

MARINES HELD IN READINESS TO LAND

BLUEFIELDS NO QUARTER ATTACK BY ZELAYA FOR SUGAR TRUST

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ZELAYA TELLS MEN TO SACK THE TOWN NO EFFORT SPARED TO RECOVER MONEY

Uncle Sam Ready to Land Troops and Put End to His Lawless Career.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The state department has taken extraordinary action in co-operation with the navy department to head off any possibility of Zelaya occupying Bluefields.

Seven hundred men will cross the isthmus tonight from Colon and go on board the cruiser Buffalo. If any overt act is taken on the part of Zelaya these men will be landed at Corinto and proceed at once to Managua.

Attacks Bluefields. NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 11.—Zelaya's army, numbering 4000 men, has attacked Bluefields.

Hundreds of women and children, including many Americans, have been rushed aboard the American battleships in the harbor for protection.

Runners from the interior brought the first news of the Zelayan army's advance upon the threatened city.

Estrada Outwitted. Estrada, according to the reports, was completely outwitted by the unexpected move of the Zelayans and it will be several hours before reinforcements can be rushed to the relief of Bluefields.

General Vasquez' negotiations with the revolutionists near Rama, in which he intimated he might surrender if he were given generous terms, is now believed to have been a part of the strategy the dictator planned.

Situation Helpless. Senator Altshul, Zelaya's consular representative here, is reported to have informed his chief of the helpless situation of the defenders of Bluefields which resulted from an error in the shipment of a consignment of Remington cartridges with Mauser rifles.

Can Sack the City. The troops are promised the privilege of pillaging the city should it fall, it is said. Thirty heavy field guns, dragged from the vicinity of Rama, can be trained upon the town almost immediately.

The defending force is small, and unless marines are landed from the American ships in the harbor, Estrada sympathizers deem it certain that Bluefields will be in the hands of the dictator within a few hours after the actual fighting begins.

Attorney General Wickersham Plays Corporation in Annual Report—Will Continue Prosecution to End.

THIRTEEN MORE DAYS AND THEN



10 ACRES SOLD ON EAST SIDE FOR \$23,000

Ten acres of the I. J. Phipps tract lying south of Main street, east of the Bear creek bridge, has been sold to John Brown and associates for \$23,000.

This tract faces on Washington street at the foot of which a bridge across Bear creek is contemplated, and will be one of the best tracts of land close in when the new bridge is completed.

It is intended to cut this tract into city lots and place the same on the market.

Cummings Buys. Fred M. Cummings for the company which recently took over the Fish Lake Ditch company, has purchased a large tract of desert land from W. H. Gore.

Joe Hagan Place Sold. J. C. Bockwith of New York has purchased of E. Knudsen the Joe Hagan place near Central Point, paying \$28,000.

IN A DUEL BOLIVIAN SENATOR KILLS ANOTHER

LA PAZ, Bolivia, Dec. 11.—Senator Fernandez Molina was shot dead today in a duel with Senator Adolfo Trigo Acha.

ELEVEN DAYS LEFT IN WHICH BUY PRESENTS

The date: December 24. That means there are only eleven more days in which to do all of your delayed shopping.

The Mail Tribune today presents to its readers a complete index to what Medford can furnish in the way of Christmas presents, and they are a splendid line.

After the purchases are done, comes the work of doing up the packages. That's fun if you have the time and the Christmas spirit.

It makes the greatest, gladdest holiday of the year the hardest for the men who serve the public by delivering mail and express.

At the Postoffice. The postoffice department has issued from headquarters in Washington an urgent request to patrons of the postoffice to mail their Christmas greetings and packages a week or ten days ahead and mark them.

RAILROADS ARE TO ESTABLISH JOINT AGENCY

John R. Allen, president of the Pacific & Eastern railroad and applicant for interurban electric line franchises in Medford, Grants Pass and Ashland, states that the Pacific & Eastern has made satisfactory arrangements with the Southern Pacific and is about to establish a joint agency at the Medford depot with the Harriman lines.

This obviates the necessity of acquiring a right-of-way and the effort to secure one here has therefore been abandoned.

Mr. Allen vigorously denies the rumor that the Pacific & Eastern seeks to use the trolley tracks to obtain an entrance into Medford, and characterizes it as false, absurd and impractical.

The Pacific & Eastern has no intention of using the tracks of the proposed trolley line, and could not use them if it would.

The over crowding of the mails and express around Christmas is something to make the kind-hearted grieve.

BET \$1000 TO TEN CENTS AND WON HIS BET

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 14.—P. H. Grace is head ten cents today as the result of the re-election of Mayor Alexander December 7.

Had Smith, the Republican nominee won, he would have been out \$1000. The day before election Grace and J. D. Van Loenan, a wholesaler, got into an argument over the chances of the various candidates.

Grace was so sure that Alexander would be successful that he laid a bet of \$10,000 to \$1 on his choice.

Van Loenan did some rapid figuring, then bet ten cents.

authorize the council to grant a longer one, and upon the result of this election depends the construction of the trolley line.

CHICAGO SUBWAY DEFAULTS IN ITS BOND INTEREST

CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 11.—Judge Kohlsaat in the federal court this evening appointed Edwin A. Potter, David R. Forgan and Charles G. Dawes receivers of the Chicago subway.

That corporation today defaulted interest on \$17,000,000 of bonds.

The receivership is a friendly one and was taken at the instance of J. Ogden Armour, who returned from New York this morning after a conference with the Harriman interests in the property, which refused to advance their share of the \$750,000 interest due.

Besides the bonds the subway company has \$11,500,000 of floating debt and \$45,000,000 of stock outstanding. The stock once sold as high as 86. It will now have to be scaled and assessed if the reorganization plans go through.

NEW STATE IS SLOGAN OF EDITORS

Jackson County Press Association Unanimously Endorses Movement to Create State of Siskiyou.

TO CALL CONVENTION IN NEAR FUTURE

Committees Appointed to Bring Movement to Successful Culmination.

The Jackson County Press association at a meeting Friday night unanimously endorsed the movement to create the new state of Siskiyou, comprised of northern California and southern Oregon, and appointed committees to co-operate with the press and people of the section involved and call a convention of representative citizens at Shasta Springs, Yreka or some other California point in the near future to formulate plans and outline a course of action to bring the movement to a successful culmination.

Common cause will be made with the promoters of the new states of Lincoln and South California, and an offensive and defensive alliance formed.

The secession sentiment is strong both in northern California and southern Oregon, said Fred D. Wagner, publisher of the Ashland Tidings, who is taking an active interest in the movement.

In Ashland and Jackson county it is nearly unanimous. The studied neglect of the region effected by those in control of both states, the continued taxation without representation, and our inability to secure redress, have combined to create a bitter feeling against both Oregon and California.

The county press plans to help organize a formidable secession movement in both states, stated President S. A. Pattison, publisher of the Central Point Herald.

It is intended to secure a monster meeting of prominent citizens from all points of southern Oregon and northern California, to formulate plans for an aggressive campaign.

We will co-operate with the proposed new state of Lincoln, which will comprise the Idaho panhandle, eastern Washington and eastern Oregon, and the proposed new state of South California, and by uniting our forces, hope to accomplish our purposes.

Only by creating a new state can this region secure the recognition it is entitled to.

authorize the council to grant a longer one, and upon the result of this election depends the construction of the trolley line. If the people of Medford want an interurban electric line, they can have one, for I stand ready to construct it.

EIFERT WILL GO INTO RACE

Announces That He Will Be Candidate for Council in Third Ward to Succeed Himself—No Opponent.

HAS LABORED WELL IN CITY'S SERVICE

Changes Proposed in Treasurer's Office by Having Official Denote Entire Time.

W. W. Eifert, president of the council, member from the third ward late last evening consented to enter the race during the coming election as a candidate to succeed himself.

For sometime Mr. Eifert has been undecided as to his course and only after his many friends had brought their influence to bear did he consent.

In all probability Mr. Eifert will not have an opponent for he has served his ward and the city well as councilman and his candidacy seems to be generally approved.

He has done much good work for the city during his incumbency. Change Proposed.

It is proposed to change matters in regard to the treasurer's office by arranging to have that official give all of his time to city affairs.

In that event his salary will be around \$125 a month, which is paid out at present in order to get the work done.

Many friends of Lee Jacobs, present treasurer, are endeavoring to have him take the office under the new plan but so far he has not made a decision.

Mr. Jacobs is recognized as a capable man and one who understands the duties of such an office. Strong pressure is being brought to bear on him to make the race.

TOU VELLE'S FAME SPREADS ORE COUNTRY

Col. F. L. Tou Velle's fame is still spreading according to reports coming in in regard to his famous alfalfa berry. The La Cross, Wis., Chronicle says:

It is said that a rancher living near Medford, Oregon, has produced a deep-rooted vine which bears three crops of strawberries each year.

It is claimed that the result has been obtained by grafting alfalfa roots to the roots of the strawberry vine. The vine and the result obtained is one of the most peculiar gardening stunts ever heard of.