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## CONTEST CLOSSES TONIGHT AT 11 P. M.

### BARRETT BOOSTING CONFEDERACY

### OF CENTRAL AMERICAN STATES WITH STRONGER GOVERNMENT.

Toledo, O., Dec. 18.—Plans for the confederation of Costa Rica, Salvador, Guatemala and Nicaragua are being discussed here today, following the outlining of the plan for the creation of one government in Central America, by John Barrett, a director of the Bureau of American Republics.

Barrett in an address last evening, declared that the formation of a Central American court of justice to settle the disputes that will arise in the future between the republics of Central America would be a long step in the direction of forming one government. Both former Mexican Ambassadors Cregel, who is now in Washington to discuss the Nicaraguan situation, and Senator Elthue Root, of New York, are said to look favorably on

the plan for confederation. This alone, it stated, proves its worth of serious consideration.

### Central Confederacy Is Possible Result.

Bluefields, Nicaragua, Dec. 18.—Bluefields will not be made a battle ground. The United States is determined to protect the lives and property of Americans here, and has issued a proclamation through Rear-Admiral Kimball, in command of the American forces now in Nicaragua, notifying Provisional Secretary of State Adolf Diaz, of Washington's wishes.

General Estrada, commanding the revolutionists, and General Vasquez, Zelaya's military head, will both receive copies of the proclamation today, and will both be held for obedience to instructions.

From Washington a rumor has reached this city that the consummation of the plans for a Central American federation of states, advocated by Mexico and reported to be favorable to the United States, is near at hand.

Another report that is being freely discussed on the streets today is that Zelaya has instructed the national assembly to cast their presidential votes for Irias, who, with Madria, is regarded here as Zelaya's henchmen. The change of front of the retiring president, while it has caused no surprise, those in a position to know declare that, with Irias as president, Zelaya will continue in power.

### Divorce Suit Begun—

Elyva M. Payne has started divorce proceedings in the circuit court against M. H. Payne. In the complaint filed today cruel and inhuman treatment is the grounds upon which the separation is asked. Attorney A. O. Cendit appears as counsel for the plaintiff.

### RAILROAD WRECK WITH MANY KILLED AND MORE INJURED

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]

Cleveland, O., Dec. 18.—Five people were killed and more than a score were injured early today when the Lake Shore passenger train No. 1, bound west, collided with a switch engine at the foot of East Twenty-Sixth street.

The accident occurred at 1:55 a. m., just five minutes before the train was due to arrive at this station. When the crash came, the Lake Shore train was traveling at a high rate of speed. Engines and cars were piled up, shattered masses of debris. The body of the engineer of the passenger train could not be found. It is believed he is dead beneath the wreckage. The fireman was pulled out of the cab dead, as was the engineer of the switch engine. None of the passengers were killed. Many of them were injured, however, several seriously.

H. L. Adams, passenger engineer. Al. G. Burns, engineer switch engine.

John Swales, switchman. George Frank, switchman. Edward Bascher, switchman. Fatally injured: Jacob Carrier, passenger. Jacob Barry, Buffalo, scalded. Leroy Fields, Pullman porter. W. H. Stevens, Watertown, N. Y.

N. F. Smith, Lackawanna, Pa. When the locomotives crashed together with the Pullmans left the track. The first one, filled with sleeping passengers, was badly wrecked. The intense cold added to the sufferings of the injured, and made the work of the rescuers doubly hard.

A few minutes after the collision doctors and nurses were rushed to the scene.

The passenger train consisted of seven Pullmans and one day coach. It was bound west from New York to Chicago.

Both firemen were badly burned. The three switchmen who were killed were riding on the switch engine at the time of the collision.

### THE PYTHIAN EXALTED DEGREE



The degree team of Abd Uhl Atef, Temple of the Knights of Khorassan, of Portland, will introduce to the hundreds a class of 15 at the hall of Central lodge, No. 18, K. of P., tonight. Many prominent members from different parts of the state will attend, and the event promises to be one of more than usual interest to local Pythians. The banquet will be under the supervision of Wm. McGilchrist, of the White House restaurant.

### RUNAWAY TEAM CAUSED EXCITEMENT

A team hitched to a city cab, carrying several people, became frightened this afternoon about 12:30, and, getting beyond the control of their driver, ran at break-neck speed from the top of the hill near the South Commercial street church down to Mission street before they could be pulled up. South Salem residents stood on the curbs with bated breath, witnessing the mad gallop, and thought every minute something would occur that would result disastrously, but the driver showed his horsemanship, and mastered the runaway horses, and pulled them up to a walk after several blocks had been run. No damage was done to either the rig or its occupants, although the people were badly frightened.

### GERMAN LABORER HAS HARD FALL

Sawing himself off a tree and tumbling 20 feet to the ground below was the unpleasant experience of Henry Hildebrand, a German gardener, Friday afternoon. Hildebrand was at work removing some limbs from a tree in a South Salem yard which obstructed the view, and when up at a height of 20 feet, he unthinkingly climbed out on a large branch, turned about facing the tree, and began to saw. There was the usual snapping of silvers when the saw performed half of its work but Mr. Hildebrand was at loss to understand the queer sensations accompanying the breaking limb until he was sent shooting downward. Hildebrand was astride of the limb and he struck the ground standing up, which probably saved him from serious injury. The workman did not go back to work.

### HIGHER PRICES ON PRODUCTS

Farming products, in the way of wheat and oats, are beginning to prepare for another soar in the market. Bluestem wheat laid down in this city brings \$1.10 per bushel, and valley wheat is being sought after by the middle men and millers at the round price of \$1, that price being considered very reasonable today, and

### Judges Who Will Award the Contest Prizes.

The Capital Journal Contest prizes will be awarded to the candidates receiving the highest number of votes, the Capital prize going to the highest over all, on Monday afternoon at 1:30 at Ye Liberty Theatre. The prizes will be awarded by the following committee:

C. L. Starr, Secretary of State Tax Commission. Jos. H. Albert of the Capital National Bank, Salem. Hon. P. H. D'Arcy, member of the bar, Salem. David Eyre, Cashier United States National Bank, Salem. E. J. Lally, accountant Portland Railway, Light and Power Co., Salem.

Messrs. Eyre and Lally will each operate counting machines, as the votes will run up into the thousands. The entire count will be made in public. Candidates and friends invited to be present.

from all indications throughout both the valley and the United States in general, the crimp in the market will continue indefinitely.

Due to the wheat market becoming uneasy, the flour market is also showing a tendency to soar. At wholesale prices valley flour is being put up to the consumer in Salem at from \$5.40 to \$5.80. It was generally believed a few weeks prior to this flurry that flour would be down to a lower basis before long, but the market has gone up instead of downward and there is great probability of the staff of life coming still dearer.

Milk, beef, pork, and, in fact, all grain-fed products consumed by Salem people, will undoubtedly take a jump in the market after the first of the year. Mill feed is up to a high price and is holding firm. Bran is selling at \$28 per ton and shorts is going at \$30 per ton, while oats, very seldom calling for a price over 40 cents, are quoted now at 50 cents per bushel. High-priced feed renders stock feeding high-priced, hence the high values on products.

### POLITICAL JOB AGAINST DOC GIBSON

"This fight that certain parties have started against me," said Chief of Police Gibson today, "is nothing more than a job; job from the very first. Some of my political opposition friends are doing this. They fought me during election, and have been framing up ever since with different things."

"Any citizen can come right over to my office at any time he desires and examine every blessed thing in there. I have nothing to hide from anyone, and am at a loss to understand why these people are busying themselves with my business, and that of others, when there is no necessity of it, unless, as I said before, that my old political enemies are framing up another far-fetched job."

"However, I will submit to a thorough investigation, and will give all the assistance I can toward arriving at a conclusion whether or not the charges contained in the complaint are true."

### PROPERTY ADVANCING AT SALEM

John M. McNary has purchased the Cottle-Parkhurst building on Commercial street, paying therefor \$19,000. This is an excellent criterion of the values of Salem real estate in that section. The building is two stories in height and has a frontage of 94 feet, stretching 165 feet to the rear. The sale was made by the real estate firm of Derby & Wilson.

The building contains the stores of Hule, Wing Saug Co., Damon's grocery store, the market of George Fendrich and the store of C. B. Messer. In the upper floor is a rooming house.

District Attorney McNary states that no improvements are contemplated, at present at least, as the structure is practically new and he was satisfied to pay the price for that location as an evidence of the faith he holds in Salem property. He has made other down town real investments within the past several months.

"Salem property never looked so good as it does at the present time," says Mr. McNary. "In every way development is tending to give our Capital City a more substantial place among the towns of the valley. The coming year will see an unprecedented growth here. Not that Salem will enjoy this alone. Every town from Portland to the California line will grow by leaps and bounds, but Salem is logically situated so that the outlook or the future is exceedingly bright. This purchase merely shows my faith in the city."

### Just Received—

A large shipment of Mohair chairs in several designs, guaranteed oak and mission finish. L. U. Josse, Court street.

Now is the Time— To get a Morris chair. A large shipment just received. They will go at low prices. L. U. Josse, Court street.

### BIG LOCAL OPTION SUIT IN YAMHILL

(Special to Capital Journal.)

McMinnville, Or., Dec. 18.—The case of State vs. C. P. Fuchs, for violation of the local option law is being tried before Justice of the Peace Hopfield yesterday and today. Deputy District Attorney R. L. Conner is handling the state's case, and Dan Murphy, of Portland and McCain & Vinton and Vine W. Pearce, of this city, are attorneys for the defendant.

The latter part of last September Constable Arthur and a spotter hired by the church people here raided the defendant's place of business, and secured some of the liquor known as "Nymphs," which was analyzed by a local chemist, the professor of chemistry of McMinnville College, who found it slightly above the percentage permitted by the law. Martin, the bartender, was immediately indicted and sentenced by Judge Burnett to serve 10 days in the county jail. As yet the outcome of the trial is very doubtful, but by the majority of those hearing the evidence it is expected that, if any, a very light sentence will be given the defendant. It is considered that the defense has definitely proven that if any beer was sold by Mr. Fuchs, that he is only technically guilty, and will be given the minimum sentence. The defense has 47 witnesses subpoenaed, but were only allowed by the court to use 17. At 10:30 today Fuchs was sentenced to 10 days in the county jail, and pay \$100. Appeal was immediately taken, and Fuchs was allowed his liberty on \$100 cash bonds.

### WILLAMETTE UNIVERSITY

Two games of basketball were played in the gymnasium Friday evening. The first game, between the first and third year preps, resulted in a score of 28 to 2 in favor of the third years. The game was one-sided, as indicated by the score. The third years played fast ball, and at times showed good team work. Emmet won the most points, scoring five goals from field; Jovry came second with four goals. No goals from the foul line were scored.

The games between the sophoms and freshmen was also one-sided, the score being 38 to 4 in favor of the sophoms. The freshmen scored one field goal and four goals from the foul line by Winslow. The game was fast and interesting, and comparatively free from roughness. Team work was not so much in evidence, but this was due to the lack of practice. Zimmerman was the star point winner, throwing seven baskets; Low got off second with five baskets. "Rus'ly" Schramm was in the game every minute, making three field goals, and two from foul line. Coach Sweetland watched the games with his weather eye out for the good players. Walter Winslow acted as referee. Following was the lineup and baskets made by each: Sophs—Schramm 3 (2), Low 5, G. Zimmerman 7, Minton 1, C. McIn tyre 2. Freshies—F. Ross, Crawford 1, G. Cummins, Wesley, C. Winslow 4.

Portland Labor Press: Colonel Hofer in his Salem Capital Journal points out that the state should construct some macadamized highways, and that the lands alongside would undoubtedly increase in value from \$100 to \$300 per acre. The Colonel hits the nail on the head and drives it in below the level. Why should not the land thus increased in value, pay some of the expense with a special tax levied on land values, as is done in New Zealand and other parts of the world?

## We Are Now Offering

The choicest lines of Xmas Goods at Sale Prices to insure quick selling. Don't wait until next week to do your Xmas shopping, for there is sure to be a scramble. Here you will find quality and prices to suit everyone.



### Half Price on Ladies' COATS and SUITS

At the Chicago Store you will find the greatest stock of up-to-date coats and suits in Salem. REMEMBER we are not looking for profits now. It is a matter of disposing of the stock before Xmas. Right after the holidays we begin taking stock, consequently we want all our cloaks and suits closed out, at Half Price and less. Here is a chance to buy this season's newest coats and suits at prices that were never quoted before in Salem.

\$10.00, \$12.50 and \$15 Coats, now \$4.50, \$6.50, \$7.50  
\$15, \$18 and \$20 Suits, Now \$7.50, \$8.90, \$9.90

Silk Underskirts and Furs at Reduced Prices.



### 5000 Yards of FINE DRESS GOODS and SILKS Now on Sale

We realize that the Holidays is a good time for selling Dress goods and Dress Silks. We have marked them at prices that will induce quick selling. We show the most complete lines of these goods in Salem; all spick and span new goods. Dress Goods, yard . . . 25c, 35c, 49c, 75c and up. Dress Silks, yard . . . 25c, 35c, 49c, 69 and up.

### WONDERFUL BARGAINS IN HOLIDAY GOODS

Dolls, Toys, Games, Drums, Airships, Books, Guns, Wagons, Mechanical Toys and hundreds of others.

Ladies' Shopping Bags, Kid Gloves and Silk Umbrellas now on sale at very low prices.

\$7.50 Dress Silk Waists, now . . . \$3.90  
\$7.50 Silk Underskirts, now . . . \$3.90  
\$1.25 Leather Shopping Bags, now . . . 65c  
\$6.95 Dress Skirts, now only . . . \$2.90

Smoking Men's Jackets \$5.00 values now for \$3.90

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Men's 45c All Silk NECKTIES now only 25c