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SENATOR HANNA WAS VILLA WED
GETS RESTFUL DAY HE WAS
SLEEP SLAIN?

The Distinguished Patient Has a Fairly Good Day, Retains the Milk Given Him and Appears to Be No Worse

SECRETARY DOVER SEES HOPE IN THE SITUATION

In Spite of the More Cheerful Aspect, It Is Known the Physicians Believe the Senator's Life Hangs by a Thread

NO MORE BULLETINS UNTIL THIS MORNING

(Special by Leased Wire, the Longest in the World.)
WASHINGTON, February 14.—At 3 a. m. Senator Hanna is sleeping. Dr. Carter has relieved Dr. Osler and will remain at the patient's bedside until morning. Members of the Hanna family and Private Secretary Elmer Dover have retired. General Dick, who has just left the Senator, says the Senator has settled into an apparently restful sleep, and believes he will have a good night's rest. At 11 p. m. his pulse was 120 and regular, his temperature 104.5 and his respiration 32.

The situation in regard to the Senator at 8 o'clock last night, as expressed by one of the physicians, is that if he can pull through until tomorrow night he may recover. This is perhaps more of a hope than a belief. Senator Hanna is somewhat peevish and rather surly to the physicians and those around him. The physicians say he had a better Saturday than the previous day, and that he has retained the nourishment given him. The cold baths are still being administered from time to time.

All those in attendance at the patient's bedside are hoping for the best, but with some misgivings as to the ultimate outcome. At 7:30 Secretary Dover said Senator Hanna had retained the milk given him, which is his sole nourishment. It is understood that the temperature (about 104) was not exactly stated in the 7 o'clock bulletin because Senator Hanna had just been given a bath, of which he has had several. Mr. Dover says there are no complications, and a slightly more hopeful or rather less hopeless tone is noticeable in the conversation of the guests gathered in the Arlington Hotel corridors. The attending physicians decline to express any real opinion and without doubt the Senator's life still hangs by a thread.

No more bulletins will be issued till Sunday morning. The physicians had a decided change for the worse. The patient is conscious and once or twice made an effort to speak, but the doctors made him understand that it would be best for him to remain quiet.

SNOW BLOCKADE
ON CENTRAL
R.R. COULD
NO TRACE OF
LIND HAS YET
BEEN FOUND

SACRAMENTO, February 13.—The snow blockade on the line of the Central Pacific railroad is far more serious than was at first reported, and there is a possibility that it will be broken up as on them depends the resumption of the railroad. Officials here seem to think that they will be able to get trains through in a couple of days.

Parties who have returned from the scene of operations, where a small-sized army of men is working night and day, report that it is picturesque in the extreme. There in the wilds of the mountains crowds of men are toiling to get the snow off the tracks, and the snow-covered hills are as if they were a mass of snow that hides them.

Boundaries blazing along the line of the railroad are the tollers, while men from the outfit carry buckets of hot coffee to the forces.

In all the company has 1000 men at the scene of the snow blockade. Thirteen outfit cars loaded with men and provisions left Sacramento last evening for Reno. One of the men of Western Union line men went with them. The most strenuous efforts will be made to get the wires working as soon as possible, as on them depends to a great extent the success of the work of clearing the line.

The damage reported so far is about two miles of snowdrifts crushed at various places along the line, with several large landslides near Truckee. One of the great difficulties experienced by those in charge of the work of clearing the track is the fact that the snow is so deep that it will take some time and labor to get orders for the passengers, and are not being allowed to enter the snow belt. The two sections of the east-bound overland train which left this city, as well as the east-bound limited, are at Colfax.

Story to Effect That the Mexican Found Dead Married a Pretty Senorita and Same Day Gave Dance in Her Honor

THIS QUEER TALE HAS BUT FEW BELIEVERS

Positively Asserted That He Wore the Pink Garters on His Arms at Dance and Left for Home With the Musicians

LATTER MAY BE ABLE TO SOLVE THE MYSTERY

Was Francisco Villa married and murdered the same day, is the question now being asked by the friends of the dead man.

One who knew Villa stated yesterday that the murdered man had married a pretty senorita some time during the day and that in the evening the happy Villa gave a dance in honor of the event.

The silk garters were no doubt intended for his bride.

But further investigation has brought out facts which may in a large measure throw light upon the purpose of the pink silk garters.

It is positively known that Francisco Villa wore a pair of pink garters on his arms at the dance. They were seen by Senorita Donasiana Lusi, commonly called "China," who danced with Villa.

She stated yesterday that Villa was drunk, but that there was no trouble during the merry-making.

Two musicians played, one on the accordion and the other on the guitar, but they had not been drinking as much as Villa.

Beside Senorita China, Villa and the two musicians, one of the Mexican and two women were present.

They had a gay time until about 1 o'clock in the morning, when Villa and the two musicians went away together.

It was shortly after that Villa was killed. Whether Villa got into a quarrel with one of the musicians or not is still a mystery. The probably know something that will throw light upon the murder.

Senorita Villa was married to Villa about four years ago, but for the past two months has not been living with her husband. Some trouble caused the separation.

Villa lived in a tent of his own.

Wednesday Villa sold his tent for \$5 and told a friend of his, Jesus Harra, that he would leave for Colton the next day.

He further stated that, before going, he wanted to see a little dance, and asked Harra if he might use the dance hall that evening. Harra consented, but was ill and did not attend.

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FINLEY CHOSEN
GOVERNOR OF
SEVENTH

Enters Fight at Last Moment as Dark Horse and Wins on the Twenty-fourth Ballot Over Los Angeles Candidates

SANTA ANA MAY GET THE HEADQUARTERS

His Race Made to Break Up the Bitter Strife Between Two Factions Headed by Other Aspirants for the Position

MANY STAFF CHANGES LIKELY TO BE MADE

Major S. H. Finley, of the Third Battalion, at Santa Ana, was elected colonel of the Seventh Regiment, to succeed Colonel John H. Berry last night.

The fight was the closest that has ever been made for the office in the history of the regiment. It lasted over four hours, and ballots were cast twenty-four times before Colonel Finley was elected, receiving twenty-four votes out of the thirty-eight cast. Colonel Berry received thirteen, and Colonel W. G. Shredler one.

By a motion the vote was made unanimous.

This in a sense breaks up the two factions of the regiment, the officers' faction, represented by Shredler, and the ranks, represented by Colonel Berry. It is of the utmost importance to the whole regiment, as the headquarters of the regiment will probably be removed to Santa Ana and a number of important changes in office made.

Colonel Finley's candidacy came as a total surprise to the upholders of the other two sections. He was not nominated and not until the first ballot was cast was it known that he was a candidate. Throughout the entire election he controlled nine votes, being those of the officers of the companies at Santa Ana and Wintersburg and three others. They held together until the last balloting was begun, when the Shredler faction broke.

"It has come about so sudden," said Colonel Finley last night, "that I cannot say whether the headquarters will be removed to Santa Ana or not. It is my authority to do so, if I desire. I wouldn't have allowed this to have been done had I not thought it was for the good of the company."

"I thought it was best to break up the personal fight that has been on for so long, and coupled upon members from either side being glad to end it. It has happened just as I had planned. I determined I would be a candidate about ten days ago."

Col. Finley was a candidate for the same office four years ago, at which time a hot fight was made for him by the Santa Ana representation.

He was colonel of the old Seventh regiment at the time it was consolidated with the Ninth regiment about ten years ago, and Col. Berry, then colonel of the Seventh, was given the command.

Captain Truman Col. of Company C, was elected major of the First Battalion; T. B. Thomas, brigade inspector, to the same office in the Second Battalion, and Captain W. A. Greenleaf, of Santa Ana, to the Third Battalion.

Forty officers were entitled to vote. Only thirty-eight were present. They all were the guests of Colonel Finley to a supper afterward.

GRIFFITH J. GRIFFITH'S NEW ATTORNEYS WILL
ASK RENEWED CONTINUANCE OF CASE AGAINST
CLIENT FOR ATTEMPTING TO SLAY HIS WIFE

PRINCIPALS IN DOMESTIC TRAGEDY CULMINATING IN ALMOST FATAL SHOOTING, AND APARTMENTS IN WHICH TROUBLE OCCURRED.



W.W. FOOTE DIES
AFTER YEAR'S
ILLNESS

Chill Received by the Distinguished Lawyer at the Ingle-side Race Track Develops Into Acute Erysipelas

(Special Dispatch to "The Examiner.")
SAN FRANCISCO, February 12.—William Winter Foote, who was one of the most distinguished and successful members of the legal profession in California, and had long been prominent in the political life of the state, died at 4:10 this afternoon. He had been ill a week in the home of his old-time friend, James V. Coleman, at 631 Van Ness avenue, and it was there that his death occurred.

During the past year Mr. Foote had been in steadily failing health, and he believed that he had little time to live. A week ago this morning he was taken to the hospital by a carriage and took the sick man home. The cold settled in Mr. Foote's head and face and erysipelas followed. Early in the week the patient's condition became serious, and after Wednesday, Mr. Foote did not at any time regain consciousness.

Funeral arrangements had not been completed tonight, but it was decided that the body should be cremated at some time Monday. Mr. Foote was born at Jackson, Miss., January 16, 1846, and so he was fifty-eight years old at the time of his death. His father was Governor Henry S. Foote of Mississippi, who had the distinction of defeating Jefferson Davis in the gubernatorial contest of 1850. Governor Foote had previously been a United States Senator.

When fifteen years old Mr. Foote enlisted in the Confederate army at Columbus, Ky., beginning service in 1861 as a private in the Shelby Guards of the First Tennessee Infantry Regiment. Soon after he was made a sergeant-major in the Tennessee Artillery Corps.

Resuming civil life at the age of 19 years, he entered the University of Virginia, where he received his education in law.

Mr. Foote was one of the charter members of the University Club of San Francisco, and he was a member of the Olympic Club. As a lawyer, Mr. Foote was eminently successful throughout his career in this state, and he held a unique place in the history of the California bar.

TOWN IN DEADLY PRISON FOR LIFE
PERIL FROM
FLAMES
MRS. BOWERS' SENTENCE

Las Dispensas, New Mexico, Is Directly in Path of Fire Raging in Forests a Few Miles North of the Town

DESTRUCTION AIDED BY THE HIGH WINDS

SAN FRANCISCO, February 13.—Directly in the path of a great forest fire that has burned all day on the Las Vegas grant, the village of Las Dispensas is in deadly peril. Early this morning United States forest rangers discovered flames raging in the timber-like underbrush of the vast pine forests on the edge of the Pecos River, a forest reserve eighteen miles from this city. A high wind prevailed and the rangers and all the men they could summon to their assistance found themselves helpless. By night the fire had ravaged upwards of a thousand acres of the beautiful pine forests, inflicting damage of many thousands of dollars.

The wind is still high and, powerless to resist, the villagers at Las Dispensas see the flames sweeping down upon their abodes. No rain has fallen in weeks and the forest is extremely dry. The whole country is full of smoke and a dark pall enshrouds the city. The air here is stifling, and at noon today the thermometer had risen to 70. Only a sudden change of wind can save the village, and other serious losses may occur. Much stock has perished, but thus far no lives have been lost.

A score of miles north of the Nora Grant another great fire is raging in the pine timber, endangering lives and inflicting great damage.

SOLDIERS WILL GIVE DANCE
Troop D, First Brigade, National Guard of California, will give a dance at the Arroyo, Friday night, February 13. Invitations can be obtained from members of the troop.

COUNSEL for the defense will request time to become familiar with the case

THE prosecution will insist that the trial go on as already agreed in court

THEY claim that the continual delays in the case are for a sinister purpose

FAMOUS CASE
IS SET FOR
TOMORROW

Mrs. Griffith's Attorneys Claim That Policy of the Defense Is Calculated to Wear Out Their Client's Endurance

SENSATIONAL STORY OF FAMILY QUARREL

Griffith J. Griffith, millionaire, will be put on trial in the Superior Court tomorrow charged with having shot his wife in the eye in his apartments in the Hotel Arcadia, in Santa Monica, last September.

Rogers & Brown, the new attorneys for the defense, will try to secure a continuance.

District Attorney Fredericks, who, with former Governor Gage and Isadore Dockweiler, will have personal charge of the prosecution, will oppose this action.

They will insist that as Griffith has had since September to prepare for trial he should now offer no opposition to the State's desire to begin the case.

The prosecution's attorneys will tell the court that both Earl Rogers and Luther Brown have at different times admitted that they have followed the case since its inception, and that there exists no good reason that a continuance should be granted.

The trial promises to be one of the most interesting ever held in Los Angeles.

The defendant made some of his wealth in mines and land.

His wife is a sister of Joseph Mesmer, and at the time of her marriage was rich in her own right.

The Griffiths have one child, a boy, twelve years old.

Until last September they lived together in more or less peace and quiet.

It was early in September that the event occurred, the details of which will be brought out in this trial.

On that afternoon Griffith and his wife were walking on the beach at Santa Monica.

They were preparing to return to their home in Los Angeles.

Mrs. Griffith went to the Hotel Arcadia to pack her trunk.

Griffith followed her to their rooms there, and in a few minutes the report of a pistol shot started the guests at the hotel, and Mrs. Griffith was seen to jump from a third-story window of the hotel onto the veranda below. She was found to have been shot in the eye.

Upon what she thought was to be her deathbed in a hospital she made a sworn statement, in which she said:

"My husband came into the room while I was packing the trunks. He ordered me to get my prayer book and to kneel down before him and close my eyes."

"Then he demanded that I tell him if I had ever been faithless to him."

"As I swore that I had not been, he shot me."

Griffith's story of the shooting was that his wife had shot herself accidentally while packing the trunk.

He sought legal advice and told his story to former Judge Rogers, former Judge Silent and Attorney Horace Appel.

Until last week it was thought that these lawyers would defend him. But then he called Earl Rogers and Luther Brown to the case.

The other lawyers retained charge of Griffith's civil business, but the entire business of preparing his defense on the criminal charge was conceded to Rogers and Brown.

It is likely that they will ask for a continuance. They think that they should have more time in which to familiarize themselves with the case.

The prosecution will point out that an effort is being made to tire out Mrs. Griffith and that Griffith should be at once brought to trial.

He is about as well known as any man in Los Angeles. Griffith Park was given by him to the city. He is called "Colonel" because he was once a member of a governor's staff. Since the seventies he has been largely interested in mines in California. The Griffith reports on mines have been in active use for years.

Griffith's friends have been loyal to him in his trouble. His bonds have been signed, and ever since the shooting he has been at liberty to walk the streets and go about his usual business.

He and his wife have several old friends and relations and an adjustment of their financial matters has been made.

Mrs. Griffith was the only witness of the shooting and she is ready to take the stand against her husband.