

# CASTRO IS CALLING TO ARMS

### Leader in Venezuela is Enlisting Men Preparatory to War.

## A LUKEWARM RESPONSE

### Given By People and Soldiers Are Likely to Desert Their Colors.

Willemstad, Island of Curacao, Friday, Feb. 9.—A traveler who arrived here today from Venezuela said: "President Castro is busily engaged in enlisting throughout the republic and in other ways preparing for war. Orders have been given to call recruits to defend the colors. Information from the best sources indicated that the people do not support President Castro. On all sides are heard expressions of a desire to revolt and overthrow the president's government as soon as the French blockade is declared. A well-informed Venezuelan told me that the troops will desert their colors, as they have all been compelled to join the army voluntary enlistment being known in Venezuela. Puerto, Cabello and La Guayra are the only ports capable of making even a slight defense. It is doubted whether President Castro can raise more than 15,000 men who will take the field with any show of spirit. The men are armed with Mauser rifles, but they never practice shooting. The Venezuelan navy consists of five small craft concentrated at La Guayra. Well posted persons express the fear that French citizens in Venezuela will be in great danger if war breaks out."

# SING SING PRISON HAS HISTORY OF INTEREST

### New York Pen Where Noted Criminals Have Lived and Died.

New York, Feb. 9.—The abandonment of the state prison at Sing Sing, which has been under discussion for years, now appears a certainty in view of the recommendation in the report just made to the governor by the state prison improvement commission. The prison, which has been in existence for nearly a century, is by far the best known in the western world. Within its walls many men of note have suffered for their crimes. Many murderers have died there—those of early days on the scaffold, the latter ones in the dreaded electric chair. Its death house, a separate group of tiny steel cells, has held men who made desperate legal fights for life. Some of them were successful, among them Roland B. Mollinex, the best-known inmate at present in Albert T. Patrick, who is making the same fight for life that Mollinex made and many believe that its result will be equally successful. Today there are nearly 1,500 inmates in the big prison. Among them are financiers, corrupt politicians, dishonest lawyers, murderers, and thieves big and little.

## A DOUBLE HANGING.

Griffin, Ga., Feb. 9.—Arrangements have been completed for a double hanging to take place here tomorrow, the first legal execution in this county in nearly forty years. The condemned men are Ralph Miller and Leb Greer, both negroes. Miller killed his uncle, Sam Jones, near Orchard Hill, last summer, while Greer's crime was the murder of another negro, Caesar Gresham, following a quarrel.

# DOLAN MOVES

### President of Miners Secures Restraining Injunction Against Delegates.

Pittsburg, Pa., Feb. 9.—Patrick Dolan, president of district No. 5 of the United Mine Workers of America, went into court today and secured a temporary restraining injunction against the delegates to the district convention now in session here from interfering with his powers as president of the district organization.

The more money you have the easier it is to practice economy.

North Dakota—Fair tonight and Saturday; slightly colder Sunday. Minnesota—Fair tonight and Saturday; colder in northwest portion; variable winds.

## MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT.

### Women Suffragists Will Exchange Views Tonight.

Baltimore, Md., Feb. 9.—The session this evening of the national woman suffrage convention promises to be of unusual public interest. "Municipal Government" will be discussed, and men and women prominent along the lines of municipal reforms will be heard. Among the scheduled speakers are Rudolph Blumberg of Philadelphia, who was instrumental in the overthrow of the ring at the last election in his city; Dudley Kouke of Indiana, Ex-Civil Service Commissioner; Frederick Howe, an Ohio state senator, and Miss Jane Addams, of Hull House, Chicago.

The sessions today were devoted almost entirely to business of a routine nature. The forenoon was taken up with reports from state presidents, the reports presented showing the work accomplished during the past year by the state associations of Missouri, Massachusetts, Maine, Louisiana, Kentucky and Kansas.

# FROZEN BODY OF A DULUTH MAN IS FOUND

### Corpse of Martin Bricken Solid as Ice Lay in a Snow Bank.

Duluth, Feb. 9.—Frozen so hard that sharp knives could make no impression upon it, the body of Martin Bricken was found in a snow drift just outside the city frozen as solid as ice. As soon as the body thaws sufficiently a post mortem examination will be held. A certificate of deposit for \$100 and \$65 in cash were found in the unfortunate man's pockets.

## FO BARMY MANEUVERS.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 9.—The bill now before congress to make the government reservation at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, the great maneuvering ground for the United States army has received the endorsement of many prominent army men and there is every reason to believe that it will meet with favorable action. It is said that the government can get control, at a reasonable price, of a tract 10 by 30 miles in dimensions, the pick perhaps of any in the whole country. In favor of the project it is pointed out that the climate in that locality is most favorable and that the location is exceedingly convenient, particularly as regards the army posts of the southwest.

## BIG MASQUE BALL.

New York, Feb. 9.—All is in readiness for the big Arlon masquerade ball to begin in Madison Square Garden at midnight tonight. Judging from the large number of boxes and tickets that have been sold, the ball committee expects the largest attendance of any ball in the Arlon's history. The affair undoubtedly will eclipse all of its predecessors from a scenic standpoint at least. The chief feature is to be a parade of automobile floats. Twelve handsomely decorated motor cars, each representing a month, will be in the line and on each will be groups of the prettiest girls to be found in New York, wearing costumes typical of the months they represent. The dancing will, as usual, be preceded by a spectacular ballet.

# HUSBAND IS SHOT BY WIFE IN A QUARREL

### Proprietor of a Resort Murdered—Woman in Prison.

Sioux City, Feb. 9.—Joseph Lapine, proprietor of a resort near Madison street, was shot and killed by his wife last night during a quarrel. The woman is under arrest.

## MINERS' GRIEVANCES.

### No New Points Since the Settlement of 1902.

New York, Feb. 9.—President David Wilcox of the Delaware & Hudson company today made public the text of a letter which he wrote to John Mitchell, president of the United Mine Workers of America, concerning the conference between the mine workers and the operators to discuss the wage question. Wilcox says that the issues between the operators and the miners is the same now as when adjudicated by the commission appointed in 1902. No new points have been raised and while that award expires in March there is a need of a different adjustment until new conditions arise.

A conservative is one who is opposed to the things he favors.

It takes a woman to break a self-made man.

Dead men have no legal rights.

# AMERICAN MINISTER NEXT

### Russell May Get Pass Ports From Castro and Told to Leave.

## SITUATION NEAR CLIMAX

### Orders Given to Fire on First French War Ship That is Sighted.

Washington, Feb. 9.—"It is reported at Caracas that the American minister, Russell, is persona non grata owing to the apparent siding of the United States and France and that he may be given his pass ports. Matters are nearing a climax and Castro will compel obedience to his will. Five days ago the newspaper El Grito del Pueblo suggested that the president had said not to resist the French. The editor was immediately imprisoned without the show of a trial and the paper was charge indignantly contradicted the reports said to be circulated by Castro and others of his surrounding, that Germany is supporting Venezuela's policy against France.

"General Alcantara, a Venezuelan educated at West Point has been appointed to the military command of La Guayra. He has received orders to fire on any French warships the moment they are sighted."

## SLOCUM SURVIVORS.

### Call on President and Will Urge Their Claims.

Washington, Feb. 9.—A committee of eighteen from the organization of the General Slocum survivors called on President Roosevelt recently and appeared before the committee on claims of the house for the purpose of urging the passage of a bill, introduced by Representative Sulzer, which will, if passed, give the association a chance to sue in the court of claims. Mr. Sulzer introduced the bill to the president and briefly outlined their claims and hopes. As the catastrophe, which occurred on the East river on June 15, 1904, was largely caused, it is charged, by the negligence of government inspectors, the members of the organization believe the government ought as a matter of simple justice to award those who suffered such damages as they would be entitled to in the eyes of the law. Under the law as it now stands the survivors and heirs of the dead have no redress and will have none unless congress passes some bill. The committee which called at the white house was headed by Charles Dersch, president of the organization, and Fred W. Hotz, secretary.

## WOMAN ON TRIAL.

### For Murder of Constable Who Levied Upon Furniture.

Des Moines, Ia. Feb. 9.—Mrs. Zetta Eckles, the Cedar Rapids woman who is alleged to have deliberately shot down Constable Peter Martin of Marion last October without provocation, was placed on trial for her life today. Peter Martin entered the home of the accused to levy upon some furniture. Mrs. Eckles claims to have warned him not to enter.

## PATRICK FIGHTS FOR LIFE.

New York, Feb. 9.—Whether Albert T. Patrick, under sentence of death for the alleged murder of William F. Rice, the Texas millionaire, is to have a new trial will probably be known within a day or two. The motion for a new trial, on the ground of newly discovered evidence, is returnable today. The principal ground urged on the motion is substantially, that new evidence has been obtained to show that Mr. Rice did not die of chloroform poisoning but instead, died a natural death and that Jones, the valet, since his release here, has made many statements to persons in Texas, all to the effect that he never killed Rice. One of these statements, all of which appear as sworn affidavits, is that Jones said he would return to New York and plead guilty to a charge of perjury if he was promised only a light sentence. If a new trial is granted many eminent medical men have volunteered to appear and give the expert testimony in Patrick's behalf.

## NEW LANDING PLACE.

Antwerp, Feb. 9.—The Red Star line is considering the eventualty of the choice of Zebrugghe, near Blankenberghe, instead of Antwerp, as a landing place for passengers from New York. This would shorten the journey to Brussels and Paris by seven hours. The decision of the line depends upon the government's action relative to overcoming the obstacles to the navigation of the Scheldt from Fushing to Antwerp.

The trouble with many people's moral window curtains is that they are not long enough to shut out the public gaze.

# BATTLE ROYAL

### Fast Bout Between Herman and Herrera Expected in California Tonight.

Los Angeles, Cal., Feb. 9.—"Kid" Herman and Aurelia Herrera in a 20-round bout is the magnet that is expected to draw the patrons of the Pacific Athletic club to the ringside tonight. With the near approach of the date interest in the battle has become keen and there will doubtless be a great crowd on hand to see the two fighters battle for supremacy.

Expressions of confidence emanate from both training camps today. With both men fit as the proverbial fiddle the contest is expected to be one of the liveliest seen hereabouts in a long while. Herrera, by virtue of his defeat of "Young Corbett," has won a large following and much money is being chanced on his victory tonight. Herman, on the other hand, possesses youth, stamina and skill and his chances of success are thought well of by many close critics of the game. Added interest is given to the bout by the fact that the winner will in all probability be matched to meet Battling Nelson.



BATTLING NELSON. (Chicago Prize Fighter Who Holds World's Championship.)

# DEVILS LAKE MAY HAVE DESIRED BUILDING

### Bill Appropriating \$150,000 for Same Reported to the Senate.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 9.—The Hansbrough bill appropriating \$150,000 for a public building at Devils Lake was reported favorably to the senate today. The amount of the appropriation also includes the purchasing of a site for the building. As the bill has been reported favorably by the committee it will undoubtedly pass the senate without opposition.

## ENTOMBED MINERS LIVE.

### Some of the Victims of Explosion Thought to Be Alive.

Hinton, W. Va., Feb. 9.—It is believed positively today that some of the twenty-six miners who are entombed in the Parel mine near Oakhill may be still alive. Ten have been taken out. There were thirty-six in the mine at the time of the explosion which occurred yesterday afternoon.

# STORM SWEEP

### York State in Blizzard's Grasp—Pennsylvania Also Suffers.

Mahoney Ct. Pt., Feb. 9.—Several collieries in this region were forced to suspend operations today on account of a heavy snow fall during the night. The trolley traffic is completely tied up and trains are running from one to three hours behind schedule during the night and the storm shows no signs of abating.

## HEAVY SNOWFALL.

### Schuykill Valley Traffic Impeded by Storms.

Reading, Pa., Feb. 9.—Snow to the depth of eight inches fell during last night throughout the Schuykill valley. Trains and suburban service was badly crippled.

## EDITORS ARRANGE OUTING.

French Lick Springs, Ind., Feb. 9.—Prominent editors comprising the executive committee of the National Editorial association rounded up here today for a conference to arrange the program for the annual convention of the association in Indianapolis this summer. The convention will assemble June 5 and remain in session a week. Following the adjournment of the gathering the editors, their wives and families will make a trip over the great lakes and down the St. Lawrence river, visiting the Soo, Detroit, Buffalo, Ottawa, Quebec and Montreal.

# RATE BILL IS TAKEN UP TODAY

### Hepburn Measure Will Probably Be Reported Favorably in Senate.

## THE STATEHOOD BILL

### Amended Making Consent of Voters Necessary in Territories Interested.

Washington, Feb. 9.—The senate committee on interstate commerce today began the consideration of the Hepburn rate bill, which passed the house yesterday. It is generally conceded that the Hepburn bill with only a few modifications will have a majority report when the committee votes next Friday.

Pension legislation had the right of way in the house today. The calendar contained 135 senate bills, 293 house bills and one correcting a military record. Seventy-five per cent of these bills are for the benefit of persons either blind or bedridden, requiring an attendant. Before taking up the pension bills the house voted to adjourn until Monday at the close of today's session.

Statehood Bill Amendment. At the beginning of today's session of the senate Mr. Blackburn presented an amendment to the statehood bill. The governors of the two territories shall respectively call elections for submitting the question of joint statehood to the voters of the two proposed states separately and that the union shall not be consummated unless a majority of the votes in each territory are cast in the affirmative. The urgent deficiency appropriation bill was then taken up.

## Eight Hours on Canal.

Senator Peterson moved to strike out the deficiency bill provision abrogating an eight-hour law in the canal zone. He argued that the provision was adverse to Americans as well as aliens.

## Death of Veteran.

General John Eaton, a distinguished civil war veteran and noted educator, died here today, aged 77 years.

The Patterson amendment eliminating the provision which abrogates the eight hour law was defeated without division. The senate also passed the urgent deficiency bill and agreed to adjourn over until Monday.

## SMOOT CASE ON.

### Another Witness Tells of Methods in Utah.

Washington, Feb. 9.—C. A. Smurthwaite of Ogden was called for cross examination by A. S. Worthington, counsel for Senator Smoot in the proceedings today before the committee on privileges and elections. The witness said the usual course to settle difficulties between members of the church is to lay complaint with the teachers of the ward in which the aggrieved reside, and the bishop, after hearing the complaint, ordinarily instructs the teachers to do everything in the power to adjust the differences. Worthington asked Smurthwaite if he had any reason to believe his trouble with President Smith over their rival salt interests could not have been adjusted in the same way. The witness said his knowledge of church leaders convinced him that it was impossible. Knox inquired if the first presidency followed up its threat to him and the witness said the price of crude salt was reduced from \$8 to \$2 a ton. His credit was injured and the stock of his company depreciated. The Protestants' counsel then announced that their case was closed.

## No Gales in Rome.

Gales are very rare in Rome, and never blow with extreme violence. The most striking peculiarity of the Roman climate is the absence of high winds. The air is pure and clear, owing to the almost complete absence of smoke, even in the winter months. The average yearly movement of the air is only five miles an hour. This is of enormous advantage in winter, since the "tramontana" (north wind), which is the prevailing wind in this season, is, if strong, decidedly cold and bracing, but when under eight miles an hour is delightful to most people, including invalids. The south winds are essentially sea breezes. They frequently alternate with the tramontana. The sirocco (southeast wind), which fortunately does not often blow, is moist and enervating. It gives rise to languor in most individuals.

## Fisk Station At Fargo.

Fargo, Feb. 9.—Senator McCumber has introduced a bill appropriating \$25,000 for a fish culture station to be located at Fargo. The station will be established at the North Dakota Agricultural college and fish will be raised to stock the lakes and streams of the state. The plan has the endorsement of the proper department and Senator McCumber is very hopeful of securing its passage.

## DAY OF CELEBRATION.

### May 18th Selected by Suffragists for General Observance.

Baltimore, Md., Feb. 9.—The sessions of the annual convention of the Women's National Suffrage association were resumed today. The reports from the state presidents were read, showing the progress of the woman suffrage cause in the various states. Mrs. Lucia Ames Mead, chairman of the department of peace and arbitration, read a report in which plans are outlined for a widespread celebration in the schools on May 18, the anniversary of the opening of The Hague conference in 1898. Every state in the union will be requested to celebrate the day and give appropriate instruction.

## A READING LESSON.

Chicago, Feb. 9.—The reading of the report of Commissioner Garfield was resumed today in the packers' case. There was no probability at the opening of court that the report would be finished before final adjournment for the day.

# A COMPLETE CRUISE OF THE PACIFIC OCEAN

### Scientists Interested in Expedition Soon to Start Under Carnegie Auspices.

San Diego, Cal., Feb. 9.—Scientists are deeply interested in the expedition about to leave here, under the direction of the Carnegie institution, to make a magnetic survey of the North Pacific ocean. The cruise, which is to be made in a comparatively small sailing vessel, will include a complete circuit of that great body of water, and a journey of 20,000 miles will have been made when the ship returns to the United States.

From San Diego the vessel is to sail along the west coast of South America to Fanning island; thence to the Samoan, Fiji and Marshall islands, Guam and in the neighborhood of the Philippines. From there she will go into Chinese and Japanese waters, touching at Yokohama and Tokio. Continuing her journey north, she will go along the coast of Siberia, and stop at the Aleutian islands, after which Alaskan waters will be entered, a visit being made to Sitka.

The primary purpose of the cruise is to make a thorough magnetic survey of the north Pacific. While the state of existing knowledge of the distribution of the earth's magnetic forces over oceanic areas, owing to the scarcity of precise data, as in general exceedingly unsatisfactory, this is especially true of the Pacific ocean, rapidly developing in great commercial importance. Except for data from occasional expeditions and such as were acquired in wooden vessels a long time ago, the present magnetic charts used by the navigator over this region depend largely upon the observations on islands and along the coasts. Such land observations, however, are rarely representative of the true values, because of prevalent local disturbances. While it is not anticipated that the distribution of the earth's magnetism will manifest themselves over the deep waters of the Pacific, it may be confidently expected that in the neighborhood of the islands and along the coasts, distortions and irregularities will reveal themselves.

# JURY FAILS IN THE MURPHY CASE; DISCHARGED

### Long Hours of Effort to No Avail—New Trial Asked.

[Special to The Evening Times.] Fargo, N. D., Feb. 9.—This afternoon at 3 o'clock Judge Pollock dismissed the jury in the celebrated Murphy case. The twelve men have been out since Tuesday evening at 8:45 and failed to reach an agreement after being out 66 hours. They have been repeatedly urged by Judge Pollock to come to an agreement. At 9 o'clock last evening he went into the jury room and urged the jurors to come to some agreement. Again this morning he pleaded with them to spare the state the face of a new trial. However, no agreement could be reached and the final ballot stood 6 to 6.

Judge Lauder for the defense moved for a new trial. The motion was taken under consideration by the court.

The jurors had fault with the manner in which they have been treated during their long contest. They claim no coats were provided for them and in many ways their comfort was neglected.

Some women try to attract attention by trying to look miserable.

# ESTABLISH ARMY POST AT OR

### Gen. Taft Asks Congress for \$100,000 Appropriation for This

## THE SITUATION IN CHINA

### May Make Necessary Moving Troops to Location Near Manila.

Washington, Feb. 9.—When Secretary Taft was before the senate committee on appropriations, which was considering the urgent deficiency bill, he requested an appropriation of \$100,000 to be expended for additional barracks and quarters for the army at Or, near Manila. When asked as to the necessity for this appropriation he stated that the situation in China was such that it might be necessary at any time to send troops there and that it would be wise to have troops near to be used for that purpose. The committee did not take action on the request, but left it for the consideration of the committee on the Philippines.

## TEXAS COTTON ASSOCIATION.

Dallas, Texas, Feb. 9.—Pursuant to the call of President R. T. Milner of the Texas division of the Southern Cotton association the executive committee of the state organization assembled for a meeting today at the Oriental hotel in this city. The meeting will last several days as some matters of unusual importance to the growers are to be considered and acted upon.

# TAKEN FROM COACH LAST EVENING BY SHERIFF

### Silver J. Storkson Held in Contempt By Order of Judge Fisk.

Last evening Sheriff Turner boarded train No. 6 as it pulled into the Great Northern station and arrested Silver J. Storkson, a prominent farmer living near Aneta, on a warrant issued by Judge Fisk for contempt of court. The prisoner protested against the proceedings but was taken to the county bastle and locked up for the night.

The sequel to the arrest is of a sensational nature. Storkson has lived near Aneta for some years and has been considered a prosperous farmer. Last summer he sued his wife for divorce, the title of the case being Silver J. Storkson vs. Orlana Storkson. The defendant, represented by Skulason & Skulason of this city, filed a cross petition. Both parties alleged cruelty and inhuman treatment.

Last October during the session of court at Lakota, the defendant's attorney filed a petition for temporary alimony and court expenses. Judge Fisk granted \$50 for attorney's fees and \$100 alimony. This was not paid and Storkson's arrest followed. He paid \$78 and gave an order on a Larimore bank for the remainder. The order proved to be no good and when Storkson was wanted he had disappeared.

He remained in Canada until a short time ago, when he returned to Aneta and sold all of his property and was evidently preparing to leave the country. A warrant was issued by Judge Fisk and Mr. Skulason learning he was to pass through the city on train No. 6, secured his arrest. He is now held in contempt for the sheriff's fees and \$71.40.

# A GIANT TRUST

### Coast Lumber Combine of 18 Year's Standing Finally Broken Up.

San Francisco, Feb. 9.—The sale yesterday of the stock of the San Francisco Lumber company to the Bellingham Bay Lumber company for \$250,000 following the passing out of existence on January 1 of the Pacific Pine Lumber company marks the death of the giant combination which for the past eighteen years absolutely dominated the lumber business of the western coast of America. The different concerns now fix a schedule of prices after holding a consultation.

The question about the condition of the female head gear being on straight is now superseded by the municipal one, "Is my lid on tight?"