



REBELS DEFEATED WITH HEAVY LOSS

Desert Around Conejos Covered With Dead

BATTLE CONTINUES ALL DAY

Orozco Forced to Abandon Cannon and Retreat North.

TRUCY AUBERT WOUNDED

Federals Say Enemy Is Surrounded. Five Thousand on Side Contend. Last Engagement May Take Place at Escalon.

AT THE FEDERAL FRONT, CONEJOS, Mexico, May 12.—Twelve hours of brick fighting on the desert plain 300 miles south of the American border between a force of 5000 rebels under General Orozco and an equally strong body of federals under General Huerta resulted today in a decided advantage to the government.

The fighting was begun at daybreak, and at nightfall the sandy mesa between here and Yermo, 14 miles north, where the insurgents were gradually forced back, were covered with dead and wounded.

Federal Commander Wounded.

Nearly 500 are believed to have been killed and wounded on both sides. A courier brought the information that General Trucy Aubert, the dashing federal commander, had been shot in the leg.

The rebels abandoned ten cannon and such ammunition in their retreat. General Joaquin Tellez, who had been stationed in the rear of Huerta's vanguard, at noon was sent around to the eastward to flank the rebels and cut off their retreat. Federal headquarters assert tonight that the rebels are completely surrounded and that the second day of fighting will prove equally decisive.

Rebels Retreating Northward.

This town, only yesterday occupied by the vanguard of the rebels, was riddled with bullets when the federals scalloped into it at sunset. Over the foothills to the north the insurgents could be seen retreating.

General Huerta has been receiving many telegrams of congratulation on the outcome of the day's fighting. Should the advantage gained today be followed by equal success tomorrow, the federal leaders are confident it will mean the annihilation of the insurgent army.

General Huerta considers it probable, however, that the rebels will make their last stand at Escalon, their central base, 14 miles to the north, where they have built fortifications and trenches in the last fortnight.

Federal Gunners' Aim True.

It was the steady artillery fire of the government troops that dislodged the enemy. The aim of the federal gunners was true. They began to shell the rebel positions at daybreak. For a time the insurgents fired in volleys, and seven federal officers were wounded. Only a few hours, however, they withstood the fierce cannonading, and soon began to evacuate their positions.

Bridges Burned on Retreat.

As they retreated the Liberals destroyed several bridges, but the federals are equipped with pontoons and will not be seriously affected.

Enthusiasm in the federal camp is intense.

Word reached here that the City of Torreon is celebrating the victory with street parades and music. General Huerta talked enthusiastically of the fight.

"After 12 hours of fighting today,"

he said, "my troops took the positions of the rebels by storm. The artillery fire was superb. My forces, filled with enthusiasm, have once more shown the power of the government and they covered themselves with glory."

Provision Train Destroyed.

"We captured from the enemy ten cannon and wagons, with many hand bombs of dynamite. The enemy retreated in precipitate flight to the north. Those who escaped burned bridges and a train with 20 cars of provisions was destroyed. These cars and five bridges are still on fire."

Three trains of reinforcements arrived from the rebels, but the heavy artillery fire from our batteries prevented them from detaining.

"Up to now, 16 P. M., I have had no time to go over the battleground. I have information, however, that the dead number more than 500."

"On our part we had an almost negligible loss, except that unfortunately General Trucy Aubert is slightly wounded in one foot."

Artillery Fire Effective.

More than 20 federal cannon were in action at one time. The enemy was entrenched in the hills in a line 15 miles long. The federal fire was directed so well that every shell hit a

SAN FRANCISCO BAY MAY BE BRIDGED

COST OF UNDERTAKING WOULD BE \$6,000,000.

Plans for Huge Structure. Permission to Build Which Congress Granted, Filed by Architect.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 12.—A map and plans of the proposed bridge across San Francisco Bay to Oakland, permission to construct which was recently granted by Congress to Allan C. Rush, were filed yesterday with the Board of Supervisors.

The roadway will swing 150 feet above the water, hung from ten steel and concrete piers, constituting eight arches. The total suspension will be 17,840 feet, in sections 2220 feet long. Four thousand feet will rest on Yerba Buena Island, which will divide the structure in halves. The San Francisco approach will take off from the summit of Telegraph Hill, which has been reserved by the Government for a light station.

Rush estimates the total cost at \$26,000,000. The total cost of the Brooklyn bridge to date, including remodeling for elevated trains and trolley tracks, has been about \$22,400,000, and of the Queensborough bridge, \$17,850,000. The length of the Queensborough bridge, the longest across the East River, is 7449 feet, including approaches, or one mile, 2169 feet. The Oakland bridge will be four miles, 130 feet long, of which three miles, 2500 feet would be over water.

HYDRO-CYCLE CROSSES BAY

Inventor Demonstrates Success of New Mode of Navigation.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 12.—A novelty in navigation was introduced here today when Eugene Frey, an inventor, rode across San Francisco Bay on his home-made hydro-motorcycle. The distance from the starting point in Alameda over Frey's circuitous course to the dock in this city was 13 miles and the queer looking craft was just one hour on the way.

Frey's engine worked perfectly and he was never in danger. He sported along south of the path of the ferry steamers to the delight and surprise of the thousands of trans-bay pleasure seekers who witnessed his feat. The return trip will be made tomorrow.

The machine consists of a double pontoon attached to a motorcycle. On land the pontoons are raised and the machine is operated as a motorcycle.

OLD NOTE FOUND IN VAULT

County Treasurer in Washington Discovers Territorial Relic.

VANCOUVER, Wash., May 12.—(Special.)—A promissory note dated May 9, 1867, when Mount Vernon was capital of the territory, has been found by W. R. Fletcher, County Treasurer, in a vault.

Apparently the note was never paid. It is signed "C. H. Funder," and is for \$250, payable to the Treasurer of the Territory. No record of it can be found, but it is believed by Mr. Fletcher to have been an amount borrowed from the irrevocable school fund in operation at that time.

In one corner is a small seal showing Mount Vernon to be the territorial capital. It was just 45 years and four days since the note was made out, and apparently it has been in the county vaults since then.

PATERSON TO GAG I. W. W.

Official Denounces Men Who Won't Work or Let Others Do So.

PATERSON, N. J., May 12.—Chief of Police Rimson issued an order today prohibiting the Industrial Workers of the World from holding a meeting in any part of the city and instructing the police to disperse them should any attempt be made to violate the order. To a committee of the Industrial Workers of the World who protested at the order the chief said:

"You ought to be sent about your business. You won't work and you won't allow other persons to work. You have driven manufacturers out of town and if you don't take care you will shortly drive yourselves out."

FATHER AND 2 SONS DROWN

Canoe on Lake Washington Capsizes; Aid Comes Too Late.

SEATTLE, Wash., May 12.—William A. Cowen, a plasterer, aged 55, and his two sons, William John, aged 12, and Everett G., aged 10, were drowned in Lake Washington today, when their canoe, from which they were fishing, capsized.

The father, who was a strong swimmer, attempted to save his boys, and kept them afloat until aid was almost at hand, when he became exhausted and the trio sank. The bodies were recovered.

'FEEDER' RATES RESTORED

Western Roads Prevented From Cancelling Lower Charges.

WASHINGTON, May 12.—The Interstate Commerce Commission has issued an order requiring Western railroads to put into effect and maintain for two years from June 15, 1912, the rates on "feeder" cattle and sheep defined in the report of the Commission on March 11 this year.

In effect, this order retains the rates on stock cattle and sheep which have been in force for a long time, the cancellation by the railroads of the lower rates on such livestock being held by the Commission as unreasonable.

TAFT LEAVES FOR CAMPAIGN IN OHIO

Colonel Will Be Only One Day Behind.

BUCKEYE OUTCOME CRUCIAL

Winning State Means Nomination, Says Taft Men.

SPEECHES TAKE NEW TURN

President and His Advisers Confer in Washington—Stress Is Laid on Outcome in Montana, Dixon's Home State.

WASHINGTON, May 12.—(Special.)—President Taft left for Ohio tonight to engage in what may be the decisive campaign for the nomination at Chicago next month. Colonel Roosevelt will be only 24 hours behind the President, and both on reaching the Buckeye field will remain in action until the eve of the primaries, May 21.

Just before leaving the Capital, the President was in consultation with his chief political advisers. It was said subsequently that some new features will be developed in the Taft speeches, but the exact nature of these new features was not divulged. It is understood that he will attack instead of defend. It is said that Colonel Roosevelt's position in the United States Steel Corporation's absorption of the Tennessee Coal and Iron Company would be one of the subjects of criticism by Mr. Taft.

Ohio Result Deeply Important.

The Taft managers are making no effort to conceal their anxiety over the outcome of battles that lie immediately ahead. If the President sweeps Ohio he will be nominated, in the opinion of his managers and also in the opinion of unbiased observers. If he splits even 10, his own state, he still will have a chance for the nomination. Even the President's closest friends make no stronger claim than that.

Mr. Taft was told last week that he must spend more than a week in Ohio in active campaigning.

The President's tour will be one of the hardest he has yet made. Sixty-three speeches already are scheduled and his only opportunity to rest during the ten days will be on Thursday in Cleveland and next Sunday, when he

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BOY BREAD-MAKER BEATS 29 CO-EDS

MALE COOK WINS SECOND IN CONTEST WITH 30 GIRLS.

Reputation of Female Domestic Science Class Receives Severe Blow at University of Nevada.

RENO, Nev., May 12.—(Special.)—The reputation of co-eds at the University of Nevada as breadmakers received a severe blow today when a male student, competing with 30 girls, won second prize in the bread-baking contest.

Harold Manion, of Portland, Or., a sophomore registered in the department of domestic science, was successful. He won the contest by a close margin that he missed receiving the first award. Manion with several fellow-students enrolled in the domestic science department several months ago and proved such an apt student that he was entered in the bread-baking contest.

The loaves of bread entered in the contest were tagged with a number and it was not until the judges had sampled the product of the contestants and awarded the prizes that it was discovered that Manion had won. Manion will enter Cornell University next year.

EX-FIANCEE LEFT FORTUNE

Former Portland Woman to Receive \$50,000 From Estate.

REDDING, Cal., May 12.—(Special.)—Mrs. Albert Salb, who before her marriage was Miss Evaline Robinson, of Portland, and now is the wife of a Redding photographer, has received word that the estate of Delbert Coffman, who died five years ago in Portland, is about ready for administration and that she will receive about \$50,000 next fall.

Mrs. Salb was engaged to marry young Coffman and after meeting Mr. Salb broke off the engagement with Mr. Coffman and was married to her present husband. Shortly afterward Coffman died and having inherited a big estate from his father, willed a portion of it to his former fiancée.

Mr. Coffman's mother was recently in San Francisco, where Mrs. Salb met her and received the news regarding her portion.

THIEVES SET WOMAN AFIRE

Doctor's Wife, Ill and Alone, Mangled to Put Out Blaze.

CHICAGO, May 12.—Burglars entered the home of Dr. W. H. Starr last night and found Mrs. Starr alone and ill in bed. After binding her with strips torn from a bed sheet they robbed her and set fire to her night dress.

Mrs. Starr managed to kick out the fire, her feet having been left unbound. She was found unconscious several hours later by her husband. The burglars took \$100, two diamond rings valued at \$350 and silverware valued at several hundred dollars.

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"HARMONY" PLAN IN IDAHO OPPOSED

Doubt Clouds Outcome at Lewiston May 16

BORAH MAY BE BIG FACTOR

Republican Forces Divide on Sharp Issues of Leaders.

CLASHES ARE DUE EARLY

Review of Political Situation Gives Roosevelt Good Lead in Instructed Delegation; State Chairman May Be Deposed.

BOISE, Idaho, May 12.—(Special.)—The probable action of the Idaho Republican state convention on May 16 is still much in doubt. It is conceded that Roosevelt has more of the instructed delegates than has Taft.

It is conceded, also, that Roosevelt has far from enough instructed delegates to enter the convention and absolutely control that body, and it is admitted that the uninstructed delegates still hold the balance of power.

State Chairman C. L. Heltman is making a strong plea for harmony within the ranks and file of the party at Lewiston, claiming that to divide sharply on the Presidential issue will cause a split in the party at the general election. He is for an uninstructed delegation to Chicago. Incidentally, Mr. Heltman expects to be one of the eight delegates.

Harmony Programme Opposed. The Taft and Roosevelt leaders who met, clashed and won in the primaries held in the various counties of this state where delegates were elected to the Lewiston convention, are not willing to follow the harmony programme advocated by Heltman. They are looking and preparing for a bitter convention fight in which they expect to see that body dominated either by the Taft or the Roosevelt delegates, and instructed delegates elected to the National convention. The Roosevelt people declare that it is inconsistent on the part of the state chairman in his harmony programme to be a strong Taft man at the start, later lean towards Roosevelt and now insist on an uninstructed delegation. Heltman's friends say that his only object in advocating harmony is to prevent a serious

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\$700 INHERITANCE COSTS MAN \$750

NEWS OF LEGACY STARTS LABORER TO "SEE TOWN."

Wallace "Lumberjack" Runs Up Bills at Hotels and Bars Before He Ever Sees Money.

WALLACE, Idaho, May 12.—(Special.)—Inheriting \$700 has proved expensive for William Ducharme, a lumberjack, who, as a result of his supposed good fortune, stands loser by more than \$50.

He has not seen a penny of his money yet, and he doubts now if he will. It was two months ago that Ducharme learned of the generosity of a relative in Wisconsin. He immediately quit work and went to Enaville, the nearest settlement, "to take in the town," as he expressed it, pending the arrival of the legacy.

With the money in a Wallace bank at the first of this week, he found himself confronted with a board bill of more than \$40, bills at two hotels with bars attached of \$160 and \$375, and \$150 out as the result of the loss of work. In addition to this, his new outfit was stolen.

T. R. REASSURES BRITONS

Colonel Says Annexation of Canada Not in His Mind.

LONDON, May 12.—(Special.)—Colonel Roosevelt, in reply to a cable request from the Daily Mail to explain his endorsement of President Taft's "adjust" letter, says that the assumption that the "political reasons" spoken of in his own letter meant annexation was unwarranted. The Colonel says he had not the slightest thought of annexation or of Canada's subordination to the United States.

Colonel Roosevelt, in his dispatch, cites his speeches at Detroit and New York in February, 1911, as showing the chief reason why he favored reciprocity was to promote the most kindly and friendly good feeling between the two countries.

In his cablegram Colonel Roosevelt says that he has always done everything in his power to enable the United States and Canada to live together in peace and harmony, with mutual respect and esteem. He always has spoken of Canada, he says, as a friendly nation on whose independence he would no more dream of encouraging aggression than he would of such action by another nation at the expense of the United States.

COLLEGE CITES 7 WONDERS

Wireless is First Among List Named by Cornell.

ITHACA, N. Y., May 12.—(Special.)—The seven wonders of the world as collected by the faculty, graduates and seniors of the chemists' seminary at Cornell University, were announced by Professor L. M. Dennis today.

A few weeks ago the prominent scientific magazines set a list to Cornell, containing 57 wonders of modern times and requested the chemical department to pick out seven of them as representing the greatest of modern human ingenuity. The seven selected in the order of their importance follow:

Wireless, synthetic chemistry, radium, antitoxins, aeroplanes, Panama Canal, telephone.

POLICE PROBE SHOOTING

Boys Play With Revolver; One Goes to Hospital—Injury Serious.

Police are investigating a shooting which occurred Saturday afternoon and in which Lawrence Perry, 14 years old, was seriously wounded. The injured boy was taken to St. Vincent's Hospital. Although the shooting occurred shortly after noon, police said last night that they had not been notified of the accident by the hospital authorities.

Perry's home is at 1314 Willamette boulevard.

The bullet passed through the boy's stomach. The wound was inflicted with a .22-caliber revolver. Perry and a companion, named Armstrong, were playing in the machine shop of the lad's brother, when Armstrong took down the revolver, which was hanging loaded on the wall. Not knowing it was loaded, it is said, the lad pointed the weapon at Perry and pulled the trigger.

SHIPS COLLIDE AT SEA

San Pedro Damages Mayflower and Tows Her to Golden Gate.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 12.—Badly waterlogged, the sailing schooner Mayflower was towed into this port tonight by the steam schooner San Pedro, with which the Mayflower was in collision at 3 o'clock last night off Point Reyes. Captain Berchiesse, of the San Pedro, was hurled to the deck by the force of the collision and his shoulder was dislocated.

After the smash, the Mayflower began immediately to take in water. The San Pedro, which escaped injury, at once took the disabled vessel in tow.

HUMILITY MEETS REWARD

Man Run Over by Auto Apologizes; Driver Buys Cigars.

FORT MADISON, Iowa, May 12.—Peter Brahman, a laborer, was run over by an automobile on a business street here today. He arose unhurt and apologized for having gotten in the way of the machine.

Dr. C. S. Philpot, the driver, accepted the apology and bought cigars.

PORTLAND WOMAN FALLS FAR TO DEATH

Mrs. W. P. Fuller Drops Three Stories.

WINDOW PLUNGE IS MYSTERY

Wife of Well-Known Contractor Victim; Act Unexplained.

ILL-HEALTH IS SUFFERED

Alone at Time, It Is Believed Woman Fainted While Looking Down Into Street; Husband, Out of Town, Is Notified.

Mrs. Perry McDonald Fuller, whose husband is a member of the railway contracting firm of Fuller & Bain, fell three stories from a window in her apartments at the Wickersham, at Eighteenth and Flanders streets, yesterday afternoon, and sustained injuries that resulted in her death two hours later.

How the accident occurred is a mystery. No one was in the room at the time. Mrs. Fuller's maid had left the room a few minutes before to bring some lunch. When she returned Mrs. Fuller was gone. Shouts of other persons in the building attracted the maid's attention, and looking out of the window she saw Mrs. Fuller lying in the street surrounded by several persons.

Mrs. Fuller was an invalid and had been ill for nearly a year. It is believed she went to the window and that while there was attacked by a fainting spell that caused her to fall forward.

Fainting Spells Suffered.

Saturday night she had several fainting attacks.

Last year she was at the Good Samaritan Hospital for three months, and underwent an operation there. At Christmas time she left the hospital.

Mrs. Fuller fell on the Flanders-street side. The fall was seen by a girl in the apartments across the street, who gave the alarm.

Joseph Hammond, a salesman for Hartman & Thompson, who has apartments with his father at the Wickersham, heard Mrs. Fuller strike the ground. He rushed her to the Good Samaritan Hospital in an automobile.

Mrs. Fuller's injuries show that she struck on her head. Several ribs on her right side were broken and one of her lungs was injured. The internal injuries, it is believed, caused her death.

Operation Not Advised.

She was attended by Dr. R. J. Marsh and Dr. A. J. Giesy. Because of the severity of the shock it was decided not to perform an operation.

When taken to the hospital she asked that her maid remain with her. When she was first picked up she was delirious and did not recognize anyone. At that time she uttered a few words, among them the name of her husband.

Mr. Fuller was in Eugene when the accident occurred. He reached the city late last night.

Until he makes a fuller investigation of the facts, the Coroner does not know whether an inquest will be held. The body was taken to Dunning & McEntee's undertaking rooms.

FARMERS "GET TOGETHER"

Trout Lake Commercial Club Men Meet at White Salmon.

WHITE SALMON, Wash., May 12.—Farmers of Trout Lake Valley put away their seeders and other implements yesterday afternoon and attended a get-together meeting of their Commercial Club, which is a membership of 27, mostly ranchers.

C. C. Chapman, of Portland, made the principal address. Mr. Chapman said that, as a result of publicity work by the club, two officials of the Great Northern, one of them Louis Hill, will visit the Upper White Salmon Valley to ascertain its resources as a feeder to the S. P. & N. R.

Two things over which the club enthusiasts most are county division and good roads. A campaign of publicity is being planned.

A banquet was held at Hotel Guler in the evening. D. W. Coate was toastmaster.

STRIKE FAILS TO SPREAD

Examiner Only Paper in San Francisco So Far Affected.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 12.—The pressmen's strike has not extended tonight beyond the Examiner, which appeared this morning with a four-page news section, but which was planning to print eight pages tomorrow.

At a meeting of the Publishers' Association last night a proposal that all other newspapers of the city should cut down their issues to the same size as the Examiner did not carry and unless it should subsequently be put into effect, the underfunding is that the strike will not spread.

There has been no violence and no arrests have been made.

