

# IRATE HUSBAND AND OPERA SINGER ATTEMPT DUEL AT A MARIN RESORT

## Southern Pacific Employee Discovers His Wife at Breakfast With a Stranger, and After a Stormy Scene and Trip on a Train Gains Possession of the Three-Year-Old Child and Says That He Will Sue for a Divorce

Special Dispatch to The Call.

SAN RAFAEL, April 26.—An angry husband's efforts to gain possession of his child at an early hour this morning caused great excitement at Pastor's, a villa near Fairfax. L. M. Edwards, the husband, declares that Signor Russo, an opera singer well known in San Francisco, has alienated the affections of his wife. He asserts that Russo induced his wife to leave her home at 345 Haight street and take her three-year-old daughter with her.

Russo has been domiciled at Pastor's for several months. Mrs. Edwards had at various times visited there, and on Saturday she, with her child, took permanent apartments. This morning Russo and Mrs. Edwards were at breakfast and the woman's husband appeared. He demanded an explanation and displayed a revolver. Mrs. Edwards hurried out of the room and went to Russo's apartments. There a scuffle ensued between her and her husband for possession of their child. Russo, who had disappeared for a few minutes, returned to his own rooms with a shotgun.

Pointing the weapon at Edwards, he demanded that the latter vacate the premises, or suffer the consequences. Edwards attempted to draw his revolver again, but in doing so it dropped to the floor. Mrs. Edwards tried to gain possession of it, but her husband prevented her by setting his foot upon it. Edwards then placed his wife between himself and Russo and no shots were fired.

### TAKES CHILD FROM MOTHER.

Other guests interfered at this time and Edwards had to leave the premises without his child. He thereupon came to San Rafael and tried to swear out a warrant for Russo's arrest. District Attorney Boyd would not issue the warrant. In the meantime Russo and Mrs. Edwards left Pastor's. A detective who had been employed by Edwards and who remained at the place to watch the couple apprised Edwards of the departure of the couple. Edwards left San Rafael on the 2:55 North Shore train for San Anselmo. As the train pulled into San Anselmo station Mrs. Edwards and her child were upon the platform. Russo was not in sight. Edwards jumped from the moving train, snatched the child from his mother's arms and carried it back into the train.

Some of his friends prevented the mother from getting aboard, and the train started. Russo was at San Anselmo at the time, but did not make his appearance until later. When the train left San Anselmo for San Francisco Russo boarded one car and Mrs. Edwards another part of the train. When the train had proceeded a short distance they joined each other and went upon the ferry-boat at Sausalito together.

When seen by a Call representative Edwards said:

"This man Russo has not only broken up my home, but attempted to prevent me from gaining possession of my child. My wife and I have been married five years and never had a cross word until last Wednesday. Then we quarreled because I chided her for certain rumors I had heard. She has been a devoted wife up to about a month ago, or in fact, until soon after she commenced taking music lessons from Russo.

### FRIENDS AID HUSBAND.

"After that I noticed she was not quite so attentive to me. She would leave our house early and would not return until late. Even then I would not see her many times. Friday she left for good. I located her at Pastor's and left San Francisco on the first boat this morning for Fairfax in order to get the child. I took friends with me.

"Upon arriving at the resort I stayed outside and a friend went in to reconnoiter. He returned and informed me that my wife and Russo were eating breakfast. I went in, and met them just as they were coming out of the dining-room. I drew my revolver and demanded my wife and baby. Russo ran one way and my wife ran into his room. I followed her, and a fight for possession of the child followed. Russo reappeared with a shotgun. Later other people interfered and



WIFE AND HUSBAND WHO WERE PARTICIPANTS IN AN EXCITING AFFAIR IN MARIN COUNTY, AND THE CHILD THE FATHER SNATCHED FROM THE MOTHER'S ARMS.

I was ejected from the house. My wife has drawn out of the bank all of my savings except \$100. On Friday she drew out \$200. Last month, I now find she drew out over \$100, besides using every cent of my salary. She can go; Russo can have her, but I want my child, and propose to keep it, too. I cannot have Russo arrested, it seems, but will sue for divorce at once."

Mrs. Edwards when seen this afternoon while at San Anselmo was not communicative.

### ACCUSES HER HUSBAND.

"I have nothing much to say," she said. "I have lost my child, but will get it back at all hazards. I simply went to Pastor's for a rest. I was taking vocal lessons from Russo, but that is all. He never induced me to leave home. In fact, I never told him I was married until last night. When my husband speaks of my taking all his savings it is not true. That money in the bank was mine, not his. I left him \$100 anyway, and that is more than he deserved. I should have drawn it all out and with I had done so."

Russo was interviewed and had this to say: "I do not love that woman. I do not love any woman. I know what love is, but my heart was broken five months ago. I did not know this woman was married. She came to me as Miss Edwards, and was just the same to me as any other of my scholars. I tried to help the woman with her voice. She could not pay me, so I told her that she could when she could go upon the stage."

Edwards and his wife are connected with prominent Southern families. She was Miss Mary Thomas Smith of Savannah, Ga., and he is also a native of Savannah. They were sweethearts

from childhood, but their parents seriously objected to their being married young. They ran away and were married in Harleyville, S. C., on October 16, 1899. She was 15 years old, he 23. They moved to San Francisco in 1900. Edwards is employed by the Southern Pacific Company in the auditing department.

### ELOPES IN THE SOUTH.

Romantic incidents in the Marital Life of Mrs. Edwards.

Mrs. Laurie M. Edwards, the young woman, has had a romantic career, according to her mother's statement. Five years ago she was a 15-year-old school girl at Savannah, Ga. Laurie M. Edwards, who was a clerk at that time, paid her considerable attention. When Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Smith, the parents of Mrs. Edwards, learned of this they forbade Edwards calling on their daughter. The result was that they eloped.

There were some domestic differences subsequently. Mrs. Smith took her daughter's part. Last Saturday morning, the mother says, she advised Mrs. Edwards to go to Fairfax.

Neighbors who were intimate with the family say that Edwards was devoted to his wife and child. Mrs. Edwards returned to her home last evening, but the husband and child did not put in an appearance at the Haight-street home. Mrs. Edwards stated last night that she would leave nothing undone to recover the child and with that end in view employed Attorney W. H. R. McMartin to enter proceedings for divorce and custody of the child. Edwards has placed his case in the hands of Attorney E. J. Hill and will also enter suit for divorce.

### FARMER LOSES LIFE WHEN WAGON OVERTURNS

Accident Near Napa Causes the Death of Man Whose Wife Committed Suicide.

NAPA, April 26.—F. Beraldo, while returning from Napa to his home in the Redwoods last night, was thrown from his wagon and killed. The accident occurred at 6 o'clock about twelve miles west of here. In the wagon with Beraldo were John Caminada and John Reander. On one of the steep grades in the road Beraldo's hat blew off and he called to Reander, who was driving, to stop. The driver did not hear and Beraldo reached for the lines himself, but succeeded in grasping only one of them. The team swerved sharply to one side and the wagon struck a boulder, throwing the occupants out as it overturned.

Beraldo's neck was broken in the fall and his companions were badly bruised. Beraldo was a farmer and had resided in the Napa redwoods for several years. He leaves four children. His wife committed suicide three years ago. He was a native of Italy and 40 years of age.

Victim of Drunken Man Dies. CORVALLIS, Ore., April 26.—Ex-Chief of Police James Dunn, one of the victims of Chester Keady, died today in intense agony from his wounds. Young Keady, while under the influence of liquor, shortly after midnight Sunday morning, resisted arrest, and in the fight that followed fatally wounded Dunn and dangerously wounded Night Watchman Osborn.

# SAVAGES CAPTURE THE TOWN

## Three Hundred Yaqui Indians Reported to Have Made an Attack on the Residents in Northern Mexico

### DEFENDERS KILLED IN A BRISK BATTLE

## Hotel and Other Buildings Are Burned by the Rebel Band and Another General Uprising Is Now Expected

Special Dispatch to The Call.

HERMOSILLO, Mex., April 26.—Numerous dispatches from Ures, Carbo and La Colorado to General Torres and Governor Ysabel add a new phase to the Yaqui situation in Sonora. The War Department of Mexico recently decided to deport to Yucatan all of the Yaqui Indians remaining in Sonora, whether or not they had taken part in the troublesome revolts of the past few months.

According to advices from Ures 300 Yaqui Indians who have been shearing wool, tilling the fields and doing the hard work upon the ranches in the Ures district rebelled when they learned that they and their families would eventually be included in the deportation order.

The Indians assembled in the mountains and a town called Batobabi was first attacked. Manuel Cubillas and Luis Estrada, who led the force which defended the town, were both killed and the Indians captured the place. Of the fight at Tocolet and Los Paredones ranch little is known, except that the Indians were victorious and took possession of both places. From Tocolet they proceeded to Rayon, an important mining camp, which had been warned of their coming and prepared to meet them, but with little avail, as the 300 Yaquis overcame the hurriedly organized company sent out against them, and some of the Indians who succeeded in entering the town put the torch to the Killen Hotel, which with several other buildings was burned.

A runner carried the first news of the fight, while a party of five Indians brought to that town resolutions, drawn up by the leader of the Yaqui band, offering to desist from hostilities and go back upon the ranches if the Mexican authorities are ready to agree not to deport any more friendly members of their tribe. If these terms of peace are not accepted the Indians threaten to spread terror through all the country round and defy General Torres.

### SELECTS LABOR MEN AS CABINET OFFICERS

## Victoria Government Will Be Directed by Men of Watson's Choosing.

MELBOURNE, Victoria, April 26.—Watson, the labor leader, has formed a cabinet, with himself as Premier and Treasurer; Hughes, Minister for External Affairs; Higgins, Attorney General; Batchelor, Minister for Home Affairs; Fisher, President of the Board of Trade; Dawson, Minister of Defense; Mahon, Postmaster General, and McGregor, Vice President of the Executive Council.

Excepting Higgins, all the members of the new Cabinet belong to the Labor party.

# REPUBLICAN LEADERS WANT CANNON TO TAKE SECOND PLACE ON TICKET

## Nomination May Be Forced Upon the Unwilling Speaker of the House of Representatives--Indiana Convention Meets for the Naming of State Ticket--Democratic District Delegates Elected in Massachusetts

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### PREMIER'S LIFE IS ENDANGERED

## Assassins Attempt to Kill Spanish Prime Minister on His Way to Madrid

### SHOOT THROUGH COACH

## Incident Causes Much Alarm, but No One Is Injured and No Arrests Are Made

MADRID, April 26.—Premier Maura, who arrived here this morning, was shot at, but not wounded, while on his way here from the Balearic Islands.

When between Alicante and San Vicente a bullet whizzed through the roof of his car. The accident created great alarm, but no one was injured.

The official report of the incident given out by the Minister of the Interior says:

"As the train was running between Alicante and San Vicente some persons fired and others threw stones. The gendarmes accompanying the train returned the fire. Neither the Premier nor the other passengers were hurt. Two arrests were made."

Later details show that the attempt on Senor Maura was an organized plot, between thirty and forty men armed with revolvers being concerned. A regular fusillade was exchanged between the gendarmes accompanying the train and the miscreants. Many marks of bullets were found in the train afterward.

### DISEASE DECIMATING THE GERMAN SOLDIERS

## Typhus Breaks Out Among the Troops in South Africa and Many Deaths Result.

BERLIN, April 26.—Colonel Leutwein, Governor of German Southwest Africa, cables to-day that typhus has broken out in Major von Glazenapp's column. Seven deaths from the disease were recorded up to April 22. The column has marched to the mission station at Otjihaena, which has been converted into a hospital.

### CAGE COLLAPSES AND MINERS FALL TO DEATH

## Forty-Three Natives Drop a Thousand Feet and All are Killed.

JOHANNESBURG, April 26.—The collapse of a cage in the Robinson mine precipitated forty-three natives down a thousand feet to the bottom. All were killed. The bottom of the shaft is a quagmire of human remains.

OTTAWA, Ont., April 26.—Minister of Customs Patterson has announced that the Government intends strengthening its staff of inspectors in the United States, who will inform Canadian customs officers of the home value of goods exported to Canada. At present, there are many United States firms involving their goods at a special price and in this way escaping payment of the proper duty.

W. Tillinghast of Johnston and Alphonse Gaullin Jr. of Woonsocket. The platform commends the administration of President Roosevelt and pledges him the united support of the Republicans of this State in the coming campaign.

### TRUMPHE FOR OLNEY.

## Hearst Forces Routed in Massachusetts District Convention.

BOSTON, Mass., April 26.—Democratic district conventions to elect delegates to the national convention at St. Louis were held in the fourteen Congressional districts of the State to-day, and in all but four the district delegates were either pledged or favorable to the nomination of Richard Olney for the Presidency.

Of these delegates, twenty-one are claimed for Olney, six are conceded to Hearst, while one is unpledged and non-committal. To the Olney forces must be added the four delegates at large elected and pledged to him at the State convention.

Of the eleven conventions held outside of this city, fifteen delegates either pledged to or known to favor Olney were elected, six delegates were pledged unconditionally to Hearst, while one delegate is unpledged.

With the four delegates at large and the twenty-one elected to-day the Olney faction has a majority and will, it is understood, enforce the unit rule of the national convention.

Against the unit rule the Hearst delegates will make a strong protest to the Democratic National Committee.

The greatest surprise of the day was occasioned by the result of the ballot in the Twelfth District convention, which was held in this city. Dedham, the home of George Fred Williams, leader of the Hearst faction in Massachusetts, is in this district and Williams was a candidate on the Hearst ticket. He and other Hearst delegates were defeated and delegates pledged to Richard Olney elected.

Delegates favorable to Hearst's candidacy were elected in the Third District, which is represented in Congress by John R. Thayer, one of the foremost opponents of Hearst's candidacy.

### MILITARY ACADEMY APPROPRIATIONS PASS

## Many Amendments to Bill Made by the Committee Are Thrown Out on Points of Order.

WASHINGTON, April 26.—The Senate to-day passed the Military Academy appropriation bill, the last of the supply measures. The amendments suggested by the Committee on Military Affairs for a reorganization of the medical and ordnance departments of the army and for the establishment of a number of campsites were thrown out on points of order. Bacon concluded his tariff speech.

### Naval Militia Bill Favored.

WASHINGTON, April 26.—The House Committee on Naval Affairs to-day authorized a favorable report on the Meyer bill to establish a naval militia and define its relations to the General Government. The bill extends to the naval militia all the privileges extended to the regular militia by the Dick militia law.

# POPE DISLIKES LOUBET'S VISIT

## His Holiness May Address a Letter of Protest to All the Catholic Powers

### SOLDIERS ON REVIEW

## French President Witnesses Military Display and Compliments King's Troops

ROME, April 26.—It is reported that the protest of the Pope against the presence of President Loubet at the Quirinal will take the form of a note to all the Catholic powers.

President Loubet to-day drove to the Piazza d'Armi with Queen Helena, and reviewed 20,000 troops. M. Loubet and the Queen were accompanied by King Victor Emmanuel and the royal Princess and followed by several hundred staff officers and by several military attaches. The Finco Heights, the Janiculum and Monte Mario, surrounding the Piazza d'Armi, were occupied by several hundred thousand people, cheering and shouting, while military bands played the "Marseillaise." The President expressed to King Victor Emmanuel the highest satisfaction with the efficiency and martial bearing of the troops, especially admiring the Bersaglieri, who with their quick step and waving cock feathers in their hats marched past in their most characteristic manner.

Returning to the Quirinal, through the city, the President and the royal party passed through the Piazzas di Spagna, where the historic steps of the Church of the Trinita di Monti were entirely covered with flowers, producing a gorgeous effect.

This evening the French President received in private audience each of the Embassadors separately. The whole of Rome was illuminated to-night.

### LABOR CONDITIONS IN HUNGARY IMPROVED

## The General Strike Has Collapsed and the Situation Is Reported as Quiet.

VIENNA, April 26.—The situation in Hungary has improved. The general strike declared yesterday at Gross-Wardein has collapsed. No further disorders have been reported and the Government's victory is regarded as complete.

### BRITISH BOMBARD A COAST VILLAGE

## Town of Illig in Somaliland Is Attacked and the Sultan Captured.

ADEN, April 26.—The town of Illig, on the coast of Somaliland, has been bombarded by the British. The Sultan of Illig was captured.

SANTO DOMINGO, April 26.—The sugar planters have lodged a protest with the American legation against the decree imposing export duties on sugar.

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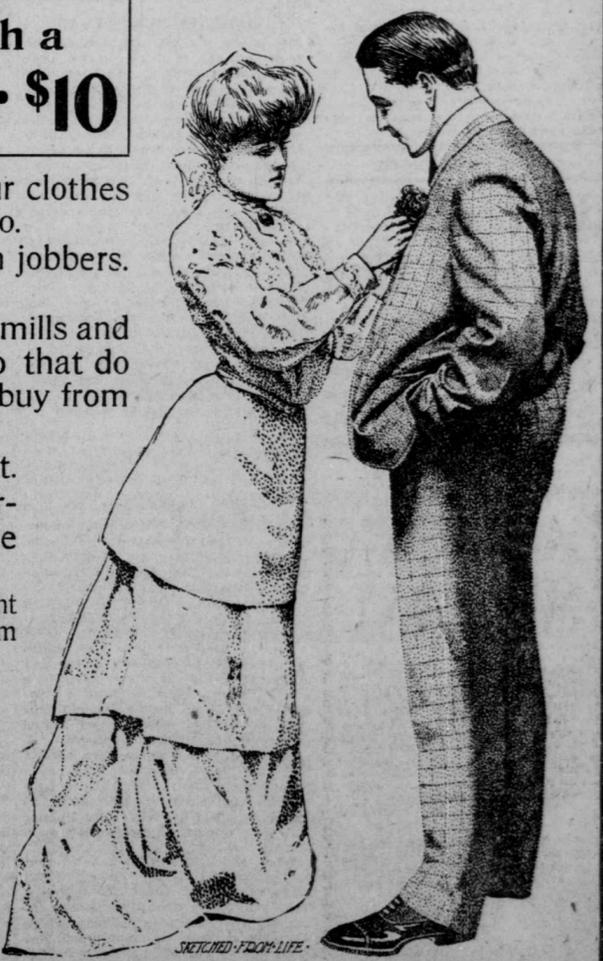
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