

INSURRECTION IN VENEZUELA

INFURIATED MOB RUNS RIOT AT CARACAS

Movement Directed Against President Castro and Ruling Powers.

Caracas, Venezuela, Monday, via Willemstad, Curacao, Dec. 16.—The people of Caracas rose to-day against President Castro...

The people rounded up all the statues and pictures of President Castro from the clubs and other semi-public buildings...

In spite of Holland's warlike activity on the coast there have been no demonstrations against the Netherlands.

An enormous crowd of the inhabitants of the capital, swelled by people from the outlying country...

The first building to be attacked and looted was that of the lottery monopoly.

The crowd then moved to the printing office of the "Constitucional," the organ of President Castro...

The statues and pictures of President Castro were made into a huge bonfire on the Plaza Bolivar...

The attack yesterday on the officers of El Constitucional when the crowd was curbed by a guard of soldiers...

The funeral of Marciano Rojas, one of the killed by yesterday's riot, has been fixed for to-morrow.

Orders and rioting are expected.

EMPIRE LEAGUE ON AN AUSTRALIAN NAVY

Hopes That Mr. Deakin's Proposals Will Be Carried Out.

London, Dec. 16.—At the annual meeting yesterday of the Empire League Council the speakers hoped the negotiations between the British government and Australia would result in the acceptance of Mr. Deakin's proposal for the formation of an Australian navy.

ASKS FOR ACCOUNTING IN B. C. TIMBER DEAL

St. John, N. B., Dec. 16.—In the equity court on Tuesday next a hearing will be given to the suit by A. S. Puseley of Sussex, against B. W. Fowler and Rufus Pope in connection with timber limit deals in British Columbia.

LEAVING LETHBRIDGE

Lethbridge, Alta., Dec. 16.—J. W. Woolf, M. P. E., is leaving to reside in Salt Lake City.

HOW TO STEAL OPIUM TRAFFIC

RAISING OF POPPIES MUST BE CURTAILED

Mackenzie King Thinks Shanghai Conference Will Do Good Work.

New York, Dec. 16.—The problem of checking the opium traffic was discussed by Mackenzie King, member of the Canadian parliament, who sails for England to-day, to attend the international conference on opium to be held at Shanghai, China, beginning on February 21.

"It is my opinion that the use of opium, in a harmful way, can only be checked by striking direct at the very root, the raising of poppies to so great an extent as to make impossible the spread of their produce as other drugs mere medicine."

"As for the opium traffic in Canada, I have pretty well obliterated it there. Last year there were as many as seven factories on our Pacific coast, fed by the raw product from India.

PREDICTS BESSEMER STEEL WILL BE USELESS

C. M. Schwab on Industry—Must Change Conditions Before Changing Tariff.

Washington, Dec. 16.—Disagreeing with the public views of Andrew Carnegie on the steel tariff, Chas. M. Schwab, former president of the U. S. Steel Corporation, testified before the House ways and means committee yesterday.

Mr. Schwab predicted that Bessemer steel would be of no use.

Among the names mentioned for the vacant portfolio are A. E. McPhillips, K. C. of this city, Price Ellison, of Vernon, and Thomas Taylor, of Revelstoke.

WANTS BRAZIL TO REDUCE NAVAL ARMAMENT

Argentine Assuming Warlike Attitude—Jealousy Rampant Between Republics.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 16.—Diplomatic circles here are watching with much concern the differences between the Argentine Republic and Brazil whose relations are strained because of the jealousy over naval armaments.

Mr. Schwab stated that the Bethlehem Steel Company, of which he is president, imports all of its iron ore from Cuba.

U. S. FLEET AT CEYLON

Colombo Ceylon, Dec. 16.—General R. C. Lawrence, commander of the British troops in Ceylon, entertained Admiral Sigsbee, of the American fleet, and his staff, at the hotel here yesterday.

INSANITY ON INCREASE IN UNITED STATES

One Million Inhabitants Are Adicted to Use of Opium.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 16.—Insanity grows three times as fast in proportion to the increase in population in the United States.



ALSO SPANKED

UNDISCOVERED MURDER MYSTERIES

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 16.—A report of the police department shows that 156 persons were murdered in Chicago in the year 1908.

PREMIER MCBRIDE WILL FILL HIS CABINET

New Minister Expected to Be Appointed at Early Date.

(From Tuesday's Daily.) Premier McBride is expected within a few days to make an appointment to the vacant portfolio of minister of public works.

DISASTROUS TRAIN COLLISION IN FRANCE

Limoges, France, Dec. 16.—Ten persons were killed and fifteen injured in a collision to-day between a passenger train and a freight train in the Pouch tunnel between the town of Brive and Limoges.

CHRISTMAS GOODS GO UP IN FLAMES

Two Montreal Firms Are Heavy Sufferers Through Fire.

Montreal, Que., Dec. 16.—A fire which broke out at 3:30 yesterday afternoon, did actual damage estimated at \$50,000 to the Birks' building on Phillips square.

DYING MILLIONAIRE SETS FIRE TO HIS WEALTH

London, Dec. 16.—A special despatch from St. Petersburg to the Daily Mail relates that a dying Moscow millionaire named Peteroff had his whole fortune withdrawn from the bank and the bank notes brought to the sickroom.

WARSHIP LAUNCH WITH SEVEN MEN MISSING

Believed to Have Foundered During Squall Off St. Pierre, Miquelon.

St. Pierre, Miqu., Dec. 16.—Seven members of the crew of the French warship Admiral Aube, who started for the shore on Monday night are missing, and it is thought all were drowned.

CASTRO CALLS ON CHANCELLOR BUELOW

German Foreign Secretary Also Included on His Visiting List.

Berlin, Dec. 15.—President Castro, of Venezuela, who arrived in this city last night from Paris, called this morning on Chancellor Buelow and Foreign Secretary von Schoen, leaving his cards.

H. M. CRUISERS COMING ACROSS PACIFIC

Cambian and Flora Detached From China Squadron for American Service.

London, Dec. 15.—With a view to showing the British flag on both sides of the American continent, the admiralty has ordered the cruisers Cambian and Flora detached from the Australian and China squadrons, respectively, for a visit to the southern ports of the Pacific coast of South America.

PROMINENT ODD FELLOW DEAD

Nashville, Tenn., Dec. 15.—Judge J. J. Nolan, grand sire of the sovereign grand lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, died at a local hospital yesterday.

JITZER TO BE PROSECUTED

Roosevelt's Biting Attack on N. Y. World

Says Panama Canal Scandal Needs No Investigation—Message to Congress.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 15.—President Roosevelt to-day sent to the senate a statement concerning the purchase of the Panama canal property by the United States, denouncing in strong language charges that there was anything wrong in the acquisition by the United States of the canal property.

"These stories," he continues, "were first brought to my attention as published in a paper in Indianapolis, called the News, edited by Mr. Delevan Smith.

"Mr. Smith shelters himself behind the excuse that he merely accepted the statements which had appeared in a paper published in New York, the World, owned by Joseph Pulitzer.

Summarizing the charges made in this connection, the president says: "These statements sometimes appeared in the editorial columns in the news columns, sometimes in the shape of contributions from individuals, either unknown or known to be of bad character.

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DUTCH CAPTURE ANOTHER PRIVATE

WARSHIP TOWS VESSEL INTO WILLEMSTAD

Strict Patrol Will Be Maintained Along Venezuelan Coast.

Willemstad, Dec. 15.—The battleship Jacob Von Heemskerck arrived in the harbor at 8 o'clock morning, towing as a prize the Venezuelan coastguard vessel "23 Mayo."

WESTMINSTER'S NEW COUNCIL

New Westminster, Dec. 15.—The municipal election for seven aldermen resulted in the re-election of Aldermen Gray, Garret, Johnson, Jardine and Henley.

BOOKMAKERS WILL DEFY ANTI-GAMBLING LAW

Determined to Ply Trade Openly on New Orleans Track.

New Orleans, Dec. 16.—The announcement last night that races would be conducted to-day at the city park, and that bookmaking would be allowed in spite of the anti-gambling law was nothing more than an invitation from W. W. Lyles, a Kentucky turfman, supposed to be representing Ed. Corigan, to the New Orleans police to attend the opening of the meet.

DIES FROM INJURIES

Aged Clergyman Run Over by Car in Toronto.

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 15.—Rev. Fice, 78 years old, who was run by a street car last week, died of injuries in the hospital yesterday.

HUGE WATER TANK BURST

St. John, N. B., Dec. 15.—The colossal railway water tank at Yards, holding 100,000 gallons of water, burst with a mighty roar on Sunday morning.

KEPT MASTERPIECE BUT DIES IN POVERTY

Artist's Daughter Preferred Suffering to Selling "The Passing Storm."

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 15.—With a painting, valued at more than \$1,000 in her possession, Carlotta Rodriguez, the young daughter of one of California's most noted artists, lived in poverty and actual want for several years and finally died when her life could have been saved had she had the money to purchase proper food and medicine.

NELSON'S STREET CAR SERVICE

Nelson, Dec. 15.—Arrangements were concluded between the promoters and the city council whereby Nelson's street car service will be re-started early in January on a permanent basis.

INTERNATIONAL CURLING

London, Dec. 15.—It is understood that if there is ice at Lochcaber the Canadian curlers will play the international series, but falling that the matches will be played in the large permanent ice rink in Glasgow.

INDIAN UNREST

YORK LOAN REAL ESTATE

PRAIRIE MATORS

Calcutta, Dec. 15.—By the arrest of the most prominent Bengali and their deportation to an unknown destination, it is believed the anti-movement will be put down for good.

YORK LOAN REAL ESTATE

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 15.—The York Loan Company, which has realized a profit of \$20,000 on the sale of real estate of the defunct company this month so far.

PRAIRIE MATORS

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 16.—All. Adolph has been elected mayor of Brandon, and S. Woods of Portage la Prairie.

CALGARY'S NEW MAYOR

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 15.—Form R. General Superintendent Jamieson has been elected Mayor of Calgary.