

# WAR WITH VENEZUELA IS PRACTICALLY BEGUN

## The Anglo German Fleet Seizes Ten Venezuela War Vessels and Destroys Several Undergoing Repairs in the Harbor--Prisoners Relieved

### In Caracas the News of the Seizure Caused a Great Patriotic Demonstration--Mob Paraded Streets, Stoned German Embassy and all German and English Subjects Were Arrested--The People Called to Arms.

LAGUAYRA, Venezuela, Dec. 10.—Ten German and four British cutters captured the Venezuelan fleet yesterday. They went alongside the Venezuelan vessels and ordered them to surrender, and without a shot being fired the British and German forces seized the vessels in the name of the German Emperor and the King of England.

Two of five vessels which were undergoing repairs were broken up. The German cruiser Panther steamed into the harbor during these proceedings with her decks cleared for action. The Venezuelan steamers were taken outside of the harbor and early this morning the General Crespo, Tutmo and Margarita were sunk, the Ossun was the only vessel spared, in view of a protest made by the French charge, who notified the commodore of the allied fleet that the Ossun is the property of France.

At 10:30 last night 130 German sailors were landed and proceeded to Cardonal, a suburb of La Guayra, in which is the isolated residence of German Consul Lantz, who, with his family, were escorted to La Guayra and placed on board the warship Vineta. On their way back to this port the German sailors met a party of Venezuelan soldiers but no collision took place.

At 5 o'clock this morning a landing party of British seamen went to the British Consulate and conducted British Consul R. Shunck and his family on board the Retribution. The German and British residents at La Guayra have all been arrested, with the exception of Messrs. Fieldwick, Prince and Lepage, the English directors of the harbor corporations who barricaded themselves in their houses and later were rescued by the forces of the allied powers and taken on board the Retribution. The Englishmen's houses were surrounded by Venezuelan policemen, but when a party of 300 sailors was landed this afternoon and marched to their relief, the policemen made no resistance, and the inmates were conducted to the Retribution without trouble.

The British and German warships, however, in the meantime had cleared for action. No one here can explain the action of the allied powers in taking action without giving Venezuela time to reply to their note. The German cruiser Falk has sailed for Puerto Cabello to search for the remainder of the Venezuelan fleet.

The troops are expected here from Caracas as the Government is credited with the intent of repulsing any landing by the allied forces.

WILLEMSTAD, Curacao, Dec. 10.—There were great patriotic demonstrations in Curacao last night when the news arrived that the British and German warships had seized the Venezuelan war vessels at La Guayra. Crowds quickly gathered and paraded the streets of the capital. The populace marched to the palace of President Castro, who addressed it. The mob then moved on to the German Legation, shouting "Death to the Germans." The windows were shattered with stones. The police made no effort to disperse the demonstration.

At 10 o'clock at night the Government ordered the arrest of all German and English residents. One hour later 125 persons, prominent in social and commercial life, were crowded together in the police station. Ninety-seven German residents were arrested, among them German Consul, Calentine Blohm and the Belgian Charge, F. S. Goffart, who was arrested by mistake and taken to the police station, but was released ten minutes later. States Minister Bowen went at once to President Castro and succeeded in obtaining the release of Dr. Koehler and Consul Valentine Blohm. The British and German flags have been publicly burned.

Castro Appeals to People. Paris, Dec. 10.—A Venezuela Government communication is issued here stating that President Castro has appealed to the Venezuelan people to take up arms against German and Great Britain.

Forces Lapping Marines. La Guayra, Dec. 10.—The combined Anglo-German fleet is entering the harbor and the first vessels are not 200 feet from the Custom House. The landing of marines has begun.

Action Without Precedent. WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—It was said at the British and German Embassies today that the action of President Castro in ordering the arrest of all subjects of the British and German Governments in Caracas was without precedent in the history of peaceful countries supposedly at peace with each other, and that such action would be regarded as sufficient ground for the declaration of war.

The members of the diplomatic corps here, indeed, regard it as being such a declaration in itself. Minister Bowen's prompt action in demanding of President Castro the release of the German and British subjects, arrested in Caracas yesterday, is in accordance with the plan agreed upon between the German and British Ambassadors and Secretary Hay.

Forming a Blockade. PORT OF SPAIN, Trinidad, Dec. 10.—The British cruiser Charybdis seized the Venezuelan gunboat Bolivar in this harbor last night. She landed the Bolivar's officers here, while the British gunboat Alert took the crew of the captured gunboat to the port of La

Guayra, situated on the Venezuelan coast, opposite the island of Trinidad. The British torpedo boat destroyer Quail has received instructions to capture a Venezuelan war vessel now engaged in blockading the mouth of the Orinoco. The entire coast of Venezuela will be blockaded from today by the British war vessels, while the Venezuelan coast from La Guayra to the Colombian frontier will be blocked by the German war vessels.

### SWITCHMEN GAIN POINT

#### SOUTHERN PACIFIC COMPANY ADOPT A NEW FREIGHT RATE WAGE SCALE.

OAKLAND, Cal., Dec. 10.—The switchmen in the employ of the Southern Pacific Company have been given a new wage scale, which establishes a straight rate per hour, instead of the former wage rate of \$15 per month for day men and \$38 and \$50 per month for night men. The new rate is as follows: Day helpers, 28 cents an hour; day foremen, 31 cents an hour; night foremen, 33 cents an hour.

The schedule provides for "no Sundays on," but the figures will allow the men to take two Sundays off a month and will still be an appreciable increase over the former figures.

The new wage schedule as fixed by the Southern Pacific is known as the Chicago schedule.

There is a rumor at the West Oakland yards that the switchmen will, through their foremen, endeavor to have the company allow them to have the two Sundays a month, with full pay added.

The engineers and firemen have presented a demand for increase of pay, and it is reported that the men will be given an increase of 8 per cent.

### LORENZ WORK TO CONTINUE

#### ORTHOPEDIC HOSPITAL TO BE ESTABLISHED WITH AUSTRIAN IN CHARGE.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 10.—Dr. Frederick Mueller, assistant to Professor Adolph Lorenz, the famous Austrian surgeon, who visited the city today, confirmed the reports from Chicago that an orthopedic hospital is to be established in this country, and that he (Mueller) would be at the head of the institution. Prof. Lorenz was asked if the hospital was to be endowed by Mr. Armour, of Chicago, who brought the eminent surgeon here to treat his daughter. In reply Professor Lorenz said: "If we make the little ones walk, their parents will see that our hospital does not suffer for support."

### RECIPROCITY TREATY

#### BETWEEN CANADA AND UNITED STATES SUBJECT OF DETROIT DINNER SECHES.

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 10.—Reciprocity between the United States and Canada was the keynote in the speeches tonight at a dinner tendered the delegates to the national reciprocity convention by the Detroit Chamber of Commerce and the argument in favor of it was presented by John Charlton, a member of the Canadian Parliament.

### QUICK HAS JUMPED.

SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 10.—The local fans are feeling a trifle out of humor just now over the news that Pitcher Quick has jumped from Spokane and is now under contract to wear a Toledo, O., uniform next season. Quick is one of the finds made by Grim during the latter part of the season recently finished, and he proved to be of a quality that insured him a warm welcome here next season. The hope that he would help Spokane to make a fight for the top next summer has been dispelled, however, and Manager Andrews will have to hurry to fill his place.

Ralph Frary, who did Spokane's back stop work last season, will in all probability not be seen as one of the Spokane club's hired men next summer. The apathy of the big fellow has caused him to be disliked by the fans, and Hutchinson, one of the present owners of the club, is authority for the statement that some one else will do the honors behind the bat next season.

Manager Andrews is now in the East and is said to be on the track of several likely ones who will help make his team something besides a tail-end.

### HOLD-UP NEAR GRESHAM.

GRESHAM, Or., Dec. 10.—Last Saturday evening as Thomas Glinder was returning from Portland, he was accosted and held up by a masked man near the home of Joe Boyd, several miles west of town. Mr. Glinder was relieved of his watch, but he had the forethought on leaving town to put his money in a secure place on his person, which he did, and consequently he was successful in saving it. He greatly regrets the loss of his timepiece, as it was an old keepsake.

### HARRIS IS NOT IN SIGHT.

SEATTLE, Dec. 10.—Henry Harris, the California baseball magnate, arrived here this morning from Portland but either purposely or otherwise failed to register at the hotels or make known his whereabouts. Dugdale has also disappeared, and the natural presumption is that they are having a quiet chat away from all outsiders. Baseball prophets predict that Harris will succeed in pulling Seattle south.

### INSANE OVER FOOTBALL.

NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—G. B. Wescher, who, during last season, played left halfback on the University of Pennsylvania football team, is in the University Hospital in a state of delirium, says a World dispatch from Philadelphia. Wescher was not hurt while playing football in any way which would account for his condition. Two football players are constantly sitting at his bedside to soothe his mind when he becomes excited, and to hold him down when he tries to get up and fight. When delirious he broods over football until he rises up and tries to play the game on the hospital floor. The doctors diagnose his case as acute mania, but are much puzzled to account for it. His temperature is normal.

### WHOLE FAMILY IS ASSAULTED

#### In California by a Fiendish Tramp

#### HIS RETURN FOR KINDNESS

#### Husband and Wife Seriously Injured and Man and Boy Fatally

SALINAS, Cal., Dec. 10.—Simon Graves, a prominent farmer and his wife, together with George Allen, a 14-year-old boy, and George J. Albright, a farm hand, were brutally assaulted by a tramp last Monday night. George Allen and Albright will die.

The physicians say there is little hope for the recovery of Mrs. Graves and that the condition of Mr. Graves is serious. On Monday evening a tramp appeared at Mrs. Graves' door and asked for food and for permission to stop in the barn. Graves sent young Allen with him to the barn. The boy carries a light. When outside, the tramp grasped his arm, took the light from him and threw him down, after which he bound and gagged him with ropes.

Arming himself with a hatchet, the tramp went to the barn and attacked Albright, fracturing his skull. The tramp then returned to the barn and bound and inflicted wounds with the hatchet. Returning to the house, the tramp attacked Graves who was armed with a revolver, which he fired twice at the tramp, missing him both times. The tramp wrenched the pistol from Graves and fired one shot into his back. When Graves fell the tramp bound him and struck him two heavy blows on the head with the hatchet, rendering him unconscious.

Mrs. Graves came to the rescue of her husband, and the tramp fell her with a blow from the hatchet and bent her into unconsciousness. The murderer ransacked the house, securing \$7 and fled. The injured people were not found until today.

### SKILLED LABOR NEEDED

#### COMMERCIAL DELEGATE FROM THE PHILIPPINES URGES SPECIAL LEGISLATION.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 10.—A number of representatives of labor organizations and several city officials gathered at a meeting at the mayor's office to meet Brewster Cameron, a merchant of Manila, and commercial delegate to the United States Congress, who arrived in the Doric last week. Cameron represents the Allied Chamber of Commerce of the Philippine Islands and he presented the immediate necessity for Philippine legislation on labor, currency, tariff, land laws and navigation. He addressed his hearers on the need of skilled labor that can live in the tropics, and said that such labor is a choice between the Chinese and the Japanese. The Japanese would remain and forever compete with the Filipinos and the Chinese would agree to return to China, which should operate in favor of selecting Chinese for the work. He said: "There is an unwritten statute excluding Chinese from engaging in Philippine agriculture, and therefore the Chinese skilled labor, which it is desired to import, will never enter into competition with the farmers and the producers of the United States."

### DIAMOND ROBBERY.

CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 11.—Mrs. Chas. H. Blackman, a wealthy widow residing in the Kenwood Hotel, has been robbed of \$6,000 worth of diamonds in the hotel in daylight, and while the parlor, a short distance away, was filled with people. There is no clew to the thief.

# SUITABLE CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

A Piano or Organ, a Sewing Machine, Violin, Guitar, Banjo or Mandolin, Accordeon, French Harp, Set of Strings, very appropriate, Music Roll, Victor or Columbia Talking Machine, Several Pieces of Sheet Music. In fact a regular emporium for Christmas Presents is

## GEO. C. WILL'S MUSIC AND SEWING MACHINE STORE

### ARIZONA AND NEW MEXICO

#### Not Favored For Admission to Statehood

#### MAJORITY MAKES REPORT

#### Against Omnibus Statehood Bill in Favor of Substitute

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Senator Beveridge, chairman of the Senate Committee on Territories, today presented the report of the majority of the committee against the Omnibus Bill for the admission of Oklahoma, Arizona and New Mexico as States, and in support of the substitute bill for the admission of one State to embrace Oklahoma and the Indian Territory.

### CONFERENCE A SUCCESS

#### NATIONAL CIVIC FEDERATION ADJOURNS AFTER AN INTERESTING ANNUAL SESSION.

NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—The annual conference of the industrial department of the National Civic Federation, which has been in session for three days, was brought to a close today. Interest to the last was unabated, the hall being crowded to its utmost capacity. The final subject of the discussion was "Industrial Agreements."

### LIEU LAND FRAUDS

#### ARE REPORTED FROM IDAHO AND AN AGENT WILL INVESTIGATE.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—The General Land Office has received a communication from the citizens living in Boise Basin, Idaho, alleging that attempts have been made to obtain mineral bearing lands under the Forest Lieu Land law in violation of the law. A special agent has been ordered to make an investigation.

### JOIN PACIFIC LEAGUE

#### PORTLAND AND SEATTLE WITHDRAW FROM THE NORTHWEST BASEBALL LEAGUE.

PORTLAND, Or., Dec. 10.—The Portland and Seattle baseball clubs have withdrawn from the Northwest League and will join the Pacific Coast League with San Francisco, Oakland, Sacramento and Los Angeles.

### Deafness Cannot Be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube gets inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed Deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars free.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 75c. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

### IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 10.—Stockholders of the St. Louis Terminal Association are holding a special meeting behind closed doors to authorize the increase of the capital stock and bonded indebtedness of \$20,000,000. This increase is to provide for the payment of the recently acquired properties—Wiggins Ferry, Interstate Car Transfer, Belt and Terminal Line, and to provide for the extensive terminal improvements made necessary by the coming World's Fair.

### Foils a Deadly Attack.

"My wife was so ill that good physicians were unable to help her," writes M. M. Austin, of Winchester, Ind., "but was completely cured by Dr. King's New Life Pills." They work wonders in stomach and liver troubles. Cure constipation, sick headache, 75c at Dr. Stone's Drug Store.

### RECOMMEND ADMISSION OF OKLAHOMA AND INDIAN TERRITORY AS ONE STATE—OBJECT TO OTHERS FOR SEVERAL REASONS—IN THE HOUSE.

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The admission of New Mexico and Arizona is opposed on the ground that the population in both territories is sparse and insufficient in numbers; that the vast majority of the people in New Mexico are of Spanish descent and speak the Spanish language only; that many of the people of both territories do not understand the American institutions. The assertion is made that many of the people do not want statehood.

Senator Quay presented his individual report in favor of the Omnibus Statehood Bill. He says the Republican National Convention in 1900 adopted a resolution favoring the early admission to statehood of New Mexico, Arizona and Oklahoma.

### An Interesting Session.

Washington, Dec. 10.—The feature of the House proceedings today was a thoughtful speech by the venerable Mr. Grow, of Pennsylvania, on the relations between labor and capital. At the end of the present session he retires at the age of 79, after a career in public life extending over half a century. His first speech in the House was on "Man's Right to Sell."

He was the author of the Free Homestead Act. His speech today was regarded as his valedictory to public life, and was listened to with close attention by his colleagues. His conclusion was that some sort of co-operation between labor and capital was the only solution of the impending problem.

A bill was passed designed to relieve the tea importers from the effect of the recent decision of the Circuit Court in New York, imposing a 10 per cent war duty on tea imported in bond prior to the time tea was restored to the free list, January 1, 1903.

Another bill, to refund the duties collected on merchandise from Porto Rico and the Philippines during the period between the ratification of the Treaty of Paris and the Congressional Revenue Acts for those islands was also passed.

To Substitute "Jefferson." Washington, Dec. 10.—The action of Senator Nelson today in withdrawing the substitute for the Omnibus Statehood Bill, he says, was for the purpose of making some amendments needed because of its hasty drafting. It is possible that the name "Jefferson" will be substituted for Oklahoma.

### The Whole Day Devoted.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Almost the entire session of the Senate today was devoted to the discussion of the Omnibus Bill.

### A FINAL ANNOUNCEMENT.

In this issue appears an announcement that will be of vital interest to many readers. It is that of Dr. Darrin, to the effect that he will continue his stay in Woodburn to December 21. After that date he expects to take an extended tour to Los Angeles, Cal., stopping at Hollenbeck Hotel, where he can be communicated with for home

treatment. Dr. Darrin has now been at the Hotel Woodburn seven weeks, during which time he has treated patients from the surrounding country and parts of the state. Many of these are among the leading people, and they cheerfully testify that he has rendered them great service. The doctor is enjoying his stay at Woodburn immensely, but is kept so busy that he cannot get much rest. Patients who contemplate availing themselves of his services during the remainder of his stay, should be prompt about coming in, as many require the doctor's personal attention. His wonderful success here is such as has never been achieved by a member of his profession in any community.

### IN SUPREME COURT

#### CALENDAR OF CASES TO BE HEARD IN NEXT TWO WEEKS.

Clerk J. J. Murphy, of the Supreme Court, yesterday arranged the calendar of cases to be heard by that tribunal during the next two weeks, beginning Monday, December 15th, as follows:

Monday, Dec. 15.—Flora Hubert, et al. respondents, vs. The Washington National Building, Loan & Investment Association; appellant; appeal from Multnomah county; 12 m. Tuesday, Dec. 16.—W. J. Irwin, respondent, vs. The Washington National Building, Loan & Investment Association; appellant; appeal from Marion county; 12 m.

Wednesday, Dec. 17.—Flanagan & Bennett Bank (a corporation), appellant, vs. R. A. Graham, et al. respondents; appeal from Cass county; 12 m. Thursday, Dec. 18.—The First National Bank of Portland, et al. plaintiff, vs. Oregon Pulp & Paper Company, a corporation, respondent; appeal from Multnomah county; 12 m.

Friday, Dec. 19.—C. H. Abernathy, et al. respondents, vs. Iri Orton, appellant; appeal from Yamhill county; 12 m. Joseph Fales, appellant, vs. Kaupisch Creamery Co., et al. defendants; M. C. Hanfield, respondent; appeal from Multnomah county; 12 m.

Tuesday, Dec. 23.—T. A. Garbade, et al. appellants, vs. The Larch Mountain Investment Company, respondent; appeal from Multnomah county; 12 m. David Brand, respondent, vs. John D. and C. H. Baker, appellants; appeal from Multnomah county; 12 m.

Wednesday, Dec. 24.—J. H. Baum, appellant, vs. Rainbow Mining, Milling & Smelting Company, respondent; appeal from Douglas county; 12 m. The Chas. K. Spaulding Logging Company, respondent, vs. Independence & Polk City Lumber & Improvement Company, appellant; appeal from Polk county; 12 m.

Rev. John Reid, Jr., of Great Falls, Mont., Recommended Ely's Cream Balm to me. I can emphasize his statement, "It is a positive cure for catarrh if used as directed."—Rev. Francis W. Poole, Pastor Central Pres. Church, Helena, Mont.

After using Ely's Cream Balm six weeks I believe myself cured of catarrh.—Joseph Stewart, Grand Ave., Buffalo, N. Y.

The Balm does not irritate or cause sneezing. Sold by druggists at 25c. or mailed by Ely Brothers, 54 Warren St., New York.

### WEATHER GOOD FOR STOCK.

PILOT ROCK, Or., Dec. 10.—Stockmen of this section are greatly encouraged over the favorable weather conditions enjoyed up to this time. Little snow has fallen so far and the winter range was never in better condition. There has been an abundance of moisture, and alfalfa as well as the native grasses are growing nicely. In the neighborhood of Ukiah and further south to the Grant county line seven inches of snow is reported, but this is welcomed by stockmen, as all are well supplied with hay and the snow will give the grass a chance to grow, insuring good range for the summer. The outlook for the stock interests of Umatilla county was never better.

### TO RUN CARS IN FIVE DAYS.

GRESHAM, Or., Dec. 10.—The recent heavy rains played havoc with a portion of the O. W. P. & R. Co.'s line west of town, and places where deep fills had been made were greatly damaged. One large fill was taken out entirely and the space had to be bridged, and this has now been accomplished, and it is stated on good authority that trains will be running and ready to receive and dispatch freight by the 15th of this month.

Legal Notice, Statesman Job Office.