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HON. JOHN BARRETT ADDRESSES EUGENE CITIZENS
DIRECTOR OF BUREAU OF AMERICAN REPUBLICS APPEARS BEFORE LARGE AUDIENCE IN VILLARD HALL.
SAYS COUNTRY'S LEADING MEN COME FROM THE WEST—DISCUSSES SOUTH AMERICA—OFFERS TROPHY CUP FOR FOOTBALL TEAMS OF OREGON, WASHINGTON AND IDAHO.

Hon. John Barrett, director of the bureau of American republics, spoke to over six hundred students and townspeople in Villard Hall at the university last night. His subject was: "What the Pacific Has in Store for the State and the People of Oregon." He said in part: "There are three reasons why I am proud to address you tonight. First, as one who has kept his residence in this State for nearly twenty years, since I first came west from New England, I am proud to have the opportunity of meeting my fellow citizens whom I have always tried to represent faithfully as their minister abroad or as their officer at Washington. Second, as the head of a great international institution devoted to the development of commerce and friendship among American nations, I am proud to be able to interest you in its work, which can do so much not only for the benefit of this State but of the entire country. Third, as one who believes that Oregon can play just as important a part as any other state of the Union in shaping both national and international affairs, I am proud to point out to you ways and means by which Oregon may be recognized not only at home but abroad as one of the leading states of the Union."

China. I admire Japan for her wonderful record and China for her remarkable characteristics, but I am trying to impress upon you that, at the same time we are doing everything we can to promote our commerce and friendship with the Orient we should not neglect our own sister republics.

"The figures I have just given you apply to the entire twenty republics of Latin America, reaching from Cuba and Mexico south to Argentina and Chile. Now let me emphasize the importance of the twelve republics bordering on the Pacific ocean and therefore our close neighbors. They are Mexico, Guatemala, Salvador, Honduras, Nicaragua, Costa Rica, Panama, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, Bolivia and Chile, having a coast line on the Pacific of nearly six thousand miles and a population of nearly five times that of our three Pacific Coast states of California, Oregon and Washington. Although they are in the infancy of their material development and their coasts have been isolated from Europe and our Atlantic coast, they conduct an annual foreign trade valued at the splendid total of six hundred and fifty millions of dollars, (\$650,000,000). Certainly such facts as these demonstrate their importance but yet our country, and particularly this coast, has done too little to get into closer touch with this section of the western hemisphere."

"If you were to make a journey down the west coast of Mexico, Central America and South America you would be astonished at the evidence everywhere of material progress and development. It is no exaggeration to predict that during the next twenty years this part of the world will have an onward movement that will astonish everybody. There is a field for the investment of hundreds of millions of dollars. Railroads must be built in the interiors. Mines must be opened up. Agricultural sections must be populated and irrigated. New towns must be built. The numerous harbors and ports must be dredged. Immigration must be encouraged and transportation facilities improved. While these things are being done, as they surely will be before or soon after the completion of the Panama Canal, Oregon and the entire Pacific coast should be acquainting themselves with this field, developing friendly relations with it, studying the demand and supply of its markets, its buying and selling capacity, and, in short, ways and means of bringing about mutual benefits alike to the North and the South American Pacific Coast."

"At the Trans-Mississippi Congress recently held in San Francisco, I had the honor to propose that there should be held on this coast next year a Pan-American Pacific Commercial Conference, to which should be invited representative business men from the twelve Pacific Coast countries of Latin America. For the success of such a meeting Oregon should cooperate with California and Washington. When the delegates come, representing as they will their governments and peoples, they will want to know what we can do here and what we have to sell. They must be taken on a journey of inspection to all parts of the Pacific Coast, and such a journey must include a trip through Oregon and a visit to your own progressive city of Eugene."

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That the bill proposed by the Common Council and referred to the people for amending Section 109 of the Charter of the City of Eugene, so as to empower the Common Council in the sale of the water bonds of the city when no bids are received for the purchase thereof at or above par at the time advertised; then the Council may negotiate and sell the said bonds or any part thereof at private sale at not less than their par value without readvertising, submitted to the vote of the people of the City of Eugene at the special election held in said city on the first day of October, 1908, received a majority of the votes cast thereon as follows: Number of voters voting in favor of said amendment, 425; voting against said amendment, 346; majority in favor of said amendment, 79; and thereby became a law of the city of Eugene.

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"Let me prophesy, with full confidence, that the next ten years are going to be a Latin American decade, when all the world will stand in wonder before the progress of our sister republics. As an Oregonian, I want to see our state one of the first to recognize the importance of this field and so gain the moral prestige and commercial advantage that will come therefrom. As akin to this thought, I want the State of Oregon and your city, to take particular interest in the work of the International Bureau of American Republics, not only because I, as an Oregonian, am at the head of it, but because it can provide you with a vast amount of information concerning these southern republics. This Bureau can show you that South America has a city, Buenos Aires, the capital of the Argentine Republic, with a population of one million, two hundred thousand persons, which is growing faster than any city in the United States with the exception of New York and Chicago; that you could put the entire area of the United States, not including Alaska, into the Republic of Brazil, and still have room left over for an extra Oregon and Washington; that out of the Amazon River every day flows three times as much water as out of the Mississippi and Columbia combined; that the South American governments expended more money last year for improvement of Rivers and Harbors than did the United States, and that the Panama canal will accomplish benefits alike for the west coast of North and South America which will usher in a new era of Pan-American commerce and friendship."

Increased Appropriation.
In regard to education, the work with which Mr. Barrett is so intimately connected, as one of his duties is to teach the people of the United States the vast possibilities of the countries of the Southland, he said that the University of Oregon would receive an appropriation of \$250,000 a year. Incidentally, he compared American Universities with those of South America, presenting the fact that in Peru, before Harvard was founded, there was a University a hundred years old with a thousand students.

Football Cup.
To stimulate the rivalry among the three state Universities of Oregon, Washington, and Idaho, he announced that he had arranged for the offering of a cup to be contested for among the three institutions by their football teams. The team winning the cup would be sole owner of the trophy, and thus making it possible that the rivalry will last over four years. Any team winning a temporary title once shall be entitled to keep it in possession for a year.
Mr. Barrett before taking his present post as Director General of the International Bureau of American Republics, to which he was elected

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