

## ROOSEVELT WARNS ISLE FIGHTING MUST CEASE

### Writes Letter to Minister That Paves Way for Intervention.

### HIS COURSE FAVORED

### Even President Palma for Interference for Short Period.

Havana, Sept. 15.—The letter of President Roosevelt to Senor de Quesada, Cuban minister, is the great topic of the day among Cubans and foreigners alike. Far from considering his references to American intervention as something decided, it is almost universally regarded as the most desirable consummation possible of the trouble.

**FEW DISAGREE.**  
There are some who do not agree with this view, but they are few. All business interests are anxious for intervention and even politicians admit this the best outcome.

The Associated Press has information that President Palma himself desires protection, though not permanent intervention.

**MUST BE PROTECTORATE.**  
Havana, Sept. 15.—Eduardo Chibas, a prominent resident of Santiago, said to the Associated Press today: "The entire province of Santiago will burst into revolution unless the United States intervenes immediately. There must now be a protectorate, or there will be no permanent peace in Cuba."

**Taft and Bacon to Isle.**  
Oyster Bay, Sept. 15.—After a protracted conference with Secretary of War Taft, Acting Secretary of State Bacon and Secretary of the Navy Bonapart, President Roosevelt addressed an important communication to the Cuban government. It was also arranged to send Secretary Taft and Mr. Bacon to that island tomorrow to make a thorough investigation of conditions there and lend their influence to restore peace.

The communication is addressed to the Cuban minister to the United States, Quesada. It is an impassioned plea to Cuba to realize her responsibility as a self-governing republic and restore peace in the island. Her attention is called in no uncertain language to the responsibility which the United States bears to the island and the certainty that such responsibility will necessarily be exercised should peace not be restored.

**Property Destroyed.**  
The president says he has certain information that the peace of the island is menaced and that American property has been destroyed. The letter follows:

"In this crisis in the affairs of the republic of Cuba I write you not merely because you are the minister of Cuba accredited to this government, but because you and I were intimately drawn together at the time when the United States intervened in the affairs of Cuba with the result of making her an independent nation.

"You know how sincere my affection, admiration and regard for Cuba are. You know that I never have done and never shall do anything in reference to Cuba save with such sincere regard for her welfare. You also know the pride I felt because it came to me as president to withdraw American troops from the island of Cuba and officially to proclaim her independence and to wish her God-speed in her career as a free republic. I desire now through you to say a word of solemn warning to your people whose earnest wish I am.

"For seven years Cuba has been in a condition of profound peace and of steadily growing prosperity. For four years this peace and prosperity have been obtained under her own independent government.

**The Cost of War.**  
Her peace, prosperity and independence are now menaced, for of all possible evils that may befall Cuba is the evil of anarchy into which civil war and revolutionary disturbance will throw her. Whoever is responsible for this armed revolution and outrage, whoever is responsible in any way for the

condition of affairs that now obtains, is an enemy of Cuba and doubly heavy is the responsibility of the man who, affecting to be the especial champion of Cuban independence, takes any step which will jeopardize that independence. For there is just one way in which Cuban independence can be secured, and that is for the Cuban people to show their ability to continue in their path of peaceful and orderly progress.

"This nation asks nothing of Cuba save that it shall continue to develop as it has developed during the past seven years; that it shall know and practice orderly liberty which will assuredly bring an ever increasing measure of peace and prosperity to the beautiful Queen of the Antilles. Our intervention in Cuban affairs will only come if Cuba herself shows she has fallen into the insurrectionary habit, that she lacks the self-restraint necessary to peaceful self-government and that her contending factions have plunged the country into anarchy.

**Should Assume Responsibility.**  
"I solemnly adjure all Cuban patriots to band together, to sink all differences and personal ambitions, and to remember that the only way they can preserve the independence of the republic is to prevent the necessity of outside interference by rescuing it from anarchy of civil war. I earnestly hope this word of adjuration of mine, given in the name of the American people, the staunch friends and well wishers of Cuba that there are in all the world, will be taken as it is meant, will be seriously considered and be acted upon; and if so acted upon, Cuba's permanent independence, her permanent success as a republic, are assured.

**Right of Intervention.**  
"Under treaty with your government, I, as president of the United States, have a duty in this matter which I cannot shirk. The third article in that treaty explicitly confers upon the United States the right to intervene for the maintenance in Cuba of a government adequate for the protection of life, property and individual liberty. The treaty conferring this right is the supreme law of the land and furnishes me with the right and means of fulfilling the obligations I am under to protect American interests.

"Information at hand shows that social bonds throughout the island have been so relaxed that life, property and individual liberty are no longer safe. I have received authentic information of injury to and destruction of American property.

"It is in my judgment imperative for the sake of Cuba that there shall be immediate cessation of hostilities and some arrangement which will secure the permanent pacification of the island.

**Sending Aid.**  
"I am sending to Havana, Secretary of War Taft and Assistant Secretary of State Bacon as special representatives of this government, who will render such aid as is possible toward these ends. I had hoped that Mr. Root, secretary of state, could have stopped in Havana on his return home from South America, but the seeming imminence of the crisis forbids further delay.

"Through you, I desire in this way to communicate with the Cuban government and with the Cuban people, and, accordingly, I am sending you a copy of this letter to be presented to President Palma, and have also directed its immediate publication."

**FATAL HOTEL FIRE AT OTTAWA, CANADA**

Wife of Official Severely Injured—Guests Escape With Only Clothing on Back.

Ottawa, Ont., Sept. 15.—One life is believed to have been lost and six persons severely injured in a fire which destroyed Gilmon's hotel early today. Miss O'Neal, head waitress, is missing. It is feared she perished. Mrs. Archibald Blue, wife of Canada's census commissioner, was badly burned and her shoulder broken. The guests saved only the clothing they wore.

**Oil Ship Crews Strike.**  
New York, Sept. 15.—Oilers, firemen and deckhands on some of the Standard Oil company's fleet of 14 tugboats struck today for higher wages. Some new men were put in the places of the strikers, the officers said.

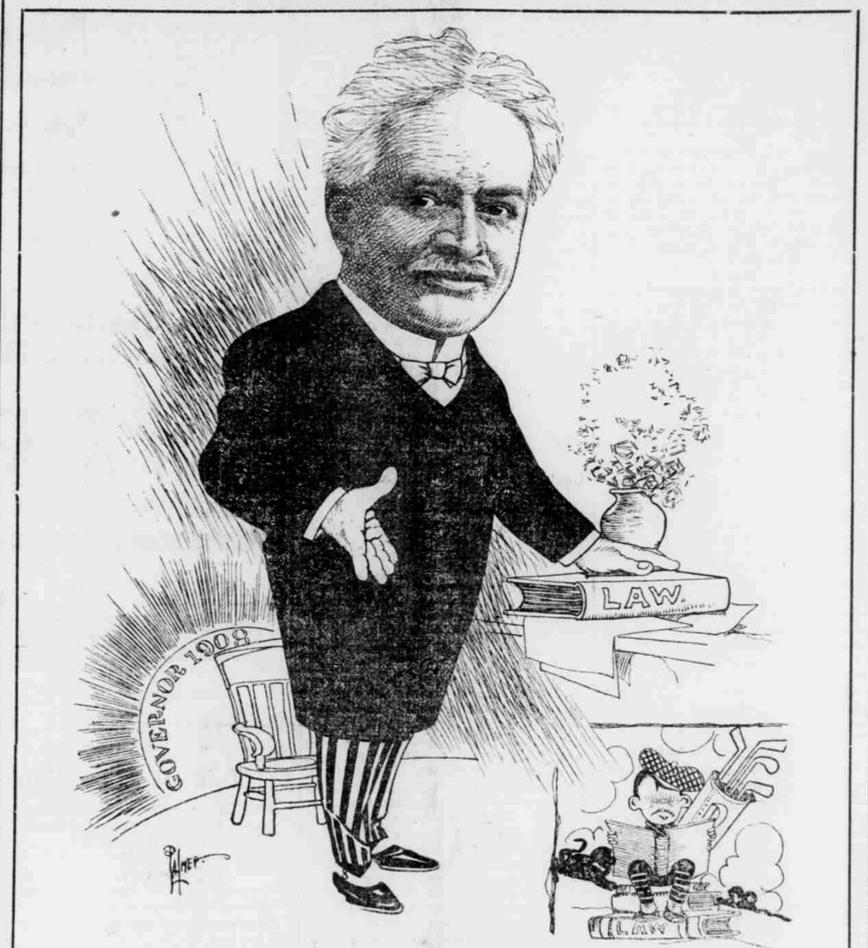
## GENERAL J. F. BELL WAIVES HONORS THAT ANOTHER MAY SECURE TITLE

Washington, Sept. 15.—By direction of the president, commissions have been prepared for Major General McArthur to be lieutenant general of the army, Brigadier General Jesse M. Lee as major general, and Captain John J. Pershing as brigadier general. Three promotions were made to fill vacancies incident to the retirement today, of

Lieutenant General Corbin. General J. Franklin Bell, who is senior brigadier general, waived promotion to a higher grade in order to reach it before he retired. General Lee will retire next January and there would have been no vacancy in the grade of major general before that date, had General Bell been appointed.

## PEN PICTURES OF PROMINENT PEOPLE

FAMILIAR FACES AS SEEN IN ROCK ISLAND'S EVERYDAY LIFE.



HON. E. W. HURST.

Lawyer, statesman and financier. He is not only one of the most prominent and influential citizens of Rock Island county, but among the best men of Illinois enjoys an acquaintance as wide as the state. Twice a distinguished member of the legislature, he has declined nominations of his party for congress and the supreme bench of the state, when subsequent events demonstrated that such nominations would have meant election. The general choice of his party two years ago for governor, he put aside the honor, but how he will feel should the circumstance repeat itself two years hence remains to be seen. From a humble beginning he has surmounted the hardest difficulties of life, and made a success of everything he has undertaken.

## FOR BRYAN ALSO

Democrats of Wyoming Endorse Nebraska at State Convention.

## TAKE ADVANCED GROUND

S. A. D. Kelster for Governor—Colorado Republicans Denounce Election of Alva Adams.

## Cheyenne, Wyo., Sept. 15.—

The democratic state convention yesterday adopted resolutions endorsing William J. Bryan, "the triumphant candidate in 1908."

The platform demands national and state eight hour laws; favors a law making it a felony for a state officer to accept free transportation from a railroad; demands a primary election law and a return to the Australian ballot system; favors free trade in various commodities, particularly wheat, and calls for the election of United States senators by direct vote.

**Those Nominated.**  
Following is the ticket:  
For Governor—S. A. D. Kelster, Fremont county.

For Secretary of State—Daniel M. Gill, Laramie county.

For State Auditor—Thomas A. Dunn, Big Horn county.

For State Treasurer—James L. Lobban, Sheridan county.

For State Superintendent Public Instruction—Miss Mary Hamilton, Natrona county.

For Congress—John C. Hahn, Uinta county.

## Republicans of Colorado.

Denver, Colo., Sept. 15.—The Colorado republican convention yesterday nominated Philip B. Stewart for governor and Alfred E. Bent for treasurer. The part taken by the supreme court, the legislature, and the district attorney of Denver city and county in the Peabody-Adams contest is endorsed. The platform declares that 15,000 fraudulent votes were cast for Adams two years ago, and that he never legally was elected governor.

## CONDUCTOR AS A HERO

Robert Murray Balks Holdup on C., R. I. & P. at Peoria.

## CHASES THREE MEN

Catches Two by Surprise and Takes Club and Gun From One.

## Peoria, Ill., Sept. 15.—

A bold attempt was made at 10:15 o'clock last night to hold up passenger train No. 311 on the Rock Island road from Chicago, a mile and a half from Peoria. A pile of ties was placed on the track and a bright fire was blazing along the right of way.

**Disarmed by Conductor.**  
Three masked men entered the smoker, two at the front and one at the rear. The two men at the front were met and surprised by Conductor Robert Murray, who disarmed one of the men and took from him a large hickory club, freshly cut, and a large revolver.

**Posses on Trail.**  
Murray received a severe cut over the left eye and was dazed for a moment, not losing nerve until he had driven the two men from the train. The three men escaped in the darkness and a posse of men under Sheriff Potter is on the hunt. The three fellows are described as small build and evidently were amateurs.

## Get \$10,000 and Escape.

Bismark, N. D., Sept. 15.—Four robbers blew open the safe of two banks at Underwood, a small town in McLean county early today, secured \$10,000, and escaped. A posse is on the trail.

## SPEECHES AT PARK

Officers of M. W. A. to Give Addresses at Picnic This Evening.

## CROWDS ARE GATHERING

Program of Sports Being Carried Out at Long View, Where County Picnic is Being Held.

## Owing to the delay in the gathering

of the crowd at Long View park this afternoon at the Modern Woodmen picnic, the program of addresses by several of the members of the executive council was postponed until this evening at 7:30. George W. Reilly of Danville, R. R. Smith of Brookfield, Mo., F. A. Smith of this city, and Major C. W. Hawes of this city will be the speakers of the day. The steamer Columbia arrived here this morning with the Muscatine Woodmen and the park today is filled with the members of the different camps in the county. The Woodmen offices have been closed in order that the employees may have an opportunity to attend.

## Contests Are On.

The entries for the athletic sports this afternoon were well filled and several interesting contests were witnessed. A platform was erected in the park for dancing, which was indulged in this afternoon and will be continued until a late hour this evening.

## POLES AND AUSTRIANS MIX

Three Men Will Die as Result of Cutting Affray in Drinking Bout.

Stuebenville, Ohio, Sept. 15.—Six men and one woman were stabbed and hacked in numerous places in a riot of Polish and Austrian miners at a boarding house at Long Run last night where they were drinking. Three men will die, and the woman and three other men are seriously wounded. Four rioters were arrested.

**Jewish Attack Seems Unavoidable.**  
Warsaw, Sept. 15.—It is generally feared a Jewish attack here is unavoidable.

## MORE MARINES LANDED; FIGHTING NEAR HAVANA

### FOUR DROWN WHEN A LAUNCH UPSETS

### Mystery About Accident to Overloaded Craft Picked Up in New York Harbor.

New York, Sept. 15.—Four persons were drowned from a launch in the lower bay last night when the launch was in collision with a scow. Four other members of the party, three men and a woman, clung to the bottom of the craft and were reached by the steamer. They refused to give their names or to tell those of the persons drowned.

The launch was the Sausage belonging to W. W. David of Jamaica, L. I. W. David was among those rescued. It is said by those who picked up the little boat it must have been dangerously overloaded.

## HARRY FRANKS ACCEPTS PLACE

### Peoria Man Becomes Physical Director of Y. M. C. A. and Assumes Duties at Once.

Harry Franks of Peoria, has accepted the call to the directorship of the physical department of the Y. M. C. A., which was recently extended to him by the board of directors and arrived here today to take charge of the work. He resigned from the Peoria association Sept. 1 and has since been invited to a number of fields. The local board of directors at its regular monthly meeting unanimously voted to extend him an invitation to visit the city and meet the board at a special called meeting last Tuesday, and after a conference with Mr. Franks elected him physical director. Secretary Burnett received a communication from him last evening stating that he would accept the call and was prepared to take charge of the work immediately.

Mr. Franks comes to the local association highly recommended, having been successful in other associations. Secretary Burnett anticipates a prosperous year in the physical department.

## BARRETT TO GREET ROOT

### Minister to Colombia Travels 1,600 Miles on Mule to Do So.

Washington, Sept. 15.—American Minister Barrett at Colombia sent a dispatch to the state department announcing his arrival at Guayaquil after 41 days and 1,600 miles travel muleback over almost inaccessible mountains. He will await the arrival of Secretary Root.

## RECEPTION IS NONPARTISAN

### Plan to Have Republicans Help Welcome Bryan at New Orleans.

New Orleans, Sept. 15.—A feature of the reception planned for W. J. Bryan here Sept. 24 is the participation of the Louisiana Republican club. An attempt will be made to render the reception non-partisan.

## Mercer Fair Next Week.

The annual Mercer county fair, considered the biggest event in the history of the county to the south, will be held next week at Aledo, beginning Tuesday and closing Friday. Special trains will be run by the Burlington road. There will be an abundance of amusement features, good races, and a big exhibit in all departments.

## Name Nick Again.

Cincinnati, Sept. 15.—Nicholas Longworth was renominated to congress by the republicans of the First district.

## Cuban Situation Grows Hourly More Acute.

## CAPITAL IS CUT OFF

### Several Additional U. S. Warships on Way or About to Sail.

Havana, Sept. 15.—Heavy fighting is reported near Elcano, 10 miles southwest of Havana. No details.

## FUNSTON TO FRONT?

Tacoma, Wash., Sept. 15.—General Frederick Funston has been ordered to Washington without delay, it is supposed in connection with the Cuban trouble.

## Marietta Arrives.

Washington, Sept. 15.—The navy department announces the arrival at Cienfuegos yesterday of the Marietta.

## Louisiana Force.

The Marietta landed a force to protect sugar plantations. According to a dispatch from Charge Sleeper, at Havana, reports of damage to American property at Cienfuegos have been exaggerated.

## Des Moines Arrives.

Havana, Sept. 15.—The cruiser Des Moines arrived this morning.

## Two More Vessels Go.

Washington, Sept. 15.—The cruiser Cleveland sailed from Norfolk for Havana today. The Tacoma leaves tomorrow.

## Marines Ordered to Front.

Boston, Sept. 15.—Orders for a detachment of 60 marines to proceed at once to Norfolk, Va., were received from Washington. At Norfolk the men embark for Cuba.

Portsmouth, N. H., Sept. 15.—A detachment of 66 marines left the navy yard under hurry orders today on the way to Norfolk.

## Government Wins Skirmish.

Havana, Sept. 15.—Revolutionists attacked the town of San Domingo, Santa Clara province at 5 this morning, but were repulsed by the garrison of militiamen and rural guards. One guard, two militiamen, and three revolutionists were killed. Five guards and one militiaman were wounded. The insurgents' colonel, Motejo, was among the killed. The government troops captured two prisoners and 60 horses and are now in pursuit of the retreating insurgents.

## Claims Government Victory.

Havana, Sept. 15.—Government forces won a victory over the rebels near Havana. General Rodriguez with 400 rural guardsmen attacked the rebels under General Castillo, Colonel Albert and Acosta, 1,000 strong, at Wajay, 12 miles south of Havana. After a stubborn fight the rebels were dispersed. Eight of their number were killed and 23 wounded. One guardsman was killed and 13 wounded.

Rodriguez returned to Havana this morning. There is considerable speculation as to why the enemy was not pursued.

## Result of Clash Not Known.

Havana, Sept. 15.—General Rodriguez with a thousand men encountered General Castillo and Asbert with about the same number last night near Wajay. The government claims the insurgents were dispersed and the rebels on the other hand say the government forces were driven back and retreated. Rodriguez' troops returned to Havana during the night. The government lost three killed and several.

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## CROWD'S CURIOSITY TO SEE ALICE LONGWORTH CAUSES GREAT CRUSH

Columbus, Ohio, Sept. 15.—With panic threatening in a crowd estimated at 50,000 people, surging about the stand erected in the capitol grounds, frantic to secure a glimpse of Mrs. Nicholas Longworth, President Roosevelt's daughter, the exercises arranged for the dedication of the McKinley monument were suddenly terminated yesterday afternoon after the statue of the martyred president had been hurriedly unveiled by Mrs. Longworth.

The prompt action of the committee on arrangements was regarded as most fortunate, for the crowd was beyond control and the shrieking of women and children caught in the crush was rapidly working the crowd into a frenzy. Many women were so badly hurt that they were removed in ambulances. After the panic started, Governor Harris tried to stop it, but the frantic people paid no attention. The commotion became so alarming

that those on the stand asked Mrs. Longworth to come forward in the hope that a glimpse of her might satisfy the crowd. She came to the front of the stand, it was seen that something must be done, and it was decided to unveil the statue at once. Mrs. Longworth pulled the ribbon attached to the wires which drew the flags covering the statue aside. A man hoisted on another's shoulders grasped the ribbons and wire and they were quickly torn into fragments by relic seekers.

The crush was stopped for a few moments, but it was soon renewed, and Mrs. Longworth again came to the front of the platform and bowed to the throng. Meanwhile, however, the committee on arrangements had decided to defer the addresses at Memorial hall till this evening.

When the announcement was made, the Longworths had an exciting experience in escaping the crowd.