B. Holmes of Eagle Point, J. R. Allen, William Gerrish, Dr. J. F. Reddy, Judge S. S. Pentz, William Ulrich, William H. Hamilton, W. J. Hotchkiss and G. Putnam.

### CRACK SHOTS FROM ENTIRE COUNTRY HERE

**Among Arrivals Today Are Three World Champions, Who Will Participate in Next Week's Shoot.**

**INTERESTING PROGRAM HAS BEEN ARRANGED**

**Big Parade Is Scheduled for Next Wednesday Evening by Braves in Full Costume.**

The Indians are here. The advancement guard of the crack shots of America arrived Saturday morning. The rest of the marksmen will arrive Sunday, and a week will be spent shooting and having a good time. The tournament will begin on Tuesday.

Among the arrivals Saturday were three world's champions—Fred Gilbert of Spirit Lake, Ia., champion of 1908 and 1909; Tom Marshall of Kettlesburg, Ill., who is also former champion fly easter of the world, and Chris Gottlieb of Kansas City. The other crack shots here are T. Willet of San Francisco, F. H. Hheil and wife of Tacoma, Charles North of Cleveland, H. E. Porton of Chicago and Charles Thorpe and wife of Omaha.

Among those who have wired for reservations at local hotels are W. S. Pratt, L. A. Aeid and C. A. Haight of San Francisco, D. King and wife of San Jose, F. Caldwell and wife of Portland, P. J. Hollingham of Twin Falls, Idaho; J. Forbes of Tacoma, J. Callison and wife of Portland, Wells and wife of Nelson, B. C.; Ed Morris and wife of San Francisco, T. H. Turner of San Francisco, Hillis and wife and Ellis and wife of California.

An interesting program of entertainment has been provided by the Medford Rod and Gun club. Banners of welcome have been strung across Main street. Fishing excursions on the river are the order of the day. New traps have been installed at the club grounds, and the shooting starts Tuesday.

The program in the rough is as follows: Monday, September 6, will be devoted to reception of arriving shooters and the evening will be devoted to the annual encampment of the Indians at the Wikwam. Mr. Walters having donated the use of the Wigwam for the occasion.

Tuesday evening following will be the first day of the big shoot and the shoot will be followed by an auto ride through the different orchards and to various points of interest.

Wednesday will be the second day of the shoot and the evening will be devoted to the big street parade, in which the Indians will appear in full war paint and costume. The parade will be followed by the presentation of "The Mascot" at the opera house.

Thursday, the last day of the shoot will be the gala day for the Indians, every shooter appearing in costume at the shoot. Thursday evening will

### BARTLETTS IN NEW YORK ARE HOLDING UP

**Car From Bear Creek Orchards Averages \$3.35—Olwell Car Averages \$3.15.**

**NO SALES MONDAY ON ACCOUNT OF LABOR DAY**

**Rogue River Fruit Continues to Sell for Over \$3—Clairgeaus Bring \$2.45.**

CHICAGO, Sept. 4.—(Special.)—The Stewart Fruit company sold in this city yesterday one car of Bartlett's consigned by Olwell averaging \$3.15.

New York—One car Bartlett's from Hillcrest averaging \$3.20; one car from Bear Creek averaging, firsts, \$3.35; seconds \$3.05; halves, \$1.50; one car Clairgeaus from Bear Creek averaged \$2.45.

There will be no sales on Monday in the east, owing to Labor day. The prices received Friday for coast fruit in the east were as follows:

New York—Malagas, good, many showed decay, averaged \$1; Bartlett's, averaged \$3; Tokays averaged \$1.55; Orange Clings averaged \$1.25; Whentland averaged 85c.

Chicago—Italians averaged \$1.50; Malagas averaged 90c; Tokays averaged \$1.65; Lovells averaged \$1.05; Orange Clings averaged 90c; Bartlett's averaged \$3.05.

Boston—Bartlett's averaged \$2.15, mostly too ripe; halves averaged \$1.55; Malagas averaged 90c; Thompson Seedless averaged 85c; Gros averaged \$2.05; McDevitt averaged 97c; Orange Clings averaged \$1.10; Crawford's averaged \$1.10; Strawberry Clings averaged \$1.10.

**BIG APPLES FROM THE BIG ORCHARD**

J. A. Westerlund, president of the Western Oregon Orchard company, brought to the Tribune office today three big apples of the red cheek pippin variety, grown on his company orchard, three miles east of Medford, on a 5-year-old tree.

The three apples weighed five pounds, or over one and one-half pounds each. These apples will be sent to the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition, where they will surely carry off the first prize as big apples.

Some of the finest fruit in the Rogue River valley comes from the rich fruit lands at the foot of Mt. Roxy, where these apples were grown.

The same old story—but it's a good one. No better place in town for a square meal than the Spot cafe.

be devoted to a special dance at the Wigwam.

Friday will be devoted to a big salmon bake at the river, where all the shooters will be taken in automobiles donated by different public-spirited citizens.

## GRIM DEATH RIDES CYCLONE

**Southeastern Sicily Swept by Tornado Which Leaves Ruin in Its Wake.**

CATANIA, Sicily, Sept. 4.—Eighteen are dead and 150 injured as the result of a terrible cyclone which swept Scortia and southeastern Sicily, according to dispatches received here. Hundreds of buildings were destroyed and it is feared the death list will be heavier than at present reported. Inhabitants are clearing the wreckage and attempting to rescue the injured and recover the dead.

### NOTICE TO PARENTS.

Owing to the fact that school books and supplies are handled on a very small margin of profit, we will not charge same in any amount. Parents finding it inconvenient to send cash with the children must make a deposit beforehand. There will be no exception to this rule.  
144-5. MEDFORD BOOK STORE.

### GOVERNOR TO SPEAK AT BANQUET TO JAPANESE

SALEM, Or., Sept. 4.—Governor Benson has received and will probably accept an invitation to deliver the address of welcome at the banquet to be tendered the delegation of Japanese business men by the Portland chamber of commerce upon the occasion of their visit to Portland September 9.

Nash Grill open all the time.

## BEEF CATTLE IN GOOD CONDITION

**Secretary of Jackson County Stock Men's Association Returns From Inspection.**

L. L. Damon, secretary of the Jackson County Stockmen's association, has returned from a trip throughout the ranges of the county and reports beef cattle for fall shipment in splendid condition. Mr. Damon's trip was made to distribute new brand books and to enjoy a vacation. "While stock shipments will not be heavy this year," said Mr. Damon, "the beef is in splendid condition. Good prices are expected, about 3 and 3½ cents for prime beef. Feed has been plentiful."

Fall cloaks, suits and furs now being shown at Van Dyke's. 144

Chief of Police Shearer reports finding a lot of ladies wearing apparel hidden away in one of the local lumber yards and believes that it was taken from the suitcase that was reported as stolen a short time ago, and requests anyone having lost such property to call at the city hall and describe it and it will be returned to them. A roll of blankets was also stolen from the depot this morning.

Boys' sweater coats with pockets, 85c each at Van Dyke's.

S. Richie of Glendale is a recent Medford arrival.

S. M. Mears of Table Rock spent Saturday in Medford.