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## Tomorrow Night at 11 P. M. Contest Closes

### GENERAL VASQUEZ GIVES UP

Nicaragua's Dictator Throws Up His Hands and Revolution Is Ended.

### CHOICE OF SUCCESSOR IS ONLY QUESTION

Believe That Revolutionary Leader, Estrada, Will Be the Man to Fill Vacancy—Estrada Is Strongly In Favor of Woman's Suffrage and May Inaugurate Great Reform.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Washington, Dec. 17.—Representative Sulzer of New York today introduced in the house a resolution directing the administration to recognize Estrada as the president of Nicaragua and notify him that the United States demands the punishment of former President Zelaya.

New Orleans, Dec. 17.—Following the resignation of President Zelaya

of Nicaragua, it was reported in Managua today that General Vasquez, leader of the Zelayan troops near Rama, will surrender. It was so rumored that the Zelayan and revolutionary armies would combine to support Estrada for the presidency.

In the event of Estrada's accession to the presidency, it is being whispered today that Nicaragua will become the pioneer equal suffrage nation of the world. The provisional president is reputed to be a warm supporter of votes for women, and it is said that he has declared that women will be enfranchised should he become Nicaragua's chief executive.

Managua, Nicaragua, Dec. 17.—It was stated semi-officially today that Provisional President Estrada and his chief lieutenant, General Chamorro, have agreed with General Vasquez and General Toledo, the Zelayan leaders, that there shall be no fighting at Bluefields.

It was reported that the American government has been notified of their intention to keep the city outside of the fighting zone.

The situation at Rama is unchanged. There is much speculation today concerning the probable successor of President Zelaya. Dr. Madrid's supporters have developed unexpected strength, but the conservative element is trying by every means to persuade him to withdraw, as it is generally believed that his appointment by congress would result in the continuance of the revolution.

If the revolutionists are successful in naming the new president, an effort will be made to confiscate a portion of Zelaya's enormous holdings.

Zelaya refuses to discuss his resignation, beyond declaring it was best for the country.

### THE BATTLE ROYAL OVER MARION COUNTY ROAD TAX

### RESOLUTIONS ARE ADOPTED FAVORING A GENERAL COUNTY LEVY OF FOUR MILLS.

The fight against a four-mill county road tax was renewed, led by Mr. Frier, of Aumsville, who favors three mills, with two mills going back to the district.

County Judge Bushey and County Commissioners Beckwith and Goubea were present, but took no part in the discussion.

There was a larger attendance than on Thursday, and roll call showed about 20 districts represented.

Jeff Hunt spoke for a fund of \$60,000 or \$70,000 to be put in the treasury and spent to help those counties that help themselves with special levies.

Chas. Cannon spoke for a general levy to go to every district, and not just to those that made special levies. He lived in a no-special-levy district.

Mr. Frier made a strong speech against four mills. It was too heavy. He asked that each precinct get all it paid into the road fund over and above what was needed by the general fund. He praised the court for getting the county out of debt.

The past year each precinct had got just what it paid, and they had got more work done, twice over, than that ever before. He was not a taffy slinger, but he believed the county court had done right. He wanted them to proceed on that line.

John H. Albert spoke for the four mills. It was an investment, not an expenditure. He favored five mills or even ten mills. It was only a maintenance tax. The court alone should determine how the money should be expended.

He replied to Col. Hofer's speech of Thursday, when he referred to the Tuttle bill as having been put in cold storage. Mr. Albert believed the Tuttle road law was a good law, and should be sustained by the United States supreme court.

L. M. Gilbert spoke for the four-mills. He said it would be the best investment we could make. Men were trying to avoid taxes and stick in the mud. He favored using the wealth of the country, plus the brains of its inhabitants to improve conditions.

Mr. Albert moved that the levy be made five mills, and that the vote be taken first on that amount.

H. W. Downing supported five mills. He would pay a dollar an acre for five years to get a macadamized road to Salem. His district would levy a 5-mill special tax, no matter what was done here.

Mr. Hadley spoke for three mills. Mr. Goodrich said a 3-mill tax was best. The people could not well pay more.

Hon. Ed. McKinney, chairman of the convention was invited to address the meeting, and did so. This took up the morning hour, and the meeting adjourned until afternoon.

The motion of John H. Albert to levy a 5-mill county road tax was lost by two majority—27 to 25.

A 4-mill levy was then adopted by 31 majority, 38 to 7.

**Afternoon Session.** Col. Hofer offered a resolution favoring state highways built by convict labor, at least one state highway to be built across each county in the state with such convict labor. He moved its adoption.

J. A. Jefferson spoke in favor of the resolution. He was heartily in favor of working the convicts on the public highways. Mr. Downing stated that convicts could be successfully employed on the public highways. Col. Hofer's resolution was adopted.

Resolved, By the Marion County Good Roads Convention that we believe that the state government should aid in the construction of the main permanent state highways.

### SITE FOR HAIRSHIP RACE IS IN DOUBT

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Los Angeles, Dec. 17.—The aviation executive committee of the Merchants and Manufacturers Association will meet late this afternoon for the purpose of determining finally whether the aerial contests planned for next January will be held at Santa Anita race track or on a site near Dominguez Junction, 12 miles from this city.

It is probable that the Junction will be decided upon as the aviators already here to participate in the meet have expressed the opinion that the Santa Anita grounds are too small. Another objection they have to the grounds are the presence of trees and houses which fringe the race track.

The grounds near Dominguez Junction are broad, level and clear of trees, seemingly an ideal stretch for aviatory tests.

### Not Afraid of Prosecution.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] New York, Dec. 17.—Mrs. Caroline W. Martin and Mrs. Mary Sneed, mother and aunt, respectively, of Mrs. Okey Sneed, the young woman found dead in a bath tub in East Orange, New Jersey, who are accused of being responsible for the girl's death, today announced that they would not oppose extradition to New Jersey. Both say they have nothing to fear.

### HOLD-UP ARTIST GETS HIS "NEEDINGS"

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Portland, Or., Dec. 17.—A young man giving the name of Wm. Mitchell is dying today at the Good Samaritan Hospital, with a bullet wound in his neck, inflicted at 10:40 o'clock this morning by V. Vonono, a saloon keeper, whom, it is alleged, Mitchell held up at the point of a gun.

According to Vonono, he and a friend were walking home when they were approached by Mitchell at the corner of Front and Clay streets. He declares that Mitchell jabbed a gun into his face and commanded him to deliver his valuables.

With the gun of the hold-up man still pointing in his face Vonono says that he closed with the thug, calling to his friend to help him. A rough and tumble fight occurred, but in the end Mitchell was victorious, and Vonono handed over his money. When Vonono broke away from the thug he drew his gun and started firing. In all he fired nine shots. Mitchell is said to have returned the fire. Mitchell fell, however, and still Vonono kept firing. The shot which is thought likely to prove fatal lodged in the back of his neck.

### HIGH SCHOOL MEN IN DEBATING LEAGUE

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Eugene, Dec. 16.—Three men trained in the Oregon High School Debating League have just won first honors in debate at the University of Oregon, having been chosen after a series of hard try-outs, in which a large number of men competed, to represent the University against the University of Utah in their annual debate on January 28.

The team chose its members as follows: Percy Collier, a leader of the Eugene High School League team of last year; Carlton E. Spencer, of Cottage Grove, a graduate of the Roseburg high school, and a leader of its team two years ago against Ashland, with Howard Zimmerman, a graduate of the Salem high school and a member of the Salem team last year as alternate. The Utah debate is considered one of the most important debates that the University enters. On account of the distance between the two schools, each team is composed of two men. In previous contests the University of Oregon has won one and lost one.

### MEXICAN MINE OWNER VISITS SALEM TODAY

Wm. Ehiert of Lebanon was in the city today. He is principal owner in the Mexican Mines Limited Co. and expects to go to Mexico in January with Dr. J. L. Hill and other capitalists.

### STANFORD STUDENTS COMING

Stanford University, Cal., Dec. 17.

A number of students from Oregon attending here are leaving for their homes to spend the holidays. The semester ends December 17th and the campus is already becoming quite deserted. Among the Oregon men who will spend their Christmas at home are Howard Charlton, James Polhemus, Art Fields, Harold Reed, Jasper Holman, Hollister McGuire, W. Ganung and Bill Masters of Portland, and Lawrence Hofer of Salem. Selden Brown and Mortimer Caraher return to their homes in Seattle or the vacation. The spring semester begins January 12, 1910.

### JAPANESE BARON IS SARCASTIC

Says America Is Japan's Best Friend and Also Deadliest Enemy.

### SHIBUSAWA IS GIVEN A WARM RECEPTION

He Is Much Pleased With the Cordial Treatment Commercial Committee Received at Hands of the Americans, But Exhorts His People to Sleep With One Eye Open.

Tokio, Japan, Dec. 17.—"Americans are the friendliest people of the world toward Japan, and at the same time they are Japan's deadliest enemies. I exhort the Japanese to be the same."

Baron Shibusawa, head of the commercial committee, which recently returned from America, made this statement at a great banquet following the double welcome to the commissioners at Yokohama and Tokio today. The baron was the central figure of the reception, and his speech at the banquet was half humorous and half serious. He said that the delegation had endeavored to soften the anti-Japanese feeling in the western section of the United States; had tried to give a better knowledge of Japan and the Japanese in the Middle West, and had sought especially to enhance the commercial relations with the business men of the Atlantic coast section.

Speaking of his impressions of America, the baron declared that the cordiality of the reception had been more than he expected, and that everywhere the visitors had been treated to the best of everything, and given the most courteous attention and consideration.

"The Americans are very fond of making speeches," he declared, and told of the many banquets and various occasions on which the hosts expressed their good will and extended the most cordial words of welcome.

"We found the very best of feeling everywhere in America, except on the part of the laboring class of the Pacific slope."

It was at this point that Shibusawa made the paradoxical statement that America is Japan's greatest friend, and at the same time her deadliest enemy. The statement was made with a smile.

It was looked on by many persons, however, as the keynote of his address.

A great crowd was present when the big liner Chiyu Maru arrived at Yokohama early today, and the returning commissioners were given a hearty welcome. After a formal reception in Yokohama, they proceeded to Tokio and entered this city today at noon, amid a big demonstration. Thousands of persons gathered at the railway station. The cars, representing such vast commercial interests in the empire, are closely connected with a vast army of citizens, and the return was made the occasion of celebrations.

An affecting feature of the reception was the meeting of Baron Shibusawa and General Murata, former military attache of the residency-general at Seoul. Shibusawa could not control his grief over the assassination of Prince Ito, which was recalled forcibly by Murata. The two men tearfully embraced and the baron sobbed.

"I cannot help weeping to think of Prince Ito, when I see you."

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