

### INVEST FORTUNE IN MEXICAN LOVE PIRATE

#### ROMANCE TOLD BY WIDOW

Former Highland Park Woman Victim of Los Angeles Swindler. Latter to Be Sentenced

This story of romance and fortune circling about Mrs. Hallie Chamberlain of Los Gatos, Cal., who was formerly Hallie Gavitt of Highland Park, daughter of Chaplain H. C. Gavitt, is reprinted from the recent issue of a Los Angeles newspaper. The Gavitt family lived on Fort Sheridan avenue for several years before their removal about five years ago. The story follows:

An amazing story of how a widow with three children lost \$5000 to Constantino V. Riccardi, former Los Angeles attorney, love pirate and bon vivant, now awaiting sentence on a charge of embezzling the funds of a client in San Francisco, was revealed yesterday when Mrs. Hallie Cham-

berlain of Los Gatos filed an affidavit in the Bay City courts through H. A. Gabriel, an attorney of San Jose.

The love light has vanished, she says, just as she likewise subscribes that Riccardi proposed to fly to Mexico in an airplane if he should fail to win freedom on his appeal from conviction of embezzlement.

She tells of a chance acquaintance-ship struck up with Riccardi at Los Gatos last August and then motor drives, "when we talked of ourselves." "He told of his loneliness, of how he longed for a sweet companion like myself," said Mrs. Chamberlain. "I was a lonely woman; and he was all I had dreamed of as my ideal," recites the widow. "A splendid physical specimen, charming manners, gracious, tender, and as one of my friends remarked, a 'god.'"

Happiness Seemed Complete "The following day he returned to San Francisco. He called me on the phone in the day and again about midnight, to ask if I loved him."

Then the affidavit narrative proceeds:

"On Sunday, two days afterward, he called at my home and seemed

more adorable than ever—immaculate flannels, silk shirt, costless and hatless.

"My happiness seemed complete. He called every day. We went swimming, dancing, motoring and had a very enjoyable time.

"After about a week he suddenly told me that Peter McDonough had gone off his bond and he must have \$500 at once or go to jail. At his request, I pawned my two diamond rings and gave him the money.

"I drove to the sheriff's office and he returned saying: 'The matter is now fixed. I put up \$1500 with the sheriff.' We were happy once again.

"In the meantime I was going back and forth to San Francisco, buying my trousseau, arranging for our wedding and our removal to Michigan, where he was to commence the practice of law and enter into politics, with the ambition of ultimately being sent by this government as Ambassador to Italy."

The recital continues with charges that Riccardi by devious representations of trouble got \$1,050 more.

Mrs. Chamberlain says she went East, raised \$900 there; subsequently

several hundred dollars more while he was in jail after conviction; then another \$1000 in post dated check to Nate Coughlan, Riccardi's attorney, and she comments:

"I have sacrificed my diamonds, my automobile, my Eastern property and I gave him all the ready cash I had.

"My short acquaintance with my ideal has cost me \$5000, and I now find that my ideal is an embezzler, a briber, a fleecer of unprotected women and has gone unpunished for his many crimes."

And to pay off Coughlan she is now selling her ranch, she added.

#### DEDICATE THIRD OF ZION TABERNACLES

Tabernacle No. 8, located on Elizabeth avenue, between 26th and 27th streets, Zion City, was dedicated Sunday night by Overseer Voliva. This makes three of fifteen tabernacles to be built by Voliva and which is a part of the plan whereby he can get personally acquainted with every man, woman and child in Zion. An officer will be placed in charge of each of the fifteen districts, and one of the elaborate plans is to have a photograph of every house in the city, with a record attached of every man, woman and child in these dwellings.

When a community's finances run low, and economy is suggested, it is usually directed against school teachers and health officers. More money is appropriated to prevent fires than to prevent disease. Buildings may be replaced, but human life cannot be restored.

An Illinois paper in an Illinois city which is seriously handicapped by the housing proposition suggests an open air colony now that spring is at hand. Necessity, at times works along the line of health promotion. Fresh air is nature's best tonic.

Old Gentleman (in street car): "Has anyone here dropped a roll of bills, with a rubber elastic around them?"

"Yes, I have," cried a dozen.

"Old Gent (calmly): "Well, I just plucked up the elastic."

It is denied that people are using their brains nowadays, as they are studying very hard to avoid doing any work.

#### WAUKEGAN CAR FARE REMAINS AT FIVE CENTS

That the Safety Cars were installed by the North Shore line in Waukegan as a means of decreasing the cost of operation and thereby making it possible for the company to continue the 5-cent street car fare is the statement of Luke Grant, writing in the North Shore Bulletin, the company's official organ. Thus, while other cities are paying a higher rate of fare Waukegan has escaped up to the present time and will continue to escape providing the experiment being made there now works out satisfactorily.

Here is what the bulletin says of the Waukegan situation:

"The Safety Car offers the only method of keeping the fares down to the lowest minimum. With operating costs and especially wages and material prices mounting higher year after year, there are only two ways open to a railway company to keep out of bankruptcy. One way is to raise the fares, as has been done in most of the other cities throughout the country. The other is to find a cheaper method of operation and still furnish adequate service. The North Shore line is trying the latter method in Waukegan.

"On the success of the Safety Car in Waukegan will depend the rate of fare. Although other cities of similar size along the North Shore line are paying increased street car fares the old nickel is still doing business in Waukegan. The North Shore line is anxious to see the low fare maintained if it can be done. It could not have been continued much longer under the old method of operation.

"It is as much to the interest of the people of Waukegan as it is to the company to make the new venture a success. Co-operation is needed if low fares are to be maintained. Support the company in every way possible and in that way save money for yourself. The North Shore Line is banking on your co-operation and support and will do its part of give the people good service."

#### Scratch As Cats Can

Two cats, having fallen out, decided to have a duel. "Before we proceed," said one, "let us have a clear understanding."

"What now?" asked the other.

"Is this a duel to the death?" asked the first cat, "or shall we have a world series and make it the best five lives out of nine?"

The alleged uninteresting quality of after dinner speaking nowadays is perhaps not due so much to the lack of eloquence of the orators, as to the dryness of the auditors.

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## Who Should Be President of the United States

"General Wood is a national figure and has been one for over twenty years. His patriotism has been expressed in constant service of the nation as administrator and soldier. It is a record which the Republican party could proudly assert and it establishes General Wood's name in American history regardless of the political events of the present year."

—The Chicago Tribune, Editorial, March 25, 1920

### YOU'RE going to vote for somebody for President—at the Preference Primary, Tues., Apr. 13.

It is your one opportunity to let the country know where you stand. When you come right down to it, remember that you really will be voting for yourself when you vote for the man you believe in and the man you want. You will be voting for yourself because he will be the man you want to represent you and your ideas in the White House.

**NO PRIMARY** in the history of Illinois has meant so much to the average man in this state. The "Favortie Son" idea and blind partisanship should have nothing to do with this question.

It is beyond that; more than that.

You want the man whose character and abilities have been proved in the actual conduct of great national and international affairs; not merely tried in the problems of any one state. This is the one time of all others when an outstanding national figure should be selected—Leonard Wood is the man.

Remember, neither candidate was born in Illinois. Both are sons of other states. One was born in Minnesota, the other in New Hampshire. Minnesota has already given her overwhelming vote to Leonard Wood against her "native son" candidate. South Dakota has followed with an endorsement equally strong for Leonard Wood.

Both have lived outside of Illinois. Both now live in Illinois. Do not be misled on this issue. You should vote solely on their fitness for President.

Leonard Wood has been tested and tried. He found Cuba in a condition of squalor and savage anarchy. For more than a century it had suffered military oppression, which has few parallels in history. For more than two centuries it had been the fever-plagued spot of the world.

The streets were open sewers. People were dying by the thousand. The island was infested by bandits and brigands—only profiteers flourished.

It was Leonard Wood's task to build a republic out of this military colony, prostrated by four years of warfare; to build a republic in a country where popular elections were unknown and where the vast majority of the population couldn't even mark a ballot.

He cleaned the streets and rid the island of yellow fever. Beginning at the bottom he taught the people to read and write—established a system of schools—and then trained them in self-government.

He abolished profiteering and eradicated corruption. He provided Cuba with a constitution and established swift, impartial justice.

He turned a bankrupt nation, notable chiefly for starvation, disease and disorder, into one of the most contented and prosperous countries in the world. Paid all her debts and left \$1,000,000 in her treasury.

All this work has passed into the solid achievement of history—a record worthy of a Washington or a Lincoln—a training seemingly ordained to fit Leonard Wood for President of the United States.

Neither England with her boasted ability for colonial administration, nor France with her marvelous record, has ever produced so remarkable a genius in constructive government as Leonard Wood. Lord Cromer told his home government that the one man best qualified to succeed him in Egypt as Governor was Leonard Wood; but unfortunately he was an American.

Leonard Wood has a world-wide, proved reputation as an administrator. He does not invite disorder by vacillation or indecision—his clear, fair, well-defined purposes avert trouble and render force unnecessary.

One of the greatest gifts in statesmanship as well as in business is the ability to choose the right man for the right work. Leonard Wood has this ability. In Cuba from the very start he chose Cubans as members of his cabinet. That is one of the reasons they loved him—that is why they worship him to this day.

The Encyclopedia Britannica flatly states that Leonard Wood struck off the shackles of military control to which the colony had been previously subjected and converted it into a nation governed for the Cubans and by the Cubans.

This then is the record of Leonard Wood in Cuba—a record of the far-sighted administrator and statesman—yes, a nation builder.

His work in the Philippines is equally as marvelous as in Cuba.

Theodore Roosevelt said of his work: "It would be difficult to find anywhere a finer record of successful accomplishment."

In this crisis of the world's history we need a man for President with the experiences and qualifications of a nation-builder and a nation-restorer.

The secret of the success of Leonard Wood is that he knows men, he knows the world and its peoples. His work for Uncle Sam has taken him around the globe. He is a man of peace and yet of courage. Above all else—he is 100% American—strong, rugged and dependable.

You need, the country needs, Leonard Wood now, just as it needed Abraham Lincoln's sixty years ago.

We ask you to resolve to go to the polls Tuesday, April 13, and show your belief and confidence in Leonard Wood. The whole country is waiting to hear what Illinois is going to say and it is for you to do the saying. They are relying upon your good judgment and common sense. You personally are responsible. You owe it to them and to your conscience to vote your real preference uninfluenced by local pride or prejudice, or local politics.

We ask you to do your part because we believe Leonard Wood is the man you want.

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