

VENEZUELAN DEFY THE RULE OF CASTRO

Inflamed Mob in Caracas Destroys Pictures and Statues of the Dictator.

CAPITAL CITY IN A TURMOIL

Property of President's Henchmen Wrecked and Deposition of Executive Looked For.

The Venezuelan capital Tuesday experienced a significant popular demonstration against the absent President Castro. It took the form of an outbreak of disorder, following the warlike activities of the Dutch warships along the coast. By nightfall it was necessary to declare martial law to put an end to the rioting and pillaging. The people rounded up all the statues and pictures of President Castro from clubs and other semi-public buildings and burned them with rejoicing on the Plaza Bolivar. Castro's rule in Venezuela seemed to be ended. In spite of Holland's warlike activity on the coast, there have been no demonstrations against the Netherlands. All have been directed against President Castro and Acting President Gomez.

Cipriano Castro has been dictator of Venezuela since 1899 and is regarded as the Plague of Europe. He seized the capital of the South American republic in 1899 and deposed President Andrade, who had fled to the island of Trinidad on a gunboat, the only effective fighting ship of the republic. President Castro has proved one of the most successful dictators in South American history. He has been menaced by revolutions and plotters since he assumed office, while foreign powers have been on his trail. Castro's origin is unknown. Spanish and Indian blood flows in his veins. He was a cattle herder in the '90s before he became Venezuela's dictator and the defier of the powers of Europe.

"IK MARVEL" IS DEAD.
Donald G. Mitchell Passes Away at Home in New Haven.

Donald Grant Mitchell (Ik Marvel) died at his home in Edgewood, New Haven, Conn. Mrs. Edward L. Ryerson of Chicago, a daughter, who had been summoned, failed to reach her father's bedside before the end came. Mr. Mitchell in August last suffered an attack of acute indigestion. From this he rallied so that he was able to walk about his home unattended until two weeks ago, when he began to fail slowly. Sunday his condition became rapidly worse and the end came shortly before 9 o'clock Tuesday night.

At the bedside at the time of Mr. Mitchell's death were his sons, Harold of New London and Walter of Newark, and his daughters, Mrs. Walter Hart of Rye, N. Y.; Mrs. Mason Hoppin and the Misses Elizabeth, Bessie and Harriet Mitchell, all of New Haven.

Mr. Mitchell's death will bring sorrow to lovers of literature everywhere. Essentially of New England and possessing to a high degree the best traits of the intellectual English stock that has made that part of the country famous, he wrote for the world and the world appreciated him. His "Dream Life" and "Reveries of a Bachelor" are known wherever the English language is read.

WILL FOUND NAILED IN TUB.

Bachelor Grocer of Charlestown, Mass., Conceals Instrument.

Inclosed in an envelope and nailed to the bottom of a tub the will of the late Patrick Monahan of Charlestown, Mass., disposing of relative of property valued at \$250,000, was found in a cellar and offered for probate. Monahan was a grocer and unmarried. When he died last September no will could be found and John Monahan of Chicago, a brother, was made administrator. Of the estate \$90,000 is left to the Chicagoan; \$90,000 to a sister-in-law, Margaret Mullen of Boston; \$30,000 each to three sisters in Ireland, and smaller amounts to nephews and nieces.

DROPS BOMB ON LOS ANGELES.

Airship Experiment Shows How Easy It Would Be to Destroy City.

Roy Knabenshue Thursday night attempted in Los Angeles, Cal., to demonstrate how an airship could sail over a city unobserved under cover of darkness and destroy the city by the use of powerful explosives. His flight failed in this respect, however, as his airship was easily discernible and the whir of the motor and propeller could be heard at a great distance. Knabenshue dropped a harmless bomb on the city hall, where it was found later. Knabenshue was accompanied by George Dender, his machinist.

LIFE TERMS FOR MURDERERS

Supreme Court Dooms Convicted Men to Imprisonment.

The Supreme Court of Missouri affirmed the sentences of John Woolley and Robert S. Man to life terms in the State penitentiary for murder. Woolley killed his stepdaughter, Pearl Smith, aged 3 years, and Sussman killed a traveling companion, Carl Miller, taking his wagon and horses. The Miller crime was not discovered for several years, when it was revealed by a woman accomplice.

HOLD TWO JOBS? NO.

Pay Roll Patriot Gets Blow When Chytraus Decides Galpin Case.

A smashing blow to the pay roll patriot was administered by Judge Axel Chytraus of the Appellate Court in Chicago when he handed down a deep-delving decision holding that no person can draw two salaries from the public treasury simultaneously.

The decision came in the case of Herman B. Meyer against County Clerk Joseph F. Haas, an affair of two years' standing in the court records of Cook County and involving the right of Homer K. Galpin, chief clerk of the Chicago Municipal Court, to sit in the State Senate, representing the Second District. Galpin's term as Senator is officially wanting, and for all practical purposes has expired. Judge Clifford refused to issue a writ of mandamus to County Clerk Haas on the petition of Herman B. Meyer, who had sought Galpin's seat in the Senate. County Clerk Haas in turn had refused to notify Governor Deneen officially that a vacancy existed in the Senate from the Galpin district following Galpin's election as chief clerk of the Municipal Court. Judge Chytraus and the Appellate bench now hold that Judge Clifford was in error and that Galpin had no right to a seat in the Senate during the last two years.

The point of interest to politicians generally, but most specifically unpleasant to more than thirty members-elect of the incoming Illinois General Assembly, is that the common law is against two salaries going into the pockets of one man at the same time from the public treasuries, and specifically that a State legislator under the constitution is forbidden to hold any other remunerative office under the United States or State government.

It is known within legislative circles and among politicians that a large percentage of the personnel of the Cook County delegation in the Legislature has an intimate acquaintance with some public pay roll. There are examples of the same situation with regard to some of the down-State members of the General Assembly. Federal, State, city and Sanitary District employees, who are drawing pay now, will be noted on the official roll call of the Legislature.

KNOX WILL HEAD THE CABINET.

Senator Accepts Position of Secretary of State Offered by Taft.

Senator Philander C. Knox of Pennsylvania has been offered and has accepted the position of Secretary of State in the Taft cabinet, according to a report in Washington that appears to be authentic. Mr. Knox, it is said, has consented to serve in the cabinet, at a sacrifice of his personal inclinations, as he would prefer to remain in the Senate. It is said that Mr. Knox's resignation from the Senate is ready to be submitted to Gov. Stuart.

Senator Knox was appointed Attorney General by President McKinley and remained in that position under Roosevelt until 1904, when upon the death of Matt Quay he became Senator for Pennsylvania.

HELD UP BY FOUR ROBBERS.

Express Car Dynamited, but Messenger Says Highwaymen Got Little.

Oregon Railroad and Navigation train No. 1, known as the Chicago-Portland special, was held up and the express car dynamited by four unmasked robbers shortly after 9 o'clock on a recent night, nine miles east of Portland, Ore. Express Messenger O. H. Huff said the robbers secured little of value. The robbers did not molest the passengers, but uncoupled the express car and ordered the engineer to take it down the track toward Portland. About a mile beyond the point where the train was held up the doors of the express car were shattered by nitroglycerine. The train did not carry a through safe, a small local safe and a strong box being the only receptacles for valuables. The robbers compelled Express Messenger Huff to open the small safe. It contained but three or four small packages, believed to have been of small value. The strong box was not touched. The robbers escaped.

The Other John D.

John D. Archbold started life as an office boy. But he evidently didn't have to look after the letter files.—Augusta Chronicle.

It is difficult for Mr. Archbold to remember anything without referring to his letter files, which, as the world knows, are sadly incomplete.—Washington Star.

Mr. Archbold was unable to explain an item of \$22,000,000 paid to P. S. Trainer, beyond the mere fact that it was for "adjustments." Perhaps Mr. Trainer did some plumbing for the Standard Oil Company.—Kansas City Star.

We infer that the cost of the Archbold letters is not included in Mr. Hearst's outlay of \$42,000 for the Independence campaign. The letters have been listed as a permanent investment, in all probability.—Houston Post.

Though a man of letters, Mr. Archbold will waste no time writing an autobiography.—Atlanta Constitution.

Swiss Elect President.

A. Deucher, minister of commerce, was elected president of the Swiss republic for 1909 by the Federal Assembly. He will succeed Dr. F. Brunner, whose term of office expires Jan. 1.

From Mill to Reopen Work for 600. The Toledo plant of the Republic Iron and Steel Company, employing 600 men, will resume operations Dec. 28 after thirteen months' idleness.

BONAPARTE ASKS FOR MORE LEGAL POWER

Attorney-General Says It Is Needed in Prosecution of Rich Defendants.

CITES THE STANDARD FINE.

That Case, He Thinks, Shows the Necessity of a Change in the Present Statutes.

That the United States should have the right of appeal to the Supreme Court of the United States as a matter of right, whenever a conviction is reversed on appeal by the defendant to a Circuit Court of Appeals, is the opinion expressed by Attorney General Bonaparte in his annual report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1908, submitted to Congress. In this connection he cites the case of the reversal of the Standard Oil fine of more than \$29,000,000, in which an application for a writ of certiorari has been made to the Supreme Court.

He holds that an amendment of the present laws would be appropriate in the case of all criminal proceedings, but suggests that it would be especially so in connection with prosecutions where the wealth of the defendant usually renders an appeal on his or its part from any adverse judgment a matter of course.

The Attorney General's opinion is that in such cases there is no question of double jeopardy, as the appeal of the defendant from the original conviction is recognized by the undoubted weight of well-considered judicial authority as a waiver of his rights in this respect and as in the absence of some such provision of law as the Attorney General recommends guilty persons may escape from just punishment under the law as finally determined by the court of last resort.

He declares that the consistent policy of the Department of Justice during the year in enforcing the statutes intended to protect the interstate and foreign commerce of the country from evils arising through combinations in restraint of trade and attempts to create monopoly, as well as discriminations and other illegal practices on the part of common carriers engaged in such commerce, has been to investigate carefully all complaints submitted to it, whether by public authorities or by responsible private citizens, and to authorize proceedings, whether civil or criminal, only when such investigation has shown the complaints to be serious and well founded and that success might be reasonably expected.

Mr. Bonaparte reports that this policy was attended during the year by a fair measure of success in the proceedings authorized and that as a consequence of decisions already obtained or expected soon the statutes dealing with such cases will be interpreted so authoritatively that those seeking to comply with the law will be relieved from all uncertainty as to what the law really is. He says that serious obstacles have been encountered in enforcing the statutes and that these may be with advantage readily removed by further legislation.

"The United States has had occasion of late years, and will probably have occasion in future," he declared, "to prosecute criminally many corporations or other artificial persons. As such offenders cannot be physically arrested, it is obviously desired that a simple and convenient form of process shall be prescribed by law to have the legal effect of an actual arrest and removal to the trial district as in the case of a natural person."

COUPLE MURDERED IN SLEEP.

Assassin Hacks Faces of Man and Wife with Hatchet.

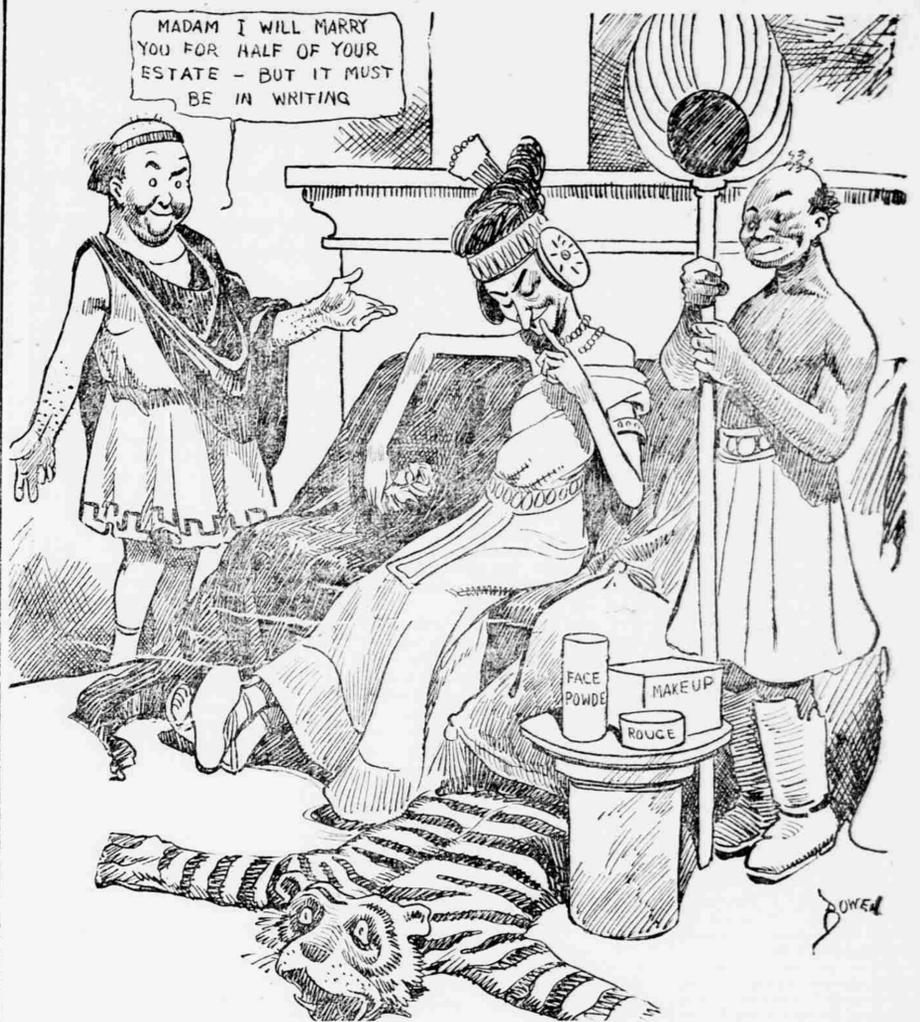
Wicentz Florczik and his wife were murdered by an assassin at their residence, 132 Bird street, Wilmington, Del. Their bodies were found by Alexander Florczik, brother of the murdered man, and a lodger at the house, who is detained at police headquarters. Alexander told the police that when he went home about 11 o'clock at night he was unable to gain admittance, and spent the night with an uncle. He went to the house about 9 o'clock in the morning and found the bodies. He said the two children, a girl 2 years old and a 2-months-old baby, had not been molested. The baby lay in a crib between the beds occupied by the parents. Both of the victims had been hacked in the face with a hatchet which was found on the man's bed. The murder is thought to have been committed for revenge. Florczik was 38, and his wife 24 years old. The prisoner is 18.

BRIBE PUTS OFFICIAL IN CELL.

Former Member of City Board Sentenced to Penitentiary.

Fred Lied, formerly member of the Columbus board of control, was sentenced to four years in the Ohio penitentiary for accepting a bribe from Nelson Cannon, representative of the Trinidad Paving Company of Cleveland, in connection with East Broad street paving. Fred Immel, another former member of the board of control, is serving a term in the penitentiary.

ANOTHER ROMANCE SHATTERED.



SCIENTISTS HAVE DISCOVERED THAT CLEOPATRA WAS NOT A BEAUTIFUL WOMAN—SO MARC ANTONY MUST HAVE WOODED HER FOR HER MONEY.

HOUSE SLAPS AT ROOSEVELT.

Calls on Him to Tell on What He Bases Secret Service Charges.

The House of Representatives Thursday, by unanimous vote, adopted a resolution requesting the President to supply it with any evidence that may be in his possession that will justify the statement in his last annual message in relation to the attitude of members of Congress toward appropriations for the secret service of the government.

Mr. Perkins, chairman of the special committee charged to investigate the allegations made in the President's message, and John Sharp Williams of Mississippi both stated on the floor that it was the desire of the special committee to be just toward the President in allowing him to submit any evidence he may have, and both declared that the committee would give full and impartial consideration. Mr. Perkins said the committee would continue in session during the Christmas holidays so that it might receive such evidence from the President promptly and proceed to consider it.

Both the resolution and all of the preamble, except that part of the latter interpreting the meaning of the President's message in relation to the secret service, were adopted unanimously by a viva voce vote. Mr. Bennett of New York demanded a division on the preamble provision stating the committee's interpretation of the President's strictures upon Congress, but before the division was entered upon endeavored to withdraw his motion. Mr. Williams insisted that this could not be done, and the vote being taken, 270 members voted aye and 14 no on this part of the preamble.



Milwaukee is after the next bowling congress and looks good to get it.

Percy Houghton has been elected football coach at Harvard for another two years.

James R. Keene was the largest winner on the American turf this season. He won \$282,075.

Cornell's track team will meet the Maroons on an indoor track at the Bartlett gymnasium this winter.

Tommy Burns, the Canadian, is not only champion heavyweight fighter, but he is champion of all weights as a financier.

The most profitable race horse in the United States this season was Sir Martin. He captured stakes to the value of \$78,590.

In the relay run from New York to Washington nearly 1,000 boys carried a silver tube containing a message from Rudolph Foster to President Roosevelt.

Patsy Donovan, who has been let go as manager of the Brooklyn National League team, will in all probability be appointed manager of the Boston club next year.

Fred Bradley of Boston was knocked out in the fourth round of a boxing bout with Al Kubick of Grand Rapids, Mich., at the West End Athletic Club in Philadelphia. He became unconscious and was hurried to a hospital.

TWO DIE IN AUTO ACCIDENT.

Machine Goes into the River at Milwaukee Through Open Draw.

An automobile containing three men dashed into the open draw of the Oneida street bridge in Milwaukee at 1 o'clock the other morning and went to the bottom of the river, carrying two of the occupants to their death. A third was rescued with difficulty and is at the emergency hospital. The dead: Oscar Z. Bartlett, member board of trade; Albert Kunz, chauffeur. A. F. Soliday of the Soliday Motor Company was rescued. The car approached the bridge from the east, coming down the Oneida street hill at a high rate of speed. The driver apparently did not notice that the bridge was open until the car was within twenty feet of it. Kunz then made a frantic effort to avoid the river, but only succeeded in turning the car as far as the curb, where it bounded into the air, turning a complete somersault between the dock and the center pier of the bridge, hurling Mr. Bartlett and Mr. Soliday thirty feet to the south of where the car hit the water. The crew of the steamer Iowa, which was passing through the draw, saw the tragedy and immediately lowered boats. Kunz was pinned under the automobile at the bottom of the river.

MANY WEEP AT BANK'S DOORS.

Napoleon, O., Institution, Involved in Insurance Failure, Assigns.

Men cried and women fainted in the streets of Napoleon, Ohio, when they found a notice of assignment posted on the doors of the Citizens' State Bank. D. D. Donovan was named as assignee. President Heller of the bank is now confined in a hospital in a Minnesota town. The failure is said to be due to overloans made by Cashier Groll to Judge Michael Donnelly, who is president of the Ohio German Fire Insurance Company, and the assignment is also said to be the direct result of the recent failure of that insurance company. These loans to Donnelly, it is alleged, were made without the authority of other officials. The bank is capitalized at \$71,000 and has an undivided surplus of \$21,000. The deposits amount to \$835,000. The bank examiner objected to an extension of credit to Judge Donnelly and required the amount to be made up by the end of this month. The directors determined to make an assignment in order to furnish equal and full protection to all the creditors.

Haiti's Revolution.

Nord Alexis' speedy departure will obviate the necessity of his making a financial report.—Detroit News.

With a little education those Haitians might be able to settle their differences through old-fashioned debating societies instead of revolutions.—Toledo Blade.

Old President Nord Alexis has seen almost as many revolutions as a roulette gambler, and looks upon the freaks of fortune almost as cynically.—Atlanta Journal.

If Haiti keeps on having revolutions the first thing she knows the chivalrous but firm hand of the United States will be stretched out in her direction.—Augusta Chronicle.

Big Furnace Starts Up.

The Emma blast furnace of the American Steel and Wire Company in Cleveland has started for the first time in fifteen months. Two shifts of men, 80 in all, were put to work, and the furnace will be kept going night and day.

Sea's Rays Start Fire.

The sun's rays focusing through a glass globe filled with water caused a fire in the home of J. C. Holt in Syracuse, O., on Tuesday. The timely discovery of the flames alone saved the home from destruction.

CLAIMS TO BE HAY'S WIDOW.

Woman Says She Married Son of Late Secretary of State.

That Adelbert Hay, son of the late Secretary of State, John Hay, was a husband and father at the time of his death from a fall from a second story bedroom window, was declared by the mother of Mrs. Mary Ryland Hay—who claims to be young Hay's widow—after her daughter had applied for a marriage license to marry Dr. Arthur Kraut, a wealthy manufacturing chemist of Philadelphia.

Adelbert Hay, she said, eloped from Washington in August, 1900, to Atlantic City with her daughter, and they were there married by the Rev. William Taylor Snyder of Washington. For seven years she said, both she and her daughter have tried unsuccessfully to compel the Hay family to admit the marriage, or at least recognize young Adelbert Hay Jr. as the grandson of the former statesman.

Obstacles were thrown in their way and they were handicapped by poverty. She accuses Dr. Snyder of withholding the facts. Her daughter has a record of the marriage, she says, but no certificate.

POLITICS and POLITICIANS

Gov. Folk has decided that under the law the entire electoral vote of Missouri should be cast for William H. Taft. The Taft plurality in Missouri is 1,026.

At St. Louis prominent Populists, who had been led into the Democratic ranks, and other radicals in that party, were called to a conference to plan united action through a radical political party, to establish the rule of the people.

Congressman Theodore E. Burton of Ohio has been tentatively offered the secretaryship of the treasury, in Taft's cabinet, but has not decided whether he will accept. His friends in Ohio want him to be a candidate for the Senate.

J. J. Sullivan of Columbus, who was appointed judge of the Nebraska Supreme Court by Gov. Sheldon, has filed his resignation. Gov. Sheldon accepted the resignation. Judge Sullivan took the oath of office and served one day. He declined to issue a statement explaining his resignation.

The statement of the expense account of Robert M. La Follette's presidential campaign committee has been filed at Madison by Alfred T. Rogers, law partner of Senator La Follette and member of the Republican national committee. According to the statement contributions aggregating \$17,729.10 were received to carry on the campaign of La Follette for nomination for the presidency, and an equal amount was expended.

The announcement that President Roosevelt had insisted upon the immediate appointment of John D. Pringle, editor of the Labor World at Pittsburg, to be appraiser of that port, with a \$3,500 salary, has disturbed the regular Republican leaders of that part of the State.

Dr. Charles P. Neill, commissioner of labor, in a short time will be reappointed to his present position by President Roosevelt. Dr. Neill was made commissioner of labor by President Roosevelt in succession of Prof. Carroll D. Wright, who resigned the position of president of Clark University at Worcester, Mass.