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Actual War Exists Between Venezuela and the Allies

Ships Seized in LaGuayra Harbor Taken Out to Sea and Sunk ... Painful Impression" in This Country

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shington, Dec. 11 .- No doubt rethe minds of members of the that an actual state of war neen -England and Germe hand, and Venezuela action of the allied prers in seizing and sinkclan war ships is declared ircles to have been tantabeginning of hostilities. e criticism of the course of and English naval comfor what is characterized in omerters as a wanton act of deshas been heard in Washingten today, both in the executive deand in congress, and many public men are of the opinion that the two European governments have committed an act which will meet with condemnation throughout this country and abroad.

The information in regard to the Venezuelan situation which has come state department within the past 21 hours from Herbert W. Bowen, United States minister in Caracas, is commonized as follows:

Intense excitement prevails in Cararas. President Castro has entered on s solicy of reprisal and has called on the Venezuelan people to resist foreign invasion. Through the efforts of Mr. The government had no official infor-Bowen the German consul general, who mation of the reported arrest of the rested by order of President has been released. And in this connection Mr. Bowen says also: "The cresident informs me that he has reeased all Germans and British who harmed. The German and ".bere prested." Guavra harbor, and a "peaceful" blockade his been declared. From the United States consulate,

by his government. REPORTS CONFIRMED

At Least Two Venezuela Ships Sunk by the British

London, Dec. 11 .- Foreign office officials were glad to hear of the release of British subjects in Venezuela, but were unable to express any opinion on the press dispatches except to say, as Under Foreign Secretary Cranborne did, that they presumed they were correct.

In connection with the reported seisure of the Venezuelan customs the foreign office officials say that arrangements for that step have not been completed. Before any general seizure could occur Germany, Great Britain and other nations would have to come to an agreement for a pro rata division and adjustment of their respective claims, similar to that arrived at by the allies in China, except that the La Guayra custom house may possibly have been selzed as a purely military measure.

Though the seizure of the custom houses will take place eventually it is pointed out that while hostilities are in progress the customs, as a fiscal institution, are practically valueless.

In the House of Commons today Under Foreign Secretary Cranborne confirmed the reports of the capture of three Venezuelan vessels at La Guayra

and the disablement of a fourth vessel without resistance, and also confirmed the capture of the Venezuelan gunboat Bolivar at Port of Spain, Trinidad. Two of the prizes, he added, were sunk. The under secretary also said that the release of British subjects arrested "at Caracas had been de-

manded, but that up to that time the government had not been informed that the demand had been complied with.

cive measures that might be employed cargo of coal, and was unable to escape owing to her machinery being out to intervene, but he was disregarded.

War Vessels on Walting Orders

London, Dec. 11 .- The admiralty has ordered certain war ships at Davenport belonging to the first class reserve to be kept in readiness to proceed to sea at twenty-four's notice. The Hogue, a first class eruiser, was about to sail for Vigo, but her orders have been countermanded. Local rumor connects these orders with the Venezuelan imbroglio, but this cannot be confirmed.

Castro Willing to Arbitrate

Brussels, Dec. 11 .- The Venezuelan consul here, who is a personal friend of President Castro, says that Venzuecannot accept the Anglo-German la claims, which are considerably exaggerated. President Castro, he added is the sheriff in enforcing the law. This inclined to appeal to the Hague trib- naturally puts an end to the fight. unal of arbitration, promising to pay whatever sum the tribunal fixes.

Reinforcem.n . Ordered

Berlin, Dec. 11 .- It is reported that the ministry of marine is preparing to reinforce the German squadron in Venezuelan waters with four cruisers. Orders for this purpose have been telegraphed to Kiel.

A Rumor Contradicted

Berlin, Dec. 11 .- The government contradicts a rumor that it has asked the United States to join in anti-Venezue- and every effort to find their where- pointment of the commission and delan action.

England and Germany forcibly depose oughly searched by both city and about an armistice. Castro. It is stated that if the Venezuelan

custom houses are seized the French right of priority to a portion of the customs will be respected.

that you are contending for something definite. Let the negroes north assist their southern brethren, and in the states where they hold the balance of power, as in New Jersey, let them demand of the candidates that they support justice for the southern negroes. God removed President McKinley; God was displeased and called him home. He raised up a man to take his place in Mr. Roosevelt. I know Mr. Rooseviet, and I say to you that he is a of order. The American consul tried brave, courageous man. The politiclans may head him off sometimes, but he will help you."

> **Bull Fight Broken Up** Charleston, S. C., Dec. 11 .- When J. P. Haines of New York, president of the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, read a Charleston dispatch yesterday telling of the bun fight scheduled for Rock Hill Friday, he wired Governor Mc-Sweeny and reminded him that such an event was contrary to the laws of South Carolina. The governor made an investigation and found that the fight had been planned, and today he telegraphed the sheriff of York county to

prevent it. He also instructed the Catawba Rifles to be prepared to assist



Iwo Pretty Creatures at Asheville Disappear Mysterieusly

Asheville, N. C., Dec. 11 .- Special .-Two pretty young girls--Bonnie Jones, we are shirking our duty." aged 13, and Lethia Kuykendall, aged county officers, but no clue whatever

continued on South-

ern Trains

Goldsboro, N. C., Dec. 10 .- Special .-

mington, New Bern and Norfolk gave

get out of bed at 5:30 in the morning.

The larger number of travellers who

come on to this city for the towns

throughout the east will be unable to

understand this indifference to their

comfort on the part of the Southern

Railway, which on most occasions

manifests such consideration for the

comfort and convenience of the gene-

The board of directors of the State

Hospital for the cure of the colored

insane near this city is in session this

afternoon at that institution. Dr. J.

F. Miller, the able superintendent of

the institution gave a dinner to the

board and invited Col. Jos. E. Robin-

Looking for a Big Deal

Roanoke, Va., Dec. 11 .- A number of

coal operators, among them being the

largest of the Flat Top fields have

been here several days. A meeting

was held in the office of one of the big

sented a controlling interest in the

field. There are also a large number

and hastening forward coal, but it is

believed that the real object of their

presence is to keep a close watch on

men are much perturbed and the be-

lief is general that a big deal is un-

der way whereby there will be a con-

Ship Deserts Marconi

solidation of all the interests.

ral public.

son of the Argus.

to the missing girls has been obtained. er the operators were mining coal ac-Bonnie Jones is the daughter of cording to law, "or whether they were Deputy Marshal Cal. Jones. Lethia trampling the constitution of Penn-Kuykendali is the daughter of Nathan sylvania under foot.

and help your cause. Let them see Senate Votes to Pay the **Coal Strike Arbitrators** A Flood of Speeches Expect-

ed on the Statehood Bill. Quay Strikes a Pugnacious Attitude

Washington, Dec. 11 .- In the senate today Mr. Quay of Pennsylvania presented resolutions adopted by the five civilized tribes of Indian Territory protesting against the union of Indian Territory with Oklahoma in one state. Mr. Allison of Iowa called up the bill appropriating \$50,000 for expenses of the anthracite coal strike commission. The senate committee proposed amendments prohibiting the payment of salaries to commissioners who are officers of the government and restricting the per diem allowance in lieu of expenses to \$15 for commissioners, \$10 for the assistant recorders, and \$6 for the clerks. Mr. Berry proposed an amendment fixing the salary of commissioners at not exceeding \$12 per day for the time employed. Mr. Allison said if congress were to fix the compensation he would favor a lump sum

for the service, whether the commission continues a long time or not. He favored \$4,000.

Messrs. Bacon of Georgia and Cockrell of Missouri opposed the payment of \$15 per day for expenses, as being too high,

Mr. Tillman of South Carolina characterized the bill as a poultice applied to the whole trust question. "It is our duty to stick in the surgeon's knife and cut out the ulcer," he said, "and

Mr. Allison entered into a discussion 14-have disappeared from their homes of the conditions surrounding the apabouts has been futile. The town and clared that the president was probably The Vossische Zeitung demands that surrounding country have been thor- the only man who could have brought

Mr. Tillman wanted to know wheth-

Kuykendall, a carpenter. The girls Mr. Allison said he had no doubt

sitions than those provided by law. Mr. Allison said there was an implied criticism of the president and Judge Gray in the amendment. He hoped it would be withdrawn.

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Mr. Tillman said Judge Gray was not the only man in the United States who could head the commission.

Mr. Platt intimated that if the senate passed the amendment Judge Gray might resign, and Mr. Tillman agreed that this might be expected. But he did not criticise Judge Gray, and believed the amendment should be so regarded.

Mr. Spooner, who has been absent from the senate several days, participtade in the debate. He opposed the amendment.

On the suggestion of Mr. Foraker the designation of the commission was changed to "anthracite coal strike arbitration."

The bill was then passed as amended. Mr. Proctor gave notice that he would ask consideration of the militia bill Monday morning.

At 5:10 the Senate adjourned until Monday.

FORCED THE ISSUE ----

Closing of a Contest Required by Strict Party Vote

Washington, Dec. 11 -- By a strict party vote-155 to 118-the house to day passed a resolution requiring the contested election case of Wagoner vs. Butler, from the 12th district of Missouri, to be closed by February 1, so that it may be determined before congress shall expire by limitation of its term. The minority members of elections committee No. 2, before whom the case is pending, proposed as a substitute an investigation by a sub-committee at St. Louis, which was defeated-106 to 126. This is the second contest brought against Butler in this congress, he having been unseated on the 28th of last June, in a contest waged by W. M. Horton. He had over 6,000 majority at the last election. The seat was then



Port of Spain, Trinidad, the state denartment learns that the Venezuelan war ship Bolivar was seized there yesterday by British war ships.

The latest advices from Mr. Bowen to not show that any conflict has taken place between the armed forces of fenemaia and those of the ailies. In one dispatch he says that 250 marines were landed at La Guayra, and these rescued British and German subjects who were believed to be in danger and returned with them to their European ships.

it is evident that messages sent from Caracas and La Guayra by telegraph are subject to great delay. The latest telegram receeived from Mr. Bowen mms to the state department early this morning, and while it dd not contain the time of its transmission from Caracas, it was presumed from the information contained that it was filed there yesterday morning or afternoon. All doubt as to the truth of the report that, after capturing the Venezuelan gunboats in La Guayra harbor, been officially given in the British of the two European nations was disamong nations as "a painful impres-

It has been the understanding here that while Germany and England Trinidad. would adopt stringent measures to compel Venezuely to pay the claims of their subjects, conditions of actual war, with the consequent danger of bloodshed, and the destruction of governmental and private property would le avoided. The course of the allies, therefore, in scuttling Venezuelan natanal vessels before the Venezuelan government had committed any act of instillity, is regarded by many members of the administration as a highhanded and useless proceeding which, to say the least, is surprising after the liquidation of the debt owed to German subjects by Venezuela.

Just one year ago today the German ambassador in Washington left with Secretary Hay a memorandum, setting rnment and Venezuela and explaining what Germany proposed to do. In this memorandum Germany indicated that her course in Venezuela would not extend to actdal warfare or to other toersive measures than a blockade of the principal Venezuelan harbors, evidently to prevent the importation of

British consul at Caracas. The latest information received was that he left La Guayra yesterday evening. The British subjects arrested had not been of Colorado today introduced a joint had always worn short dresses, but

squadrons have entered La that the British vice consul at La Britain and Germany that their claims clothing was found in one of the prin-Guayra and some women and children against the republic of Venezuela be cipal office buildings in the city. were taken on board a British man of submitted to arbitration, and to agree war yesterday evening, and added that the United States will guarantee, GOLDSBORD that it was reported that President the payment of the awards against GOLDSBORD war yesterday evening, and added that the United States will guarantee. Castro held the British and German, Venezuela, should any be made. prisoners as hostages.

Reported Landi g of Blue Jackets

London, Dec. 11 .- The Central News says it is reported in the lobby of the house of commons this afternoon that the allies have landed blue jackets at La Guayra for the purpose of effecting the capture of President Castro and that fighting is going on in the streets. The foreign office here had no information to this effecti

More Vesseis Captured

Kingston, Island of St. Vincent, Dec. 11.-The Venezuelan troop ship Seamora and the Venezuelan coast guard vessel Veinte Tres de Mayo, were captured in the gulf of Paris and taken to Port of Spain, Trinidad, this morning by the British sloop of war Alert.

Troops Moving to the Frent

La Guayra, Venezuela, Dec. 11 .- Gen. the allied forces took them out to sea Ferrer, the minister of war, has arrivand sunk them, was removed this af- ed here with 2,000 troops. Eight huntermoon by the receipt of the news dred men under. President Castro's that confirmation of this incident had brother are expected here at 10 o'clock. Only the British cruiser Indefatigahouse of commons today. This action ble is now here. She is at anchor in the middle of the harbor. All the russed with the greatest interest in other war ships have left La Guayra. covernment circles, and it is evident Minister Haggard and Herr Von Pilthat it has created what is known grim Baltazzi, it was learned today, left here last night. The former was

on board the Retribution and the latter on the Vineta, which sailed for

No Sign of Weakening

La Guayra, Venezuela, Dec. 11-Three A Negro Bishop. Tells His is no sign of weakening in the Venezuelan position. Instead, President Castro is gathering an army to resist German and British aggression. Two thousand men and eighteen guns have been sent from Caracas to reinforce the garrison here. The men are

now encamped four miles from the town. Fort Lavigna is being stocked with ammunition, and there is every the assurances received by President indication of approaching battle. Cas-Reserver from Germany as to what tro's position is popular; and volunteers that nation intended to do in securing are offering themselves in numbers. Nearly 1,000 such have been armed here.

The answer of the Venezuelan government to the ultimatum presented by the representatives of the British and forth the differences between his gov- German governments was transmitted to Mr. Bowen, the American minister. yesterday, Its purport is unknown. All the British and German subjects who were arrested have been released.

Venezuelans Fortifying

As long as there are jim crow cars for been lying in this harbor during the fixed by the commission. The expense Willemstad, Dec. 11 .- The Venzuelan food stuffs and starve President Casyour refined and cultivated wives and past month, while Marconi has been allowed of commissioners and assistauthorities are forttifying Puerto Cathe into submission, or, in the event bella, on the Gulf of Trieste. The daughters, as long as there are mid- conducting experiments at Table Head, ant recorders was fixed at \$10. case to be closed on the first of Febthat this policy was not effective, to British and German residents of the night assassinations, and as long as sailed this afternoon for Venezuela, There was a lively debate on an ruary. inporarily different Venezue- port have been imprisoned, including there are discriminations against the receiving orders from Rome. The loss amendment proposed by Mr. Daniel of It was ordered that eulogies upon the there harbor places and levy duties the British and German consuls. The negro, every negro must stand, to- of the Carlo Alberto will probably afthe resident places and levy duties the British and German consuls. The negro, every negro must stand to- or the carlo Alberto will proparty at-President Roosevelt accept- Venezuelans beized the property of gether. They must insist on southern feet the completion of Marconi's ex-ed the stand to- or the carlo Alberto will probably at-venezuelans beized the property of gether. They must insist on southern feet the completion of marconi's ex-to representative shall here- January 25. At 3:55 the House adthe statement of the German am- these residents and also seized a Brit- representation in congress being cut periments, as he intended using her senator or representative shall here- january 25. At 3:55 the House adbassador as setting forth all the coer- ish steamer which was discharging a down. That will reach the white man for off-shore experiments at Cape Cod. after be appointed to or hold other po- journed until tomorrow.

Arbitrat on Proposed

resolution authorizing the president to when last seen they had discarded

Castro Doflant

Caracas, Dec. 11.-After being in- Sleeping Car Service Disformed of the seizure of the Venezuelan vessels by the allied fleet President Castro issued an address in which he said:

"The insolent feet of foreigners have profaned the sacred soil of Venezuela. It is learned here with regret that on panies. It is a remarkable act in the history of the 14th the sleeping car service on the civilized nations without precedent and night trains between here and Greenspossible justification. It is a barbarous act-an attempt against the most sleeper will only come as far as Ralrudimentary principles of international law. It is an ignoble act because it in a position to know that the conis the fruit of an immoral and cowardmorning and evening trains from Wil-

ly coalition of force and perfidy. ized in the anchoring ground of La it a patronage in excess of the Raleigh business. Mr. Allison asked if Mr. district of Missouri. "Such is the act that has been real-Guayra harbor, a few hours ago, when business, but the running of the sleepthe German and English squadrons surprised and took simultaneously and conjointly three defenseless war ships of our navy which were in dock and undergoing repairs.

"Venezuelans, the contest is unequal, because these outrages have been perpetrated by two powerful nations upon this country of ours which has scarcely recovered from long and painful struggles. And why has it been done in such a treacherous manner? Surely Venezuela cannot stand such an insolent attack, since these nations have not proceeded according to the rules in similar cases.'



Hearers Where to Hope for Relief

Richmond, Va., Dec. 11 .- "Fight for operators at which were present a your rights and do not suffer yournumber of other operators who represelves to be disfranchised," said Bishop Walters, of the New Jersey African Methodist Episcopal church, to a great of buyers and furnace men here, osaudience of negroes last night. The tensibly for the purpose of purchasing bishop referred to the movement which has been inaugurated through John S. Wise to have declared illegal the new constitution. He said: any move of the operators. Local coal

"We are contending under God for legal rights; every one of them, and we should boldly say so. The duty of the hour is to press this fight, and every negro who has a drop of manly blood in his veins will come up to the colors.

"The Republican party has turned its back upon the negro, but his thing must be settled fairly and squarely. There will be no peace as long as injustice reigns in the land as it does.

were seen Tuesday night about 9 that Judge Gray, as chairman of the o'clock crossing the public square. commission, would probe that question Washington, Dec. 11 .- Mr. Shafroth Both had changed their clothing. They to the bottom.

Mr. Morgan of Alabama-Would it not be a better plan to appropriate The under secretary also announced propose to the governments of Great these for long dresses. Their discarded this sum as a contingent fund for domestic purposes?

> Mr. Tillman wanted to know whether senators would be willing to have the session end, leaving the people subject to the rigors of another coal strike. The bill, he said, was simply a confession of imbecility and cowardice on the part of congress.

Mr. Mason of Illinois said the bill should be passed and that congress should go ahead and act. He announced that he would present a bill in a few days providing for the appointment of receivers for the coal com-

Mr. Tillman said he would not look for light, "either from the senator boro will be discontinued and that the from Illinois who is soon to become an ex or from the senator from New York, now an ex (meaning Senator eigh. It is claimed by those who are Hill) who wanted to take possession of the mines." nections here of this sleeper with the

At two o'clock the statehood bill was laid before the senate as unfinished Quay would not consent to have the er through to this city caused sleeping anthracite coal commission bill disposcar passengers for the capital city to ed of at once. Mr. Quay declined.

speak.

Indiana, and I am ready to vote now. The senate is ready to vote. Mr. Beveridge said it was manifest- Republicans having voted the Demo-

the general desire to debate the meas-

ocratic side was ready to vote now, pending resolution, a resolution providbut had no desire to shut off debate. Mr. Jones of Arkansas said that if mittee on elections No. 2 of the charges he were the leader of a minority and made by the contestant. The commitafraid to bring a bill to a vote he tee resolution was advocated by Messrs. would adopt the tactics pursued by the Powers of Massachusetts, Mann of Ilcommittee.

Mr. Hale of Maine retorted that the situation had not reached the tactical Armond of Missouri supported the substage. (Laughter).

talk. Referring to the plank adopted | committee. DeArmond incidentally, in the Reepublican national platform favoring statehood of the territories, and to the ability and standing of the "If the Republican party can lie in this contestee in his district in which he matter it can lie in others and lose the public confidence," he said. "The air is full of rumors of obstruction of DeArmond, that a large majority of this bill, and it is not strange that the qualified voters of the district rethe friends of this bill should utilize corded their suffrages in favor of such eveery moment possible in its consideration."

ham of Vermont, who is to begin the be. (Applause.) statehood debate, was ill. Mr. Quay strike ecommission bill taken up. An amendment offered by Mr. Alli-

son was adopted fixing the compensa-Sydney, N. S., Dec. 11 .- The Italian cruiser Carlo Alberto, which was tion of commissioners other than those placed at the disposal of Marconi by in government service at \$4,000 per the Italian government and which has year, and that of the employees to be

declared vacant. The same contest was taken in both contestsfrauds in registration and voting.

Mr. Olmstead of Pennsylvania, for committee on elections No. 2 called up the report from his committee.

Mr. Richardson, the minority leader, raised the question of consideration against the report. The House voted 186 to 114, to consider the report.

Pending its consideration. Mr. Wadsworth of New York reported from the committee on agriculture a bill to appropriate \$1,000,000 to eradicate the foot and mouth disease among live stock in New England and gave no tice that he would call it up to-morrow

Mr. Richardson then made the point of order that the report of the elections committee was directly in the teeth of the federal statutes fixing the time for taking testimony, and was not privileged. The speaker ruled that the House, having voted to consider the report, the point of order came too late.

Three hours were assigned to the discussion of the resolution and Mr. Olmstead recited the events connected with the two elections in the Twelfth

The passage of the resolution was opposed by Mr. Robinson of Indiana, who confined himself largely to a dis-Mr. Beveridge of Indiana gave notice cussion of the political conditions existthat a number of senators wanted to ing, not only in the Twelfth district of Missouri, but throughout the Mr. Quay-I think understand the state. He said that there had been a ituation as well as the senator from revolt against the leaders of the Republican party, which found expression at the ballot box, thousands of

ly impossible to fix a date in view of cratic ticket. The result following such a cause, he contended, should not be attributed to fraud nor to the elec-Mr. Bate of Tennessee safe the Dem- tion law. He proposed, in lieu of the ing for an investigation by the com-

linois and Joy of Missouri.

Messrs. Feely of Illinois and Destitute resolution offered by Mr, Robinson on behalf of the minority of the paying tribute to the "fair and impartial nature of the Missouri election law, was born and raised."

It was not strange to him, said Mr. a benevolent and philanthropic friend as Mr. Butler, by immeasurable acts

It was announced that Mr. Dilling- of kindness and help, had proved to

Mr. Miller of Kansas expressed surtherefore withdrew his objection to ad- prise at the remarks just made. It journment until Monday, and a motion was no, time, he declared, for the deto that effect prevailed. The statehood livery of funeral orations upon any bill was then laid aside and the coal man sitting or claiming the right to sit, as the representative from the Twelfth district of Missouri.

The substitute offered by Mr. Robinson of Indiana, on behalf of the minority of the committee, providing for an investigation in St. Louis, was defeated-106 to 126.

The committee resolution was then agreed to-155 to 118. It requires the