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VENEZUELA DECLARED TO BE IN STATE OF WAR

Announcement Made By Acting President Gomez In Absence of Castro.

STATE DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN ADVISED

Action Is Taken In View of Seizure of Venezuelan Vessels By Dutch.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 17.—The State Department has been advised that Acting President Gomez of Venezuela, who called out the troops to stop the rioting, has declared the country in a state of war. This action on the part of Gomez is taken in view of the seizure by the Dutch of the Venezuelan vessels. Excitement at the capital of Venezuela is said to be intense. A cable from Berlin, where Castro went to submit to a surgical operation, states that the friends of Castro declare that he is in receipt of daily advices from Caracas and has heard nothing of the outbreak in his capital.

BUYS ANOTHER LUMBER CAMP

Smith-Powers Company Purchases the Hoeck Equipment Near Beaver Hill.

The equipment of the Hoeck lumber camp at Beaver Hill has been purchased by the Smith-Powers Timber Company. The camp was quite a large one and about one hundred men were employed there. It is located near the Beaver Hill mine and a branch railroad extends to the camp. There is about twelve miles of steel rails, two locomotives, five donkey engines and a lot of other machinery.

For the present the new owners will clean up the camp and later on will move the entire equipment from where it is now located. It will be used in a new camp just this side of the divide which will have a railroad to bring the logs to the head of Isthmus Inlet on which stream they will be floated to the Smith mill. The purchase makes the seventh camp which the Smith-Powers Company is operating in the county.

Two more camps opening on Isthmus Inlet are also to be opened soon.

MAN LYNCHED IN KENTUCKY

Murderer Elmer Hill Loses His Life at Hands of a Mob.

(By Associated Press.)
LEXINGTON, Ky., Dec. 17.—Elmer Hill, arrested for the murder of thirteen-year-old Mamie Womac, in Adair county, Ky., and several times transferred to different jails by the authorities for safe keeping, was mobbed this morning and lynched at Monticello.

Diamond Jewelry at the RED CROSS.

Buy your groceries at the ANONA CASH GROCERY and save money enough to buy your Christmas presents.

OLD QUESTION IS UP AGAIN

Senator Lodge Discusses the Brownsville Affair Before Many In Congress.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 17.—The Brownsville affair was discussed in the Senate by Senator Lodge, a member of the Committee on Military Affairs, which investigated the charges that the soldiers of the Twenty-fifth regiment "shot up" the town of Brownsville. Lodge remarked that he makes no reference to the report of the investigation referred to by the President in his recent message to congress. The galleries were filled, many negroes being present. Lodge said that he had come to the conclusion that the shooting was done by the soldiers of the Twenty-fifth Infantry. There was no evidence against anybody else that the bullets were used in Springfield rifles and he spoke of the testimony of the soldiers as constituting "a uniform denial," the uniformity of which rendered it of doubtful value to him. He said half the selected champions of the soldiers sought not for equality before the law but for special treatment for the Brownsville soldiers on the ground of race. Senator Lodge declared that they were not entitled to any different treatment than white men were entitled to under the same circumstances. Lodge favored the Warner bill which allows the President to restore the innocent to the army whenever he is satisfied that any of them are blameless.

SWISS HOLD ELECTION.

Federal Assembly Choses President For Year 1909.

(By Associated Press.)
BERNE, Dec. 17.—A Deutscher, Minister of Commerce, was today elected President of the Swiss republic for 1909, by the federal assembly.

IOWA GETS FIRST PRIZE

Carries Off Honors at National Horticultural Congress at Council Bluffs.

(By Associated Press.)
COUNCIL BLUFFS, Ia., Dec. 17.—Iowa received first prize in awards on state exhibits at the National Horticultural Congress. The second prize went to Idaho; third to Washington; fourth to Utah, and fifth to Maryland. Awards on county displays were as follows: Canyon county, Idaho, first; Chelan county, Washington, second; Iowa county, Iowa, third; Polk county, Iowa, fourth. In the numerous awards on plate displays B. M. Chapman of Wenatchee, Wash., and J. A. Carr of Council, Idaho, were among those who carried off the honors.

LEADERS COMPROMISE.

Senator Considers President's Recommendation On Secret Service

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 17.—Senator Aldrich introduced a resolution directing the committee on appropriations to consider that portion of the President's message dealing with the secret service.

Senator Culberson offered a resolution in amendment to Aldrich and the Republican and Democratic leaders to get together and agree upon a compromise. Culberson said Aldrich's resolution did not go far enough.

BODY OF LATE CHIEF IS BURIED

Remains of Late Head of San Francisco Police Department Laid to Rest at Holy Cross.

(By Associated Press.)
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 17.—The body of Chief of Police Biggy was today laid to rest in the Holy Cross cemetery with due respect to his

rank as late head of the police department of this city. The body was escorted to St. Mary's Cathedral by over three hundred policemen. Six sergeants of the police acted as pallbearers. Many of the municipal offices were closed for the day out of respect to the late chief. Over one hundred members of the fire department, besides hundreds of friends and acquaintances, attended the funeral services.

HOUSE ASKS FOR EVIDENCE

Wants to Know Upon What President Bases His Recent Statements.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 17.—Chairman Perkins of the House special committee, appointed to recommend a course of action relative to the secret service feature of the President's message, presented a report to the committee at the beginning of today's session of the House. The report recommends the adoption of a resolution calling upon the president to supply the House evidence upon which he based his statement that members of the House were principally concerned over the fact that secret service men had been investigating the members themselves. The House adopted Perkins' resolution without a dissenting vote.

COLD SNAP IS SEVERE

Mercury Has Not Dropped Lower In December For Past Seven Years.

Coos Bay has been experiencing a pretty severe shiver the past few days. In fact for this part of the country it has been exceedingly cold although a new comer from northern Michigan or Canada might not think it was much of a cold snap.

The beautiful warm weather of several weeks preceding the change spoiled everyone for anything like winter and when the cold spell came it caused a general complaint.

As a matter of fact it has been really cold for this climate and this morning was about the coldest yet. A heavy frost covered everything and the midday sun did not entirely remove the chill from the air.

It has been three years since the mercury went down as low in December as it has this time and during the past seven years it has never been any lower in December. One day during January of 1907, it was three degrees colder.

Comparison. Mrs. E. Mings, the special meteorological observer at this point furnishes some interesting figures comparing this cold snap with other seasons.

The following table shows the lowest temperature reached during the winter months each year for the past seven years:

	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March
1902	27	24	30	30
1903	28	27	29	28
1904	29	25	27	30
1905	27	25	25	31
1906	29	29	31	24
1907	30	24	32	32
1908	27	30	30	29

Weather Notes. The Curry county people are suffering more than the residents of Coos Bay. It was reported this morning from Port Orford that the mountains in that locality were covered with snow.

Those who were caught short on fuel have found it disagreeable and there has been quite a rush with the coal and wood dealers. The frost this morning was the

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HOPE TO HAVE GOOD CHARTER

Committee In Charge of Work Will Endeavor to Cover All Points.

The committee having in charge the preparation of the new charter for the city of Marshfield is at work now, but it will be four or five months before the charter is completed and ready to submit to the vote of the people.

Different subcommittees have been appointed and each is taking up different branches of the charter. These sections will be presented to and adopted by the general committee as they are completed.

The members of the committee are putting in a good deal of time of the work. They have sent to other cities to secure charters and are taking the best out of all of them and hope to have prepared to present to the people an up-to-date charter adapted to a city of this size.

DREDGER AT WORK AGAIN

Was Closed Down For Few Days to Make Repairs On Machinery.

The government dredger Oregon is again at work having been closed down for a few days. The machinery got out of line a few inches and it was necessary to stop for repairs. The dredger is still working between the Smith mill and the coal bunkers and is throwing the dirt on the marsh near the mill. From 1,800 to 2,000 cubic yards of dirt is being taken out each day.

The sale of dirt is progressing satisfactorily and quite a number of contracts for filling lots, especially in Railroad addition, have been secured.

DIES IN ASYLUM.

Insane and Aged Aunt of Harry K. Thaw Passes Away.

(By Associated Press.)
PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 17.—Harriet A. Thaw, aged 85 years, an aunt of Harry K. Thaw, died Tuesday night at the Friends' Asylum for the Insane at Frankford, a suburb of this city. The fact of her insanity secured the second trial of Thaw.

COSGROVE BETTER.

Governor-Elect Is Reported to Be Rapidly Improving.

(From Friday's Daily.)
PASO ROBLES, Cal., Dec. 17.—Governor Elect Cosgrove of Washington, continues to make great improvement in his condition of health. Cosgrove's son intends returning to Washington very soon when it will be determined whether the inauguration will take place at Olympia or at Paso Robles.

heaviest seen here for several years past. Last year there was a flurry of snow one day and two years ago during the holidays there was enough snow to cover the ground but the white appearance of the city this morning was due entirely to frost. The snow of the big mountains in view of Marshfield was clearly visible this morning and yesterday morning.

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