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VOLUME THIRTY-TWO

FRANCE WILL ASK FOR OUR ADVICE

Some Hesitation About Beginning Active Measures For Coercion of Venezuela

ACTION WILL BE HAMPERED

Foreign Claims Upon the Customs Makes Blockade of the Venezuelan Ports Practically Out of the Question — Jusserand Had Instructions From His Government.

Paris, Jan. 20.—Apparent hesitation in France's decision relative to Venezuela, appears to be prompted by the desire not to begin active measures without first taking the advice of the authorities at Washington. For this purpose Ambassador Jusserand has been fully instructed regarding his government's point of view which he is laying before the American government. The officials here agree that France's action is somewhat hampered, owing to Venezuela's peculiar situation, foreign claims upon customs being regarded as placing a blockade almost out of the question. It is admitted that preparations are going on for reinforcing the French squadron, but the object of this step is still undefined. France's next move will depend on the result of Jusserand's conferences at Washington.

BIG STICK FOR CASTRO.

Arrangements to American Minister May Force Government to Take Hand.

Washington, Jan. 20.—Three French war ships are now off the coast of Venezuela prepared to make an attempt to bring the defiant President Castro to time, and complications which have arisen at Caracas bring up the possibility that the United States may have to take a hand in the matter, possibly displaying the big stick, to induce the ruler of Venezuela to treat the American minister with a little more courtesy.

Since M. Talmy, the French representative left the country in haste, turning over the interests of his nation to Minister Russell, French officials have grown arrogant toward the American representatives. The United States government, which has an ample fleet in West Indian waters, may find it expedient to send one or two ships over toward Venezuela and to initiate a peaceful blockade or they may send marines ashore and seize a custom-house. Whichever course they adopt will be with the full knowledge and consent of the authorities at Washington.

There is not the faintest possibility of a clash between France and the United States over the Monroe doctrine. It has not been decided yet just what sort of a demonstration is to be made. Two more French war ships are on the way across the Atlantic, and when they arrive they will initiate a peaceful blockade or they may send marines ashore and seize a custom-house. Whichever course they adopt will be with the full knowledge and consent of the authorities at Washington.

France's program is simple. It provides for the execution of an apology from President Castro for his treatment of Mr. Talmy. Until this is forthcoming, discussions and other grievances against Venezuela will not be brought up. France demands that her representative at Caracas be accorded the same courtesy given the Venezuelan representative at Paris, and considers the action of the Venezuelan government in refusing to allow M. Talmy to return to shore after he had boarded a French liner as an act of war.

OPPOSITION TO QUARTON.

Palto Alto County Likely to Support Kelly for Judge.

Emmetsburg, Ia., Jan. 20.—Emmetsburg and Palto Alto county deserve the honor of having the next district judge and republicans are likely to present the name of B. E. Kelly of this place. He will not, however, make an active canvass for the position. Judge Quarton, the incumbent, has started his canvass preliminary to the convention, which will be held in June. Glichrist of Pocahontas county is also a candidate for the place. Kossuth county has had the judgeship twelve years.

The Emmetsburg Brick & Tile company was organized last week. G. C. Wheat was elected president, H. C. Shadobly, vice president; E. B. Persons, secretary, and E. B. Soper, treasurer. A plant will be built and equipped as soon as the condition of the weather will permit.

Short Telegrams.

The American Breeders' Association met in conjunction with the Nebraska Corn Producers' Association in Lincoln. Miss Esther Westgreen, aged 19, committed suicide at Sycamore by jumping into a stream. Deserion by her sweetheart is supposed to be the cause. The prairie fire which began in the northern part of Duell county, Nebraska, swept south over forty miles of prairie before being extinguished. The loss to ranches is \$75,000. Following the example set by Washington retail lumber dealers, the retailers of British Columbia and Oregon have advanced their list price \$2 per thousand on lumber to be shipped east. Mrs. Elizabeth H. Holmes, the New York woman who went to see Presi-

dent Roosevelt and who was detained by the police at the instance of her husband and who was examined as to her mental condition, was taken to New York by Mr. Holmes.

GRIMES WILL PAY.

Ex-State Treasurer of Kansas Offers to Make Good, Alleged Shortage.

Topeka, Kan., Jan. 20.—E. O. Grimes, ex-state treasurer, notified Governor Hoch today that he would willingly waive the statutes of limitation and pay ever cent of the alleged shortage found covering his administration of the treasury. Recently expert accountants found a shortage of \$75,000 in the treasurer's office, covering the administration of Grimes and running into the administration of T. T. Kelley, present treasurer. The amount is unable to state what became of the money.

NO AID TO STARVING

Authorities' Efforts to Aid Belaguered Mohammedan of Shusha Are Repeatedly Thwarted—Armenians Attack Celebrated Shrine.

Elizabethopol, Trans-Caucasia, Jan. 20.—A courier arrived here today from Agdam, with dispatches describing the repeated attempts made by the authorities to get a convoy of provisions to the starving and beleaguered Mohammedans of Shusha. The convoy set out three times with a strong escort of troops, Mohammedan volunteers, but was intercepted by Armenians holding the mountain passes. The whole district around Agdam is harried by the Armenians and others, who are perpetrating horrible atrocities, not giving any quarter to wounded women or children. The Mohammedans are greatly enraged at the attack made on the celebrated shrine at Karaprim. After a savage conflict, the Armenian attackers broke and fled, leaving fifty dead or wounded.

HAGUE CONFERENCES

Secretary Root Names Joseph H. Choate, Horace Porter and Judge Rose to Represent the United States at International Conference at the Hague.

Washington, Jan. 20.—Secretary Root today announced the American representatives to the approaching conference to be held at the Hague will be Joseph H. Choate, Horace Porter and Judge Rose, of Little Rock, Ark., president of the American Bar Association.

To Bombard Belgian Flag.

Malaga, Spain, Jan. 20.—The report is current at Malaga, a Spanish settlement on the north coast of Morocco, that the Moroccan sunboat, *Sil et Turk*, is preparing to bombard Malaga factory, where the Belgian flag is floating.

PEANUT POLITICS.

[Denison Review.]
The Des Moines Capital now attacks Gov. Cummins for his expenditures in various trips made as governor of the state. The total of these expenditures is about \$5,000. Not an extravagant amount when compared with the \$30,000 spent by Gov. Boies on his Chicago trip. The Capital compares the Cummins expenditures with those of Governors Drake and Shaw.

We do not think the Capital's criticism is called for or that it will arouse anything but the indignation of the governor's friends. There are certain social functions which are expected of the governor of a state. If the governor be a millionaire as was Governor Drake, it may be very proper for him to defray his own expenses, but if he be a poor man he must either fail to represent Iowa as it should be represented or he must look to the state to pay the expense. If the Capital is correct in its position that the governor should pay their own expenses in such cases, it must follow that only rich men can accept the office.

Even with these expenses paid the office of governor is a very expensive one. We know that this was one of the determining factors which led Governor Larrabee to refuse to be a candidate for a second nomination. To us this attack smacks very largely of peanut politics. The governor stands for many things with which the Capital disagrees and which it may properly discuss. There is a legitimate line of cleavage on the tariff and other questions that may be argued without personalities, but the present attack is beneath the dignity, even of factional politics. G. C. Wheat, our part we hope the day may never come when personal riches are a prerequisite of the governor's office, or when Iowa will begrudge the few thousands necessary to maintain his dignity as a state.

AN IOWAN TO HQNOR.

[Davenport Democrat.]
In honoring ex-governor William Larrabee, the state of Iowa is taking off its hat to itself. But there is good reason for doing so. In the assembly yesterday Senator Lewis of Page county, offered a resolution asking Mr. Larrabee to address the two bodies in joint session next Saturday. That day will be the 74th anniversary of his former governor. It is proposed to have him talk to the younger official representatives of the state. If he can be induced to do so he will be sure to give them some excellent fatherly advice. Governor Larrabee has made a success of his own business, and also that of the state so far as he has anything to do with it. And no Iowan has been more prominently identified with the state for a longer period.

SOCIALISTS GIVE GERMANY CONCERN

Meeting Being Held to Protest Against the Prussian Election Causing Trouble

POLICE ARE KEPT VERY BUSY

Ninety-three Meetings Have Been Called for Sunday at Berlin and Serious Disorders Have Occurred at Hamburg — People Warned to Keep Away from Meetings.

Berlin, Jan. 20.—Socialists' meetings to protest against the Prussian election law are giving the authorities greater concern, owing to the excesses at Hamburg. Ninety-three meetings have been called in Berlin and suburbs will be addressed by Herr Bebel, socialist leader and other members of the Reichstag. It is stated the speakers have been instructed by the socialists' executive committee to use the sharpest language possible in order to cause the police to disband the meetings, this being regarded as excellent propaganda material for the socialists. The military and police are making extensive preparations for tomorrow, when the Russian "Red Sunday" of Jan 22 last will be celebrated. Officers have been ordered to report at 9 this evening for 24 hours' duty.

The police president has issued a proclamation which today is placarded everywhere, warning the people against assembling out of idle curiosity about places where meetings are to be held, since any riotous demonstrations "will be suppressed with extreme measures admissible under the laws," and "under the circumstances innocent persons might suffer harm to life and health." Vorwärts, organ of the socialists, ironically thanks the police president for assisting in giving emphasis to the demonstrations.

IN STATE OF SIEGE.

Conspirators Against Government, Are Being Tried at Bogota.

New York, Jan. 20.—Louis E. Bonilla, consul general for Colombia, today made public the following cable received by him from President Reyes, and dated at Bogota, January 18. The capital is declared to be in a state of siege. In order to judge the conspirators with perfect calmness. The siege will be raised within a few days. Absolute tranquility prevails throughout the country. The conspirators included are Felipe Angulo and three others arrested last December for trying to overthrow the government of President Reyes. The arrest was followed by considerable agitation in the capital and throughout the country.

ELECTORAL SLAUGHTER CONTINUED

Liberals Have 249 Votes to Unionists, 111, Up to Date.

London, Jan. 20.—The monotonous electoral slaughter of the unionists proceeds unabated. The totals to date: Liberals, 249; unionists, 111; Irish nationalists, 78; laborists, 37. Out of forty-one returns this morning the liberals take twenty-one seats, of which twelve were recaptured from the unionists, including Woodstock, where Marlborough influence did not suffice to steam the anti-conservative flood, which Sir William Hartdyke, conservative, president of the council from 1887 to 1892.

PERFECT FORAKER BILL.

Senate Committee Begin Consideration of the Measure Today.

Washington, Jan. 20.—The senate committee on interstate commerce today began its consideration of the Foraker rate bill, with the object of perfecting it in accordance with the views of its supporters.

WARM WINTER DAY

Temperature of 62 Degrees in Chicago the Highest Ever Known in Winter With One Exception, Since Weather Bureau Established.

Chicago, Jan. 20.—This was, with one exception, the warmest winter day experienced in the city since the establishment of the weather bureau, the temperature reaching 62.

SOPE OPEN DOOR.

Mine Workers' Convention Declares Against Foreign Laborers' Immigration.

Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 20.—The indications today were that the United Mine Workers' scale committee, which is drafting demands to be made on the bituminous coal operators of Indiana, Ohio, Illinois and western Pennsylvania, would report a draft of the convention Monday. The convention today declared against the open-door policy of this government for immigration of Japanese and Korean laborers. It also declared in favor of the plan to have convicts build good roads across the continent.

Fire at Rockwell City.

Rockwell City, Jan. 20.—The four and storage company in connection with the large department store of Hartung-Best Company, was discovered on fire last night at 11:30, and it is a total loss. The building was frame and stood near to several other small warehouses, where considerable kerosene was stored, but the fire was confined to the one building. Loss \$1,000.

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dealt it a death blow with his gavel. He was applauded.

The sub-committee of the scale committee of miners has agreed to report to the general committee meeting, the following demands: Admission of the southwestern states to the central competitive field, a twelve and one-half percent increase in wages, prohibition of the employment of boys less than sixteen years of age.

TRIAL CASE CONCLUDED.

Counsel For Iowa Naval Cadet Addresses Court Martial This Morning.

Annapolis, Jan. 20.—The naval court martial concluded the trial against Midshipman Charles S. James, of Grinnell, Iowa, this morning. George Mann, his counsel, having addressed the court. Later the court took up the case of Claude B. Mayer, of Columbus, Miss., against whom having is alleged in five different instances.

BIG MURDER MYSTERY

People of West Farmington, a Village Near Warren, O., Much Excited Over Horrible Murder of R. K. Lewis, by Unknown Stranger, Now Missing — Victim Was Wealthy.

Warren, Ohio, Jan. 20.—The people of West Farmington, a village near here, are greatly excited today as the result of the mysterious murder last night of R. K. Lewis, a wealthy banker and farmer. An unknown man came to the home of Lewis in a carriage. Lewis and the man were in conference for an hour. At the end of that time the hired man, in another part of the house smelled smoke, rushed into the room and found Lewis lying dead, with his head crushed and hands and feet tightly bound. The body was covered with burning straw which had been saturated with coal oil. The unknown stranger is missing.

FINED FOR ESCAPING ROBBERS.

Foreigners, Accused of Cruelty to a Horse, Can't Make Tale Known.

Pittsburg, Jan. 20.—Because they drove their horse to top speed to escape from highwaymen who held them up near Gallatin, Dominick Morcinia and his son Sabatino were fined \$40 each yesterday for cruelty to the horse by Justice of the Peace Rath of Gallatin. The foreigners can speak no English and tried in vain to tell the judge why they had driven at such speed.

RATE OUTLOOK GOOD

Dolliver Says Developments in the Committee Yesterday Were Favorable, But That the Press Is Too Optimistic in Its Report.

Washington, Jan. 20.—Dolliver is pleased at the outlook for railroad legislation as developed in the committee yesterday, but declares the press reports are too optimistic. Progress was made and differences are being adjusted without changing the vital features. The opposition is still vigorous, but Dolliver believes his bill will be reported without being weakened.

APPEAL MADE TO CHURCHES.

Asked to Observe Sunday, February 11 as Lincoln's 97th Birthday.

New York, Jan. 20.—The American Missionary Association is issuing an appeal to the Congregational churches to observe Sunday, February 11, in recognition of the 97th birthday of Abraham Lincoln. The association appeals to other denominations to do likewise.

ONE ROBBER KILLED

Detectives Caught Five Desperadoes in the Act of Robbing the Northwestern Railroad Repair Shops at Chicago Suburb—Another Fatally Hurt.

Chicago, Jan. 20.—One burglar was killed and another fatally wounded early today at Des Plaines, a suburb, in a battle between detectives of the Northwestern railroad and five men who were detected in an attempt to plunder the railroad repair shop. Three of the robbers escaped.

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IOWA LEGISLATURE HONORS LARRABEE

Takes a Day Off to Celebrate the Birthday of Distinguished Citizen

EVENT IS REMARKABLE ONE

Demonstration Participated in by Men of Both Parties — Governor Larrabee Addresses Joint Session and Gives the Legislators Some Good Advice—The Program.

Special to Times-Republican

Des Moines, Jan. 20.—No more remarkable event has transpired in Iowa legislative history than the demonstration today in the hall of the house of representatives in honor of former Governor William Larrabee and Mrs. Larrabee. It cannot now be said that Iowa people are unwilling or unable to do honor to their great leaders until they are dead. It was a demonstration participated in by men of both parties and without regard to personal preference in politics, a thoroughly non-partisan showing of the high regard in which Governor Larrabee is held by the men of his own time and generation.

HAS EYE BLOWN OUT

Arthur Jones, a Prominent Citizen of Stratford, Meets With a Terrible Accident—One Eye Destroyed and the Other Permanently Injured.

Webster City, Jan. 20.—Arthur Jones, a prominent citizen of Stratford, lost his eye yesterday afternoon by the explosion of an exhaust of a gasoline engine. He has lost the sight of one eye, and maybe will lose the other. His face was severely burned and injured. He was operating a wood sawing machine, run by power from a gasoline engine at the farm of G. A. Barquist, some four and a half miles north of Stratford, when something became wrong with the exhaust of the engine, and Jones went to fix it and attempted to look into the exhaust pipe, to see what the trouble was. While he was thus looking into the pipe with his eye close to the end, an accumulation of gas exploded with terrific force, the entire power of which struck Jones in the eye, that he held close to the opening. The force of the explosion tore the eyeball from his head, and his face was terribly burned. Jones was taken to Boone, where he was placed under the care of an expert.

BUILD BIGGEST RIVER BOAT.

New Mississippi Steamer Is to Be Largest on "Father of Waters."

Dubuque, Jan. 20.—What will be the largest craft ever built on the banks of the Mississippi has been contracted for at the Dubuque ship yards.

COASTING ACCIDENT

Ten Year Old Fort Dodge Boy Probably Fatally Injured While Coasting Down Steep Incline—Known to Have Been Internally Injured.

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ROOF GARDEN FIRE.

Panic for Short Time Among Guests at Hotel Flinders, Philadelphia.

Philadelphia, Jan. 20.—Fire, which originated in the roof garden of the Hotel Flinders, early today created a panic among the guests. The panic was quickly allayed, when it was discovered that the blaze was not serious.

FEARED WIFE WOULD FLIRT

William Bradley, Salesman, Made Wife Now Divorced, Accompany Him.

St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 20.—Mrs. Agnes Bradley, nee Brennan, married in Sioux City, Iowa, October 12, 1894, today was granted a divorce from William Bradley, a traveling salesman, who, it is alleged, compelled her to travel with him lest she flirt with others.

from the cash register, and made his escape in the darkness. Ry has not been captured.

There were three other men in the saloon besides the bartender when Ryan executed his coup, and all of them hoon when the shooting occurred. McSorley's injuries are not a dangerous character.

PROMOTE INTERURBAN.

Line Will Likely Be Constructed From Columbus Junction to Mt. Pleasant.

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Iowa and Minnesota Jurists Visit. Minneapolis, Jan. 20.—Justices McClain, Bishop and Sherwin of the Iowa supreme court, who judged the Minnesota-Northwestern debate last evening, were the guests of Justice Jagard of the Minnesota court at luncheon yesterday. The party was held at the Minnesota club in St. Paul and all the

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DEETS SEEMS TO LEAD IN CONTEST

The Big Contest in the State Traveling Men's Association Now On

DEETS AGAINST THE FIELD

Preliminary Voting on Organization Indicated That the Present Incumbent Had the Inside Track, But Opposition is Determined and is Playing for More Time.

Special to Times-Republican.

Des Moines, Jan. 20.—Late this afternoon the counting of the ballots in the I. S. T. M. A. election is under way and it will take until late in the evening to complete it. There seems to be no doubt, however, that Deets will be elected by a large majority. All the indications point to this result. In the morning session all attempts to change the rules of election to require a majority vote, as well as the proposition to take an informal ballot, were voted down. Sentiment seemed to be that Deets should be given a chance to show what he can do.

Special to Times-Republican.

Des Moines, Jan. 20.—The big contest in the Iowa State Traveling Men's Association for secretary and for sundry changes in the by-laws, came to a culmination today. Not before in many years has there been such a gathering of traveling men at any one place in Iowa. They came here from every corner of the state and from many other states to participate in the contest. It was recognized that the issue was of great importance and yet to most of the members it was after all only a personal matter. All of the candidates were regarded as good men. Any one was declared to be competent.

The fight had apparently narrowed down last night to one of the field against L. C. Deets, who had the advantage of having access to the association books during the past few months, and who had been using the machinery of the organization to his advantage. Next to him were four office candidates nearly equally divided as to strength. Among these were Barrowman, Van Derveer, Porter, MacVicar and Elkington. There was a great deal of talk of a combination against Deets last night and this morning, but as there was little chance for trades the Deets people remained confident.

THE DEETS PROGRAM.