

# CASTRO IS STARTING

## HE IS GREED INCARNATE, AND HAS MAUSERS AND DUNGEONS FOR THOSE WHO PREFER THEM TO SUBMISSION—DONNA CASTRO AS GRATTER-IN-CHIEF.

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Washington, Nov. 6.—The people of Caracas are hungry. This is the most important of the troubles of Venezuela. It portends more danger to the scepter of Castro than all the guns of Queen Wilhelmina's fleet. It is a more damning judgment upon Castro's rule than all the condemnations of his political enemies.

To an American there is something indescribably sad in the spectacle presented by a great city slowly dying of starvation. When Venezuela gained its liberty from Spain, Caracas had a population of 50,000 people. In 93 years since then it has but little more than held its own, and for the past 10 years there has been a steady decrease. When Guzman Blanco was dictator, Caracas enjoyed a "boom," or as nearly a boom as is possible in South America. The city attracted immigrants, business flourished, handsome public buildings and palatial residences were erected. Parks and boulevards without number were added to the beauties of the city. Handmade theatres were erected, and there was opera all the year round. Society was gay, rich and care free. The driveways were crowded with the carriages of fashion. The clubs resounded with the laughter of the diners and gamblers. It was then that Caracas gained its sobriquet of "Little Paris."

### A City of Desolation Now.

Now with the same people and the same surroundings, how different is the picture! There is no immigration, and those who can go are leaving. Going to Cuba and Porto Rico and the Argentine. There is no opera—the people can't afford it. The driveways no longer know the carriage of fashion—the grandees haven't the money to support a carriage. The gaming tables in the clubs are dusty and unused for the first time in two centuries—the bloods haven't even a piece of silver to stake on the turn of a card. The cafes are deserted and many of them are closed. "Little Paris" is one with Nineveh and Tyre.

### Priceless Jewels for Mere Bread.

There are more beggars on the streets than in Constantinople, but it is to be doubted if the beggars are in nearly so pitiable condition as many of the other people. The government pawnshop doors yawn wide to receive the steady stream of centuries-old mahogany and rosewood furniture which pours in daily. The jewel shops are buying heirlooms that date from the days of Charles V., buying them for small silver that will be spent for bread.

The people of Caracas are hungry. The great business men of wealth, crushed by the iniquities of Castro's grinding taxation, have hoarded their money and are waiting. The small business man has retired in his turn, and the petty employments open to the masses of the people have been closed. Castro's foreign policy has been ruinous that of the 19 steamship lines which formerly touched at La Guayra there are only three now running, and one of them is regular. The plague stagnated everything for months, but Castro only raised taxes and would not help to start.

### Donna Castro is Gratter-in-Chief.

Donna Zolla Castro, wife of the dictator, is the most insistent of all the gratters of the regime. She demands the payment of a tax levied upon the daily receipts of the stalls of the public market. This must be paid in cash every day. The result is that the price of food is rising higher and higher, as the people become more and more hungry and less able to buy. Suppose the wife of an American president should demand a 10 per cent "rake off" on the gross receipts of the market houses of Washington. How long would revolution be delayed?

Revolution or assassination might have come long ago if it were not for the peculiar character of the people of Caracas. They have always looked upon government as a necessary evil, they have always resented the power as licensed thieves, they have no idea that it is possible for them to control their government. Therefore they submit.

### Negro Blood Predominates.

The people of this city are pure Leona, full-blooded negroes and some original Indians, together with the mixed mixture of these three races. The negro population is the majority, and the pure white race is not more than one tenth of the whole. The negro characteristics are dominant among the mixed people. This fact may explain their submissive attitude.

Then, too, the people are afraid. On every corner a policeman. There was never a town with so many policemen always patrolling the streets. And every one of them is armed with a Mauser rifle and has a belt filled with ball cartridges. The policeman has the power of life or death in his hands, and if he is not an enemy of the government it would be official virtue for him to shoot to kill. These Mausers are not used, because the cowardly population would not see an opportunity. Caracas is the best-behaved city anywhere.

Besides the rifle-armed policemen.

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The same authority has classified dyspepsia thus: The first form due to relations with other organs, which are in a morbid and unhealthy state, which is characterized as a reflex action. Of this type is the nausea and vomiting caused by irritation of brain, lungs, liver or uterus. The second form is caused by scanty supply of gastric juice, made evident by slowness of digestion, long retention of food in the stomach, distress for a long time after meals, accompanied by weighty and uneasy feeling at pit of stomach, decomposition of food in alimentary canal causing flatulency and foul gases and the appearance of undigested food in the evacuations from bowels.

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# CABINET MAKERS

## OREGON SENATOR HASN'T A LOOK IN FOR SECRETARY OF INTERIOR.

By John E. Lathrop.

Washington, Nov. 6.—All gossip as to the cabinetmaking by Taft dispose permanently of the report that Senator Fulton of Oregon is slated for secretary of the interior. During the Chicago convention the report was common that the Oregon senator was likely to be made secretary of the department of the interior. The report has been revived within the past few days, but it is considered a far cry from reality. And the only other available position, that of attorney-general, it is believed has been promised to Frank Kellogg.

It seems to be the conclusion that the chance that any western man may be secretary of the navy is gone. It had been expected that the secretary of California would be succeeded by some coast man. But the slating of William Loeb Jr. for that portfolio, which is now accepted here as decided, leaves room for no western man in the cabinet.

If the program indicated goes through the cabinet will have no member from west of the Missouri river, and only two men from west of the Mississippi river. Wilson of California, of agricultural, and Kellogg of Minnesota, head of the department of justice.

But Wade Ellis may get the attorney-generalship, leaving Wilson the only member from west of the Mississippi.

There is reasonably good foundation for the assertion that Metcalf's probable retirement from the cabinet, in March, will be a great loss to his country. He obeyed orders from the White House to go out on the stump for Taft. He was assigned to West Virginia, but declined the honor. Many about the department say he was not sick, but did not want to engage in campaign work.

### Notes From the Labor World

The interlocking switch and signal men of the B. & M. road have organized a new union for the Boston terminal division.

During the month of August 220 persons were injured and 115 of them died as a result of their injuries.

P. H. Morrissey, who has been elected president of the Railway Employees' and Investors' association, has been grand master of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen since August 1, 1908.

The Lobster Fishermen's International Protective association, which has thousands of members in the New England states, will hold its regular annual convention at Vinhaven, Me., beginning November 12.

The union men of Walla Walla, Wash., have decided at recent meetings to ask the board of education of Walla Walla to submit to the people at the next municipal election the proposition of free tree-tickets.

The Massachusetts state executive board of the Steam Engineers' union notified the board of education of Walla Walla, December 13, as the time for holding the next annual state convention of their prosperous organization.

The legislature of Finland has passed the bakers' bill, which makes eight hours a legal day's work for all bakers in Finland. The same bill provides that in the future all night work in the bakeries shall be prohibited.

At Bedford, Mass., three unions of carpenters and joiners have appointed a committee to examine applications for admission into the building trade. The applicant must demonstrate by working out 15 or 20 problems with his tools and he is only received if his demonstration is satisfactory.

One of the courts in Michigan has decided that a foreign corporation which has failed to register with the secretary of state and pay a franchise fee, has no status in court. The plaintiff for injunction to prevent a union from interfering with its business. The case will probably be appealed.

Chinese butchers and meat market men of San Francisco, who some time ago made application to become affiliated with the international body of meat cutters and butchers, are disappointed with the action of the international body, which turned the matter down at one of its recent meetings, without giving any reason.

The British government in India is taking care that the native workers are sharing the benefits of the English factory law. The condition of factory labor in textile factories in India has recently been investigated by a committee of the India government, and the recommendations are being considered by a representative commission, whose report is now due.

It is regarded as highly probable that the large anthracite mining concerns will adopt the idea of providing educational facilities for the employees, giving practically every mine worker in the anthracite region the opportunity to learn. The door to promotion will thus be thrown open to the humblest toiler. One of the effects of the plan, the mining officials think, will be to lessen the number of accidents in the mines, which in most cases are due to the ignorance as well as the carelessness of the workers.

FOREST FIRE ON MACKAY'S ESTATE  
(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Roslyn, Long Island, Nov. 6.—Four acres of magnificent woodland was burned over last night in a fire that threatened to destroy the lovely country home of Clarence H. Mackay at Harbor Hill. The mansion was saved from destruction by the work of

## Baby Laugh

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BETWEEN WASHINGTON AND ALDER STREETS, ACROSS FROM THE LOUVRE

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## MUSEUM PLANS TO BE DISCUSSED

"What to Do With Our Museum" will be the subject of a paper tomorrow night. The officials have asked those who have charge of the educational museum, which has occupied the halls and upper rooms of the executive building for so many years, to remove the exhibits to make room for more offices. The Oregon Historical society will probably leave the building with the museum.

A. W. Miller, who presides over the state exhibit of Oregon products, will read a paper at the meeting suggesting that the legislature be asked for an appropriation with which to erect a suitable building for the city museum. Historical society and probably for the Oregon products pavilion exhibited at the Chamber of Commerce.

### Boxing and Wrestling

Six fast matches tonight at the Multnomah club gymnasium at 8:30 sharp, between the M. A. club and Seattle Athletic club. Admission \$1.00.

## Bought From the Fire Adjusters

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LOT No. 5—327 Overcoats, in blacks, blues, chinchilla, etc. Full Venetian lined, hand-felled collars. Made to order to sell at \$25. These will not last long. Get here early. A big lot, but remember, your choice of any for—

**\$7.85**

LOT No. 7—This lot contains 93 Overcoats of the finest quality cloths, in paddock, sheath, surtouts, etc., made for the best dressers of America. The acme of tailor's perfection and worth up to \$60. You can own any one of these for—

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LOT No. 8—291 pairs of Made-to-Order Pants, in nearly every cloth and style. Not one in the lot could be duplicated for less than \$3 and many would cost you \$5. All placed in one lot at the low price of—

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