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# MEDFORD DAILY TRIBUNE

FOURTH YEAR.

MEDFORD, OREGON, WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 1909.

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## TAFT LEAVES BOSTON FOR WOOLY WEST

Off for Chicago in Private Car on the Albany Express—Thirteen Thousand Mile Jaunt.

## THOUSANDS CHEER HIM AS HIS TRAIN PULLS OUT

Will Reach Seattle on September 30—Will Travel Over Southern Pacific to San Francisco.

BOSTON, Sept. 15.—President Taft left here this morning on the first lap of his western trip. The president's private car was attached to the Albany express. He was cheered by thousands as his train departed.

The presidential tour across the continent and return by the southern route, beginning today and ending on November 10, amounts practically to a wide swing around the United States covering approximately 13,000 miles.

Chicago will be the president's first stop. Denver will be reached during the afternoon of September 21. Leaving Denver September 22, the president and his party will continue west.

President Taft will spend two days, September 30 and October 1, "doing" the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition, leaving Seattle late on the evening of the second day and arriving at Portland, Or., October 2, at 7 a. m. Two days will be spent in Portland, the party leaving there at 6 p. m. Sunday, October 3, for a trip down the famous Shasta route, through the Siskiyou mountains and in view of Mount Shasta, to San Francisco. He will then start east through the south, arriving in Washington November 10.

## EUGENE MAN BUYS BUSINESS HERE

The Nash Grill has been purchased by Otto Reichman, who has been in Medford for several days looking over the valley. He will take charge at once, remodel the place throughout, and handle the place in the future.

Mr. Reichman is one of the best known caterers on the coast and his praises have been sung far and wide by the traveling men, who made his place of business their headquarters when in that city. Mr. Reichman recently disposed of his interests in Eugene, and hearing of Medford came simply to look the valley over and remained to enter business.

The new management will retain all of the present force in the grill and intend to place it upon a plane untouched by any other cafe in Oregon.

In Eugene Mr. Reichman conducted the Otto cafe, one of the most popular places in that city. As soon as possible a new bill of fare will be issued by the Nash Grill and improvements in service and dining room made. Popular prices will be charged and a specialty made of banquets and private dinner parties.

Henry Thorsen, a famous chef from the east, recently chef of the Hotel Oregon, will preside over the culinary department. Only white help will be employed.

## FLOUR MILLS IN PORTLAND BURN LOSS \$250,000

Largest Plant of Its Kind Burns to Ground Early This Morning—Fire Started From Explosion.

## BELIEVED THAT ALL MILL HANDS WERE UNINJURED

Thousands of Dollars' Worth of Grain Destroyed—Raged From 9 o'Clock Until Noon.

PORTLAND, Sept. 15.—After destroying the Portland flour mills, the largest plant of its kind in the north-west, and spoiling thousands of dollars' worth of grain, a fire which started from an explosion in the mill this morning was controlled at noon today. So far as could be learned no employees were injured, although the police are now searching the ruins.

The flames started at 9 o'clock and did damage to an amount of \$250,000. Adjacent elevators and wharves on which was piled thousands of bushels of wheat were threatened, but saved.

## PAYS \$25,000 FOR 113 ACRES

Utica Man Buys the Tennessee Smith Place Near Phoenix—Will Be Planted to Fruit.

Chester Fitch of Utica, N. Y., has purchased the ranch known as the Tennessee Smith place west of Phoenix, paying \$25,000 cash.

The place consists of 113 acres. Of this acreage six are in bearing Newtowns and this year's crop is estimated at 4000 boxes. Forty acres will be planted to fruit this fall. The remainder of the tract will eventually be set out to commercial orchards.

Mr. Fitch will not take personal charge until next year. R. W. Northrup, who made the deal, will oversee the place.

J. F. Smith of San Francisco is in the city.

Mrs. J. T. Sayle of Ashland came down Wednesday for a short visit in Medford.

Mrs. O. T. West of Hornbrook, Cal., is a late arrival in Medford.

A. Bugman of Portland is a business caller in Medford.

F. A. Ruchert of Sacramento is one of Medford's new arrivals.

E. Daggart of Washington is in the city on business matters.

A. H. Isbell of Champaign, Ill., is investigating the possibilities of the Rogue River valley.

One of San Francisco's latest arrivals in Medford is T. C. Van.

Art Bartlett of Portland is here for a few days.

M. S. Emery of Ashland recently visited our city.

Thomas Irving, Phil Flood and Joseph Harbinger of Portland are visitors in the city for a few days.

The regular meeting of the W. C. T. U. will be held on Thursday afternoon of this week at 2:30 o'clock at the Baptist church. All members are urged to be present.

## FIRST CAR OF D'ANJOU PEARS OFF FOR EAST

Rogue River Fruit Growers' Union Sends Out First Car—Others Loading Throughout the Valley.

## ABOUT 15 CARS OF D'ANJOU COMPRISE ROGUE RIVER CROP

Nearly All the Bartletts Have Been Heard From—Car of Burrells Orchard Pears Average \$2.71.

The first car of d'Anjou pears from the Rogue River valley was shipped east Tuesday evening by the Rogue River Fruitgrowers association. Others are loading and shipments will be made during the next few days. It is expected that about 15 cars will comprise the d'Anjou crop of the valley.

NEW YORK, Sept. 15.—(Special.)—Rae & Hatfield sold one car Tuesday of Rogue River Bartletts consigned by the Burrell orchards. They averaged \$2.71.

Fruit prices in markets east averaged as follows on Tuesday: Boston—Tokays, \$1.30; Malagas, \$1.10; Bartletts, \$2; Germans, \$1.12; Strawberry Clings, 85c; Colorado Elbertas, \$1.10; Oregon Italians, \$1.25. Chicago—Tokays, \$1; Malagas, 85c; Italians, 80c; Silvers, \$1.15.

## HONORE PALMER AND PARTY ARRIVE IN THIS VALLEY

Mr. and Mrs. Honore Palmer of Chicago accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Carrol Brown of Baltimore, arrived Tuesday in Medford to look over the valley and inspect Mr. Palmer's holdings here, which are quite extensive, including the old Weeks orchard adjoining the Bear Creek orchards, and the Modoc orchards, formerly the Bybee ranch.

Mr. Palmer, who is a son of Mrs. Potter Palmer, the Chicago society queen, is a great believer in both Medford and the Rogue River valley. Whether or not he makes additional investments depends upon circumstances.

While here Mr. Palmer will decide the future of Modoc orchard, whether it will be cut up into small tracts after planting to orchard or whether held intact as one of the model orchards of the valley.

## HOOD RIVER PROPERTY INCREASES IN VALUE

HOOD RIVER, Or., Sept. 15.—The assessments for the city and county have been completed, and indicate a very large increase over last year, which is mainly due to the fact of improvements made in the city and valley. Last year's assessment for the city was \$800,000, and this year it is \$1,585,770. Last year's assessment for the county was \$28,870,280 and the assessment for this year will be \$6,000,000. This places Hood River county, although the smallest in the state, pretty well up toward the top.

Rev. Robert McLean of Grants Pass was in Medford Tuesday on his way to attend the veterans' reunion in Jacksonville.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Woodford have returned from a visit to their old home in Illinois. Regal shoes at Daniels for Duds.

## WATER SYSTEM CRATER LAKE IS COMPLETE

Piping Is Completed and Now Drink of Cold Water Can Be Had After Climb.

## STEEL HERE ON WAY TO LAKE FROM PORTLAND

Work Starts Immediately on Buildings on Rim—Over 3000 Visitors So Far.

Water may now be had by the thirsty on the rim of Crater Lake, for the new water system is completed and work will start at once on the buildings on the rim of the lake.

Will G. Steel arrived today in Medford from Portland, where he was called last week on business. Mr. Steel states that everything is going ahead lively and another season will work a great change in affairs at the camp.

It is now possible to stand on the rim of the lake and telephone to all parts of the country.

## SOUTHERN STATES FAVOR GOOD ROADS

GALVESTON, Tex., Sept. 15.—An aggregate of more than \$15,000,000 has been voted in the form of special bond issues in the southern states within the last five months for the purpose of road betterments.

That is a concrete answer to efforts that have been made to arouse southern sentiment in favor of superior highways. The figures cited are not collated by a newspaper. They are the official figures of the Southern Commercial congress.

## RUSH RAILROAD WORK ON NEHALEM LINE

NEHALEM, Or., Sept. 15.—Railroad work is in full swing on the line from Garabaldi on Tillamook bay to ten miles above Nehalem City. Along this stretch of road are 13 camps and about 800 men employed. A wagon road is being built up the south fork of the Nehalem river, on which supplies are being carried to the camps.

The Wakefield contract of 20 miles from Tillamook City to the mouth of the Nehalem river at Nehalem Bay park will be completed by November 1.

## CONFERENCE MEETS AT COTTAGE GROVE

COTTAGE GROVE, Or., Sept. 15.—A number of distinguished gentlemen, who will participate in the Methodist conference here this week have arrived. Citizens of Cottage Grove have arranged for the entertainment of the visiting ministers and church workers and a splendid program has been arranged for each day. Preliminary meetings were held this morning and special arrangements were made for the week, opening Wednesday morning.

The carpenters of the city gathered in the Redmen hall on Tuesday evening and heard an address by the state organizer.

The Women of Woodcraft held a most enjoyable social evening in their hall Tuesday evening.

## PEARY SAYS HE CAN PROVE COOK IS LIAR

Met by Canadian Cable Ship Bearing a Large Number of Correspondents for Newspapers.

## SAYS HE WILL LET COOK TELL STORY FIRST

Claims to Have Absolute Proof That Dr. Cook Did Not Reach the Pole.

POINT RICHIE, N. F., Sept. 15.—(Marconi Wireless via Cape Ray.)—The Canadian cable ship "Tyrian" en route to meet Commander Peary arrived here today, bearing a large delegation of newspaper men. Captain Dickson wired Peary as follows: "Been ordered to meet you at Butte Harbor. Please accept my congratulations. May slip etaoinuffiffi gratulations. My ship is at your disposal if you care to return to Sydney aboard of it."

The Tyrian was rushed to the disposal of Peary when it was announced that the Roosevelt had been disabled and would not make more than five miles a day.

A message was received from Peary as follows:

"I am the only white man who has ever reached the north pole, and I am prepared to prove it at the proper time. I have already stated publicly that Cook has not been to the pole. This I reaffirm and I will stand by it, but I decline to discuss the details of the matter. These will come out later. I have said that Cook's statement that he had reached the pole should not be taken seriously and that I have him nailed by the concrete proof to support my statement. In six months you probably will get the whole story. It would not be policy for me to enter upon a full debate with the subject as it now stands. To do so I would be giving out much information of which other uses could be made. I intend to wait until Cook has issued his full authorized statements."

One stretch of road on the way to Crater Lake has been kept up by J. S. Tucker, who lives above Trail. Auto drivers appreciate his efforts greatly.

Regal shoes at Daniels for Duds. B. H. Harris has returned from a trip to Portland.

Phone 3303 for tea or coffee. \*

## HOTEL ARRIVALS.

George H. West, Gridley; H. L. Kelly Jr., Trail; H. L. Holgate, Salem; J. R. Hoover, Galice; W. B. Bradford and wife, San Francisco; F. E. Blanchfield, San Francisco; Joe Whitney, city; F. M. Smith, Spokane; C. B. Nessler, Portland; P. Anderson, Oakdale; Earl Anderson, Oakdale; W. J. Hatfield, Portland; R. D. Pelton, Denver; Henry Folz, Portland; F. J. Smith, San Francisco; Mrs. J. T. Sayles, Ashland; Mrs. O. T. West, Hornbrook.

At the Moore—A. Buyman, Portland; F. A. Ruchert, Sacramento; E. H. Cunningham, Newell; W. G. Hatfield, Portland; E. Daggart, Washington; O. H. Isbell, Champaign; T. C. Van, San Francisco; Art Bartlett, Portland; M. E. Emery, Ashland; Thomas Irving, Portland; Phil Flood, Portland; Joseph Harbinger, Portland.

## SECOND STRIKE IS UNDER WAY IN PITTSBURG

No Soon Did 5000 Men Return to Work Than Fresh Trouble Broke Out.

## 3000 MEN THREATEN TO WALK OUT TONIGHT

Dissatisfaction Expressed Regarding Bosses—Strikers Demand Their Discharge.

PITTSBURG, Sept. 15.—The Pressed Steel Car company are again confronted with another strike. Three thousand employes threaten to walk out tonight unless several bosses and sub-bosses are discharged.

Recently 5000 men returned to work after a two months' strike, during which many riots took place and much blood was shed.

## DYNAMITE HERE FOR P. & E. RAILWAY

Advance Shipment of Construction Material—Other Equipment will Follow Shortly.

A carload of dynamite arrived in the city Wednesday for use of the contractors on the P. & E. railroad. This is the advance guard of the large quantity of equipment and material for use on the contractors on this road.

## SPORTSMEN ASSIST IN PROTECTING WILD GAME

EUGENE, Or., Sept. 15.—The Lane County Game and Fish association has several deputy game wardens employed in the county to enforce the game laws and frequent arrests are made. A number have recently been arrested for having untagged deer hides in their possession and fines of \$25 have been enforced. Two prominent residents of Los Angeles were arrested here some time ago for illicit fishing and fined \$25 each. One of the game wardens is said to have made a living this summer from fees paid him for enforcement of the law. The aim of the association is the protection of game from slaughter, and it is succeeding. The Gibson Duck club, owning 1300 acres near here, is aiding in this and has prohibited the shooting of Mongolian pheasants on its preserve for two years in the hope of this way increasing the birds in this part of the valley.

## FIVE BRICK BLOCKS AT COTTAGE GROVE

COTTAGE GROVE, Or., Sept. 15.—Cottage Grove now has five brick business buildings under construction and another is to be started in a short time. Ed Venske, who recently purchased a lot on Main street, is preparing to erect a modern structure 50x96 feet, one story, with arrangements for an additional story to be added when needed. This building is to be occupied by a large furniture store as soon as completed.