

HE WOULD ASSUME IT

Roosevelt, Asked to Arbitrate, May Do So to Prevent Bloodshed.

PROPOSES HAGUE TRIBUNAL

But the Allies Ask Him to Become Arbitrator.

Washington, Dec. 20.—President Roosevelt has proposed to the allied powers that the Venezuelan dispute be referred to the Hague tribunal.

These were the developments over night in the Venezuelan matter, and they seem to justify the prediction made in these dispatches that the critical point has been passed.

Still, rather than see the present dispute proceed to extremes, it is probable that the president will reluctantly assume the duties of arbitration.

An important fact developed today is the punitive measure about to be instituted, and in fact, now in force in some degree, will not be suspended by the allies until definite agreement is reached.

The status of the arbitration negotiations at the close of the official day as disclosed at the war department, was that the powers were waiting for an answer from the president.

It is said at the state department that, no matter how these propositions are disposed of, there will be no backward step and that an agreement of some kind which will bring about a peaceful settlement of the Venezuelan troubles will result from the present negotiations.

At the German embassy tonight, denial, emphatic and authoritative, was given to the various reports in circulation that Germany is anxious to acquire Margarita Island and will work to this end in any settlement that may be arrived upon.

ceived at the state department to this effect, nor is it thought that in the event of President Roosevelt consenting to arbitrate the dispute he will be called upon to settle this question between the European powers.

TWO SCHOONERS STOPPED.

Venezuelan Ships Turned Back by Cruiser Tribuna. La Guaira, Dec. 20.—The Trinidad schooner Mercedes and Imaculada, belonging to a French subject, but flying the Venezuelan flag, tried to leave this port today, and were seized by the British cruiser Tribuna.

The German charge d'affaires, Herr Von Pilgrim-Baltazzi, spent two hours on the telephone with Secretary Wilson.

FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE.

Secretary Wilson Believes Spread of Trouble Has Been Stopped.

Washington, Dec. 20.—Secretary Wilson believes that the danger of the spread of the foot and mouth disease, which is epidemic to other states, has passed.

WILL GO TO EUROPE.

President "Jim" Hill Thinks He Has Earned a Rest.

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 20.—President James H. Hill and his party, including President Harris, of the Burlington, left this afternoon for the east, and will arrive in St. Paul for Christmas.

FOUND VALUABLE CHEST.

Report Made to Mexican Government of Hidden Gems.

Mexico City, Dec. 20.—Senor Olvera, director of Las Vizcainas college, reports to the government the discovery at that institution of a hidden chest containing extremely valuable gems.

BE LABOR HEADQUARTERS.

Officials of Three Organizations Located in Indianapolis.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 20.—After January 1, this city will be the labor headquarters of over a half million union workers in America.

BRITISH SLOOP IS AGROUND.

Was Sent to Command Entrance of the Orinoco.

Port of Spain, Trinidad, Dec. 20.—The British sloop of war Fantome, which was sent to command the entrance to the Orinoco in hard ground near Barrancas, on the left bank of that river and 120 miles southwest of Trinidad.

ACTS OF VIOLENCE

German Chancellor States Cause of Trouble.

EFFORTS MADE TO SETTLE

Blockade Taken Only as Measure of Necessity.

Berlin, Dec. 20.—Chancellor Von Buelow received the correspondent of the Associated Press today. The correspondent, in asking an interview, represented that a statement from Emperor William, first minister, at this time, might clear up any doubt which might exist of Germany's purposes.

Among the German claims against Venezuela was the fact that the United States had been engaged in the collection of business debts. He said: "The German claims against Venezuela were not the character of mere business debts contracted by the republic, but they have grown out of acts of violence committed against German citizens in Venezuela either by forced loans or by seizure of cattle without payment, or by pillage of German houses and estates."

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WILL HUNT WILD TURKEYS.

President Roosevelt and Family Are Now in Rapidan, Va.

Rapidan, Va., Dec. 20.—President Roosevelt and his family are tonight the guests of Joseph Wilmer, who resides in a beautiful colonial mansion about two miles from Rapidan station.

Tomorrow the president and his family expect to pass quietly at Mr. Wilmer's home, which is located in the midst of a fine plantation of six hundred acres.

BULLETIN OF THE WICHITA DAILY EAGLE.

Wichita, Sunday, December 21, 1922

Weather for Wichita Today: Fair and Warmer

IMPORTANT NEWS OF TODAY

- 1. Roosevelt May Become Arbitrator
2. First Section of Pacific Cable Laid
3. Woman's Letters Arrose Chicago City in Brief
4. Pat Gould Makes Proposition
5. Girl Wants a Little Red Chair
6. Deeds of Wichita Society People
7. Taming of Shrew Not Practical
8. How Freight Rates Hurt Kansas
9. Qny and the Statehood Fight
10. Mosetter Replies to Review
11. Cooley's Great Bell of Paraply
12. Pathetic Incident of the Prairies
13. Eagles Table and Kitchen Talks
14. Doings of Wichita's Colleges
15. Eagle's Want Page
16. Additional Want Ads
17. The Taming of the Shrew
18. Rich People Forsake Greens
19. Details of Johnstone-Hassett
20. Russian Wedding in Washington
21. Joy in a Country School
22. Eagle's Sunday Editorial Page
23. Gossip for Home People
24. New Conception of Noble Brutus
25. Wichita Livestock Market
26. Review of the Scale Markets
27. New York Stock and Bonds
28. The City Regulator
29. Kentucky Market Women

allowed forty days, and steamers twenty days. "Ships under other than the Venezuelan flag lying in blockaded ports upon the publication of this decree are allowed fifteen days to sail."

"Ships which attempt to break the blockade will be subject to the provisions which apply under international law in accordance with treaties." (Signed) "VON BELLEW."

London, Dec. 20.—The official proclamation of the blockade of Venezuelan ports was gazetted this morning and becomes effective today.

"Foreign Office, Dec. 20, 1922. "It is hereby notified that as the United States of Venezuela have failed to comply with the demands of his majesty's government, a blockade by his majesty's naval forces of the ports of La Guaira, Caranero, Guanta, Cumana and Carapano and the mouths of the Orinoco is declared and such blockade will be effectively maintained from and after the twentieth of December, subject to the allowance of the following days of grace:

"For vessels sailing before the date of this notification from West Indian ports and ports on the east coast of the continent of America—ten days for steamers and twenty days for sailing vessels."

"From all other ports twenty days for steamers and forty days for sailing vessels."

"For vessels lying in the ports now declared to be blockaded—fifteen days."

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Stress is laid on the difficulty in view of the diversity of the claims in dealing on a matter of presentation and on the prolixity of negotiations which will be involved before a settlement is in sight. It is not definitely decided whether separate cases can be embodied in one document, should the projected arbitration take definite shape.

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Railroads Blocked in Northern Part of Nebraska.

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ASK FOR INCREASE

Railway Trainmen Request Higher Wages.

NOTIFICATION RECEIVED

Railroad Officials Have Expected the Demand.

St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 20.—Within a week all railroad lines doing business between the Twin Cities and Chicago and to points in the northwest will be formally asked by organized commissions for an increase of 20 per cent in wages.

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At noon today 1,024 knots of cable had been reeled out from the hold of the Silver-town to rest on the bottom of old ocean in 150 hours since leaving San Francisco, and this, in spite of a heavy storm which somewhat retarded the work of laying the cable.

The Associated Press representative on board the Silver-town led the following message from the vessel at noon today: "Latitude 30.18 north, longitude 123.23 west. The total amount of cable paid out up to noon today, which includes the first section, the laying of which was completed last night at 8 o'clock, was 1,024 knots. The weather is fine."

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ESTABLISH PENSION SYSTEM.

Oregon Short Line Employees Receive Welcome Christmas Notice.

Portland, Ore., Dec. 20.—The veterans in the service of the Oregon Railroad and Navigation company will receive the compliments of the Christmas season from the company in the shape of a circular notice of the inauguration of the new pension system beginning January 1, 1923.

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