

BAND BREAKS DOWN VOICES IN HEADCAMP

"This is the Life" Played
as Insurgents Refuse
to Leave Hall.

NO BUSINESS IS DONE

Credentials Committee Still at
Work, Convention Adjourn-
ing Until Tomorrow.

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Toledo, Ohio, June 17.—Completion
of competitive drills among 45 teams
of foresters of the Modern Woodmen
of America was announced today. To-
ledo battalion No. 1 carried away hon-
ors on battalion drill. Camp 26, Rock
Island, Ill., won the senior prize of
\$450 for the best drilled team of 16
men. Rock Island camp scored 99.42
per cent, which breaks all records in
military branches of fraternal organi-
zations.

A movement is on foot to take 3,000
of the army of foresters to the Panama
exposition at San Francisco.

By E. E. BUFFUM.
(Special to The Argus.)

Toledo, Ohio, June 17.—Things broke
loose at the morning session of Modern
Woodmen today just as a forestiste
evidently of what is to follow when,
after the meeting had been adjourned
until tomorrow morning at 9:30 the in-
surgents refused to adjourn, and for
an hour and a half engaged in a vocal
demonstration, being pitted against 29
leather-lunged musicians, who blew
bladders on their lips, and pounded
holes in a perfectly good six-foot bass
drum before the tide was stemmed.

Finally leaders of the two factions
agreed to call it a stand-off and the
whole proceeding ended without
bloodshed. The insurgents apparently
came out of it in good shape, but if
this sort of thing is to be kept up a
new band will have to be employed.
Utterly flabbergasted and disgusted,
the members of the band stood in the
street afterward. One of them was
asked what they were playing.

"There it is," he said, "jazzing his
head toward his music. 'The blank-
ety, blank thing, I never want to
hear that again.' The title was 'This
is the Life.'"

Credentials Report Awaited.

Administration leaders feared that
the insurgents would try to organize
the head camp if the former vacated
the hall and took turns spurring the
band on. Whether the insurgent
leaders had intention of doing so they
refused to say, but at any rate they
were determined to stay as long as the
show lasted.

With the head consul's review of
the foresters at camp on the program
this afternoon no business session was
possible, and after calling to order
and having the opening songs, Head
Consul Talbot entertained a motion to
suspend till tomorrow morning.

Insurgents Vote No.

An insurgent spokesman was not
recognized and a vote was taken, in
which the insurgents voted "no," but
the motion was declared carried. Then
the music started. At the end of half
an hour the insurgents brought in a
big banner bearing the words: "Wis-
consin stands for justice and the seat-
ing of all regularly elected delegates."

An effort was made to carry this to the
stage, but it never was able to get past
the ad force guard of the administra-
tion on the floor. The Wisconsin
standard was taken with the banner.
Later some one secured a bunch
of bananas and hung it on the Wiscon-
sin standard. After 30 minutes the
band began to show signs of the strain,
playing in relays and dropping from
fatigue to a movement appropriate
for a funeral march. Time after time
the insurgents made vocal demonstra-
tions, but always the band triumphed.
Finally after about an hour the band
suddenly stopped.

Dennison Yelled Down.

Delegates and spectators who had
been standing on chairs and tables
were seated and a call was made for
W. A. Northcott, former head consul,
who went to the middle of the hall
and advised the delegates to leave, in-
asmuch as the meeting had been regu-
larly adjourned, and nothing could be
gained by staying. Then John D. Den-
nison of Dubuque, Iowa, an insurgent,
was called for and spoke in the same
strain. The insurgents yelled him
down. Judge Howard of Columbia,
Iowa, another insurgent, tried to talk,
but the band was again started. Ten
minutes more passed before the band
was finally shut off and started a par-
ade around the hall. The insurgents
fell in behind it, and then everybody
jazzed out in the best of order.

Will Not Accept Half Vote.

Doze circulated about administra-
tion headquarters today was that the
best the insurgents could hope for at
the hands of the credentials commit-
tee would be the seating of all con-

THE WEATHER

Forecast Till 7 P. M. Tomorrow, for
Rock Island, Davenport, Moline
and Vicinity.
Generally fair and warmer tonight;
Thursday probably unsettled.
Temperature at 7 a. m., 57.
Highest yesterday 67, lowest last
night, 53.
Velocity of wind at 7 a. m., six miles
per hour.
Precipitation, none.
Relative humidity at 7 p. m., 48; at
7 a. m., 64.
Stage of water, 8.4 feet, a rise of
.6 in last 24 hours.
J. M. SHERIER, Local Forecaster.

ASTRONOMICAL EVENTS.

Evening stars: Mercury, Venus,
Mars. Morning stars: Jupiter, Saturn.
Almost due south, high up and cross-
ing the meridian about 9:30 p. m., con-
stellation Bootes, driver or watcher of
the Great Bear, presents a well defined
figure.

tested delegations, with half a vote
each. This, the insurgent leaders de-
clared, they would not accept, but
would appeal to the head camp, and
failing there, would go into the courts.
The credentials committee worked
till midnight without being able to fin-
ish with Illinois, and continued its ses-
sion today.

Promised Fireworks Fail.

For those who expected the fire-
works to begin the moment the head
camp was called to order the opening
of the sessions Monday afternoon was
a disappointment. Such manifesta-
tions as there were were of a pacific
nature, with one or two exceptions,
and those exceptions came late in the
morning. Delegates were in their
seats promptly and when the head of-
ficers took their places on the rostrum,
especially Head Consul A. R. Talbot
and Head Clerk C. W. Hawes, they
were given the hand. The opening ses-
sion was devoted entirely to formalities,
no business being attempted till
the report of the credentials commit-
tee made it possible to organize.

Memorial hall was gay with flags
and bunting. Only delegates and al-
ternates were admitted to the floor,
the spectators being confined to the
galleries. Sections were arranged for
states, each being marked with a
signboard, Illinois, Iowa and Ne-
braska, all with double delegations be-
cause of contests, were seated in the
rear.

Head Counsel Talbot called to order
and in absence of the chaplain, Rev.
Henry E. Dunnack, of Augusta, Me.,
offered invocation. Then E. D. Le-

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MINERS VOTE ON DISPLAYING CARD

Butte Workers Resent Espion-
age by Business Agents
at Timekeeper's Office.

Butte, Mont., June 17.—Metal miners
of Butte local No. 1 of the Western
Federation will vote today on the ques-
tion whether union cards are to be
shown at the timekeeper's office to busi-
ness agents. Miners who will talk
are confident they will be overwhelm-
ingly in favor of abolishing the long
established system which advised busi-
ness agents if miners were in good
standing. Conservatives of the union,
including officers, announced that be-
cause the referendum was not sanc-
tioned by the union officially that the
voting would be illegal. Both factions
held meetings last night but the city
was quiet early today. President Ri-
ley of Butte local, who was attacked
in the miners' parade Saturday and
disappeared, was located in Anaconda
today. He said he would not return to
Butte.

Washington, D. C., June 17.—Senators
Myers and Representatives Stout
and Evans of Montana told the pres-
ident today they had received word
from Gov. Stewart and others and that
there was no immediate prospect of
any more fighting in Butte or a present
need for federal troops.

NOTED WAR NEWS WRITER IS CALLED

London, England, June 17.—Bennett
Burleigh, one of the oldest and most
widely known war correspondents, is
dead, aged 70. He was a Scotchman,
born in Glasgow. He joined the con-
federates, fought through the entire
civil war and was twice captured and
sentenced to death by northern troops.
Since 1882 he has been connected with
the London Daily Telegraph, since
which time he had been almost con-
stantly in the field.

MILITANT CHAINS SELF TO STATUE

London, England, June 17.—A milit-
ant suffraget today chained herself
to the statue of the Duke of Well-
ington in front of the Royal Exchange,
in the center of that city. She then
shouted to passing business men to
intervene in behalf of imprisoned
women. She was removed by police
amid jeers of a large crowd.

VILLA DENIES REBELS' HEAD HAS LEFT HIM

But Report Persists That
He Has Split With
Carranza.

NEW MAN AS PRESIDENT

Angeles Said to Have Been
Picked by Field General to
Lead Government.

Mexico City, June 17.—A high officer
of the government stated matters of
great importance for the republic
would be discussed at an extra ses-
sion of the chamber of deputies which
would result in a complete restoration
of peace.

El Paso, Texas, June 17.—General
Villa, through his agents here, today
issued a general denial that there has
been a split between himself and Car-
ranza. He said the arrest of Carranza
officials at Juarez was the result of
misinterpretation of orders on the part
of Colonel Ornales, in charge of the
Juarez garrison.

It is learned, however, that between
20 and 30 employees of the Juarez of-
fices were sent on a special train early
today to Chihuahua City, the state
capital, to be transported to Torreon,
where Villa remained. These men,
employees of the customs house, tele-
graph office, treasury department and
information bureau, were arrested late
yesterday by Ornales in a raid on var-
ious national offices where Carranza
appointees are employed.

Press Agent Missing.

The whereabouts of Perez Abreu
caused much speculation. He had
been selected by Rafael Zubaran, Car-
ranza's agent at Washington, as pub-
licity agent of the revolution, whose
function was to issue official bulletins
to the American press. Abreu disap-
peared when his office was taken by
Villa's soldiers. He just had issued an
announcement that he was transcribing
into a bulletin regarding the Zacatecas
attack, in which the Natera forces
were defeated, according to official ad-
vices from Mexico City, and confirm-
ed by revolutionists at the front below
Torreon.

Rigid censorship on telegrams from
Villa's headquarters at Torreon pre-
vented from arriving at Juarez other
than messages denying in a general
way that Carranza and Villa had re-
ached the point of divorce on account of
the appointment of Natera as chief of
the new central zone, and other inci-
dents the Villa elements had been re-
ported as resenting.

Angeles For President.

Partisans of Carranza and Villa at
El Paso discussed hotly the future of
the constitutionalist movements. Some
of the Villa supporters declared Gen-
eral Angeles, secretary of war in Car-
ranza's cabinet, had been selected by
Villa for provisional president in place
of Carranza. Angeles, a former fed-
eral general, has been commanding
Villa's artillery since the battle of
Torreon, and yesterday departed for
the front above Zacatecas, according
to official notice here. Mexican news-
papers at Torreon are reported to have
been an open discussion of the Villa-
Carranza estrangement.

Huerta Captain Suicides.

San Diego, Cal., June 17.—A wire-
less from the battleship California
says the constitutionalist gunboat
Tampico was sunk by the federal gun-
boat Guerrero in twenty fathoms of
water, leaving the Guerrero the sole
surviving warship representing either
faction. The battle began at 8:20 a.
m. and lasted till noon.

Washington, D. C., June 17.—Admiral
Howard reports that the gunboat
Guerrero defeated and probably sunk
the constitutionalist's gunboat Tampico
at Masatlan. The captain and chief
engineer of the Tampico committed
suicide.

The naval battle was witnessed by
the United States ships New Orleans,
Perry and Preble. No details were re-
ported.

The engagement took place last
night at Topolobampo. Some of the
crew of the Tampico were rescued by
the New Orleans, others by the Guer-
rero and the surgeon of the New Or-
leans assisted in the care of the in-
jured on both sides, cooperating with
the staff of the federal gunboat.

The report that the Tampico was
sunk was not verified, but it is certain
she is badly disabled. The Tampico
only yesterday was repaired, having
been sunk June 11 by the federal
navy. The Guerrero is nearly twice
the size of the Tampico with ordnance
50 per cent more powerful.

A long dispatch was received from
the American delegates at the Niagara
conference, which officials said did not
change the situation. Beyond express-
ing the view that there was hope of
ultimate success the mediation offi-
cials did not comment. The war and
state departments and the white house

WANTED: A SOFT PLACE TO LIGHT



RACING BALLOON LANDS ON A ROCK

Donaldson and Henderson,
Springfield Pilots, Reach
Walker's Prairie, Ore.

Portland, Ore., June 17.—Roy Don-
aldson and Wilbur Henderson, who
left here Thursday in the racing bal-
loon-Springfield arrived today at Wal-
ker's Prairie, in the Bull Run river dis-
trict.

Donaldson and Henderson staggered
into a forest ranger's camp at Walker's
Prairie. The Springfield settled on the
side of a steep hill near Blue Lake, an
182 mile walk from Walker's
Prairie, a hard one owing to the thick
underbrush and fallen trees.

The Springfield descended at 8
o'clock Friday evening. The aero-
nauts wandered until morning. Don-
aldson said the balloon struck a rocky
slope and was wrecked.

disclaimed having any official informa-
tion of the reported break between
Carranza and Villa.

Villa's action in resigning his com-
mission and imprisoning Carranza
leaders is not interpreted by constitu-
tionalist leaders here as meaning a
permanent breach between the two
chiefs. Carranza representatives here
explained that Villa was determined to
rid himself of troublesome politicians
who have been associated with Car-
ranza.

Villa Takes Initiative.

These men, it was said, have been
making trouble between Villa and Car-
ranza for some time, and Villa insisted
to Carranza that his authority in
northern Mexico should be supreme.
Carranza is said to have felt the trou-
ble would adjust itself, but Villa took
the initiative. In the opinion of lead-
ers here Villa will proceed to take su-
preme command in north Mexico and
Carranza will compose the differences.

The Washington government is con-
siderably impressed by the turn of
events. Villa tendered his resignation
to Carranza within the fiscal week,
said a dispatch last night from El
Paso. To Villa's message Carranza re-
plied that he would succeed him. Follow-
ing this Villa's military leaders sent a
"Round Robin" to Carranza declaring
they would accept no one other than
Villa as leader. The split resulted.

Next Move Up to America.

Niagara Falls, Ont., June 17.—On
word from the Washington govern-
ment depends the next move in medi-
ation. The American delegates early
today telegraphed a 2,000 word report
of their conference yesterday at Buf-
falo with Rafael Zubaran, and Luis
Cabrera, authorized representative of
Carranza in the United States. A gen-
eral feeling here that the United States
possibly may inaugurate a distinct
change in policy has been produced by
the uncompromising attitude of Zu-
baran and Cabrera. Dispatches tell-
ing of friction between Carranza and
Villa report a rupture in Sonora be-
tween Governor Maytorena and Gen-
eral Obregon, and new constitutional-
ist reverses both on land and sea.

While mediation thus far has ac-
complished little, no agreement on the
personnel for a new provisional gov-
ernment having been reached, the
Huerta delegates showed great anx-
iety today to have the conferences con-
tinued, saying they would do every-
thing in their power to prevent a
break in negotiations.

DIPLOMAT FIRED ON BY A COPPER

Champaign, Ill., June 17.—Count von
Bernsdorff, German ambassador to the
United States, narrowly escaped death
today when a special policeman fired
point blank at an automobile in which
the ambassador was being driven to
the commencement exercises at the
University of Illinois.

The shot went wild. Bernsdorff was
riding to the campus from the rail-
road. He was the guest of Arthur
Meeker of Chicago, and was escorted
by Meeker in his own automobile.
Vice President Kinley of the univer-
sity and Ewerts Green were also in
the machine.

As the automobile neared First and
University avenues, Michael Murphy,
a policeman employed in the neighbor-
hood by business men, held up his
hand as a warning signal. Murphy
was not in uniform and the chauffeur
paid no attention to him. Apparently
angered at the inattention, Murphy
fired a shot at the automobile.

HOSPITAL SHIP IS WRECKED IN FOG

Maine, Presented to England by
American Women, Is Be-
lieved a Total Loss.

Glasgow, Scotland, June 17.—The
hospital ship Maine, presented to the
British nation by American women
during the South African war, went
ashore today in Forth of Lorne, on the
west coast of Scotland, in a fog and it
is feared will be a total loss. She was
attached to the home fleet of the
British navy and had a large number
of patients aboard. All were placed on
the ship's boats, where they remained
until the arrival of other vessels sum-
moned by wireless.

During the South African war she
was in charge of American doctors
and nurses who treated hundreds of
sick and wounded soldiers on both
sides. She performed similar service
in the boxer uprising in China and
was later presented to the British gov-
ernment.

Spithead, England, June 17.—The
steamer Incemore, Liverpool for South-
ampton, reports having been in col-
lision with the Kaiser Wilhelm II. The
bows of the Incemore were badly dam-
aged above the water line. Extent of
the damage to the Wilhelm was not
ascertained.

DEATH TAKES HORNBLOWER

Associate Justice of New York Court
Expires in Connecticut.
Litchfield, Conn., June 17.—William
B. Hornblower, associate judge of the
New York court of appeals, died here
yesterday. He had been ill for a long
time, and several times in the past
weeks his condition was so grave that
death was expected. He was born in
1851.

Before his appointment to the court
of appeals last February Judge Horn-
blower had spent much of his time in
recent years as a writer and lecturer
on legal topics.

TAVENNER BEATS CONFERENCE BILL

Local Congressman Urges Pur-
chase of Armor Plate Fac-
tory by Government.

Washington, D. C., June 17.—With
Secretary of the Navy Daniels sitting
on the floor of the house waiting for
the adoption of the conference report
on the naval appropriation bill, Rep-
resentative Tavenner of Illinois today
started a fight with contributions from
other members, resulted in the report
being rejected.

Mr. Tavenner proposed an authori-
zation for the secretary to purchase an
armor plate factory if necessary to beat
down the prices of the armor plate
ring. The bill as it passed the senate
contained a provision for the investiga-
tion of the cost of an armor plate
factory. Mr. Tavenner said this in-
vestigation would not result in the
lowering of the price for years.

The proposal to sell to the govern-
ment of Greece the battleships Idaho
and Mississippi was abandoned by Sec-
retary Daniels as a result of a demon-
stration in opposition during the con-
sideration of the report.

By being alert and constantly on the
job, Tavenner got a section through
in the sundry civil bill at Saturday
night's session of the house carrying
an appropriation of \$225,000 for the
manufacture of field artillery ammuni-
tion at Rock Island arsenal. The pas-
sage of the bill with the clause in-
cluded caused commotion in the ammu-
nition and armor plate ring and a hasty
call was sent out for help. The ques-
tion was abruptly raised that the bill
had passed with no quorum present.

The bi-partisan alliance with Fitzger-
ald and Mann as the leaders rounded
up its followers and had the vote re-
scinded. Tavenner fought as strongly
as he could for the measure as it passed.
He pointed out that there were
81 members on the floor during the
debate, 41 of whom were for the ar-
senal manufacture clause. Forty re-
publicans and reactionary democrats
led by Tammany were against it.

Tavenner charged a bi-partisan al-
liance controlled by the steel trust to
defeat him and declared his purpose
to take the matter before the country
and expose the inside workings of the
combine.

Paroles 15 to Reap Crop.

Kansas City, June 17.—Fifteen coun-
ty prisoners are on the way to the
Kansas wheat fields to assist in the
harvest as the result of a parole order
issued by Judge R. S. Latschaw of the
criminal court. "You are being given
the best of chances to make good," the
judge said in paroling them. "Kansas
needs men and you need liberty."

MANDAMUS SUIT FILED IN COURT

A suit for mandamus was filed this
afternoon in circuit court by Robert J.
Welch against Mayor H. M. Schriver
and other members of the city com-
mission. The suit is the outgrowth of
the refusal of the city officials to grant
a license to Welch to operate the Buf-
falo saloon. McEniry & McEniry are
the attorneys.

NOTED BLIND SINGER DEAD; POISON NEAR

Friend Finds Body of Helen
Mesow on Couch in Oak-
land Home.

HELEN KELLER OF WEST

Message From Real Estate
Dealer on Table May Help
in Clearing Mystery.

Oakland, Cal., June 17.—Miss Helen
Mesow, a blind soprano, known as the
Helen Keller of the west, was found
dead on a couch in her apartment last
night. The cause has not yet been
determined. A spoon found in an
empty glass in a bathroom will be ex-
amined to ascertain if it contained
poison.

The body was discovered by a wo-
man friend. A physician worked an
hour trying to restore animation. He
could not ascertain the cause of death.
The spoon, he said, smelled of quick-
acting poison.

On a table near the couch was a card
bearing the name of W. C. Dohrmann,
an Oakland real estate dealer. It
read: "Helen, 6 p. m. Wanted you to
come to dinner this evening, as it was
our last night."

An aunt of Dohrmann's said that
"our last night" meant Dohrmann was
leaving town for a while.

Struggles Against Infirmity.

Miss Mesow was widely known as a
singer and for her struggle against in-
firmity to achieve rank as a vocalist.
She was educated at the California
Institute for the deaf and blind and at
the University of California. She con-
tinued her vocal studies in Paris. She
was proficient as a linguist, skated,
danced and engaged in athletic pas-
times. She was 30 and a friend of
Helen Keller.

FEDERATION IS TO BATTLE ON LIQUOR

Women at Chicago Convention
Also Attack Vice Traffic
and Tight Skirts.

Chicago, Ill., June 17.—The closing
session of the 12th biennial conven-
tion of the General Federation of Wo-
men's Clubs was held today. Invita-
tions were received from New York,
Atlantic City, Dallas, Texas, and Jack-
sonville, Fla., for the next convention.
Resolutions were adopted, including
one in opposition to the liquor traffic.

Mrs. Percy V. Pennybacker of Texas
was re-elected and the entire ticket of
the nominating committee was elected
without opposition.

Miss Margaret Woodrow Wilson,
daughter of the president, led the dele-
gates in the singing of Edwin Mark-
ham's song, "Brotherhood." When Mrs.
Pennybacker introduced Miss Wilson,
the delegates arose and cheered for
her fully 10 minutes.

The vice traffic, public health and
tight skirts were attacked in the res-
olution adopted by the federation.
The resolutions were, briefly:
Recommend simple, becoming and
modest designs in dress.

Offered the services of the home eco-
nomics division to further the Smith-
Lever bill in congress to establish a
bureau of home economics.
Favored increased appropriations for
state and city boards of health.
Urged university extension work for
the prevention of disease.

Approved abatement and injunction
law in the suppression of immoral re-
sorts.

Munsey Paper Ends Life.

Philadelphia, June 17.—The Phila-
delphia Evening Times, owned by
Frank A. Munsey, ceased publication
with yesterday's issue. Mr. Munsey
said the Times never passed out of the
experimental stage and that success
for the paper was not in sight. The
times was established July 15, 1908.

Model Man Lives 82 Years.

Sedalia, Mo. June 17.—William R.
Hindman, who died here today at the
age of 82 years, had never sworn an
oath in his life, never tasted intoxicat-
ing liquor, never chewed or smoked to-
bacco, and was never sick until three
days before his death.

Minstrel West Dead.

Bridgeport, Conn., June 17.—Edward
West, a famous minstrel man, is dead
of apoplexy.