

MEXICAN REBELS NOW HOLD CASAS GRANDES

VENEZUELAN DO NOT FEAR CASTRO'S COMING

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TRUE BILLS OPEN WHOLE FIELD OF GRAFT

Most Important Town Southwest of Juarez Captured by Gen. Pascual Orozco, Jr.

Countrymen Think His Threats of Vengeance Are No More than Empty Boasts.

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members of the police force, will break down and tell all he knows of the graft to save himself, and it is certain that if he does four police captains and two inspectors will be involved.

FEDERALS CAUGHT IN TRAP

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Blanco's Force of 800 Men Defeated on Their Way to Ascension and Their Leader Taken Prisoner.

State Department Is Considering His Case with View to Barring Him Out as an Undesirable Alien.

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El Paso, Tex., Dec. 23.—Casas Grandes, the most important town in the ranching and lumbering district southwest of Juarez, has been taken by rebels personally commanded by General Pascual Orozco, Jr.

The coming of General Cipriano Castro stirred up much interest in the Venezuelan colony yesterday, although the news did not come as a complete surprise to those who have followed the movements of the former President of Venezuela.

JEALOUS WIFE SLAYS RIVAL; JURY APPROVES

to graft. To the District Attorney Maas said he would not under any consideration waive immunity if he was subpoenaed as a grand jury witness, and, of course, was not permitted to testify.

Confirming this report, S. D. Ambrose, an American hotel man of Columbus, N. M., arrived here to-day. He was in Ascension at the time of its capture last Wednesday and talked with General Salazar, whose forces took the town.

To these persons it was known as long ago as August that the general contemplated a visit to the United States, and that fact was printed exclusively in The Tribune of August 6. Also, more recently, The Tribune printed an interview with General Castro, in Las Palmas, Canary Islands, in which he declared that he would undertake to "liquidate the affront" of his enemies.

Mme. Bloch Acquitted in Paris of Murder of Mrs. Minnie Bridgeman, an American.

The indictments were returned before Judge O'Sullivan, in Part I, General Sessions, and bench warrants were issued for the arrest of the three men.

Blanco's force was entrapped, the official rebel report says, in a canyon north of Casas Grandes. Aside from capturing many rifles and much ammunition, the rebels secured two cannons. Details of the battle are lacking, but Casas Grandes was taken easily. Orozco wrote, as the Tribune's left only two hundred men to protect the town.

The same purpose is attributed to General Castro, now that he really is on his way to this country, as when he was only planning his deferred trip. None of the Venezuelans here now nor others who know him and the situation in his country have any thought of his trying to regain power, at least by means of armed conflict. His statement about "getting even" is accepted much in the same light as many of his other boasts.

HUSBAND HISSED IN COURT Judge Expresses Opinion That Morally the Culprit Was He Who Drove Woman to Crime.

Skelly's indictment was being commented upon in police circles last night as of far greater significance to the streets, was "thick with women solicited openly on both sides of the street." She said that the Harlem Hotel had been running for years, and both Miss Coleman and Arns testified that the Harlem Hotel was just about as close to "Nio" Hayes political club as was the proposed Central Hotel, to the opening of which Mr. Hayes so strenuously objected, according to the testimony of George A. Sipp.

Federal Force Entrapped.

Say Castro's Power Is Gone.

Wolf Crawling from Under.

Her story of the conferences and agreements between Skelly, Maas and Wolf and herself was amply corroborated by her colored maid, Sadie Green, and by Sol Wolf himself, who waived immunity when he went before the grand jury as a witness.

The local Venezuelans who uphold the government of President Juan Vicente Gomez are not averse to permitting General Castro to land in this country, for they think that if perchance he should have any revolutionary ideas his political impotence will be proved more quickly than if he remained in Europe and boasted there of his power and of the fear of the Gomez government of his return.

"General Castro has been too closely watched," said one of his countrymen yesterday, "to be able to organize any movement without its being immediately known. Before his steamer sailed for New York there was a cable dispatch on the way over telling of his departure. He is accompanied by a body servant named Marquez. His wife still remains in the Canary Islands. While General Castro is here he will be watched by Venezuelan agents as well as by United States Secret Service agents, so he will not have much chance to conspire."

This fact alone was enough to confirm the rumor that Wolf has already decided to save himself by helping the state, and when he went out of the Criminal Courts Building yesterday in the company of one of the District Attorney's representatives it was understood that he was going to take the officer to places where Maas and Skelly could be found and arrested.

Skelly told her, Mrs. Goode has sworn that she had to have the second instalment of \$25 ready on the second Monday following, which would be November 1, and that Wolf would be the man who would "collect" from her after that. She related how Wolf came to her flat in 106th street, not on the Monday scheduled, but on the Sunday before, and how she remonstrated with him that the payment was not to be made until the following day. Wolf's explanation that the next day would be a busy one for him, because it was the day before election, satisfied her and she paid the second \$25.

Morris Set Free.

May Place Hope in Wilson.

Wolf Harpoons Maas.

Wolf, it is understood, at first denied that he had been in Mrs. Goode's flat on the Sunday in question, but when confronted with previous admissions corrected his evidence on that point and then proceeded to involve Maas tightly in the tolls he felt closing around himself. Sadie Green, the negro maid, corroborated Mrs. Goode's testimony as to the events that transpired in the 106th street apartment on the Sunday that Wolf paid his visit of "collection."

After Ascension was taken fourteen federal prisoners, including a captain, were executed in the public plaza, refugees reported to-day. Major L. C. Quinteros, the Ascension federal commander, who escaped, fled to the new Mexico border with one soldier as companion. He is held by United States troops below Ila-chita.

The general impression is that the veteran of many battles comes to make his peace with the American government. He wants to go back to Caracas and live there in peace, and he thinks the Washington government can arrange this return for him. If he had any idea that he could fight his way back to power—and he surely has nursed such an idea—it must have been dispensed when he learned of the great improvement that has come over the army since he left Venezuela, both in number and training. It was said yesterday by one of his compatriots that he would have small chance of ever fighting his way back to the Presidency.

Sadie Green had reduced her story to the form of an affidavit, which has been in the hands of the District Attorney since December 19. In that affidavit she swore that she had seen the money passed from Mrs. Goode to "Sol" Wolf in the 106th street apartment on the Sunday morning preceding Election Day, and corroborated the story of the conversation that went with the graft payment, told by Mrs. Goode.

Wolf's attitude when he first appeared at the Criminal Courts building yesterday about noon was one of defiance. He asserted loudly that he would testify exactly as he had testified before Deputy Commissioner Walsh at Skelly's unfinished police trial; that the \$25 he got from Mrs. Goode was money for her bail bond, but he had apparently forgotten the point that Mrs. Goode was able to prove that the payment was made on November 3, while her arrest was not an accomplished fact until the evening of November 4. This discrepancy apparently had as much as anything to do with breaking Wolf's defiant spirit, and when he came out of the grand jury room he was evidently cowed by the suddenness with which his story had been shot to pieces.

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CORPORATION COUNSEL GETS SETBACK FROM ALDERMEN

The Curran aldermanic committee met two or three different kinds of defiance yesterday, and came out victorious after an executive session at which they discussed Police Commissioner Waldo's firm position of keeping the aldermanic investigators within the bounds prescribed by his method of granting them access to the headquarters records.

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Three Deny Detective's Story That She Was Home Nov. 27. Annie Marshall, known as "Annie Miller," who was arrested on December 1 for looting a disorderly house at No. 125 West 6th street, was the principal witness yesterday at the trial of former Detective Ernest E. Buckland, before Deputy Commissioner Walsh at Police Headquarters.

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