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## GOING AFTER COOK IN GOOD SHAPE

Never Found North Pole—  
Only Thought So, Say  
the Wise Ones.

## GREATEST IMPOSTER OF MODERN TIMES

Cook Seems to Have Crawled Into  
a Hole and Pailed It In After Him,  
as the Consistory Committee Is  
Unable to Locate Him—Neither  
Can His Private Secretary.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]  
Copenhagen, Dec. 22.—Denmark  
today is divided into three camps,  
as far as Dr. Frederick A. Cook's  
claims to the discovery of the north  
pole are concerned. A handful of  
people, including the inspector of  
North Greenland, still believe Cook  
reached the pole; a large number be-  
lieve he thinks he reached the pole,  
and an overwhelming majority brand  
the explorer as the greatest imposter  
of modern times.

The generally accepted view is  
that Cook wandered around the Arctic  
region in search of the pole, but  
without sufficient knowledge to know  
where he went. He emerged from  
the Arctic, his critics declare, with  
a determination to make a bold claim  
to the discovery, staking everything  
on the forlorn possibility that his

meagre, unscientific observations  
might possibly be substantiated.  
Ronald Amundsen, of all Cook's  
friends, remains loyal. He declares  
that the explorer, in an effort not to  
appear dilatory, greatly handicapped  
himself by submitting incomplete  
data. He says that he has known  
Cook for 10 years, and believes now  
that he acted in good faith when he  
made his claims to the discovery.  
Amundsen says he does not think Dr.  
Cook reached the pole, but believes  
Cook thought he did.

## RECLAMATION PROJECT IN CROOK COUNTY

A preliminary contract, drawn by  
Oregon Desert Land Board and  
favor of the Oregon, Washington  
Idaho Finance Company, and  
has for its object the reclama-  
tion of about 27,000 acres of land  
located in Crook county, is in a state  
of preparation and will be executed  
in the next few days.

The Three Sisters Irrigation Com-  
pany originally sought to bring about  
the reclamation of this land, but  
transferred its contract to the Col-  
umbia Southern Irrigation Company,  
and it after reorganizing transferred  
all its contract rights in and to the  
present company.

The contract will provide for the  
execution of a bond by the company  
for the faithful performance of its  
part of the agreement; that construc-  
tion work shall commence within a  
period of three months after its  
execution, and that the reclamation  
work shall be completed within  
three years after January 1, 1911.  
A final contract to be executed  
later will provide for the construction  
of canals, reservoirs, dams, and  
also as to the general plan upon  
which the reclamation work will be  
conducted.

## WOODBURN CITIZEN REGISTERS TITLES

Application to register title has  
been filed in the circuit court by J.  
A. Vancleave, through his attorney,  
Frank Holmes. The property in-  
volved is located north of Wood-  
burn, Oregon, and consists of 159.40  
acres.

## DESCHUTES RAILROAD TO MEDFORD

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]  
San Francisco, Dec. 22.—Recent  
side trips made by John F. Stevens,  
James J. Hill's chief engineer, in  
the vicinity of Medford, Ore., are  
said by railroad men here today to  
mean the continuation of the Des-  
chutes road southwest through the  
Rogue River valley and on through  
the redwood belt of Del Norte coun-  
ty to Crescent City.

John Roberts Allen of New York  
said to be in the employment of Hill,  
last August purchased the Pacific &  
Eastern railway from a receiver, the  
deal including fifty miles of right-  
of-way near the Rogue River valley  
and Medford and 100 miles of grad-  
ing. A contract was let at once to  
Porter Brothers and the grading was  
commenced. Allen also secured a  
50-year franchise for an electric line  
through the Rogue River country  
and interests in several timber hold-  
ings and townships.

An inspection of the country be-  
tween Medford and Crescent City fol-  
lowed, and this, together with the  
activities of Hill north of Medford,  
is stated here today to mean the dis-  
puted entrance of the Hill line into  
California will be from Medford  
through Del Norte county to Cres-  
cent City.

Hill would tap 8,000,000 feet of  
lumber by the line and would open  
the way to Crater Lake park. Con-  
tracts have been let for the construc-  
tion as far as Butte Falls, 31 miles  
from Medford and the line surveyed  
as far as the park. There emanates  
the gap of 200 miles from Butte  
Falls to Bend and thence to the  
coast.

## RELATIVES HELD FOR MURDER

Newark, N. J., Dec. 22.—Mrs.  
Caroline Martin, mother, and Mrs.  
Wardlaw, aunt of the dead girl,  
were held today by the grand jury  
for the death of Mrs. Snead.  
Mrs. Okey Snead was found dead  
in a bath tub in what is known as  
"the house of mystery" in East Or-  
ange on Nov. 27. Drowning was  
given as the cause of the death by  
Miss Virginia Wardlaw, the aunt.  
Detectives, however, were suspicious  
and arrested Miss Wardlaw when it  
became known that the dead woman  
carried \$24,000 insurance on her  
life, made in favor of Miss Wardlaw,  
Mrs. Martin, the mother, and Mrs.  
Mary Snead, an aunt, and that  
money to pay the premiums had  
been borrowed by the three old wo-  
men but a short time before Mrs.  
Okey Snead is supposed to have been  
murdered.

Mrs. Martin and Mrs. Mary Snead  
disappeared at the time of the find-  
ing of the body, and it was not until  
nearly two weeks later that they were  
found and placed in jail.

Through an attorney the three old  
women issued a statement declaring  
their innocence and stating that Mrs.  
Okey Snead had committed suicide  
after brooding over ill-health.

The police were unable to find  
Fletcher W. Snead, husband of the  
dead woman, though a continuous  
search was made for him from the  
time of the discovery of the bath  
tub mystery.

Physicians who attended Mrs.  
Okey Snead during an illness some  
time before her death, stated that  
they found the young woman in a  
comatose condition. Some months  
ago a cousin, who was also said to  
have cured insurance made over to  
the old women, died after an illness  
similar to that ascribed to Mrs. Okey  
Snead. Insurance detectives are in-  
vestigating that end of the case in  
the hope of uncovering an insurance  
fraud.

## A DAY OF ASSASSINATIONS.

Today's news from the four corners of the earth brings word of  
four different assassinations or attempts at assassinations.  
Colonel Karpoff, chief of police at St. Petersburg, was assassinated  
with a bomb early today.  
Yi Wan Yung, premier of Korea, fell mortally wounded and died  
later, when a Korean student plunged a knife into him.  
Prime Minister Bratianu, of Roumania, was shot and seriously  
wounded by a Roumanian anarchist at Bucharest.  
A. M. T. Jackson, the administrative head of the government of  
Nasik, India, was shot to death at Bombay by a native.

## PRESIDENT ZELAYA SURRENDERS

His Entire Army, Rifles and  
Ammunition Are Captured.  
2600 Killed and Wounded

(By Wm. A. Deverall, staff corre-  
spondent of the United Press.)  
Bluefields, Nicaragua, Dec. 22.—  
(By wireless)—The army under Gen-  
eral Estrada, the revolutionary lead-  
er, has won a sweeping victory near  
Rama, and the entire Zelayan forces,  
formerly commanded by General  
Vasquez, has surrendered with all  
its stores, after being defeated all  
along the line.

The wounded are being brought  
here today and are being cared for  
in Guila hospitals, established by  
American marines from the war  
ships in the harbor.

Large numbers of prisoners are  
being marched into Bluefields, after  
having been disarmed.

General Estrada is marshaling his  
forces, and preparing for an imme-  
diate advance upon Managua, where  
he will endeavor to overthrow the  
new president, Jose Madriz.

There is great rejoicing here, as  
this city has passed through a peri-  
ous period, and it is now believed  
that a successful termination of the  
revolution is now in sight. A week  
ago the city was in fear and trem-  
bling, following the reported ap-  
proach of General Vasquez, with or-  
ders from Zelaya to sack and pil-  
lage Bluefields.

The news of Estrada's victory was  
the signal for a general celebration,  
and the people today are demanding  
the election of Estrada to the presi-  
dency.

Washington, Dec. 22.—The army  
of former President Zelaya has sur-  
rendered to the forces of Provisional  
President Estrada at Rama.

This information came in the form  
of a cable message to the state de-  
partment from Captain Shipley, of  
the cruiser Des Moines.

Captain Shipley reports that the  
Zelayan forces lost in killed and  
wounded 600 men during the fight-  
ing about Rucero and Rama yester-  
day.

Detachments of marines and hos-  
pital corps from the American war-  
ships at Bluefields are establishing  
field hospitals; 40 wounded are be-  
ing cared for.

Dispatches received here today de-  
clare that the entire Zelayan army  
operating in Eastern Nicaragua was  
disastrously defeated in the recent  
fighting around Rucero and Rama.

More than 2600 of Zelaya's men  
were killed, wounded or captured.  
Bluefields has been turned into a  
great hospital camp, of which the  
Americans have taken complete  
charge.

In his dispatch to the state de-  
partment, Captain Shipley said:  
"Yesterday the Zelayan forces  
were completely routed, after several  
hours of hard fighting. They sur-  
rendered in the afternoon."  
General Gonzales, with 1900 men  
was captured with 1500 rifles and  
1,000,000 rounds of ammunition.

Estrada began an organized at-  
tack on December 20, and routed the  
outposts of Gonzales' army, captur-  
ing or killing 200 on that day. The  
fighting continued until the surren-  
der.

Supplementing the report of Cap-  
tain Shipley, the following message  
from Provisional President Estrada  
was received today by Senator Castil-  
lo, his representative here:  
"Our victory is complete. We are  
preparing to advance immediately  
upon Managua and expect to arrive  
there Sunday."

It is reported in Bluefields today  
that the Zelayan general, Vasquez,  
has been captured, and is in prison.  
The United States state de-  
partment, it was announced today, will  
take no further steps in Nicaragua  
unless the presence of marines is  
required to protect Americans and  
their interests.

Children Burned to Death.  
Delaware, O., Dec. 22.—Mabel  
Williamson, 5 years of age, and her  
brother, Grover, 4, were burned to  
death today while trying to rescue  
their baby brother, 3 years of age,  
from the fire that burned the Wil-  
liamson home.

## HOLIDAY BARGAINS

The choicest lines of Christmas Goods at Sale Prices to  
insure quick selling. Don't wait any longer 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 dis-  
posing of the stock before Christmas. Right after the  
holidays we begin taking stock, consequently we want  
all our Coats and Suits closed out. At half-price and  
less. Here is a chance to buy this season's newest  
Coats, and it is at prices that were never quoted be-  
fore in Salem.

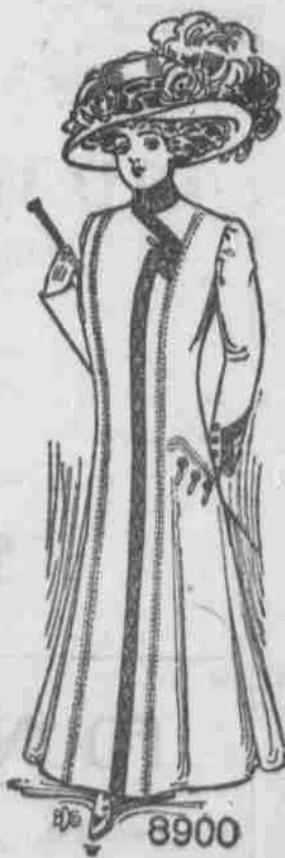
\$10, \$12.50 and \$15 Coats now

\$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 god 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 span and new  
of others.  
Dress Goods, yard . . . 25c, 35c, 49c, 75c and up  
Dress Silks, yard . . . 25c, 35c, 49c, 69c and up

### Wonderful Bargains In Holiday Goods

Dolls, Toys, Games, Drums, Airships, Books,  
Guns, Wagons, Mechanical Toys and Hundreds  
others.  
Ladies' Shopping Bags, Kid Gloves and Silk Um-  
brellas 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  
\$6.90 Dress Skirts now only . . . \$3.90

## CHICAGO STORE

SALEM, OREGON.  
"The Store That Saves You Money"

MEN'S  
45c  
ALL SILK  
NECKTIES  
now only 25c

MEN'S  
SMOKING  
JACKETS  
\$5.00 values  
now \$3.90

## BURNS' NOVELTY CO. IN TROUBLE

Constable Ira Hamilton served a  
writ of attachment today upon a  
trunk full of clothing, a moving pic-  
ture machine and several other ar-  
ticles belonging to William J. Burns,  
a show manager, who introduced his  
attractions at the Dreamland theater  
in this city last week.

According to the complainant,  
Charles Savage, proprietor of the  
Cottage Hotel, Burns left the hotel-  
ery owing a bill for his keeping, for  
which the attachment was made. It  
also appears from what the officers  
and Mr. Savage has learned, that  
the show man had in his employ sev-  
eral actors, whom he paid to assist  
in the vaudeville performances at  
the Dreamland, but when he left  
town he also left his actors in desti-  
tute circumstances, especially the  
ladies, who were compelled to leave  
their suitcases and clothing with Mr.  
Savage in order to reach Portland,  
where they could obtain assistance  
financially.

The attached property is being  
held in the Wells Fargo Company's  
building in Portland, and unless the  
owner arrives and settles at this end  
of the line, the property will be  
taken.

## STATON ASKS COUNTY ASSISTANCE

As the result of the recent high  
water which prevailed during Thanks-  
giving, the water at a point on the  
North Santiam river, near Staton, is  
on the verge of tearing away a large  
strip of gravel bank and take to a  
new channel. Should this occur  
hundreds and maybe thousands of  
dollars' worth of farming property  
would be totally destroyed. The fol-  
lowing petition has been filed in the  
county court for that body's consid-  
eration:

To the Honorable County Court of  
Marion County, State of Oregon:  
Gentlemen: We, the undersigned,

## DEFECTIVE WIRING CAUSES FIRE LOSS

Renó, Nev., Dec. 22.—Defective  
wiring in the files of the Wheel-  
theater stage is now believed to have  
been responsible for last night's fire  
which completely destroyed the build-  
ing and that of the St. Thomas  
Aquinas church adjoining. The loss  
is placed at \$100,000.

## Marriage Licenses Issued—

The following persons were issued  
marriage licenses today by County  
Clerk Allen: John B. Ulreich, aged  
24, and Alma Nye aged 19, both of  
Salem; August F. Rauch, aged 33,  
and Lena M. Reynolds, aged 26, both  
of Salem; A. Lawrence, aged 32,  
of Washington, D. C., and Mary A.  
Jones, aged 23, of Marion; Paul J.  
Paulson, aged 52 and Julia A. Paul-  
son, aged 42, both of Gervais; Peter  
J. Hunt, aged 35, and Hanna Kraus,  
aged 21, both of Aurora.

## NEW YORK MARKETS STRONGER

New York, Dec. 22.—There was a  
further advance in the loaning rate  
for call loans to six per cent, and  
this brought out considerable long  
stuff, and stopped a market that  
was showing a fair degree of activi-  
ty.

While the closing of securities was  
in most instances higher than yester-  
day, some depression was forced  
at the closing because of the tighter  
money market.

The increase of one-half per cent  
in the semi-annual dividend of the  
Big Four, which put that stock on  
a five per cent basis for common, as  
well as preferred, was one of the  
chief aids to the market in the early  
trading.

American Smelting and Refining  
advanced 10 cents in the price of  
lead, and this put that issue to the  
foreground of today's market, the  
closing being within a fraction of a  
point higher than yesterday. This  
is the second advance in lead made  
by the company recently.

London was a heavy buyer of Rock  
Island shares today, and influenced  
a bullish movement on this side.

## AMERICAN LINERS ARE NOW OVERDUE

London, Dec. 22.—The American  
liner Friesland, which was due at  
Queenstown from Philadelphia last  
Monday, has not been heard from  
and grave fears for her safety are  
felt.

The Freiland, which belongs to  
the Red Star Line, left Philadelphia  
December 11. She carried 33 first  
cabin and 125 steerage passengers.

The steamer Rosa Trevor, bound  
from Genoa to Holyhead, is also  
overdue. She carried a crew of 25,  
in addition to 50 passengers.