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MIDDLE WEST IN GRASP OF FIERCE BLIZZARD

DEVELOPMENT CONGRESS MEETS THIS AFTERNOON AND EVENING

BOOSTERS FOR A GREATER COMMONWEALTH

DELEGATES FROM BOISE, BURNS, GOOS BAY AND OTHER PLACES

The Oregon and Idaho Development Congress met this afternoon at the state house and was called to order by Senator C. J. Smith, of Umatilla county, in the absence of President Lowell, who was detained today at Pendleton by a murder trial.

Many Delegates Here.
Among the first delegates to arrive were those from Boise, Idaho, headed by Ruby Atkinson, secretary of the Commercial Club of that city. The Idaho delegates were met by a committee of the Salem Board of Trade, composed of Mayor Rodgers, Col. Stockton, Judge Scott and F.

W. Steusloff, and shown the courtyards of the city.
Delegates From Harney.
At noon Wm. Hanley, A. W. Gow and I. S. Geer, of Burns, arrived with Col. C. E. S. Wood, to boost for Harney county and the great unexplored interior, and a railroad from Boise across Central Oregon to Coos Bay.
Hon. Bill Grimes Coming.
A telegram announces that Hon. Wm. H. Grimes, of the Coos Bay Chamber of Commerce, would arrive Saturday morning, "with the railroad dope." This will be the surprise of the congress, for it probably means

that the first authentic news of Harriman's intention to build into Coos Bay.
"Develop All Oregon."
Beautiful badges were distributed this forenoon by Salem Board of Trade Boosters, bearing the above legend. The arriving delegates were taken in charge by the reception committee, and introduced to state officials, and shown the city and state house.
Following is the program for today:
Afternoon, 2 O'clock.
"Purposes of the Congress," President Stephen A. Lowell, of Pendleton.
Evening, 8 O'clock.
"Why Salem Grows So Fast," President C. L. McNary, Salem Board of Trade.
"Mountain Water for the Capital City," A. Huckestein, Salem Business Men's League.
"Salem as An Educational Center," President Fletcher Homan, Willamette University.
"General Post Commission Bill," Representative Boas, Lane county.

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"A System of State Aided Railroads," Hon. C. E. S. Wood, of Portland; Senator I. H. Bingham, of Eugene.
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ALL WIRES GO DOWN UNDER LOAD OF SLEET GALE RAGING ON PLAINS

STORM EXTENDS FROM NORTH DAKOTA TO TEXAS

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Chicago, Ill., Jan. 29.—One of the worst blizzards of recent years is sweeping Nebraska and is extending northward into Minnesota, where the mercury dropped below zero. Telephone and telegraphic communication with Nebraska and Minnesota is almost entirely cut off.
A message from Lincoln, Neb., reports that all wires are down and that the blizzard is the worst known in 20 years.
A sleet storm here last night caused much damage. There is much suffering among the poor.

on the eastern slope of the Rockies. One of the freaks of the storm was a combination of blizzard and sandstorm at Grand Island, Neb., where a junction of railroads and nucleus of telegraph lines is established. The blizzard and sandstorm wrought havoc to communication by rail land wire in that vicinity.
A second storm was reported this morning between Kansas City and Chicago.
Reaches St. Louis.
St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 29.—The windstorm that has been sweeping Oklahoma and parts of Missouri reached here today in the form of a 40-mile per hour gale. Little damage was done in this city, but reports from the southwest indicate a heavy loss of property. Nearly all telegraph wires are out of commission.
Trains Are Snowbound.
Denver, Colo., Jan. 29.—Half a dozen trains, including two passenger trains, are stalled today on the South Park division of the Colorado Southern railroad, in the vicinity of Como, at the top of the Continental divide, as the result of the blizzard. The passengers are suffering severely from cold and hunger, as supplies cannot reach them this morning. Slides are reported from several sections, and the storm damage is heavy.

HER LITTLE KEEPSAKES TELL PATHETIC STORY

(United Press Leased Wire.)
San Francisco, Jan. 29.—From first scholar in her Sunday school class to a counterfeiter's cell is the unusual way through life chosen by Edna Knowlton, alias Josie Livingston, who, with R. O. Braddburn, alias R. H. Bradley, was arrested Wednesday by United States secret service operatives, Harry M. Moffitt and Joseph N. Nye. In the room occupied by the pair, in Mason street, besides spurious coins and the apparatus for making them, was found today a strange collection, treasured by the girl. They marked plainly the downward path from the town of Garafaxa, Dufferin county, Canada, where she was born and spent her childhood, to the lodging house where the federal law called a halt.
Under her pillow was a Bible. On the flyleaf was penned:
"First prize, awarded to Edna Knowlton for highest marks and creditable progress."
There were letters from her father, E. Knowlton, a merchant in Garafaxa, bearing paternal love and advice. Those letters told her to pattern her life after that of her mother, who had passed this world when Edna was yet a girl. There were clippings of poetry, carrying messages of love and honor, while she had framed Emerson's expressions on honesty. In the bottom of her trunk was a broken doll and its clothes. All these things testified in their silent way: there was a time when flowers, not weeds, grew in the garden of her young life.

In sharp contrast to these keepsakes of a happy girlhood, in the far away town of Garafaxa, an opium pipe, supplied with two bowls, reposed at the head of the bed. The effects of the insidious drug are plainly traced in the drawn faces both of the girl and her consort. The treasured trinkets of girlhood were covered in her trunk with things gathered since she left home, marking unmistakably the time she left the narrower way of life. Here were found vulgar poems, given to her while working in dance halls in Nevada mining camps, obscene literature printed on saloon cards, nude pictures and sordid contributions from a life of crime and immorality.
Although still young in years, she has displayed a coolness and courage that cannot be reconciled readily with a meek face and unobtrusive demeanor.
She was born in East Garafaxa, County Dufferin, Canada, June 18, 1886. Her father, E. Knowlton, is a merchant there, and she has a half brother, whose present whereabouts is unknown. In 1904 she went to Seattle, where she married Alfred A. Keifer on May 23d. After her marriage she returned to Canada, and for a time visited her mother, Mrs. Eliza Knowlton, at Revelstoke, Can. In February, 1908, she paid her first visit to San Francisco. During this period she has been known under various names, sometimes using Josie Livingston, Edna Keifer, Edna Knowlton, Edna Hunter and others, as the circumstances might require.

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SALEM WILL HAVE A SPLENDID GARAGE

A fine brick building 165x45 feet is now being constructed on the land lying just north of the old Club Livery stables, at the corner of Ferry and Liberty streets.
The building is being erected by Boedigheimer & White, proprietors of the Club Stables, who will convert it into a general livery and automobile garage. The new building will be a part of the present livery stable, but the garage section will be installed in the brick. Autos, both local and transient, will soon have a home in Salem. Heretofore the autoists coming to this city from other towns, were compelled to leave their machines in the street or in some alley, due to the inadequate accommodations provided for shelter, but the roomy garage, which new building of Boedigheimer & White will contain, will be sufficiently large to

afford shelter for all the bubble cars. When the auto business becomes thoroughly popular again this summer the liverymen will procure some experienced machinists to care for the machines and put in order when broken down.
Carriages of every description will also be at the service of the public, and the livery business in every phase will be carried on when the new brick is brought to completion.
The proprietors of the Club Stables have purchased a new up-to-date carriage. This vehicle is the first of the kind seen in Salem. It is provided with all the latest equipments in the way of comfort and elegance, with electric light, both out and inside. Two beautiful English coach horses lately purchased, and costing \$1200, will complete the outfit. The building will be completed by the first of April.

MURDER REPORTED FROM ALBANY

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Albany, Or., Jan. 29.—Sheriff Smith left this city today to find Charles Powell, who is accused of killing Homer Roper at a country dance west of here on Wednesday night after the two men had quarreled over the girl.
After a violent argument in the ballroom, Powell and Roper followed by several dancers, went outside. A

MARRYING PARSON PROBABLY KILLED

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Los Angeles, Jan. 29.—Rev. W. A. Irwin, an aged character here known as the "Marrying parson" was probably fatally injured today when he was thrown to the pavement while attempting to board a street car.
Irwin's ribs were fractured and it is feared that he suffered concussion of the brain. He is 95 years of age, and there is little hope for his recovery.
The title "marrying parson" was given Irwin because he has a little office near the court house and probably has married more couples than any two other ministers in Los Angeles.

Tomorrow night ends the big sale at Wenger & Cherrington's. Save \$85 to \$135 by buying your piano NOW.

ALTERATION SALE

COST CUTS NO FIGURE

There is no use in you trying to beat our prices, as we are not looking for profits now. It is a matter of disposing of the goods and getting the shelves cleared before we start tearing out. Come to our store and see the crowds. The people know values and appreciate what we are doing and the wonderful bargains we are giving. The following prices are only a few samples of how we are now selling our goods:

- Beautiful 7 1/2c Persian chaises in a grand variety of dainty patterns. Now, yard, only4c
- 35c wash India silks in all the best evening shades; also in staple dark colors. Yard19c
- 75c new dress and waisting silks in all the latest shades. Fine for evening dresses or street wear. Yard, only35c
- Sheets, white bedspreads and sheetings at less than mill prices. Ladies' \$2.00 white linen tailored waists, handsomely tucked and plaited; also trimmed with pearl buttons. Only98c
- White pearl buttons; only2 1/2c
- 100-yard best Standard machine spool silk; Now only4c
- Ladies' \$18.00 suits made of the latest materials, long coat, silk lined and the new sheath skirt. These suits are world-beaters, for only \$9.50
- Fine Wool Dress Goods, this season's latest. Now only, yd. 25c
- 85c fine imported wool dress goods in plain and fancy colors, this season's best and newest goods. Yard, only49c
- Ladies' dress skirts, 95c and \$2.50 that were up to \$4.50 and \$6.00 each.
- DRESS GINGHAMS, the grandest assortment that was ever seen in Salem. They just arrived and are now in our way. Out they must go. Come and get our prices.
- Ladies' \$2.00 Vici, Blucher patent tip, heavy sole shoes. Now only, pair \$1.49
- 75c good heavy double blankets now in the way. Only, pair 39c

CHICAGO STORE

PEOPLES BARGAIN HOUSE