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## SUNDAY ELECTIONS PROVE FARGE

### Huerta Remains in Control and Washington Sees no Ray of Hope in Results.

## DICTATOR SERVES UNTIL SUCCESSOR ELECTED

### Congressman Will Declare Their Election Legal and Presidential Election Void.

(By United Press Association)  
Mexico City, Oct. 27.—The election resulted as everyone expected. It was clear today that not enough votes were cast to elect a president. The congressional candidates who received majorities are expected to declare themselves elected with the approval of President Huerta. When they declare the presidential, as distinguished from the congressional election, invalid, they will ask Huerta to remain at the head of the Government until another election is held, which will be whenever Huerta wants one.

There are about three million voters in Mexico. The constitution requires one third of the vote to be cast in order to make it a valid election. Nothing like this number voted yesterday. The exact figures are not available and will not be for some days owing to the disorganized means of communication. The reports indicate that the election was quiet.

Washington, Oct. 27.—Pleased as the administration was over the absence of any explosion in connection with the election, it candidly said that matters are now worse because Huerta will be in control of Congress. No doubt it is felt in Washington that the Mexican Congress will uphold Huerta in any act of aggression he may decide upon and in nullifying American attempts to improve conditions. It is said that it is certain the Administration will refuse to recognize Huerta or the authority of the illegally constituted Mexican Congress.

## MOTHER IS SUING DAUGHTER TO HAVE DEEDS ANNULLED

### Case is Now on Before Circuit Judge—Mrs. Creener Gravely Charged.

A case that is being tried before Circuit Judge Galloway today is for the annulment of deed to a tract of land near Scio, in which a mother is charging her own daughter with defrauding the latter's grandfather and the former's father, and by so doing depriving the mother of her heritage of the land.

The mother is Martha Houston and the daughter is Orpha Greener, formerly Henningson, having been married twice. According to the complaint James Williams the father, and grand father died August 19, 1911 at Scio, leaving Mrs. Houston as his only heir at law. Prior to his death he was the owner of land near Scio and was greatly indebted, at the age of 90, in both mind and body, and incapacitated to do any business by reason of his weak mind. It is claimed that long prior to his death his daughter cared for him until she suffered a stroke of paralysis, when they invited Orpha Greener to care for them. After living with them for some time, it is claimed that Orpha, under threat that she would leave, demanded reward for her services. It is claimed that the aged man deeded one acre of land to her after undue influence. Later, it is alleged Orpha threatened to leave again, and a short time prior to his death, took advantage of his helpless condition and finally persuaded her grandfather to deed her all his property, after which she left. The plaintiff is seeking a decree ordering the annulment of the deeds and declaring her to be the owner of the properties heretofore held by her daughter.

## MRS. PAGE SUCCEUMS TO TYPHOID FEVER SATURDAY

Mrs. Annie G. Pace died Saturday evening at her home on Chicago street of typhoid fever at the age of 65 years.

The deceased was born on December 25, in Arkansas and moved here from Lincoln, Neb., several years ago. Her husband and three children preceded her by death. The remains are resting in the undertaking parlors of the Fortmiller establishment. Arrangements for the funeral have not been made but announcement will be made later.

R. W. Williams, after visiting the week end at the home of his father-in-law, P. M. French, returned this morning to his home in Portland.

Ed Jennings passed through the city this morning for La Grange from Portland.

William Rush, of Dunsmuir, Calif., visited relatives here yesterday while enroute to his home from Portland.

T. C. Roberts, of Lebanon, visited relatives here over Sunday.

W. W. Rankin, of White Salmon, is registered at the St. Francis.

H. Young and F. E. Williams of Salem, were visitors in the city yesterday.

A. Erickson, W. S. Zimmerman, and E. L. Manning all in Corvallis, are at the St. Francis.

Mrs. B. Johnson of Eugene was in the city yesterday visiting friends.

Laura Adams of Corvallis was a Sunday visitor of Albany friends.

Fred Weatherford returned this morning from a week end visit in Portland.

J. D. Cohen of Salem was a visitor here yesterday afternoon.

## TEACHERS WILL HOLD CONVENTION H.L.D. HERE

### Nov. 24 to 26 400 School Maams and Number of Leading Educators to Attend.

That the joint convention of Linn and Benton counties school teachers will be held in Albany for three days, Nov. 24, 25 and 26, was the statement of W. L. Jackson, county superintendent of Linn county, this morning.

That 400 teachers will be in attendance, coming from all parts of the two counties, besides a number of leading educators of the state, including the state superintendent, was another statement made by Mr. Jackson.

For the three days the convention will be held in the local high school building. During the session which starts on Monday and closes on Tuesday the schools throughout the two counties will be closed.

An elaborate program is now being arranged. Among the list of speakers will be included notable school masters of the state, who will speak on topics of interest to every teacher. The program for the three days will consist of five departments and promises to be one of the most interesting ever arranged for a similar convention in this section.

Announcement of the speakers and the program will be made later. It is the intention of the school authorities to make the convention one of the most beneficial that has ever been held and will be of momentous value to every teacher who attends.

## SMITHS DENY CHARGE THEY FRAUDED MOORE

### Filed an Answer This Morning to Complaint Against Them by W. B. Glass.

Denying each and every allegation contained in the complaint except that an application was made in the county court by B. C. Moore, and the proper proceedings were had, Geo. H. Smith and Sarah M. Smith, as defendants, filed an answer this morning to the complaint on file against them by W. B. Glass, as guardian of B. C. Moore, an incompetent, in which they are virtually charged with defrauding the incompetent of 10 acres of land located near Lebanon.

For a separate answer and complaint, the defendants allege that on or about April 2, 1913, they were owners of 39.1 acres near Lebanon subject to a mortgage of \$5,000 and that at the same time Moore was the owner of 138.50 acres near Holley, which at the same time was subject to a mortgage of \$346.

They claim that Moore at the time of the transaction was in possession of all his mental faculties and understood that nature of the transaction perfectly. On April 2, 1913, it is claimed that he came to the home of the defendants and requested them to enter into a deal and exchange the lands owned by them and himself. Accordingly a contract was entered into in which the trade was made subject to certain stipulations as to the mortgages. The defendants pray for a decree declaring the plaintiffs' complaint be dismissed. Attorney's Weatherford & Weatherford represent the defendants.

## JUDGE DUNCAN OUT FOR MAYOR

### Former County Judge Will Run Against L. M. Curl at December Election.

That the forces opposed to the candidacy of L. M. Curl have united upon Judge Duncan, who it is understood, has signified his willingness to accept the office of Mayor became known today. Eight petitions are being circulated on behalf of Judge Duncan and it is understood that an effort will be made to circulate the same in both the business and residence sections of the city.

Judge Duncan served two terms as county judge of Linn county and his friends assert that the record he made during his tenure of office is his best endorsement. They contend that he has all of the necessary qualifications and that he will prove a strong candidate.

Friends of both candidates freely predict the success of their favorites and the contest promises to be one of the best ever seen in Albany.

## PRESIDENT WARNS FOREIGN NATIONS

### in Mobile Address Asserts That America Will Never Seek a Fool of Soil by Conquest.

(By United Press Association)  
Mobile, Oct. 27.—A flat declaration that the United States never will seek another foot of territory in conquest was voiced by President Wilson at the opening of the Southern Commercial Congress here today. "And the United States must see to it that no other nation gains any territory on this hemisphere," continued the president, in an address which was cheered to the echo by throngs which came to Mobile from every section of the state. The president hailed the completion of the Panama Canal as the "emancipation of the Latin-American states from foreign control."

German Cruiser Ordered to Mexico. (By United Press Association)  
Berlin, Oct. 27.—The cruiser Nürnberg was ordered from Yokohama to Mazatlan, Mexico, to protect German interests on the Mexican west coast.

## WILLIAM SHERER PASSES TO HIS LAST REWARD

### Linn County Pioneer of 1852, Crossed Plains with Ox Team.

William Miller Sherer died Saturday afternoon at the home of his only surviving sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Millhollan, on East Ninth street. The deceased was born near Edinburg, Penn., July 29, 1828. He crossed the plains by ox team to Oregon in 1852 and in the fall of that year took a land claim near Oakville in this county where he resided until death.

He was one of the pioneer importers and breeders of pure bred live stock of Linn county and during the seventies and eighties was associated with his brother David in this business under the firm name of Sherer Bros. In this line of work the brothers did a great service for the live stock interests of Oregon and especially of Linn county. After the death of his brother David in 1883, Mr. Sherer retired from the importation of pure bred stock and has lived a retired life on the farm near Oakville.

Although of a quiet and unassuming disposition he was a very public spirited man, contributing liberally to all the activities of the community. The funeral was held this morning and interment took place at Oakville.

Miss Leonora Kerr, daughter of president Kerr of O. A. C. and Miss Gertrude Nolan of Corvallis, were guests of Miss Blanche Hammel yesterday.

## ALBANY GIRL IN SALEM SCANDAL

### Stella Morgan Named as Party to Wholesale Poisoning Plot in State School.

Salem, Oct. 27.—(Special to Democrat)—A wholesale attempt at poisoning was made Sunday night at the state industrial school for girls. Styrelime was placed in tea and coffee served the officers and inmates.

The fact that so much poison was used as to make the beverages bitter caused the discovery of the plot. Mrs. Effie Cresswell is alleged to have induced Stella Morgan, the sixteen year old daughter of W. E. Morgan, of North Albany, who was committed to the school recently, Lydia Hill of Columbia county and Lula Smith, of Corvallis, who worked in the kitchen, to put the poison in the drinks. All of the girls have confessed.

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Today the big store room recently occupied by the Rogoway furniture store on Second street, is being prepared, before being renovated, as modern garage.

The flooring is being torn up by a crew of workmen preparatory to the installation of a cement floor. When completed the building will contain a rest room for ladies and gentlemen, a complete repair shop and an automobile accessory sales room, quartered in an absolute fireproof structure. Everything is to be modern and up-to-date.

The concern is to be known by the name of Albany Garage, incorporated. R. Walsworth and M. P. Cady, proprietors. They are brother-in-laws and come from Seattle, with the best of recommendations as competent automobile men. They bear letters from banks of the best recommendations as up-right business men. The coming of these men will mean that three more families will be added Albany. Aside from their own families, the parents of Mr. Walsworth will also come here to locate.

The new firm will have the agency of probably two makes of cars, aside from carrying on a general repair, storage and auto necessity business. The new place will be opened at the earliest possible date.

Mrs. Joseph Leimsky of Portland is a guest at the home of Mrs. C. H. Baker.

## NOT DETERMINED WHETHER POULTRY SHOW WILL BE HELD

### Meeting Saturday afternoon at the Commercial club, members of the Central Valley Poultry Association discussed plans for the holding of a poultry show similar to the one held here last year, but came to no definite conclusion as to whether one should be held.

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