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## FALL OF NANKING IS HOURLY EXPECTED RALPH MULFORD IN LOZIER WINS VANDERBILT CUP RACE

### EVERY STREET FILLED WITH MANCHU DEAD

Carnage Reported to Be Fearful—City Crumbles Before Storm of Shot and Shell From Rebel Batteries on Two Sides.

### VICEROY AND TARTAR GENERAL HAVE FLED

Not Less Than 3,000 Imperialists and 500 Rebels Are Said to Have Been Slain.

SHANGHAI, Nov. 27.—Battered with a storm of shot and shell from rebel batteries on two sides, swept by a sheet of death from the rebel warships off its walls, with a great part of its area in ruins and the rebels already entrenched in one of its corpse-littered quarters, the fall of Nanking, the last stronghold of the Manchu dynasty south of the Yang Tse King, is hourly expected.

Convinced that their cause is lost, the viceroys and the Tartar general in command of the Manchus have already fled and taken refuge on a Japanese battleship. On Tiger hill and in the greater part of the city the imperialists are still fighting with the courage of desperation, certain that massacrings will be their fate when the city falls.

#### Carnage Fearful.

Throughout all Nanking the carnage is fearful. Corpses of the Manchus litter every street and hourly their fire is slackening before the hail of shot and shell pouring in from the rebel land batteries and from the fleet, whose cannon, at last discharges, were trained on the principal gate of the city, supplementing the efforts of the land batteries of the revolutionists to silence the imperial guns emplaced there and on Tiger hill.

Adequate estimates of the deaths in the conflict are so far difficult to obtain. Loyalist refugees on a Red Cross train, which was fired upon, have reported that not less than 3,000 imperialists and 500 rebels already have perished in the siege.

#### General Wong Killed.

General Wong is declared to have been killed while attempting to lead a force outside the walls in an effort to recapture lost guns. He was second in command.

Fire from the imperialist battery on Lion hill has ceased entirely. The engines there are declared to have been wrecked by shot from the rebels' cannon.

Shell losses were heaviest in the vicinity of the different gates, where repeated charges were made in determined efforts to enter the city. They were repulsed again and again, but each retirement meant only a temporary setback and another advance followed.

The rebels' object is to throw a solid fighting force inside to aid the troops already there. Once reinforcements reach the rebels already in the city, the cannonading from the hills probably will cease and a hand-to-hand fight take place.

#### City Destroyed.

The quarter of the city already taken is in complete ruin. Corpses litter the streets, and the wounded Manchus, unable to escape with the retreating imperialist forces, were beheaded. This is the rebels' first stroke in their revenge for the Chinese massacre.

To rebels are making the fight desperate with a view to immediate advance on Peking after Nanking has fallen.

#### Would Protect Women.

CAPITOL, SACRAMENTO, Cal., Nov. 27.—If bills amending present election laws, to be presented in the assembly, are adopted, women will not be compelled to tell their ages upon registering in California.

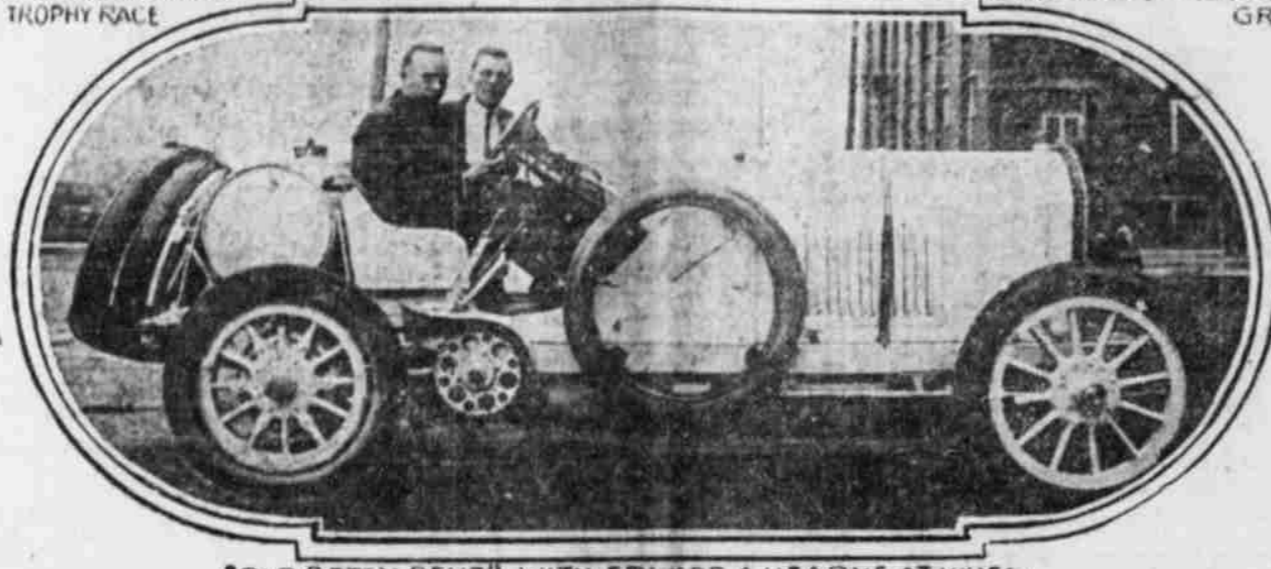
### Noted Automobile Drivers Who Were Seen Today in the Races at Savannah



RALPH DE PALMA WHO WILL DRIVE A MERCEDES CAR IN THE SAVANNAH CHALLENGE TROPHY RACE



LOUIS WAGNER WHO WILL HEAD FIAT TEAM IN GRAND PRIZE RACE



"OLD BETSY BENZ" WITH EDWARD A. HEARNE AT WHEEL

### GREAT DAMAGE IS WROUGHT BY FIRE NEAR LOS ANGELES

Over 600 Fire Fighters Endeavor to Check Progress of Flames, But Are Unsuccessful—Natural Parks Sheared of Beauty.

SANTA MONICA, Cal., Nov. 27.—Fire which refuses to be conquered today has swept here the natural beauty of two of southern California's most picturesque show spots—Temescal and Topanga canyons, in the Santa Monica mountains.

After shearing these two natural parks of every living thing, the brush fires which have raged continually for more than a week today are slowly eating their way to Topanga tavern. This famous hostility will in all probability be consumed.

While estimates of the actual property damage vary, it seems certain that the loss will exceed \$1,000,000. Despite the efforts of 600 fire fighters, practically no headway in checking the flames has been made.

In Calaver canyon the beautiful ranch of Joseph Anchor has been razed. Anchor and several members of his family are reported missing, but this rumor has not been verified. Just where the fire will stop, unless its ravages are checked by rain, is a matter of conjecture. Big gangs of fire fighters, recruited from Los Angeles, Santa Monica, Sawtelle and Venice, are working heroically, but the flames will not be denied. The underbrush in the fire area is too heavy and frequently the volunteer fire fighters have to drop their apparatus and flee for their lives.

A heavy pall of smoke hangs over all the beach towns, including Long Beach, Ocean Park, Venice and Santa Monica.

### LOWER FINE FOR HARVESTER CO.

State Supreme Court Files Modified Decision, Placing Fine at \$25,000—Two Judges Dissent From the Opinion.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Nov. 27.—The International Harvester company, which was ousted from the state of Missouri recently by a decision which eustically condemned it as a trust and fined the corporation \$50,000, was given a \$25,000 reduction in the fine today in a modified decision by the state supreme court.

Judges Graves and Woodson dissented to the reduction.

You really know where to find the new home after answering a lot of "possible" ads.

### MOROCCO MAY LEAD TO WAR YET

Sir Edward Grey Makes Important Speech in House of Commons—Speech Retains of Powers Still Delicate.

LONDON, Nov. 27.—Sir Edward Grey, making his long-heralded speech in the house of commons regarding Morocco, this evening admitted that the relations between France, Germany and England are still "serious and delicate."

His address was sensational. He practically charged Germany with acting in bad faith in the entire African imbroglio. It is conceded that his speech will reopen the breach between England and Germany.

### ROOSEVELT MAY AID PROGRESSIVES

His Near Declaration That He Will Not Again Be a Candidate Means Big Fight in Convention Between Radicals and Conservatives.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 27.—Government officials here today regard an inspired statement in the Philadelphia North American that former President Roosevelt definitely and finally refuses to run again in 1912 as making certain a big fight, without the possibility of compromise, between conservatives and radicals in the next republican national convention.

The North American did not quote Roosevelt directly, but says that last week he wrote its editorial department indicating his position. This near-declaration today is causing great elation in the camp of the progressives.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Nov. 27.—Defeated in their fight by the citizens of Aberdeen, a committee of Industrial Workers of the World called upon a mass meeting of citizens yesterday and agreed to abide by the street speaking ordinances of Aberdeen.

### JOHN ROGERS IS SLOWLY BREAKING

"Third Degree" Methods Cause Him to Lose Flippancy—Nervousness and Sullen Refusals to Answer Questions Replace Former Attitude.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 27.—All of the flippancy which marked John Rogers' first few days in jail has vanished. Undergoing the "third degree" on suspicion of having killed Benjamin Goodman and of then having robbed the young jewelry salesman of \$5,000 worth of diamonds the prisoner came out of the ordeal a changed man. Nervousness and sullen refusals to answer any more questions have replaced his former attitude.

### NEXT POPE TO BE AN ITALIAN

Sacred College Consists of 31 Foreigners and 33 Italians, Making Practically Certain Selection of an Italian When Pope Pius Dies.

ROME, Nov. 27.—Pope Pius today, just prior to the meeting of a secret consistory to confirm the recent selection of eighteen cardinals, caused the announcement to be made that a nineteenth prince of the church had been selected, whose name for the present will be kept secret.

Of the eighteen prelates originally selected for the red hat, twelve are foreigners and six Italians. This will give the sacred college thirty-one foreigners and thirty-three Italians, making practically certain the selection of an Italian pope to succeed the present pontiff.

Marry in Barber Shop. SEATTLE, Wash., Nov. 27.—Mr. and Mrs. C. O. French claim they are the first couple ever married in a barber shop. French is a barber and so was Miss Florence Tarbet. They decided to marry and yesterday they stood behind Miss Tarbet's chair and Rev. F. R. Dunlap read the service.

### NAVAL BATTLE IS IMMINENT

Italian Fleet Reported Only a Mile and a Half From the Dardanelles—Ministers of War and Marine on Their Way.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Nov. 27.—The ministers of war and marine are on their way to the Dardanelles today, following a report received here by General Cheket Pasha that an Italian fleet had been sighted in the Sea of Marmara only a mile and a half from the Dardanelles.

A blockade will be established there immediately. It is believed that an engagement between the Turkish and Italian fleets is imminent.

### POPULAR LAWS FOR CALIFORNIA

Special Session of the Legislature Opens—Presidential Preference Primary Is of Greatest Importance—Johnson in Absolute Control.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Nov. 27.—With the opening of the special legislative session this morning California lawmakers began removing the final obstructions along the highway of popular government, for which they had blazed the trail during the last regular session.

From the standpoint of the people it promises to be the most important extra session ever held in California. Of sweeping importance is the presidential preference primary. So strong is Governor Johnson's control that the primary measure will be practically unopposed.

### GHOSTS SCARE CONFESSION OUT OF AN ITALIAN

KENOSHA, Wis., Nov. 27.—Terrified by a procession of headless ghosts Pasqual Marchesi is in a cell here today after having confessed to a Catholic priest that he chopped the heads of his wife and his nephew. He found them in a compromising position and killed them with an axe.

### WITNESSES TELL OF PATTERSON ABUSING WIFE

Mrs. Patterson Has a Determined Prosecutor in Her Mother-in-Law Who Assists Prosecutor by Advising Him in the Court Room.

DENVER, Col., Nov. 27.—In Mrs. Gertrude Gibson Patterson's trial on the charge of murdering her husband one of the most determined prosecutors is her mother-in-law. The aged woman, relentless and grim, sits back of the state prosecutor's chair assisting and advising him. And her appearance and attitude have had a harrowing effect upon the defendant.

Mrs. Patterson is pale and worn today. The strain she underwent Saturday night and Sunday is obvious. There is marked contrast between her, on trial for her life, and the elder woman, who is making every effort to avenge her son's death.

Knocked His Wife Down. Several witnesses called to the stand testified that they had seen Patterson knock his wife down during a street quarrel.

Robert Farnham of Chicago, a brother-in-law of the defendant, testified that he saw Patterson buy a revolver in 1909. Farnham admitted that before he came to Denver he had discussed the testimony he was to give with Detective Hopper, who is employed by Emil Strauss.

Just before the noon recess Attorney Hilton played his trump card when he produced three letters written by Patterson. They admitted charges of perversions and cruelties he inflicted upon his wife.

Mrs. Gertrude Patterson, on trial here for the murder of her husband, was in a state of complete physical collapse all day yesterday and Saturday night, and it was necessary to call physicians to attend her.

### MEXICAN STATE GROWS DEFIANT

Ultimatum Sent to President Madero Giving Government Forty-eight Hours to Withdraw Interference With Provisional Government.

MEXICO CITY, Nov. 27.—Governor Benito Juarez of Oaxaca today sent an ultimatum to President Madero giving the government forty-eight hours to withdraw its interference with the provisional government and threatening that otherwise the state will secede. Madero refused to make any comment on the situation.

You'll never need to find an unadvertised boarding house in this town—for the best ones, when they have vacancies, do advertise.

### 222 MILES ARE COVERED AT 75 MILES AN HOUR

De Palma Is Second, Wishart Third—Race Course at Savannah Faster Than the One Heretofore Used on Long Island.

### HUGHES IN MERCER CAR WINS SAVANNAH TROPHY

Firs Three Cars to Finish in Tied-man Trophy Race Were "E. M. F.'s—Great Crowds.

SAVANNAH, Ga., Nov. 27.—Ralph Mulford, driving a Lozier car, won the Vanderbilt cup race, finishing the 200-mile drive in three hours and fifty-six minutes, after establishing a new world's speed record for 200 miles. Ralph De Palma, driving a Mercedes, was a close second, completing the race in three hours fifty-eight minutes and eleven seconds.

Mulford averaged 73.2 miles per hour over the course, shattering all records. Wishart, in a Mercedes car, beat out Grant's Lozier for third place. With perfect weather and the new oil-d course in splendid condition the largest crowd ever gathered for the event witnessed the seventh annual Vanderbilt automobile cup race.

Course Is Fast. This was the first time the race has been here, the six previous contests having been held on Long Island. The seventeen-mile course had been specially prepared for the event and was fully ten miles an hour faster than last year.

The Vanderbilt cup race, the big event of today, started at 11:45 o'clock when Grant, in a Lozier, was sent away. The other twelve entries got off in short order.

After leading for five laps, De Palma's Mercedes ran out of oil and he was forced to stop. Mulford took the lead in his Lozier. Cobb, driving a Jackson car, was forced to withdraw from the race on account of engine trouble.

Record Broken. When the race was half over Mulford led with a total of 145 miles to his credit at the rate of seventy-six miles per hour.

At the end of the eighth lap a leaking radiator forced Matson, driving a Fiat, to quit, making the fourth car withdraw.

Mulford broke a world's record for speed, made at Santa Monica, Cal., last month, which was 74.6 miles per hour for 200 miles. Mulford covered 222 miles at an average speed of 74.9 miles per hour.

Within three laps of the finish Mulford still led, with De Palma his nearest competitor, three minutes behind. Grant held third place. Mulford maintained his lead to the end.

#### Mercer Car Wins.

Driver Hughes in a Mercer car won the Savannah trophy race here today in which seven cars started at 7:45 o'clock this morning, which was one of the features of the automobile race meeting here today and will be again on Thanksgiving day.

The Savannah race was thirteen laps over the oiled roadway, each 17.4 miles long, a total distance of 222 miles. The race for the trophy and \$1,000 cash, with second and third prizes of \$250 and \$125, respectively.

Heineman, in a Marmou, was second in the Savannah challenge race, and Mikrent, also in a Marmou, third. Hughes' time was three hours, fifteen minutes and thirty-seven seconds, an average speed of sixty-eight and one-half miles an hour.

"E. M. F." Wins. Witt, in an "E. M. F.," won the Tiedman trophy.

Witt's time in the Tiedman race was fifty-nine miles an hour. Evans, in an "E. M. F.," was second in this event, and Tower, in the same model of car, third.