

VENEZUELA REBELS ARE ADVANCING

President Castro and His Troops Retreat Before the Revolutionists at Guayare.

THE GOVERNMENT FORCES IN DISORDER

Revolutionists Gain Ground After a Prolonged Battle—Situation in the Country is Extremely Critical—Decisive Battle Lasted Four Days.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Willemstad, Island of Curacao, Sept. 17.—President Castro, of Venezuela, has retreated from Guayare before the advance of the revolutionists.

The Venezuelan government's situation is critical. Recent advices received from Venezuela confirm the news of fighting received last Friday. The battle, which began last Thursday in the vicinity of Tinaquillo, resulted in the defeat of the government forces.

The engagement of September 8 was only an advance guard fight of no importance. The real battle began on September 11 and lasted four days, after which General Garrido retreated on Valencia and eventually entered that city last Monday morning with about 2,000 men.

According to report, the president intends to move his army to a point near Valencia, about seventy-five miles southeast of Caracas, join forces with the troops under General Garrido and attack the revolutionary army commanded by General Mendosa.

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ASKS COLOMBIA TO EXPLAIN. Minister Concha Sends for Report on Delay to Isthmian Traffic.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Washington, Sept. 17.—Senator Concha, the Colombian minister here, upon his own initiative, has cabled to Governor Salazar, of Panama, for a comprehensive report of the situation which has arisen on the isthmus as a result of the delay to traffic caused by Colombian troops on Monday.

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OUR CASE THE HAGUE

Senator Stewart Submits Evidence Supporting Claim to Pious Fund.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. The Hague, Sept. 17.—The international arbitration tribunal today ruled, with reference to the case raised on Monday, that Mexico's right to the memorandum in the documents in the case.

The plaintiffs have the right to introduce a written reply before Sept. 25. After the American pleadings Mexico is to be heard, and each side is entitled to make a reply through one of its counsel.

United States Senator William M. Stewart, for the United States, introduced documents from the archives of the archbishopric of San Francisco in support of the contention that the law of 1735 founding the pious fund gave the proceeds in perpetuity for the civilization of the natives of California and the propagation of the Catholic religion in those regions.

Senator Stewart was followed by Garrett McEnery, legal adviser of Archbishop Riordan of San Francisco, who asserted that the Pious fund had been recognized as belonging to Californians by all the authorities of Mexico from 1879 until thecession of California by the treaty of Guadalupe in 1848.

PATTISON CAMPAIGN

The Ex-Governor and Mr. Guthrie Swing About the Circle.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Harrisburg, Sept. 17.—The Pattison campaign party, after a run through Cumberland valley today, addressed a large meeting in the city tonight and left several hours later in its special car for Centrehall, where the party is billed to speak tomorrow at the Grange's picnic.

The first meeting today was at Shippensburg from 8 till 10 a. m., the speakers being ex-governor Pattison, George W. Guthrie and Major Moses Yeate. Pat Tison, Prof. Joseph M. Barton, of the Shippensburg state normal school presided.

The next stopping place was Newville, where an open air meeting was held from 10.30 to 11.30. Robert McEachern presided and speeches were made by Messrs. Pattison, Guthrie and Lee F. Lyberger, of Lewisburg.

The largest day meeting was that in the Carlisle court house this afternoon. Senator William E. Miller called the meeting to order and Adam Keller, a banker, presided. The speakers were Messrs. Pattison, Guthrie and Yeate.

From Carlisle the party went to Mechanicsburg, where a meeting was held in Franklin hall. Ex-representative H. H. Mercer, presided and speeches were made by Messrs. Pattison and Guthrie and Representatives Joseph W. Mayne, of Allentown. After the meeting the party went to Harrisburg, headed by City Chairman McCulloch, and brought to this city in three special trolley cars, arriving shortly after 7 o'clock. The party was met on their arrival in this city by a reception committee, of which Mayor Vance C. McCormick was chairman and escorted to the board of trade hall by 500 enthusiastic citizens. James B. Hawkins was chief marshal of the parade.

After the parade the meeting was organized by the election of ex-congressman E. F. Meyers, as chairman. Addresses were made by Messrs. Pattison, Guthrie, Veale, Mayne and Lyberger. An overflow meeting was held in front of the hall at which the speakers were State Chairman Cressy, Representative W. B. Becker, of Columbia, and Division Chairman Mithenay Chambersburg, who was in charge of the party on its tour of the Cumberland valley.

H. E. Spyster, of Lewisburg, was in charge of the party when it started tonight for Centrehall and will remain with it during the balance of the week.

REUNION 52D REGIMENT. William McClave, of Scranton, Is Made President—Other Officers.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Sept. 17.—The annual reunion of the Fifty-second regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteers, was held in this city today. There was a candle fire this evening.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, William McClave, of Scranton; first vice president, S. B. Williams, of Wyoming; second vice president, J. T. Finch, Wilkes-Barre; secretary and treasurer, H. C. Miller, of Washington, D. C.; chaplain, Rev. M. D. Fuller, of Scranton.

Quay Appoints Conferees. Philadelphia, Sept. 17.—Senator Quay has appointed as additional conferees for the Payette, Green senatorial nomination, S. M. Graham, of Fayette, and R. F. Downey, of Greene. The conferees will meet in Pottsville Friday and if they fail to agree Senator Quay will appoint a referee.

Senator Bard's Condition. By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Los Angeles, Cal., Sept. 17.—Senator Bard's condition according to the bulletin issued by the physicians, tonight is very grave. The pulse was 182 and temperature 102.

Gardner Drops in Fifth. By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Baltimore, Sept. 17.—Joe Gans, the light weight champion, knocked out Gus Gardner, of Philadelphia, tonight before the Eureka Athletic club in the fifth round of their twenty-round bout.

CHAMBERLAIN NOMINATED.

Selected as Candidate for Governor of Connecticut.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Hartford, Conn., Sept. 16.—Abram Chamberlain, of Meriden, the present state comptroller was today nominated by the Connecticut Republican convention for governor to succeed Governor George B. McLean, who on account of ill health had declined to be a candidate another term.

Mr. Chamberlain was opposed for the nomination by L. W. Cleveland, of New Haven, who was defeated on the first ballot, receiving only 18 votes while Mr. Chamberlain had 343. Resolutions endorsing the administration of President Roosevelt and favoring his nomination for the presidency in 1904 were adopted.

CONFERENCE ON THE PENNSYLVANIA TUNNEL

The Eight-Hour Clause Appears to Be the Only Obstacle Before the Committee.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. New York, Sept. 17.—There was a fully attended meeting of the conference committee of the board of aldermen, the rapid transit commission and representatives of the Pennsylvania railroad to consider the proposed franchise for a tunnel under the city for the Pennsylvania railroad. The form of franchise with the changes that were agreed to at the last meeting was read over.

President Cantor, of Manhattan borough, again introduced the matter of the labor clause and Vice President Green, of the Pennsylvania, repeated his statement that his company did not wish to enter into any agreement that it could not carry out. He gave his assurance that the company would treat its laborers as well without such clauses in the franchise as with.

Mr. Cantor answered that the city had adopted the eight-hour law and that he thought the company should do the same. Comptroller Grout offered as a substitute another form of his arbitration clause, suggesting that no extension of time be made on the ground of delay by strikes, unless within ten days after the inception of such strike the company had offered to arbitrate its differences with its employes. This question was not decided.

A resolution endorsing the franchise as modified was introduced. There was some objection on the part of the aldermen present to binding themselves and in the discussion that followed the eight-hour law was brought up again and again by Mr. Cantor, who seemed to have abandoned the prevailing rate of wages clause.

Mr. Green said that he could not agree to even the eight-hour clause. He said there would be more than twice as much work done on the rest of the Pennsylvania system as on the tunnel project at the time the latter was in process of construction and that laborers might demand the same conditions throughout the system.

Mr. Green offered then the following substitute resolution: Whereas, It is evident after long and further consideration that no other or better change can be made in the terms of the Pennsylvania franchise without imperiling the enterprise.

"Resolved, That this joint conference report and recommendation to the respective boards the franchise as now amended." Mr. Cantor refused to vote on the question. He said that he had with the eight-hour clause the franchise would certainly go through, but that without it he thought that there was danger.

All the other members of the conference voted for the resolution and it was declared adopted.

The conference then adjourned. Action is yet to be taken by the board of aldermen.

MEDICAL SOCIETY AT ALLENTOWN

Dr. Gibbons, of Scranton, Among the Delegates Appointed.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Allentown, Sept. 17.—The programme of the State Medical society today included three addresses and twenty papers, a visit to St. Luke's hospital, South Bethlehem; trolley rides, drives and two receptions. A new set of by-laws was adopted, and it was decided to meet in York next year. Secretary of Agriculture John Hamilton lectures this evening on food adulteration. These officers were elected:

President—William W. Welsh, Philadelphia; vice presidents, H. H. Herbst, Allentown; G. F. Bell, Lycoming; W. McNeal, Allegheny; S. P. Gillman, Lebanon; secretary, G. L. Stevens, Athens; assistant secretary, T. B. Appel, Lancaster; treasurer, N. O. Vagone, Cambria; trustees, T. D. Davis, Allegheny; H. G. McCormick, Lycoming; J. M. Livingston, Lancaster; L. B. Kline, Columbia; members of the house of delegates, W. J. Bishop, Philadelphia; H. S. McConnell, Beaver; J. B. Roberts, Philadelphia; W. B. Lowman, Cambria; alternates, J. B. Donaldson, Washington; George C. Harman, Huntingdon; W. B. Ulrich, Delaware; A. R. Craig, Lancaster; H. H. Whitcomb, Montgomery; W. H. Gallford, Lebanon; J. P. Thornton, Jefferson; committee on publication, Adolph Koenig, Allegheny; chairman, with power to appoint five others, Chairman of committee of arrangements and credentials, E. C. Gable, of York, with the understanding that the Young County society is to fill the committee. Delegates to New Jersey State society, W. C. Stick, H. Hecher, Berks; P. Y. Eisenberg, Delegates to New York Medical association, R. H. Gibbons, Lackawanna; E. M. Greene, Northampton, delegate to Florida Medical society, R. H. Gibbons, Lackawanna. Delegate to Connecticut Medical society, R. H. Gibbons, Lackawanna.

HAY APPEALS TO POWERS.

An Effort to Protect the Long-Suffering Jews of the Balkan States.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Washington, Sept. 17.—With the double purpose of protecting the long-suffering Jews of the Balkan States and of averting the very present peril of the immigration into the United States of a horde of paupers, Secretary Hay has adopted the unusual course of appealing to the powers of Europe to force one of their children to observe the obligations of humanity in case of the Jews of the Balkan States.

The conference then adjourned. Action is yet to be taken by the board of aldermen.

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THE LEAGUE'S GREETING TO PENNYPACKER

The Large Opera House at Erie Filled with an Enthusiastic Audience.

PRESIDENT FLEITZ WILL BE RE-ELECTED

All Opposition to the Candidate Has Been Removed—Work of the Convention Will Be Finished Today, Without Friction—The Candidates Named as Vice Presidents of the League—Mammoth Campaign Ball Is Completed.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Erie, Sept. 17.—A crowd which filled completely every corner of the large opera house was present at tonight's mass meeting to greet Judge Pennypacker.



HON. FREDERIC W. FLEITZ, Who Will Be Re-Elected President of State League of Republican Clubs.

penacker and Senator Penrose, the speakers of the evening. They were given close attention and their addresses were loudly applauded. The opening session of the convention this afternoon was enthusiastic and harmonious, and it will finish the work for which it has been called tomorrow without any friction. All opposition to the re-election of President Fleitz has been removed. The Philadelphia delegation, in caucus this afternoon, named the following candidates, all of that city, for the office of vice president of the State League:

John R. Wiggins, John McCleary, John W. Durham and William McDonald. W. J. Swope, of Clearfield, and Robert Lenear and Dr. Burchfield, both of Erie, were also present named for the place. The Philadelphia people have recommended John Kelly for re-election as corresponding secretary, and J. H. Shaw for treasurer. This afternoon and tonight performed its part in the firing of the first formal gun of the campaign. The ball will start on the long trip to Philadelphia before the end of the week.

FUSION IN PHILADELPHIA.

Democrats Continue to Carry Out Agreements.

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FOREST FIRES UNCHECKED.

Alarm for Towns Along the Wyoming-Colorado Lines.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Cheyenne, Wyo., Sept. 17.—A telephone message from Grand Encampment says the forest fires are growing more alarming along the Wyoming-Colorado line. The residents of Pearl, Col., and Encampment fear that unless the fires are soon checked the towns may be wiped out.

The fires are creeping dangerously close to the mining camps and ranching settlements. No loss of life has been reported, but it is feared isolated miners, prospectors and sheep herders may get caught in the sea of flames sweeping over the district.

MR. HENDERSON IS IN EARNEST

The Speaker Demonstrates That There Is No String to His Declination.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Dubuque, Iowa, Sept. 17.—Speaker Henderson was as positive today in his declination of the congressional nomination as he was last night, notwithstanding the flood of telegrams from all parts of the country, protesting against his decision and imploring him to reconsider the same. President Roosevelt deplored his action and urging him to withdraw his declination, but the speaker replied that his decision was final.

Other telegrams of the same tenor were received from all the members of the national committee and national congressional committee, Senators Allison, Hanna, Spooner, Lodge, Fairbanks and others. The Third district congressional committee will meet here tomorrow and act up the speaker's declination. There is a question whether the committee can fill the vacancy or whether another convention will be necessary. This question will be decided at the meeting tomorrow.

The following is the telegram received by Speaker Henderson from the president: Oyster Bay, Sept. 17. Most earnestly ask that you reconsider your determination not to accept the nomination of Theodore Roosevelt. (Signed) Theodore Roosevelt.

Congressman J. M. Babcock, chairman of the Republican national committee, sent the following: New York, Sept. 17. Am in receipt of telegram signed by you saying that you have declined nomination for congress. We cannot believe the telegram is genuine. Hepburn and Hull are here and all enter our earnest protest against action of this kind by you. The Republican party that you have served so long and faithfully cannot part with your services now.

Replying to these telegrams, the speaker further explained his action in adhering to his position. He gave a positive assurance that there was no danger in the Third district, that Governor Boies is a very weak candidate, that the Republican candidate will be elected and that he will do what he can to insure his election. After these assurances the speaker said he must decline to reconsider his withdrawal.

Oyster Bay, N. Y., Sept. 17.—The president tonight declined to say anything whatsoever on the subject of the refusal of Speaker Henderson to accept the nomination for congress. He consistently refused the requests of newspaper men for an expression from him bearing on the subject.

RACES AT GENEVA.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Geneva, N. Y., Sept. 17.—There were three races on the card for the second day of the Mohonk Valley and Hudson river circuit, all of which were won by favorites.

219 trot, purse, \$50, won by Hattie Mack; C. E. J. second; Afion L. third. Best time, 2:18. Nellie T. Guile and Fannie K. also ran.

218 pace, stake, \$100, won by Olive Wood; Cora, second; Curly, third. Best time, 2:19. Mary's Own and Harry L. also ran.

222 pace, purse, \$50, won by Lizzie H. Little Darkey, second; Weir Wolf, third. Best time, 2:19. Susan and Ambler also ran.

Steamship Arrivals.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. New York, Sept. 17.—Cleared: La Lorraine, Havre; Fuerst Bismarck, Hamburg via Plymouth and Cherbourg; Grosser Kurfurst, Bremen via Cherbourg. Sailed: Philadelphia, Southampton; Teutonic, Liverpool, Naples—Arrived: Trave, New York for Genoa and proceeded. Rotterdam—Arrived: Rotterdam, New York via Boulogne Sur Mer, Faval—Passed: Lahm, Genoa and Naples, for New York. Southampton—Arrived: St. Louis, New York. Queenstown—Arrived: Germanic, New York for Liverpool and proceeded.

Koontz Will Be Fusion Candidate.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Bedford, Pa., Sept. 17.—The Democratic conferees of the Thirty-sixth senatorial district, comprised of Somerset, Bedford and Fulton counties, did not meet today, but will have a session tomorrow. It is understood that General William H. Koontz will be agreed upon as a fusion candidate by the Democrats and Unionists.

Convention of Foresters.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Kittanning, Pa., Sept. 17.—The convention of the lodge of Foresters closed here today with an executive session.

MORE ACTIVITY AT THE MINES

CRESCUS AT THE LIMIT.

Efforts to Make Him Break His Own Record End in Failure.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Philadelphia, Sept. 17.—Cresceus, the world's champion trotter, twice tried to break his own record of 2:02 1/2 at the Belmont Driving park, today, and failed each time. In his first attempt the great stallion made the mile in 2:08, and his time in the second trial was 2:05. Six thousand persons were present. In his first trial, Cresceus was going well but on the stretch, about 200 yards from the finish, the trotter broke badly and lost what little chance he had of equaling his best figures. George H. Ketchum, Cresceus' owner, announced he would make a second trial, and a half hour later the great stallion had been rubbed down he was again sent out. This time the horse did not break and came under the wire in 2:05. Cresceus was paced by two running horses, Mike the Tramp and Gray Gown. A very strong wind blew diagonally across the track, which somewhat interfered with the stallion's work. The time of the two trials was as follows: First trial—31 1/2; 1.02; 1.34; 2.08. Second trial—03 1/2; 1.00 1/2; 1.34 1/2; 2.05.

DYNAMITER'S DESPERATION

After Having Made Demands for Money He Wrecks a Bank.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Seattle, Wash., Sept. 17.—A special to the Times from Skagway, Alaska, says: About 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon an unknown man walked into the Canadian Bank of Commerce, a revolver in one hand and a dynamite bomb in the other, and demanded \$20,000, threatening to blow them all into eternity.

Cashier Pooley and Teller Wallace were the only two men in the bank. Wallace ducked to get his gun and ran quickly to the back of the room, calling for Pooley to do the same. "No need," yelled the man, and dropped the bomb.

The clerks had just gotten out of the window. The bank was wrecked. The robber's head was smashed and one arm was torn off. People living above the bank were blown into the air.

Judge Price, formerly prosecuting attorney, who was entering the bank at the time, was hurt, but not seriously. The dynamiter died without regaining consciousness. The bank lost about \$1,000, chiefly in gold-dust, which was lying on the counter.

LANCASTER FAIR.

Fully 10,000 People Attended the Hotly Contested Races.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Lancaster, Pa., Sept. 17.—Fully 10,000 people attended the Lancaster county fair today. The races this afternoon were hotly contested and exciting. Governor Stone, b. h. J. A. SHARP, Shippensburg, 1 1 1. Robert Lee, b. g. W. W. Cross, Lancaster, 2 2 2. May Vim, b. m. F. B. Shreve, Parkersburg, 3 3 3. Wilkie M., b. m. J. C. D. Koch, Bowers, Pa., 4 4 4. Time, 2:29 1/2, 2:29 1/2, 2:29 1/2.

214 class, purse, \$50. Bessie C., b. m. H. A. McClellan & Bro., Philadelphia, 1 2 dh 1 1. Strechnine, blk. s., Dan Chery, West Chester, 2 1 dh 2 2. Nancy M., b. m. Hugh Moore, Doe Run, Pa., 3 3 3 3 3. (dh) dead heat; purse, \$100. Running half mile; purse, \$100. Tommy O., blk. s., H. E. Butter, New Holland, 1 1. Humming Bird, b. g., Jacob R. Balf, Vinings, Pa., 2 2. Ghost, b. g., Joseph Allen, Philadelphia, 3 3. My Paper, b. h., E. Thomson, Philadelphia, 4 4. Time, 22, 22.

215 class, purse, \$50. Albertine M., b. m., Dan Leary, West Chester, 1 1 1. Belle, blk. s., J. M. David, Marneil, Coatesville, 2 2 2. Luke, blk. g., W. H. Landis, Rothsville, 6 4 3. Governor Stone, b. h. J. A. SHARP, Shippensburg, 3 3 4. Robert Lee, b. g. W. W. Cross, Lancaster, 4 4 6. May Vim, b. m. F. B. Shreve, Parkersburg, 5 5 5. Wilkie M., b. m. J. C. D. Koch, Bowers, Pa., 7 7 dr. Time, 2:29 1/2, 2:29 1/2, 2:29 1/2.

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