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**BATTLE IMMINENT AT RAMA**

Nicaragua Insurgents Force Oseja to Fight on Their Own Terms.

**POSITION IS IMPREGNABLE**

President's Army, Half Starved, Cannot Retreat, Because Country Behind Them is Laid Waste.

**BLUEFIELDS, N.C., Dec. 10.—(Via New Orleans, Dec. 10.)**

With the expected battle at Rama between the forces of General Estrada and President Zelaya, under command of General Oseja, imminent, Estrada's position at Rama is now considered impregnable.

**CORN SHOW SWAMPS DOCTORS**

Exhibitors and Visitors From the East Reassure Their Western Friends.

**TELL OF MANY, MANY CURES**

United Doctors' Waiting Rooms Always Crowded to Overflowing.

**As the Corn show visitors continue to come in ever increasing numbers from the great corn belts of Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, Iowa and Kansas, states where the United Doctors Institute have been located for years, and their wonderful new system of curing disease has won the test of time, the capacity of the reception rooms and staff of the United Doctors is taxed to the limit.**

This is brought about by the fact that a little over a year ago the United Doctors' system of curing disease was practically unknown to the people of the great middle west, except to a few who read of their wonderful achievements in the eastern dailies. During the short year that the United Doctors' Institute has been located on the second floor of the Neville block, corner Sixteenth and Harney streets, a new era in the treatment and cure of all obscure, chronic and nervous diseases has been introduced to the people of Omaha and the great middle west. Their achievements thus far have been demonstrated to be phenomenal as shown by the thousands of letters which have been handed to the chief of the staff by grateful patients whose years of suffering and agony have been turned, in this short year, to health and happiness.

However, there has been some skepticism abroad in regard to their wonderful achievements. They seemed too good to be true, and now that the exhibitors and visitors from the eastern states are here in great numbers from all over the north-western corn belt, they find that all of the west is eager to know something of the workings of this great institute in Omaha. Not an hour passes during the day but that some one who has been cured in an eastern institute comes to the United Doctors' reception rooms on the second floor of the Neville block, corner Sixteenth and Harney streets, to express their thanks for the cure they have had, and to his God speed to the work of the United Doctors in this comparatively new field.

The interest Omaha and the wide country surrounding it is manifesting in this great health movement is best told in the words of Mr. Arthur Midleton, a corn raiser of Bloomington, Ill., who remarked yesterday: "I have been asked so much about the United Doctors' work in the east that I begin to believe they are attracting as much attention here as the Corn show. Well, they are all right; they are real specialists. They cure my father's kidney trouble after eight other doctors had failed, and I know a dozen others that they have cured of constipation, rheumatism, gallstones, stomach trouble and other chronic diseases."

The United Doctors have their Omaha institute on the second floor of the Neville block, corner Sixteenth and Harney streets. Examination free to all. No incurable cases are accepted for treatment.

**Three-Quarter Million Loss**

Block of Business Buildings Destroyed and Five Firemen Hurt at Kalamazoo, Mich.

**KALAMAZOO, Mich., Dec. 10.—**

The combined efforts of the fire departments of three cities had not succeeded tonight in extinguishing the fire, which broke out last night in the heart of the business district, although the flames which caused a loss of approximately \$750,000 were under control. Once during the afternoon the situation threatened to again become serious. Energetic action by the firemen soon conquered this blaze.

Five firemen were injured, none seriously and 100 hotel guests were driven scantly clad into the streets by a fire that burned the Burdick house, one of the best known hotels in southern Michigan. The major portion of a square was laid in ruins. Rumor that an old man had been burned to death proved to be untrue. More than thirty business concerns suffered losses by the fire.

Among the losers were the Postal Telegraph company, American Express company, City National bank, Cash Register company, Marshall Field & Co., and six saloons. A dozen buildings were destroyed.

**Deadly Fight** possesses sufferers from lung trouble till they learn Dr. King's New Discovery will help them. 50c and \$1.00. For sale by The Standard Drug Co.

**A Live Wire Proposition**

Suits, Overcoats and Raincoats—worth up to \$30.00, at—

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**LADIES' FORX, FULL DRESS OR TUXEDO SUITS**

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**BENDER BASE BALL COACH**

Former Foot Ball Star Not Likely to Get Foot Ball Place.

**WORK DURING EARLY SPRING**

Protest Rises Because of Letter Given Sturtezenegger, So D. Elliott Will Be Rewarded with Honor.

LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 10.—(Special.)—Johnny Bender, former Cornhusker foot ball star and coach of the Haskell Indian foot ball eleven during the last season, will coach the Nebraska base ball candidate next spring. The base ball committee of the Nebraska Athletic board this afternoon agreed to accept a proposition made them by Bender and the former Manager Eager to sign a contract with the former Cornhusker. The committee had full power to hire a coach and their work is final.

Bender, during his college career at Nebraska was, in addition to being a foot ball star, a base ball player of high class and was one of the best catchers that ever played on a scarlet and cream team. He led the Cornhuskers to many victories on the diamond as well as on the gridiron. In the last game of the season in 1905, which was his final year at this school, Johnny won the contest in the final inning by driving a home run over the fence. This game was played against Creighton college of Omaha, when that school had one of the best university nines in the middle west.

Since his graduation from the university in the spring of 1906 Bender has been a professional ball player. For part of that season he was with the Omaha Western league nine. Later he went west and played with the Pacific Northwest league. His achievements there caused him to get a substantial increase in salary after his first season. He will play professional base ball again next summer, probably going west to Seattle.

**Doesn't Get Football Job**

Johnny Bender is an applicant for the position of Cornhusker foot ball coach, but it is not likely that he will be given that job. The board favors him for the base ball task, but not for the gridiron job. A movement is on among the alumni to get the board to make Bender an offer of athletic director at the same time. Such a position would keep him here the entire year and would permit him to coach both base ball and foot ball. The Cornhusker board does not look with favor upon this proposal.

At the next meeting of the athletic board on Monday evening a foot ball "no" will be granted D. Elliott, a player who was in both the Denver and Haskell games. At Denver he played the entire game and on Thanksgiving day was in the contest for a half.

Elliott was not awarded a letter yesterday when fourteen other players were honored, because he had not played a full half of one of the "B" games. These games were three—Minnesota, Iowa and Kansas. Elliott did not take part in either of these, but his work in the Denver game was such that it is thought "he should have a letter."

When the board yesterday failed to reward him a storm of protest broke loose from the undergraduate body and the members of the board were severely criticised for giving a letter to Sturtezenegger, a man who had not been in any of the big games this year. Sturtezenegger, however, was a footballer man who has done some work during his whole career, while Elliott still has two more seasons in which to play.

The board was criticised as discriminating in favor of Sturtezenegger and its members were the recipients of many unkind remarks yesterday. They informally discussed the matter this afternoon and decided that, in order to allay criticism, they would give Elliott his letter. Nobody denies that Elliott is deserving of a letter, but the board did not feel like stepping over its rule in order to grant him the honor this year when he would have another opportunity to win his spurs next fall.

**Will It Be Ward or Heydler?**

Just now the most conspicuous topic of discussion in base ball is the fight for the presidency of the National league. John Heydler, present incumbent, is a candidate for re-election and John M. Ward, the old-time shortstop and captain of the long-ago New York Giants and later a prize fighter in the Brotherhood and now attorney at law in New York, is an opposing candidate. Heydler's chief antagonist is Charles Webb Murphy, president of the Chicago Cubs, and he is also opposed by President Ebbetts of Brooklyn and John T. Brush of New York, while it is believed that the Brotherhood in Philadelphia will vote against him. This gives four votes out of eight for Ward. Garry Herrmann of Cincinnati, Barney Dreyfus of Pittsburgh, Robison of St. Louis and Dovey of Boston are expected to stand by Heydler. Dreyfus certainly will, and Herrmann will so long as there appears a possibility of chance for his victory, but Robison and Dovey are not relied on with as much assurance, though they have indicated they would stay for the finish.

Here is somewhat of a synopsis on this subject, participated in by men actively interested:

Garry Herrmann: "President Robison of the St. Louis club, has not promised anybody to vote for anybody. He is free to vote for John Heydler or John M. Ward or the man just around the corner. President Dovey is in the same boat. He has as yet said but very little, if anything, about the meeting this winter and its results. I am not speaking for them, understand, when I say that I do not think they will vote for Murphy and Brush and Robison want them, but I am giving my personal opinion, which I think is fairly good on this line. Of course, one never can tell just what's in the wind. But I hardly think that Messrs. Robison and Dovey would vote that way. That Murphy and Brush and Ebbetts are going to vote for Mr. Ward is a certainty. That the Philadelphia management may vote that way is also probable, though you must understand that nothing of this sort has ever been said yet. I do not think Mr. Ward, if he is elected, will do one single thing against the best interests of the game, and I feel that were Mr. Heydler willing to step down that I would approve of the selection of Mr. Ward. He is a clean sportsman and a most clever gentleman. But why should we 'bunch' Heydler? He wants the place and I think we ought to give it to him. Coming back to the question of Messrs. Robison and Dovey, I hardly think that Mr. Dovey will make known his opinion as to who ought to be the leader of the league until the meeting in New York. Mr. Robison may say beforehand which way he will vote. But I know that he has not promised anybody to vote for their man yet. Syndicate base ball, in this case, means that the Quakers are to be made a stronger club at the expense of other clubs in the league. This must be done by them in order to put up a stronger fight for the pennant in 1910. It also means that

the St. Louis and Boston clubs, who have been working harder than anybody else in the league to build up their teams, will remain idle and watch the Quakers. This isn't hardly probable, is it? Robison and Dovey have figured this all out and they know just what it will mean to them. The sale of the Philadelphia club will put Murphy and Brush, I think, in a kettle of hot water."

This from the veteran John M. Ward: "Let me say that I am not Murphy's man. If I should be placed at the head of the National league I would conduct its affairs squarely and without favor. I am not looking for this place, understand, and I am not trying to push any man out of a position or looking for a place that rightfully belongs to another man. I don't know Mr. Heydler personally, but I have heard nothing but good about him. I have only a slight acquaintance with Charles W. Murphy, and he simply knows me as an old base ball man, and occasionally has invited me to the National league base ball park when I have been in Chicago. That's all the acquaintance I have with him. The reasons for Mr. Johnson's objections to me are not founded on fact. He bases them on the grounds that I had a hand in the deal whereby George Davis signed both Chicago and New York contracts six years ago. I did not know anything about that affair until three months after it happened. At the time I made a deal in all the newspapers called for 100 players in sports of twenty-five, thrown from four different traps at a sixteen-yard line. Eighty-nine amateurs competed for the title. McCarty shot in rare form and led the field from the start with a total of ninety-eight out of a possible 100 which sets a new record for the championship."

Horace S. Fogel, the Philadelphia newspaper man, who seems to be in the Quaker saddle, has this to say: "There seems to be an unusual amount of agitation created by the announcement that I have been proposed for president of the Philadelphia Base Ball club, and already rumors are afloat that the control of the club is not in my hands, but in those of others. The name of Charles Webb Murphy has been mentioned and the subject of syndicate base ball has been dragged in. I have always been opposed to him for president of the National league. I have not declared myself on that point, because all who know me know that I have the most sincere admiration for John Heydler, who was a newspaper man like myself. The fact that I was associated with Mr. Ward in the general interest taken in the Players' league in 1909 does not mean that I have already pledged my support to his candidacy for president of the National league. Mr. Heydler is one of my friends and I have always been friendly with him. There is nothing in my favor for which I am opposed to him for anyone else. I don't want to become mixed up in base ball politics; all I want is a chance to try to make good with the Philadelphia club. I have not received any communication from Mr. Ward or Mr. O'Brien, but I have let them know of either I have not been approached on the subject, I have had altogether too much interest in the purchase of the Philadelphia club to give the subject of the coming election in the National league any serious attention."

Stanley Robison of St. Louis says: "I do not see what right they have to say I am for Heydler or against him. I am for Ward or against him; that I have given my promise to vote with Murphy or declare myself with Dreyfus and Herrmann. The fact is I have not conferred with any of my colleagues since all this agitation began. I have not committed myself in any way and will not until I reach New York for the National league meeting, shall wait until I have become entirely conversant with the conditions that exist."

The Sporting News adds this: "It is unfortunate that the name of Joseph D. O'Brien has been mixed up with this unpopular movement to unseat Mr. Heydler, for under other circumstances the candidacy of such a man for the presidency of the National league would be welcomed heartily. Mr. O'Brien has proved himself the author of the article in the American association that he is a very able man. He is an aggressive man, an able man, a fine executive, of broad-gauge and has impressive personality. Were the situation different, it is probable that warring factions would unite upon his as their candidate without a word of protest. But what can not be left of it is that the office is not vacant, the principle involved of keeping good officials secure, as long as their conduct merits reposing trust in them, is too pressing to be overthrown. Unless this principle prevails, the office becomes but a 'public trough' at which its incumbent may sally and libel, at the expense of the interests he is supposed to conserve knowing that his term is limited to the period during which he can please everybody—in the very nature of things, necessarily short. The question for the National league to settle to the satisfaction of the general public is—what good man can be found to replace John Heydler, but why should he be replaced? Can the league afford to merit the scathing criticism that would follow such unwarranted action? And as to the question of the best man for the National league can, or that it will, do so."

**WITH THE LOCAL BOWLERS**

The Chabot Shoe company took two games from the Treadley Candy company last night on the Metropolitan alleys. Carl Cain took all honors for the Shoe company team, in his game an 87 to high three games, while Stafford and Traynor did for high total with 85 for the Candy team and rarer high single game of 210. Captain Traynor is some bowler and is credited with 208 in his game. The Shoe company and O'Brien's Monte Christo. The score:

DREIBUS CANDY COMPANY.			
Purcell	141	51	92
Stafford	140	119	180
Cain	140	144	110
Dreyfus	138	162	181
Traynor	136	136	126
Stafford	134	136	126
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Totals	821	821	821

CHABOT SHOE COMPANY.			
C. Hastings	179	180	180
Grothe	179	180	180
Cain	187	231	179
Traynor	208	182	182
Foley	208	177	180
Totals	900	922	940

The Excelsiors won two games from the West Sides on the basement alleys last night. Chabot had a high total of 210, while Utz had high single game with 197.

WEST SIDES.			
Banders	136	148	182
Byrne	137	133	138
Howley	139	150	132
Adwell	132	185	157
Totals	544	606	509

EXCELSIORS.			
O'Connor	146	137	183
Utz	136	128	151
Chadwell	132	185	157
Totals	414	450	491

The Dreshers won all three games from the Molonys with Captain Goff going over 100 in each game and getting the nice total of 415 pins. Score:

MOLONYS.			
J. A. Lyons	146	164	460
Toman	123	162	389
Weeks	151	168	341
Utz	137	171	320
Kerr	127	194	315
Totals	584	669	2,005

DRESHERS.			
Frush	178	178	400
Sheldon	136	169	307
Utz	136	169	307
Michell	129	159	288
Schmidt	126	162	288
Goff	201	203	404
Totals	808	822	3,004

**McCurry Champion Trap Shot.**  
NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—George S. McCurry of the Keystone Shooting league of Pennsylvania successfully defended his title of amateur trap shooting champion of America at the Travers Island traps of the New York Athletic club today. It was the first annual championship, and the conditions called for 100 targets in sports of twenty-five, thrown from four different traps at a sixteen-yard line. Eighty-nine amateurs competed for the title. McCarty shot in rare form and led the field from the start with a total of ninety-eight out of a possible 100 which sets a new record for the championship.

**BOXING TO STOP IN SOUTH OMAHA**

Police Board Puts Bars Up After December 15.

The South Omaha Board of Fire and Police commissioners met yesterday morning and took formal cognizance of the fact that certain boxing exhibitions bordering on the nature of prize fights had been conducted in the city and they passed a resolution forbidding such performances after December 15 at 12 o'clock. The board explained its action by saying it had come to their knowledge that the boxing game had gone beyond the state of mere local sport and that men of reputation had been invited to the city and performances above local interest were to be and had been pulled off. Mr. Fitzgerald said he did not wish South Omaha advertised as a rendezvous of professional boxers, but that he did not object to the men of strictly local fame, such as Omaha and South Omaha boys, having a friendly bout when they saw fit. The board will not have any effect on the proposed bout between Brennan and White which is on the evening of December 15. Hereafter, if the local boys wish to box

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Come in and see our representative at the Corn Show or write our home office for full particulars.

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MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

Ut started out to win the hat, but after the first game he decided he didn't need it. Tonight the Daily News and Holy's. The score:

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