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## SMALL VOTE CAST UP UNTIL 3 P. M.

Nearly Every Candidate Feels Confident of His Election; Many Women Vote.

## BIG VOTE IS EXPECTED BE POLLED BEFORE CLOSE

Indications Are That Curl and Austin Are Way in the Lead; Councilmen Very Close.

With nearly every candidate feeling confident of election and wearing personal smiles, bespeaking their inward sentiments, but otherwise carrying an air of indifference, the city election progressed today uneventful and in weather that threatened rain which up until 3 o'clock did not fall.

**Small Vote Cast.**  
The vote cast up to 2:30 o'clock is very light. With 1300 registered the vote polled up to this time was less than 500. It has been estimated that between 35 and 40 per cent of the voters were women. Voting during the early hours was unusually slow but towards the afternoon more life around the polls was evident. In the forenoon the judges and clerks were hardly kept busy while this afternoon they kept busily handling the steady stream of men and women coming to exercise their prerogatives of citizenship.

**Result Expected This Afternoon.**  
In the first ward at 2:30 o'clock only 164 votes had been cast and while that number stood, scores were waiting in line outside the booths to make out their ballots.

In the second ward only 150 had voted at that time, while only 106 had voted up to 12 o'clock. Several were making out their ballots as this number stood.

The number of votes cast in the third ward shortly after 2:30 was about 160.

However, the indications are, in the opinion of many, are that the total number will be swelled considerably by night fall. Some are of the opinion that 1500 votes will be cast while others believe that closer to 1500 will be polled before 8 o'clock this evening, the closing time.

A later report this afternoon estimated that at 3 o'clock approximately 550 votes had been polled.

**Women Playing Important Part.**  
That the women will play an important part in the election is the opinion of many. The ladies of Albany have apparently exercised their right of suffrage during this election more than at any other previous election, indicating that the significance of the ballot is now beginning to be appreciated by them. It has been authoritatively estimated that in the first ward at least 40 per cent of the votes cast were by women and in the second ward it was likewise estimated that about 35 per cent of the voters were women. A report from the third ward says that many women have voted there.

It is expected that the complete unofficial canvass will be made by midnight. Counting will be commenced immediately after the polls close.

**School Question Vote Slow.**  
Voting in the special school election has been very slow, according to a report from the high school late this afternoon. Only 170 votes had been cast shortly after 2:30 o'clock. Indications, however, are that the majority will be in favor of disposing of (Continued on Page 2)

## ONLY THREE TRUE BILLS RETURNED BY GRAND JURY

Harvey Bhernhardt, Harvey Thompson and Charles Miller Larceny, Indicted.

Only three true bills were returned by the grand jury which adjourned Saturday night.

Harry Bhernhardt and Harvey Thompson, the two Independence lads, were indicted on two separate accounts and Charles Miller was indicted.

In one indictment Bhernhardt and Thompson were accused of larceny of doctor's implements from Dr. B. R. Wallace of the value of approximately \$200. In the other they are accused of larceny from a store of shoes and money belonging to Charles Prochnow the West First street shoe dealer. The thefts are alleged to have been committed on November 5. Elmer Richardson was appointed by Judge Kelly as their attorneys and the youths are to be arraigned to plead at 1 o'clock.

In the third indictment Charles Miller is charged with larceny in a store. It is alleged that he stole a kodak of the value of \$25 from the Fred Dawson drug store on September 18. Elmer Richardson was also appointed as attorney. Miller was arraigned this morning at 9 o'clock and entered a plea of guilty. Judge Kelly fixed Wednesday at 9 o'clock as the time to pass sentence.

Judge Kelly excused the bondsmen of Miss Cosgrove, who was placed under bonds to keep the peace on October 27 and the matter was dismissed.

T. G. Sudtoll of Missosjau, Canada, arrived yesterday for a three months visit, to avoid the cold weather of Canada.

## SUTTON AND HAMMEL GET 25 AND 20 DAYS A PIECE IN COUNTY JAIL

Youths, Employed at Hammel, Were Convicted of Larceny of \$15 from Chef; Crime Was Planned by Sutton He Says.

Arraigned this morning before Justice of the Peace L. L. Swan, Curtis Sutton, charged with larceny at the Hotel Hammel, who was given a hearing before the grand jury Saturday, was sentenced to 25 days in the county jail. Sutton was the night bus driver for the hotel.

The companion in the crime, Roy Hammel, who was employed as a dishwasher was tried Saturday before Justice Swan and sentenced to 20 days in the county jail. The youths, whose ages are given as 19 and 20, began serving their sentences this morning.

According to confessions made in court this morning by Sutton it is from that he planned the affair which served his and Hammel's undoing. He said it was he who stole the \$15 and that his companion appropriated the \$5 of a Buffalo five cent piece. Their victim was La Fource, chef of the hotel.

Sutton and Hammel were arrested Friday night by Constable Catlin upon complaint of the chef and the hotel management. The former came here recently from Salem. Although bearing the same name as that of the hotel, and its managers, the latter is no relation to the Hammels of Albany.

## LANE SHERIFF NABS SMITH AT JAIL DOOR

Bad Check Artist Released by Grand Jury at Instance of His Victims.

## WAS TAKEN TO EUGENE TO ANSWER SIMILAR CHARGES

Auto Bought in Varsity City Sold Here to Square His Accounts.

Released by the Linn county jury late Saturday afternoon on charges of obtaining money and goods under false pretenses, Charles E. Smith was met at the Linn county jail door by Sheriff Parker of Lane county and was taken that night to Eugene to answer similar charges pending against him in the varsity city.

Not true bills were returned by the grand jury here in both cases against Smith. The Albany men from whom he secured goods and money had their property returned when he was arrested and, it is said, did not desire to prosecute the prisoner.

Smith was arrested at Woodburn, waived examination here and was held for the grand jury on two charges, one of obtaining money under false pretenses and one of obtaining goods under false pretenses.

On the night of October 19, Smith saw his way out of the Linn county jail, but several days later he was captured in San Francisco by officers watching the waterfronts of his wife. He was returned here by Sheriff Bodine.

Smith in Eugene Jail.  
Eugene, Or., Dec. 1.—C. E. Smith, wanted in Eugene for issuing bad checks to the extent of \$1,000, was arrested by the Lane county sheriff when released in Albany yesterday, after he had secured his freedom by selling an automobile which he had illegally obtained in Eugene. Smith was released in Albany yesterday, when he was booked on charges of obtaining money on false pretenses, when he made good his accounts. To do this he sold the automobile which he purchased from Floyd Booth in Eugene several months ago, after he had cashed a bad check for \$1,000 with the Eugene Loan and Savings bank of this city. Sheriff Parker returned with him last evening, and he is now in the Lane county jail.

**Weather Fair.**—The range of temperature for 24 hours ending at 8 o'clock this morning was 49 to 26 degrees. The river is 8.3 feet. The weather prediction is fair tonight and Tuesday.

**Trains Loaded.**—All of the south-bound trains last night were loaded with passengers and particularly college students returning from their homes after spending Thanksgiving at the various institutions of learning.

**Petition for Guardian.**—Wiley Holman this morning filed petition in the probate court asking for the appointment of L. L. Swan as guardian of the estate of Carrie E. Murray, an incompetent, who was adjudged insane by Benton county court in October last, and is now confined in the state insane hospital.

**Lebanon People to Attend Trial.**—Here for the purpose of attending the trial of Charles Cowitz against W. H. Booth et al, which went to trial before Judge Kelly this afternoon, a number of Lebanon people, involved in the case and others to act as witnesses, are in the city today. They are at the Hammel Hotel and are as follows: Dr. W. H. Booth, Dr. M. E. Marcellus, Dr. J. C. Booth, C. S. Clark, N. M. Newport and wife, Mrs. M. N. Richardson, Lester Anderson and Mrs. Temple, all of Lebanon, Dr. Stewart and Dr. Johnson, both of Corvallis and Dr. I. B. Wilson, of Sweet Home.

**Another Hospital May Be Agitated.**—That Albany may have a Protestant hospital, became known this morning, through agitators of this project and the probabilities are that it will materialize. It is understood that the matter may be brought up at an early date before one of the civic organizations of the city. It was intimated that the project has the best of backing.

## IDEN HAS BEEN FOUND GUILTY

Ex-minister Arrested in Albany Three Months Ago Convicted at Visalia.

## CHARGED WITH LAND FRAUDS IN HIS DEALS

Officer King Made Arrest Here in Real Estate Office on Wire Instruction.

Visalia, Cal., Dec. 1.—W. A. Iden, an ex-minister arrested three months ago at Albany, Or., charged with land frauds in connection with his real estate exploitations in the Tulare district has been found guilty by a jury in Judge Alden's court, on complaint of Judge Alden's court. The specific accusation is the sale of 25 head of cattle given as security to E. A. Stellar of Los Angeles.

Iden was arrested here by Officer King in the office of the Echardt Real Estate company, a few minutes after receiving telegraphic description from the sheriff of Tulare county, California.

At the time of the arrest Iden was negotiating the trade of some California property for Linn county property. He had then been here about three days, stopping at the hotel Vandran where he had registered under the name of C. M. Diekey. He was accompanied here by his 18 year old son Wade, who shortly after the arrival departed for Long Beach, California, to join his mother and sisters, who were sojourning there.

When approached by Officer King, Iden immediately admitted his identity. He was confined in the county jail to await the arrival of California authorities with extradition papers to return him to Visalia to stand trial.

W. L. Jones, of Jefferson, transacted business here this morning returning home this afternoon.

G. B. Pitts, of Corvallis, was in the city yesterday afternoon.

L. Peter Compton, of Scio, visited friends here yesterday afternoon, returning home this evening.

Miss Eva Hofflich returned this morning to Corvallis to resume her studies at the O. A. C. after spending the week end with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Hofflich.

**Boys' Conference Adjourned.**—With 206 boys from all parts of the valley attending the annual Oregon Boys' Conference adjourned yesterday afternoon at Dallas after remaining in session Saturday and Sunday. Scores of delegates passed through the city this noon enroute to their homes.

**Farm Near Munkers Sold.**—Closing a deal today, A. Schneider sold his 37 acre farm near Munkers station to B. A. Holteck, who will make his home on the place. Schneider will leave shortly for Iowa to visit relatives and from there will go to Switzerland, his native country for an extended visit.

## BIDS HAVE BEEN OPENED FOR ALBANY POSTOFFICE

Proposal Submitted by Salem Contractor Is Lowest; Is Below Estimate.

Bids were opened by the supervising architect, Washington, D. C., for the construction of the federal building to be erected at Albany, Oregon, and the proposal submitted by F. A. Erickson of Salem, was the lowest at \$57,650 for sandstone or \$58,975 for lime stone. The other figures given were as follows: A. W. Knutsen, Yeon Bldg., Portland, \$70,000 for both sandstone and limestone; J. H. Tillman, Chamber of Commerce Bldg., Portland, \$74,000 for sandstone or limestone. The bid submitted by George Isackson was not given, which was submitted, and others from Portland who intended to submit figures. A complete list of bids will be given at an early date.

The structure will be two stories high, of stone and fireproof construction. The supervising architect's estimate for the cost of the proposed structure was placed at \$75,000, which brings the cost of the building under this estimate, providing the bid is accepted.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Forsy, who have been visiting their son Grover and family, returned today and reports them doing well. On their way home they stopped at Portland to attend church services and see the sights.

## LACOMB MAN DRIVES 20 MILES IN RAIN TO FILE PAPERS IN TIME

Thereby Road Tax Levy Notice Will Comply with Law; T. M. Downing Makes Night Trip over Muddy Highways.

T. M. Downing, of Lacombe, drove 20 miles over muddy roads on a dark rainy night in four hours last night to make a special road tax valid by filing the papers in time giving notice of the tax levy.

A road meeting to consider the levying of a special tax was held in district No. 24, at Lacombe, this afternoon. A 3 mill tax was voted. The law provides that notices of such levies must be filed with the county clerk before the first day of December, and yesterday being Sunday, midnight Saturday night was the latest time the report could be filed.

The meeting closed at 5 o'clock and Downing, who is road supervisor of the district, called on the county clerk's office here and made arrangements for the office to remain open until he could reach Albany. He left Lacombe at 6 o'clock, and though the roads are unusually muddy on account of the recent heavy rains, he drove into an Albany livery barn at 10 o'clock. Ten minutes later he entered the clerk's office in the courthouse.

Nine of the 23 road districts of Linn county have made special tax levies for extension on the 1913 assessment roll of Linn county to raise extra money for road improvement, in addition to that realized from the regular county road levy. In some other districts, the question of a special tax was submitted, but was voted down.

## HUERTA DRUNK AT CAPITAL CITY

Claim That Mexican President Has Left For Vera Cruz Is Discredited at Washington.

## DICTATOR IS NOT DEAD CLAIM HIS FRIENDS

Hales Arrives in Washington; Huerta Regime Doomed Claim Diplomates.

(By United Press Association)  
Mexico City, Dec. 1.—That the Huerta government will face a crisis before the end of week is predicted by the men close to the situation.

The rebels are reported to be at San Luis Potosi and hold the key to the capital's railroad connections. They burned the new station at Ajuno, Villa, it is "expected will capture Chihuahua City and Mazatlan is said to be happening. Huerta is complaining publicly of the disloyalty of his ostensible supporters.

**Huerta Leaves Capital.**  
New York, Dec. 1.—The Evening World today published a Mexico City dispatch declaring that President Huerta secretly left the capital for Vera Cruz on Sunday morning over the Inter-Oceanic railroad. No confirmation of the World's story could be obtained up to 1:15 today.

**Lind Returns.**  
Vera Cruz, Dec. 1.—Consul Canada announced today that Lind has returned from Tampico and is now in Vera Cruz.

**Hale in Washington.**  
Washington, Dec. 1.—Hale, who talked with Carranza at Nogales has arrived in Washington and today held a conference with Secretary Bryan. He will be received by the president this afternoon or tomorrow.

**Huerta is Drunk.**  
Mexico City, Dec. 1.—It is persistently reported this afternoon that Huerta is drunk. No evidence could be discovered to support the story he had been taken on a train to Vera Cruz. Those familiar with his habits said they were sure he was merely drunk. They discredit the reports both of his death and his departure from the capital. Reliable private information was that he has been drinking even more heavily than usual during the past two days and that in the meantime official business is still at a standstill.

## CABLES OUT OF COMMISSION; PHONE SERVICE IMPAIRED

Five hundred pairs of underground cables of the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Co. at Seaside and Baker streets went out of commission Saturday morning and several hundred telephones were put out of service, during Saturday and Sunday. However the cables were repaired by a force of workmen, who labored since Saturday, completing the work this morning.

Prof. A. Q. B. Bonquet, of O. A. C., was a visitor in the city yesterday.

## BIG SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION WILL BE HELD IN ALBANY SOON

Invitation of Executive Committee of the Commercial Club Has Been Accepted--Will Hold Forth Here on April 27-28 and 29.

The invitation to the executive committee of the Oregon State Sunday School Association, from the Albany Commercial club, to hold the next session of the annual convention of the association in Albany was accepted at the meeting of the committee held in Portland last Monday, Nov. 24, was the announcement made by the state president, Rev. F. W. Emerson. Some of the details as to date, etc., have since been worked out and it is now definitely announced that the convention will be held on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, April 27-28-29. On account of the natural physical division of the state, and the difficulty in passing from one side to the other, there are always two conventions held. One located so as to accommodate the eastern half of the state and the other in the western side.

There were a number of places desirous of securing the convention for this year but the invitation from Albany was accepted unanimously after considering all the advantages offered by other cities. The convention for the west side of the state was located at LaGrande. The date selected for LaGrande were Thursday, Friday and Saturday, April 30, May 1-2. Last year the convention on the east side was held at Baker and on the west side of the state at Oregon City. The east side convention came first and that on the west side second. The order will be reversed this year owing to the fact that the International workers and speakers will come into the state from the California convention instead of from the east as was the case last year.

The state Sunday school convention always brings together the most efficient and best trained workers of (Continued on Page 2)

## EACH COUNTY'S SHARE FOR EXHIBIT TO BE APPORTIONED FROM VALUATION

Assessed Valuation of Property Made by Assessors to Be Used As a Basis--Resolution to Effect Passed by Valley Commissioners.

At the meeting in Salem recently of the county commissioners of the Willamette valley Exposition Association, which was organized here October 31, composed of eight valley counties and with the purpose of advertising the valley as a district at the Panama Exposition in 1915 at San Francisco, a resolution was passed, stipulating that the general expense of preparing the exhibit supplied by each county be apportioned according to the taxable property of the entire district, provided that each county shall pay the expenses of its special representative aside from their proportion of the general expenses.

The following is the resolution: Resolved: That the general expense of gathering, preparing and exhibiting on behalf of the eight Willamette valley counties at the Panama-Pacific Exposition at San Francisco in the year 1915 as may hereafter be determined by the executive committee or other committee having the same in charge, be apportioned according to the taxable property within the entire district as equalized by the state tax commissioners for the year 1913. Provided: That each county shall pay the expenses of its special representative aside from their proportion of the general expenses as herein provided.

County	Amount	Proportion
Benton	\$11,690,072.00	\$276.81
Lane	36,210,852.00	858.19
Clackamas	32,543,298.00	771.27
Linn	29,798,078.00	706.19
Marion	41,594,268.00	985.78
Polk	16,898,701.00	400.19
Washington	22,915,079.00	543.08
Yamhill	19,915,610.00	473.54
	\$211,620,958.00	\$5015.35

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