President to Retaliate

if Criticized.

SECRET SERVICE IS NEEDED

Says It Saves Him From Mak-

ing Unfit Appointments.

SENATE ADVISES CAUTION

Will Endeavor to Postpone Action or

Condemnatory Measure Like House

Passed, and Allow Displeasure

to Fall on Lower Branch.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13 - (Special.)-If

Congress criticises the Secret Service par

of his message, President Roosevelt wil

probably retaliate by publishing date

gathered by him through the Secret Serv-

ce concerning men recommended to him

for appointment by Congressmen. He wil

publish only such bits as will indicate that

he needs Secret Service men to save him

from the humiliation of appointing totally

unfit men. Facts concerning the morals

of these men, or rather lack of them,

will thereby be made a part of the public

be material in the reports warranting the

institution of suits for divorce by wives

of several applicants for appointment to

Congress maintains that the President

was not authorized to use the Secret Service for any such purpose. His answer

vill be that the result justifies the prac-

tice of lending a Secret Service man to

any department that wishes to know

about the private life of an applicant for

office who has the recommendation of a

Senate Wants Delay.

Conservative Senators who have been

weighing the results of the action of the

House in passing the Perkins resolution

course which will leave the House to

Congressman.

According to goeslp, there will

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# VENEZUELAN SHIP SEIZED BY DUTCH

Crew Landed and Prize Towed to Port.

### NO RESISTANCE IS MADE

Castro's Forts See Act of War but Do Not Fire.

#### CURACOA MUCH ENTHUSED

Rumors of Revolution in Interior of Venezuela Are Reported to Be Persistent at Mara-

WILLEMSTAD, Curacao, Dec. 13 .-The Dutch cruiser Gelderland on Sats urday morning captured the Venezuelan coast-guard ship Alix outside Puerto The Dutch flag was holsted over the Alix outside of Puerto Cabello and the crew of the Alix was put The guard-ship was then manned by Dutch officers and marines. and towed to Willemstad, arriving here this morning.

Although the seizure of the Alix was plainly discernible from Puerto Cabello, the forts there did not fire upon the Gelderland.

#### Excitement Is Intense. There is great enthusiasm over the

incldent in Curacao. The steamer Maracaibo, which arrived here today from Venezuelan ports, reports that when she was at

Maracalbo the air was full of rumors of a revolution in the interior of Ven-The scigure of the Alix was in accordmance with the plans of the Holland gov ernment when instructions were issued

to the three Dutch warships now in these waters to make a demonstration off the coast of Venezuela and to capture any Venezuelan ships of war or guard vessel that they might find. The arrival of the Gelderland at Wil-

lemstad this morning was greeted with unbounded enthusiasm by those who noticed the cruiser approach, and soon the entire population was down to the fleeced." water's edge to welcome the return of the Gelderland, towing the first of the enemy's ships as though from a great

#### conquest Populace of Curacao Rejoices.

Naturally the people of Curacao, who have long been clamoring for activity or the part of the Dutch government, ar greatly rajoiced over this evidence that Holland has at last begun active measures against Venezuela, but the governor of Curacao discussed the incident as follows:

The capture by our warships of coast guard and war vessels is not to be considered an unfriendly act against the Venezuelans.

#### Simply Act of Reprisal.

"It is merely a reprisal against Castro's government, which refuses to give satisfaction for his unfriendly acts toward Holland. The seizure of these vessely will make it impossible for the Venezuelan government to carry troops or ainmunition to and from the various ports "A communication to this effect has been forwarded by the Dutch government to the German minister at Caracas." It is learned from the officers of the

Gelderland that the battleship Jacob Van Heemsker and the cruiser Friesland are now off La Guayra and that further cap tures may be expected at any time. Thes. two vessels left here on Friday, cleared for action, and it was believed at that that the intention was to make a forcible demorstration at La Guayra.

The opinion is held here that the Venegovernment, in the absence of President Castro, will not go so far as to fire upon the Dutch warships, which, in view of the fact that Venezuela is practically without a navy, hold the Venezuelan ports at their mercy.

#### CASTRO UTTERS FAIR WORDS

#### Particularly Manifests Desire for France's Friendship.

PARIS, Dec. 11.-President Castre, of Venezuela, and his party left here today for Cologne, where a consultation of physicians will be held to determine upon the advisability of an operation on the President. If the operation is found essary Dr. Israel probably will per

form it at Berlin; Castro kept himself closely confined to his hotel here, refusing to give out any statement to newspaper men, except through some members of his suite. the train today, however, he accorded an interview to a representative of the Temps, saying that as he was leaving France be felt at liberty to receive a

tournalist. Castro Wants France's Priendship.

The interview, while guarded, fully confirms the representations made by Castro at Santander to the effect that he wanted to settle Venezuela's diplomatic diffculties, and so far as France is conerned, had already made the first steps in that direction. He said, however, that everything for the moment must be subordinated to the restoration of his

While avoiding a direct question as to (Concluded on Page Li

# SPOKANE MAN AT MYSTERY COUNCIL

CHICAGO CONFERENCE STARTS RUMORS OF ROBBERY.

Presence of Washingtonian Arouse Suspicion That Westerner Has Been Victimized.

CHICAGO, Dec. 13 .- (Special.)-J. Herbert Anderson, a capitalist of Spo kane. Wash, was the central figure to day in a somewhat mysterious conference between lawyers from various

parts of the country. The gathering was held in the Audi



Senator Eugene Hale, Who as Floor Leader, Wift Secret Service Reso-

torium Annex. Those who participated were Samuel G. Untermeyer, the New York lawyer: A. C. McDonald, Attorney-General of the State of Washington; Assistant Attorney-General Mc-Connell, of Montana, and R. M. Mac Leod, a capitalist of Winnipeg.

There were rumors about the hote that a certain Western financier was recently swindled out of \$250,000, but Mr. Anderson and his conferees declined to throw much light on the object of the gathering. They discredited the rumor concerning the loss of a large sum of money, denying they were here to effect a settlement with the man said to have been involved.

"We are simply floating some bonds," volunteered Mr. Anderson. "It's a big financial deal, and the premature publication of our plans might cost those interested several hundred thousand dollars. Nobody in our party was

### SICK FROM IMPURE MEAT

Mare Island Guests at Launching Victim of Caterer's Graft.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 13.-At a con-SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 13-At a conference held this afternoon between Dr. J. J. Hogan, of Vallejo, Dr. Martin Regensburger, president of the State Board of Health, and Coroner Leland, of San Francisco, to inquire into the poisoning of a number of guests who attended the daunching of the collier Promotheus last and the proposition of the collier promotheus last the proposition of the collier promotheus last the proposition of the collier promotheus last the promotheus and the promotheus seed to the promotheus and the promoth week at Mare Island, it has been decided that decayed beef was responsible for the illness that followed the luncheon served by Caterer L. S. Cohen.

At the conference Dr. Hogan said:
"The contract with Cohen called for prime beef, and we have found that he served meat that he purchased for 7 cents a pound. This inferior meat was cooked rare and kept in that state for

The three physicians agreed that the poisoning was due to putrid beef and that while the symptoms were similar to those of ptomaine poisoning, the malady was

the same The inquest over the body of J. C. Reynolds, the water who died presumably from the effects of the food which ryed at the Navy-yard, will be held

### ARMY GOODS TO MILITIA

All Equipment to Be Supplied by War Department.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.-The National Guard interests are promoted by an order of the War Department, contemplating that all requisitions re-ceived from militia authorities for clothing and equipment be filled by the iasue from the Army source of sup-plies of the latest style of articles

This will have the effect of equipping the militia with nothing obsolete in the way of material. Officials say it is a case of the regular Army being side-tracked for the benefit of the militia.

## STEAMER MODOC SINKS

Rammed by Valetta in Sacramento River, but No One Is Hurt.

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 13 .- The Southern Pacific steamer Modoc was rammed by the steamer Valetta in the Sacramento River, near Walnut Grove, at 1:30 o'clock this morning, and sank in seven feet of water. The bollers were submerged and much of the cargo was It is estimated that the loss will be

about \$35,000. No one was injured.

#### COSGROVE IS STRONGER

Will Resume Taking Baths, as Symptoms Are Favorable,

PASO ROBLES HOT SPRINGS, Cal. Dec. 13.—(Special.)—Governor-elect Cos-arove's symptoms continue to be favor-able. His strength is better today and will resume taking the baths tomor-F. W. SAWYMR, Director,

# FAMOUS HOTEL IS TO BE ABANDONED MAY BE PUBLISHED

CHICAGO AUDITORIUM SOON WILL CLOSE.

Directors Declare It Has Lost Money, and Will Concentrate Business in Annex.

CHICAGO, Dec. III.-(Special.)-Plans for abandoning the great Auditorium Hotel have been decided upon by th board of directors of the Congress Hotel company, operating the Auditorium and the Annex. All the business of the two big hotels on Michigan boulevard is to be concentrated in the Annex, which recently was enlarged to double its former capacity.

President Southgate asserted that the Auditorium Hotel had been losing money for years. He asserted that it did not pay 1 per cent on the money invested and that it was poor property compared with the new Annex, which, he asserted, was paying its stockholders \$250,000 a

From the earnings account for the year shown at the Chicago Auditorium Asociation stockholders' meeting, it is seen that the hotel paid last year in rentals \$153,701. The theater paid \$67,000 and office building \$64,780, while interest and dividends brought in \$9915 more, making a total of \$295,077.57. The cost of the building amounted to \$262,103 leaving a net income for the year of \$32,974, from which was deducted \$17,188 as depreciation on

## BUTTERMAKERS TO MEET

Washington State Convention in Chehalis This Week.

CHEHALIS, Wash., Dec. 13.-(Special. -All arrangements have been completed for the annual meeting of the Washington dairymen to be held in Chehalis the coming week. There will be three separate conventions of farmers interested in arious phases of the stock and milk Wednesday at 1:30 P. M. the Washing-

ton Buttermakers' Association will open up the dairy convention with an interest-ing programme. C. L. Mitchell of the dairy division of the Department of Agri-culture, Washington, D. C., will be here to score the butter exhibits, and it is possible that Mr. Sweet, of Minnesota, may also be present. Premiums will be awarded to the buttermakers having the three highest scores. Wednesday afternoon, also, the Wash-ington Pure Bred Livestock Breeders'

ington Pure Bred Livestock Breeders'
Association will hold a business session. They will also attend the meeting
of the dairymen Thursday and Friday.
The dairymen's convention proper will
begin Thursday morning and there will
be morning, afternoon and evening programmes that day. On Friday there will
be two day sessions. Professor O. M.
Olson, a dairy specialist from Minnesota, and Professor W. L. Carlisle,
director of the Colorado Agricultural Experiment Station, are among those from today determined upon an effort to force periment Station, are among those from outside who are to attend as instructors.

Attempt to Blow Up Chicago Coliseum.

#### SCENE OF FIRST WARD BALL

Strong Opposition to Proposed Orgy Was Made.

NO BODIES FOUND IN RUINS

Two Men Living in Shack Thought to Have Died-Explosion Breaks Windows and Causes Panic Among People in Churches.

CHICAGO, Dec. II .- (Special.) - Two ldings were wrecked, two men are thought to have been killed, and windows were shattered for a block around by terrific explosion of a bomb in an alley in Wabash avenue, near Sixteenth street onight. The wrecked building adjoins he Collseum, where the First Ward ball, the annual revel, against the holding of which much opposition has been made, is scheduled to be held tomorrow night. The report of the explosion was heard

for a mile. The building at which the bomb was imed adjoins the Collseum annex on the south, and taking into consideration the fact that preparations were all in readiness for the annual First Ward ball which is to be held tomorrow night, the police and others think it was the motive of the perpetrators to reduce the profits of the dance.

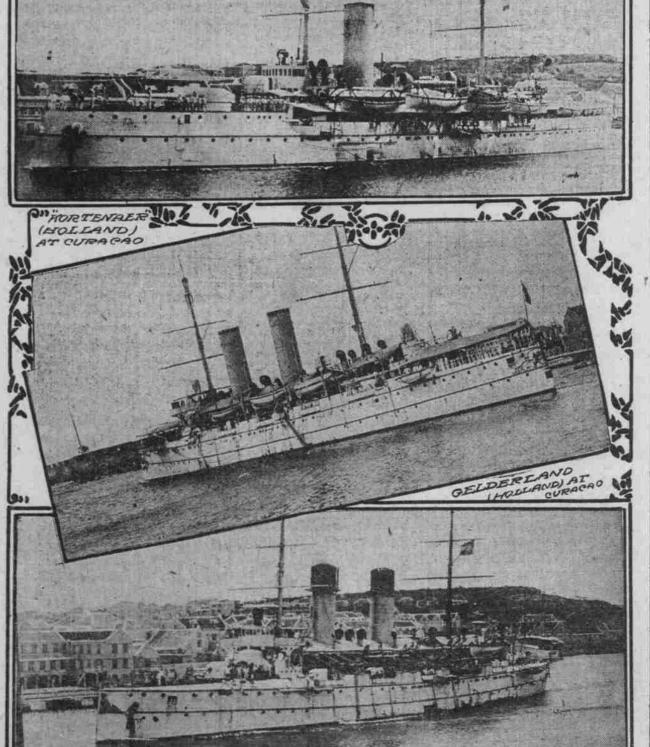
#### Attempt to Spoil Dance.

Inspector John Wheeler, Lieutenant John Bonfield and others who were on the scene soon after the explosion, made mention of the fact that the so-called gamblers' war did not figure in this case. as, so far as they were able to learn, there are no gambling places in the immediate vicinity. In saloons and on the street it was common talk that it was the purpose of the bomb-throwers to frighten away those who had intended to

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#### "hold the bag" in the row with the Pres-(Continued on Page 5.)

DUTCH WARSHIPS WHICH ARE MENACING VENEZUELAN COAST



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## DIVORCE COURT UPLIFTS NATION

RABBI KRAUSKOPF DELIVERS STARTLING SERMON.

Says More Freedom in Breaking Unequal Yoke Will Bring About Purer World.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 13.-(Special.) That the divorce courts of the United States are uplifting rather than degrading the Nation, and that this old world could lose much of its normal rottenness f its laws on the severance of marriage bonds were more liberal, were the asse

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Louis W. Hill, Great Northern President, Who Declares Hill Will Operate Stenmers Be-San Francisco Portland if Business Warrants.

tions in a sensational sermon delivered this morning by Rev. Dr. Joseph Kraus kopf, of Temple Keneseth Israel, one of the best-known rabbis of the East,

"When I analyze the causes of unhappy marriages, when I note by whom, for he most part, the divorces are sought. to whom they are granted, and for what cause, I find that two-thirds of the divorces are granted to wronged womer that wives find it more and more insufferable to continue yoked to husbands who have violated the sanctity of womanhood and who have polluted the purity of the marital tie.

"I see the day coming when marriage will have a far different meaning from what it has now; when entrance into it will constitute a coveted privilege; when purity, not purse, will constitute the ab-solute necessity pre-requisite; when all the honor that is now demanded of women will be demanded of men; when the lack of it in man will constitute as much of a bar to marriage as the lack of it now constitutes a bar for woman.

#### DIETZ CHOSEN COMMANDER

Elected Presiding Officer of Canby Post, G. A. R., at Hood River.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Dec. 13.—(Special.)—The annual meeting of Camby Post, Department of Oregon, G. A. R., was held yesterday and the following officers elected for the ensuing year: Commander, F. Dietz; senior vice-commander, George P. Crowell; junior vice-commander, F. C. Waldo; quartermaster, John A. Wilson; officer of the day, L. H. Nichols; chaplain, T. J. Cunning; officer of the guard, Frank Noble; representatives to state encampment, George P. Crowell, S. Copple; alternates, L. H. Nichols, C. F.

It was stated at the meeting by S. F. Blythe, ex-department commander for the state of Oregon, who is a member of Canby Post, that in the 22 years the local post has been in existence it has had 21 past commanders, all of whom are living but one, Judge Henry, who died in California last year. Considering the age of most of the veterans who have occupied the position, their longevity is thought to be remarkable.

#### ALBANY GETS CONDENSER

Milk Factory.

ALBANY, Or., Dec. 13.-(Special.)-A big milk condenser will be running in Albany next Spring, as the result of a meeting held in the Linn County Court-house in this city yesterday afternoon. The campaign for a condenser which has been in progress several months came to a focus at this meeting when those who have subscribed stock in the Interprise met and formed definite plans for the erection of the plant at once. H. H. Hewitt was chosen chairman and Hugh G. Fisher secretary of the tem-porary organization and the following directors were chosen for the company: Hugh G. Fisher, A. M. Hammer, Henry Lyons and Sheriff D. S. Smith, of Albany, and W. W. Poland, of Shedds. More than \$21,000 worth of stock has been subscribed for the enterprise in the past few months. Now that the initial steps have been taken for the formation of the converse, and the directors selected of the company and the directors selected it is believed an additional \$15,000 worth of stock can be secured here but the company will proceed independently of further stock subscriptions, if necessary

#### HURRIES TO FATHER'S AID

Mrs. Page, of Oakland, to Assist W. A. Markley, Accused of Fraud.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 13.-(Spe cial)-Reading in the press dispatches that her father, William A. Markley, was In fall here, charged with collecting in-surance money without a license, Mrs. E. V. Page, of Oakland, Cal., hastened here to help her aged parent straighten

services of an attorney. It is expected Y. W. C. A. formally dedicates new building that the \$165 will be made good, and that Markley will be released from jall without prosecution

Great Northern Plans Coastwise Line.

### LOUIS HILL SO ANNOUNCES

Two Vessels to Be Put on if Conditions Warrant.

#### INQUIRY IS UNDER WAY

Steamers for Proposed Line Will Be as Fine as Any Ever Engaged in Coastwise Trade, President Declares.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 12.—(Special.) A new steamship line between San Francisco and Portland, equipped for high-class passenger service, is foreshadowed in the present visit to this city of Louis W. Hill, president of the Great Northern Railroad, and Francis E. Clarke, president of Hill's North Bank

Hill and Clarke have begun an investigation into local conditions, and while making no positive declarations, gave out strong intimations today that they were prepared to place two big vessels on the run. This will not only provide opposition to the Harriman steamship ine, but will give the Hill interests direct communication, under their own management, with San Francisco. Although it has been reported that rail

extensions of the Hill system toward San Francisco were contemplated, the young rallroad president said that no such project existed.

#### Inquiry Is on Foot.

"We are looking into the situation." said Hill, "and if conditions warrant we will place two vessels on the run between San Francisco and Portland. The vessels are 400 feet long and as fine as any in the coast trade. We shall make a specialty of high-class passenger traffic. We regard the San Francisco-Portfand business in the same way as the Chicago-New York traffic is regarded

#### Hill Praises Portland.

"Portland has experienced a remark able growth. It has practically doubled San Francisco is concerned its future is assured. It is a city of unlimited possibilities. As I look out of the window over these new buildings on every hand,

the view suggests New York." Mr. Clarke, who is accompanying Hill, is president of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle Railroad, the new road along the north side of the Columbia River, and also chief executive of the Astoria & Columbia Hiver Railroad.

#### Oriental Trade Myth, He Says,

Hill spoke interestingly of Oriental trade conditions and the development of the Northwest:

"Oriental trade?" he echoed. "It is a myth; we have none. Furthermore, we have enough to do at present to take care of our trade at home. Besides, how can we look for trade with the Orient when we subject their diplomats and even their Princes to the Bertillon system before we permit them to set foot on our soll? A foreign trade comes with te asua no panujino))

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