

MEXICAN REBELS TAKE LAS VACOS

Border Town Scene of
Hot Conflict.

RAID ON AMMUNITION WAGONS

Firing Distinctly Heard Across
Rio Grande.

RESULT STILL IN DOUBT

Revolutionists Steal on Town, but
Are Intercepted While Departing
With Plunder—Fugitives
Cross Into Texas.

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, June 26.—(Special.)—Las Vacas, Mexico, directly across the Rio Grande from Del Rio, Texas, this afternoon witnessed its second battle of the day in what may be the opening of a general uprising against the administration of President Diaz. All wires on the Mexican side leading across the river have been cut. At 5:30 this morning a band of 150 revolutionists silently stole upon the camp of the Mexican cavalry at Las Vacas and captured all of the horses, as well as making a raid upon the ammunition wagons. They were discovered just as they were about to leave, and a pitched battle took place. Firing continued until 10:30 A. M. More than 3000 shots were fired and several men were killed. One wounded man made his way across the river to Del Rio, but he refused to say whether he was with the government force or the revolutionists.

This afternoon the firing upon the government troops has been renewed and the sounds of shooting can be plainly heard in Del Rio. Where the revolutionists were gathered is not known, but that the attack upon Las Vacas was to follow immediately upon that made upon Viesca, a town in the interior, there is little doubt. Viesca was attacked and captured by the revolutionists late yesterday afternoon, when several were killed and wounded.

Del Rio, Texas, wires tonight that revolutionists have captured regular soldiers came together across the river from that point today; that several on both sides have been killed and two Mexican officers seriously wounded. All communication is cut off, for the authorities will not permit anyone to cross the river.

Mexican official statements that the rebel invaders were repulsed from Las Vacas are not wholly credited here.

REBELS ARE BADLY BEATEN

Flee Into Texas After Hot Battle
With Troops.

EL PASO, Tex., June 26.—In an encounter between revolutionists and troops of the Mexican government in the town of Las Vacas in Coahuila, Mexico, near the border across from Del Rio, Tex., early this morning, between 40 and 50 were killed and the Mexican commandant badly injured.

The Sheriff of Valverde County, this state, telegraphed Governor Campbell of Texas that the revolutionists had been repulsed and that number of them were fleeing to the United States. The county official asked the Governor if he could apprehend the fugitives for violation of the neutrality laws.

Under advice from the Attorney-General's office Governor Campbell advised the Sheriff that the Federal authorities alone have jurisdiction and instructed him to keep hands off.

WILD RAID ON VIESCA TOWN

Bandits Loot Place, Fight Troops
and Escape to Wilds.

CITY OF MEXICO, June 26.—Wild stories concerning a formidable and serious revolutionary outbreak in the northern part of Mexico were wholly discredited today by the telegraph reports received from Governor Cardenas of the State of Coahuila. According to the telegraphic advices, which were received by Vice-President Corral today, one of the boldest bandit raids ever attempted in the history of Mexico was successfully carried out when the town of Viesca was assaulted and looted yesterday.

The bandits, numbering 50, all well armed and mounted, swooped down upon the town without warning. A feeble resistance was made by the police of the place, but after three of them were killed and three more wounded, the marauders practically had things their own way. They first proceeded to the jail, releasing all the inmates, some of whom joined the robbers. The bandits next headed for the Bank of Nueva Leon, a branch of the main institution of that name which is located in the City of Monterey. They soon overpowered the employees there and robbed the bank of all the money they could get. The sum is not stated in the official dispatches.

From there the robbers, with a whoop, went to the government stamp office, looting it and doing great damage to the postoffice. They then turned their attention to the express office, robbing it. By this time the whole of the town's population was terrorized. The bandits

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ADMITS PLOT TO BLACKEN BUSSE

YOUNG BANK CLERK EXPOSES
PLOT OF CRIMINALS.

Conspiracy to Fleece Ministerial Reformers and Blackmail Chicago Mayor Is Detailed.

CHICAGO, June 26.—(Special.)—Astounding details of the alleged plot to blacken the character of Mayor Busse and other city officials with cooked-up evidence for the double purpose, it is declared, of blackmail on the one hand and of duping ministerial reformers on the other, were recounted on the witness-stand in Judge Chytrav's court today by a confessed co-conspirator.

Walter Huxhold, 35 years old, told the



Mayor Fred A. Busse, of Chicago, Intended Victim of Confessed Blackmailers.

story, in return for immunity granted him by States Attorney Healy. He related how the desire for more money than the small salary of a bank clerk yielded led him, along with Walter Gehrke, his 17-year-old friend, to form an alliance with the "Jake" Marroby gang, the four alleged members of which, including Gehrke, are now on trial charged with conspiracy to defraud the Rev. Morton Culver Hartwell, the "reformer" who attempted to collect evidence against the Mayor and was fleeced by a gang of swindlers.

17 BURNED OUT AT NIGHT

Fire Renders Four Italian Families
Homeless.

Fire about 2 o'clock this morning destroyed a two-story frame house at 1914 Lincoln street and turned four families of Italians, 17 people in all, from 6 months to 60 years old, out on the sidewalk in meager clothing where they camped with their household goods for the rest of the night. That no lives were lost is due to the efforts of Patrolman Ray Ellis, who awakened the inmates and aided in getting them out.

The property loss is about \$1500 and the house was owned by Mrs. White, a stenographer for Meier & Frank. The blaze was discovered by a man named Cosgrove, who runs an express wagon and whose barn is behind the property.

AUTOMOBILE GOES INTO BAY

Machine Runs Off Coronado Ferry—
Boat With Passengers.

SAN PEDRO, Cal., June 26.—Four persons were plunged into the bay early this evening, when their automobile went off the Coronado ferryboat, just as it was entering the slip on the Coronado side. The party consisted of District Attorney Louis R. Kirby and County Auditor Howard Cherry and his wife and two daughters. Just before the accident Mr. Kirby got out and began cranking the machine, standing in front of it. Suddenly the automobile plunged forward and knocked him overboard.

Mrs. Cherry jumped and remained on the boat, but her husband and daughter went into the bay with the machine. The ferryboat promptly backed out and all were rescued.

MOTHER DIES FOR CHILD

Finding of Drowned Body Mute Evi-
dence of Devotion.

LONG BEACH, Cal., June 26.—The body of Mrs. William D. Watkins was found today floating in the West Naples canal. On the bank the cap of her seven-year-old daughter Eva was found and efforts are being made to recover the child's body. The horse and buggy with which Mrs. Watkins and the girl started from home early this morning for a drive, stood near the canal, the horse tied to a sign-board.

The theory is that the child slipped, while playing on the shelving bank, and fell into the water, and that the mother was drowned in trying to save her.

MARRIES PRINCE JULY 7

Only Four Witnesses Will Attend
Mme. Gould's Wedding.

PARIS, June 27.—The Matin's London correspondent telegraphs an interview with Prince Helle de Sagan, in which the Prince says that his marriage to Madame Gould will take place about July 7 and will consist of a religious and civil ceremony. Only four witnesses will be present, two Germans and two Americans for the bride.

BRYAN'S ENEMIES RULE COMMITTEE

Will Reject Convention
Programme.

TURN DOWN THEODORE BELL

Resent Dictation of Arrange-
ments at Denver.

MAY THROW DOWN BRYAN

Dahlman's Delay in Arriving With
Leader's Programme Causes Sudden
Change—Battle Rages
Around Choice of Bell.

BELL SURE OF ELECTION.
SAN FRANCISCO, June 26.—At a meeting of Democrats held in this city tonight, Theodore A. Bell, in the course of his speech said that by tomorrow night he expected to have in his pockets a telegram telling of his selection as temporary chairman of the National convention at Denver. Word of this decision has evidently been given out, as it is announced that many requests from the East have been received at the Bell home, near Napa, for pictures of Mr. Bell.

DENVER, Colo., June 26.—(Special.)—The cable has been cut between Lincoln, Neb., and Denver, Colo. Tonight William J. Bryan apparently is at the mercy of six of the members of the subcommittee of the National committee having in charge the arrangements for the Denver convention. From the aspect of a peace conference, the pre-convention situation within two hours has taken on the personification of unrelenting war, and anything may now develop in the final results of the coming convention.

Five Men on Firing-Line

There are five members of the subcommittee who tonight are practically on the firing line, all disposed to fight any programme which Mr. Bryan has dictated from Lincoln. The five are: Thomas Taggart, chairman of the National committee; Roger C. Sullivan, of Illinois; John T. McGraw, of West Virginia; Clark Howell, of Georgia; Colonel R. M. Johnson, of Texas. This is five out of nine, and if a sixth were needed, Gray Woodson, of Kentucky, secretary of the National committee, fills the quota.

Oppose Bell for Chairman

The failure of James C. Dahlman, Mayor of Omaha and National committeeman from Nebraska, to arrive in Denver tonight with the "papers" which had

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AROUSE NEGROES TO DEFEAT TAFT

CONFERENCE CALLED TO MEET
DEMOCRATS AT DENVER.

Will Develop Plans to Swing Negro Vote in States Where It Holds Balance.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., June 26.—(Special.)—Colored voters of the United States who are antagonistic to the candidacy of W. H. Taft, Republican nominee for President, will hold a National conference at Denver on Tuesday, July 7, the day the Democratic National Convention opens. The purpose of the gathering, as stated in the call, is to "consider their political affiliations and conditions, and develop plans to change the political complexion



Theodore A. Bell, of California, Secretary of the National Democratic Convention and Opposed by Conservatives.

of states wherein the negro vote is the balance of power."

They will also memorialize the Democratic convention "to declare against degrading a soldier of the United States Army without the preliminary of a trial, and pronounce for a strict adherence to the constitution and all of its amendments; discuss the feasibility of nominating a candidate for President, as the Civil Liberty party ticket, or vote direct for the Denver nominee, and issue an address to the colored citizens of the Nation."

GRAIN ELEVATOR BURNED

Duluth Suffers \$1,000,000 Loss on
Building and Contents.

DULUTH, Minn., June 26.—Elevator D, of the Consolidated Elevator Company, was destroyed by fire today, entailing a loss on the building and contents of \$1,000,000. An adjoining dock and warehouse belonging to the Northern Pacific Railroad, suffered to the extent of \$30,000. The elevator contained 300,000 bushels of wheat, 90,000 bushels of flax and 7000 bushels of barley. The buildings and grain were fully insured.

TAMMANY HALL IS NOT FOR BRYAN

Boss Murphy Hints at
Fun at Denver.

SPOKESMAN TALKS IN RIDDLES

Says New York's Candidate
"Was Never Defeated."

JOHNSON MAY BE MAN

Big Chief Comes Into Open Late in
Game—Thinks Nebraskan Can-
not Carry Empire State
Against Taft.

BY LLOYD F. LONERGAN.
NEW YORK, June 27.—(Special.)—"For once in its history Tammany Hall will be a factor at a Democratic National convention."

This prediction was made today by a man who is close to Big Chief Murphy, and indicates that there may be lively doings at the convention, which meets in Denver next month. Although Murphy has not come out into the open, up to date he has encouraged the idea that the New York delegates would calmly agree to making Bryan's nomination unanimous. One thing is certain, Murphy's candidate will receive the solid vote of the Empire State. This is certain because of the unit rule and the close alliance that exists between Murphy and State Chairman "Fingy" Conners. The Tammany leader's spokesman goes on to say that "The vote of the Tammany delegation at Denver will be cast solidly against William Jennings Bryan, and will go to a candidate who has never been defeated."

New York for Johnson.
This is taken to mean that New York will cast its votes for Governor Johnson, of Minnesota, the only Democrat in the North and West (excepting Chamberlain of Oregon), who has not been defeated in recent years. In fact, Conners has publicly stated that Johnson seemed to him to be the ideal nominee. Many of the Tammany men are of the same opinion, but, of course, they take their cue from Murphy, and do not dare to say a word until he gives the orders.

Murphy, it is known, regards the prospects of carrying New York this fall as being exceptionally bright, but he believes that Bryan would be a terrible handicap. He figures that Johnson could carry the state by a majority approaching 50,000, which would sweep the Governor and associates into office, and also give the Democrats both branches of the Legislature, and the naming of the next United States Senator.

For a time Murphy was afraid to de-

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AIRSHIP INVENTOR IN NEW TROUBLE

MORRELL ARRESTED FOR FALSE
PRETENSES BY OTS.

Accused Tries to Attach Checks for
Bail Money, but Court
Comes to Rescue.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 26.—John A. Morrell, inventor and builder of the big airship which burst on its trial trip in Berkeley, recently, and which resulted in 15 members of its crew being injured, was today arrested upon a warrant sworn to by Alexander Ots, who charges Morrell with obtaining \$3000 from him by false pretenses.

Certified checks to the amount of \$4000 were found upon Morrell when



Mrs. J. D. Hayes, Portland Clubwoman, who was seriously injured by accident to Tallyho at Newport, R. I.

searched at the city prison. Attorneys for Ots immediately secured a writ of attachment for the amount of the checks. The police, however, retained possession of them and Judge Cabanis released Morrell on his own recognizance pending the settlement of the question whether the bail money, for which purpose the airship inventor said it was furnished him by friends, can be attached.

HEYBURN WILL NOT FIGHT

Plans No Opposition to Confirmation
of Idaho Appointments.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Wash-
ington, June 26.—Senator Heyburn, who returned to Washington after the Chicago convention, will leave with Mrs. Heyburn on Sunday, Senator Heyburn is to deliver the Fourth of July oration at Boise.

It was learned today that Senator Heyburn will make no opposition whatever to the confirmation of the new District Attorney and Marshal of Idaho when their nominations are sent to the Senate next December. He does not feel that he was ignored by the President, notwithstanding he was not consulted about these appointments. It is his contention that Rulick and Rounds were removed at the request of Senator Borah, and he does not think he should dip into Borah's affairs.

WHEAT NEEDS RAIN BADLY

Palouse Growers Report Losses of
50 Per Cent in Some Localities.

SPOKANE, Wash., June 26.—(Special.)—Reports from the Palouse, Big Bend and Potlatch regions, where the great grain fields are located, show the growing wheat is badly in need of rain in many localities, while in others the prospects are excellent. Heavy rain at Sprague was needed, but the crop will be light. Coalee City, Douglas County, reports the crop of the entire county damaged 50 per cent in the last 20 days because of lack of rain. Grasshoppers and squirrels have also hurt the wheat.

In the North Idaho fields, wheat appears to have a better start and prospects are for a good crop. Fall-sown wheat in the Palouse does not look so well as it did last year, nor does spring grain, but good rains will make for a big yield.

RECOUNT IS NEARLY OVER

Hearst Far Behind McClellan, Des-
pite Gains by Contest.

NEW YORK, June 26.—W. R. Hearst made a net gain of six votes in the recount of the ballots cast in Richmond County, according to a return made to the court in the Mayoralty contest today, envelopes containing 232 votes and 100 protested ballots in that county cannot be found and the County Clerk was instructed to make further search for them. Mayor McClellan's plurality with the recount are for a good crop. Fall-sown wheat in the Palouse does not look so well as it did last year, nor does spring grain, but good rains will make for a big yield.

DROWN IN FLOOD WATERS

Two Girls and Their Would-be Res-
cuer Perish.

MANKATO, Minn., June 26.—Miss Eva Ehler, aged 15, her guest, Miss Maud Worde, aged 19, of St. Peter, and Max Sues, aged 20, were drowned late yesterday in the flood waters caused by the overflow of the river here. The girls had gone bathing in Cornelia street, which was overflowed, and Sues tried to rescue them when they got into deep water.

DISASTER COMES TO CLUB WOMEN

Tallyho Overturns, Four
Are Dying.

PORTLAND WOMAN AMONG THEM

Mrs. J. D. Hayes Terribly In-
jured at Newport.

CAUGHT UNDER VEHICLE

Federation Convention Marred by
Mishap on Pleasant Excursion.
Delegates Are Badly Crushed
by Overturned Coach.

NEWPORT, R. I., June 26.—(Special.)—Four delegates to the Federation of Women's Clubs, now in session at Boston, are dying, and ten others are badly injured as the result of the overturning of a tallyho here today. Among those badly injured is Mrs. J. D. Hayes, of 444 Park street, Portland, Or., whose right hip was broken and who is suffering from internal injuries.

The 3000 delegates came here today on an excursion. This afternoon they started out in tallyhos to see the town. The front wheels on one of the tallyhos collapsed and the vehicle overturned. Mrs. Hayes and the 14 passengers were caught under it and dragged 150 feet by the frightened horses.

All of the injured were taken to hospitals and the less injured afterward brought to Boston. Mrs. Hayes was among these. She is now in the Boston Homeopathic Hospital and her condition is serious.

The only one dead is Mrs. H. H. Shute, of Coon Rapids, Minn., stricken with heart disease when she heard of the accident, but not of the party. The injured seriously are:

Mrs. Eva Wynn, Malden, Mass.; Mrs. Charles W. Davenport, Newton, Mass.; Mrs. Mabel Benjamin, president of the New Club, Malden, Mass.; Miss Helen Sundaen, Lincoln, Neb.; Mrs. Charles Peabody, Malden, Mass.; Mrs. J. D. Hayes, Portland, Ore., state secretary of Oregon Federation; Mrs. Charlotte A. Hayes, Red Oak, Ia.

Mrs. Hayes is the wife of J. D. Hayes, an employee of the Pullman Car Company, and resides at 231 West Park street. She is a member of the Portland Woman's Club and is also a secretary of the National Federation of Women's Clubs. She is also a prominent member of the Women of Woodcraft, Lodge, having at different times held their various offices in that body. In company with Mrs. Frederick Eckert and Mrs. Sarah A.

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Negro conference to organize fight against Taft.
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Littledell criticizes Roosevelt's prosecution of trusts.
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Morrell, airship man, arrested for false pretenses.
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Plot to blackmail Mayor Busse exposed by confederate.
Sherman almost recovered and arranged to return to Utah.
Clubwomen fatally injured by collapse of tallyho; Portland woman among them.
Americans lost on Negro Island murdered by natives.
Stanford trustees reject Jordan's reorganization plans.
Sports.

Coast League scores Portland 9, Los Angeles 5; San Francisco 3, Oakland 1.
Jimmy Walsh beats Jimmy Carroll in eleven rounds.
Pacific Coast.

Oregon bankers in session at Salem.
Firebug causes \$42,000 loss at Centralia.
Three arrests at Roseburg in connection with land-fraud cases.
Oregon's net profit to fire insurance companies last 12 years \$10,000,000.
Commercial and Marine.

Wool market is recovering slowly.
Chicago wheat market weak on fine weather report.
Trading in stock market almost lifeless.
Mid-summer quiet reported at most points.
French bark Alice added to list of vessels chartered for Columbia river loading.
Portland and vicinity.

Governor Chamberlain charged with graft in suit to be brought by L. H. McMahon.
State spiritualists on trial before president of National Association.
Near president of Willamette University not afraid of tainted money.
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