

# DEWEY'S FLEET WILL BE SENT TO VENEZUELA

### To Convey the American Ships Through the British and German Lines--This Is the Ultimatum Delivered to Germany, Who Is Asked to Define What Is Meant by a "Peaceful Blockade"--One of Our Ships Will Be Due There in a Few Days and Dewey Is to See That She Gets to Her Wharf-- Situation Is Now Regarded as Critical at Washington, Where Officials Are Anxious.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.  
Washington, Dec. 17.—Secretary Hay has cabled to Ambassador Tower at Berlin to ask the German government to define for this country exactly what is meant by a "peaceful blockade."

The note was couched in the suavest of diplomatic language, but was insistent that Germany should reply. This action was decided upon at a cabinet meeting, where it was fully discussed.

This government contends that there is no such thing as a "peaceful blockade." If a state of war does not exist this government will contend at the proper time that American ships may be allowed to pass. The test will come when the Red Line steamer Caracas arrives at La Guayra, probably next Saturday. If that ship goes through, as it is expected it will, other ships from other nations will also demand to go through, too, and the "peaceful blockade" will become a farce.

If Germany insists on its right to blockade peacefully and refuses to let American ships through then Admiral Dewey's fleet

will be sent to Venezuela to convoy the American ships through the German and English lines.

**ADMIRAL DEWEY TOLD TO BE READY FOR TROUBLE**

Admiral Dewey has been told to keep his fleet together. The reason this government makes this request of Germany is because it has in writing in black and white, the fullest statement of Germany's intentions in Venezuela. It has no such statement from England.

The diplomats of that country were shrewd enough to make only a verbal statement of intent. The administration is waiting Germany's answer with some anxiety. The situation is now more critical than it has been since the trouble began.

**AND THIS WARSHIP HAS BEEN HELD BACK**

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 17.—Orders from Washington, which would have taken the battleship Wisconsin to sea, bound for the Bremerton dock, on Puget sound, have been cancelled and Lieutenant Commander Mayo, temporarily in command, awaits further instructions from the navy department.

The reason for cancelling the original order is not known.

Port of Spain, Trinidad, Dec. 17.—Senor Rojas, agent in this island of the Venezuelan revolutionists denies the report that they have joined common cause with Castro against the allies. On the contrary, reports received are to the effect that troops under General Volutini have been twice defeated by the revolutionists, first at Guayria and second at El Chico. There they were completely routed and fled in disorder.

Moreover, it is reported from Alta Gracia that General Rolando at the head of 6,000 revolutionists is marching on Caracas with the object of capturing the city and overthrowing Castro. The rebels in Trinidad believe that if Rolando's movement proves successful he will elect a new president, who will treat with England and Germany, and thus quickly end the difficulty.

**EDWARD AND KAISER HAVE TALKED IT OVER**

London, Dec. 17.—Lord Lansdowne's repudiation of any intention on the part of Great Britain to land forces in Venezuela, made, it is thought, for the purpose of reassuring the United States, is commented

on here, as likely to embolden President Castro to defy the powers.

It is now said Emperor William's recent visit to King Edward at Sandringham was coincident with and undoubtedly concerned the final arrangements for the Anglo-German ultimatum. Premier Balfour is seriously reproached with having misled the country when at the Guildhall banquet, on November 10, he protested that the assertions of the newspapers that some negotiations were going on in connection with Emperor William's visit were fantastic inventions.

Rumors are current in Brussels and Copenhagen that Holland and Denmark are about to present their claims to Venezuela for a settlement.

**CASTRO IS BUSY WITH WILD REVOLUTIONISTS**

Paris, Dec. 17.—The Matin publishes a dispatch from Caracas saying that the editors of the principal papers in the Venezuelan capital have been arrested on account of their alleged complicity in a revolutionary movement which is now being furthered. Some of the revolutionary leaders refuse to make common cause with President Castro in his preparations to resist possible invasion.

# SENATE DISCUSSES CRISIS IN THE SECRET SESSION

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.  
Washington, Dec. 17.—The Venezuelan question occupied the attention of the senate in executive session yesterday for almost an hour. The question came up informally almost immediately after the doors were closed. Senator Teller, disclaiming all intention of being critical and saying he merely desired information, asked Senator Cullom, chairman of the committee on foreign relations, what information he possessed as to the Venezuelan affair. Mr. Teller said the situation was such that senators felt the Monroe doctrine at any time might become involved if the complication should continue.

Senator Cullom replied to the inquiry that he had no knowledge of recent events not contained in the house prints.

Messrs. Bacon, Hoar, Lodge and Stewart all made remarks.

In none of the addresses was anything harsh or critical said. The tone of all the speeches, whether by republican or democrats, was that the attitude of this nation should be one of watchfulness. There was a general agreement that while the method adopted by Great Britain and Germany for the collection of their debts had been

quite strenuous, they thus far had committed no infringement of the Monroe doctrine and, therefore, had done nothing to which the United States could take exception. This was the position of Senator Cullom, as it was of other senators who spoke. Mr. Cullom said that much light as to the attitude of the administration had been obtained by consulting the correspondence between the state department and the German ambassador a year ago.

He then called attention to the fact that on December 10, 1901, the representative of Emperor William had brought the matter of Venezuela's debts and her apparent indifference to them to the attention of the secretary of state. The German ambassador of his letter gave the department complete information from the German standpoint of the position of his government. He said that for seven years Venezuela had failed to pay interest on a debt to German citizens of about \$5,000,000 contracted in the construction of a railroad and in addition there were other debts amounting to about \$1,700,000 due to German citizens from Venezuela, which it had been impossible to collect.

He added that every known peaceable means had been tried to secure the money

and his government, feeling that patience had ceased to be a virtue, decided to use coercive means.

It was desired, however, he said, that it be explicitly understood that whatever steps might be taken by his country there was no desire to encroach or interfere with the Monroe doctrine.

This explanation he thought was due to the United States, as the only purpose of his government was to assist its people in collecting debts due them.

Secretary Hay replied, December 16, 1901, saying in effect that the Monroe doctrine was not intended to shield any American nation from the payment of its honest debts and that its purpose was to prevent the acquisition of territory by old world nations. To further elucidate the position of the United States on the Monroe doctrine, he quoted from the first annual message of President Roosevelt, which had been in the hands of congress for only a few years.

Senator Bacon of Georgia, leading minority member of the committee on foreign affairs, said that on a question of this kind there was no party division; that everybody would stand with the administration in doing what was best for the

general good. There was no desire on the part of anyone to embarrass those who were in control of affairs and upon whom devolved the duty of protecting American interests. The maintenance of the Monroe doctrine, he added, devolved on the whole people.

Senator Hoar said that thus far nothing had been done to cause apprehension, and he expressed the opinion that for the present the government of the United States do nothing more than keep a watchful eye on the situation.

Senator Stewart dwelt somewhat on the bombardment of the Venezuelan forts, and said that incident should be accepted by our government as a warning as to what this country might expect whenever excuse might offer.

He gave as his reason for his admonition the fact that our recent acquisition of territory had aroused the jealousy of all the European powers and that they might attack us at any time.

"Not in two generations," he said, "could we build up a navy equal to that of Great Britain, but we can strengthen our coast fortifications, and, in view of Venezuela's experience, it behooves us to do so."

# IS GUILTY OF MANSLAUGHTER

### Jury in McClerman's Court Returns Verdict Against Daily, Who Is to Be Sentenced Saturday—Accused Hears the Verdict Impassively—Lawyers Had Hoped to Clear Him of Charge.

Manslaughter was the verdict returned against Edward J. Daily in Judge McClerman's court this morning. The jury had wrestled with the case most of the night. Sentence will be pronounced Saturday. A new trial will be asked.

By their action in reaching a decision in the case the jurors indicate their belief that Daily used a knife during his fight with Charles A. Ray the night of December 1, and that a wound he inflicted on the leg of his opponent caused Ray's death a few days later.

On the witness stand Daily denied that he had used a knife during the fistie battle on the sidewalk in front of Medin's saloon. He admitted having had the knife that he later returned to one of the clerks in the Medin store, but said that it was in his pocket all the time of the contest.

**Jurors Had Long Tuttle.**

Under the instructions of the court the jurors were enabled to judge for themselves the degree of Daily's offense, if they agreed that there was one. Evidently there was a great difference of opinion, because the 12 men argued the case from 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon until midnight, and even then in the sleeping quarters provided for them in the courthouse.

When the jurors were summoned for breakfast this morning they announced that they had reached a verdict. All interested in the case were at once summoned to the courtroom to hear the result of the deliberations of the men. It was about 9:30 o'clock when the verdict was formally returned to the court.

Daily was impassive when the verdict was read. There was just a faint indication in his looks when he found that he was convicted. There had been no chance for conviction of murder, but Daily and his attorneys were certain that acquittal would be the conclusion of the men entrusted with passing upon the case.

**Charges and Arguments.**

The charge against Daily was the killing of Charles Ray by cutting him in the left leg. The wound that was inflicted during a fight between the two men extended to a large artery, which was punctured. The loss of blood was so great before a physician arrived that Ray was almost dead when he did receive attention.

In his dying statement Ray accused Daily. On the stand Daily denied that he had used the knife. The lawyers representing him endeavored to show self-defense and also tried to show that improper treatment of the wound and the amputation of the leg were the real causes of death.

Con McFadden, the rheumatism doctor, will open offices in the Thornton block, Room 3, Thursday, where he guarantees to cure all cases of rheumatism, miner's consumption and stomach troubles.

# ONE OF LORENZ'S PATIENTS IN FITS

### DOUBLE OPERATION WAS PERFORMED ON THIS LITTLE GIRL AND SHE IS IN CONVULSIONS.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.  
Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 17.—Five-year-old Marion Green, on whom Professor Lorenz operated last Friday, has had convulsions and is in a dangerous condition.

The Jefferson hospital physicians are not sure the child can survive. The operation was performed before a small company of invited surgeons. The child was afflicted with congenital dislocation of both hips. Besides sustaining the shock of a double operation she was etherized twice. Her serious condition the physicians attribute to either rather than to the reduction of the dislocations.

Little Marion was among the five patients chosen to be operated upon at Thursday's clinic, but after four had been treated Dr. Lorenz was exhausted.

Marion was under ether for 35 minutes on that day. The child's parents were nearly heartbroken when Dr. Lorenz passed her by, and he was so jouched that he performed the operation the following day.

# PLAGUE GERMS IN THE 'FRISCO STUFF

### FOOD INSPECTORS MAKE ASTONISHING DISCOVERY AT HONOLULU IN SEARCHING FOR BACILLI.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.  
San Francisco, Dec. 17.—Advises just received from Honolulu show that investigation proves that food stuffs shipped to Honolulu from Japan and China, via San Francisco, are responsible for the cases of plague recently appearing there.

A number of Japanese on nearby plantations were taken with the plague and died in a hospital in Honolulu.

An examination of their effects was made but no discovery of germs were made until thorough tests had been made of some of the Japanese groceries found in the house.

These foods under the microscope showed a trace of the plague germs, and further examinations made of Oriental stuffs showed that the diagnosis was correct. It was found also that the food-stuffs had been imported at San Francisco and re-shipped to Honolulu.

Pretty books in Ooze call bindings at Calkins.

# FIVE CROWS WAS FROZEN TO DEATH

### FAMOUS INDIAN CHIEF FOUND BESIDE HIS PONY NEAR ATHENA, ORE.—HIS WILD EXPLOITS.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.  
Pendleton, Ore., Dec. 17.—Five Crows, a noted Umatilla Indian chief, has been found dead near Athena. It is supposed that while intoxicated he fell off his pony and froze to death. He was 70 years old and distinguished himself in the Bannack war of 1878 by killing the famous Indian chief Eagen of the Snake Indians.

He betrayed Eagen into the hands of the Umatillas, who were friendly to the whites, and they cut off his head, carrying it in triumph to the United States troops. The Snake were so enraged that they gave battle to the troops on a plain and were so badly defeated that the invasion ended.

Five Crows' father was one of the leaders in the Whitman massacre, and made Miss Bewley, one of the white captives, his wife until rescued by the Hudson bay people.

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ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank of Butte will be held at the office of said bank in Butte, Montana, on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m. The object of the meeting is the election of directors for the ensuing year, and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

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## BY THE SIDE OF VICTIM'S BODY

COWLES KNEELS AND BLOWS HIS HEAD OFF—WEALTHY RANCHER AT JEROME, ARIZ., DEAD.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.  
Jerome, Ariz., Dec. 17.—Al Cowles shot and killed John Kerwagen, at the ranch of Kerwagen and Haskell, a few miles from Jerome. Cowles then killed himself. Kerwagen and Haskell were wealthy ranchers, the former being a member of the legislature. Cowles was employed by them. Cowles and Kerwagen left Jerome late in the afternoon. Arriving at his home, Cowles shot and killed Kerwagen, then hunted up Haskell, at the corral some distance away, and told him what he had done.

Together they viewed the remains, when Cowles said he would saddle up a horse for Haskell to ride to town with the news. Haskell feared him and started on foot. When the posse returned it found not only the murdered man but the body of Cowles, who had blown off the top of his own head.

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3. Overture—Schauspiel.....Bach	11. "New Mown Hay".....Matthews
4. Entr'Acte—"To Thee".....Dreyfus	12. Selection—"The Army Chappin".....Moses
5. Melange of Popular Melodies.....Tobani	13. Waltz—"David Harum".....Harper
6. Cake Walk—"Alagazam".....Holzman	14. Spanish Serenade—"La Palama".....Arr. Balfour
7. Selection—"Florodora".....Leslie Stuart	15. Serenade—"When Love Was Young".....Gaynor
8. Waltz—"Zaza".....Furst	16. Two Step—"My Gypsy Queen"

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