

## CASTRO ABANDONS HIS CLAIM TO PRESIDENCY

Dec. 24.—Castro today gave out a statement to the Press which virtually amounts to the abandonment of his claim to the presidency of Venezuela. The statement is as follows: "I am taking cognizance of everything printed in the newspapers concerning the developments in Venezuela, I doubt the truth of the reports attributed to the present government at Caracas. I have more to say on the subject when I am in better knowledge of what has occurred. When I have full knowledge of what has occurred, I shall place no difficulties in the way of the administration in Venezuela in settling the pending controversy with foreign governments, even if it involves my own withdrawal from activity in the affairs of the nation."

## FOR COSGROVE SENDS MESSAGE TO STATE OF WASHINGTON

Dec. 24.—Governor Cosgrove, of Washington, sent a message to the people of his state, in which he gave his greetings to the people of the state of Washington. In

body in California. In mind with the people I expect to serve. Cosgrove."

The Garrett & Mitchell real estate agency has just sold 200 acres of land of the Robert Boyd farm, formerly the R. A. Hill ranch, to O. A. Drew, from California, for \$46,000. Mr. Drew will make some extensive improvements on the place.

The old custom of ringing bells on Christmas morning will be revived in Eugene tomorrow morning at 8 o'clock by all the churches participating.

## PENNSYLVANIA PROSECUTION GETTING BREATH

### Voters' League Reported to Have 22 Warrants of Arrest Prepared

Pittsburg, Dec. 24.—While the graft scandal in Pittsburg has been halted, insofar as making additional arrests is concerned, it is intimated and believed that this is only temporary. Apparently both prosecution and defense are getting their second wind, following the sensational developments. Rumors are being circulated today that a raid will soon be made against councilmen and businessmen who are charged with corrupting the councils. The Voters' League of Pittsburg is said to have prepared twenty-two warrants for the arrest of these persons.

Thirteen Warden and E. Warden were each fined \$50 yesterday in the justice court for killing deer out of season. Allen Warden, a minor, who was arrested at the same time for the same offense, has been turned over to the juvenile court.



JACOB GOULD SCHURMAN, President Schurman, of Cornell University, who will be the guest of the University Club in Portland on Saturday night.

## BURNS-JOHNSON SEAT SALES ARE \$40,000

Sydney, Dec. 24.—The fight Saturday between Tommy Burns and Jack Johnson is the chief topic of conversation in Sydney. The advance sale of seats is \$40,000. Burns is the favorite at better than five to four.

## AMERICAN FEDERATION TO CONSIDER DECISION

Washington, Dec. 24.—The whole question of the sentencing for contempt of court of President Gompers, Vice President Mitchell and Secretary Morrison, of the American Federation of Labor, by Justice Wright in the supreme court for the District of Columbia, will be threshed out in a meeting of the executive council of the Federation in this city on January 11. Resolutions sustaining the attitude of the leaders of the big organization with its thirty thousand and more councils and two million members, will be submitted for action, and a scathing arraignment of the decision will probably be outlined.

## NEW YORK FIRE KILLS ONE, FOUR BADLY INJURED

### Heroic Work by Firemen and Tenants Saves Many Lives in Tenement Fire

New York, Dec. 24.—One man was killed, three other men and a woman seriously burned and the lives of many others were saved only by the prompt and heroic work of firemen and the tenants themselves, in a fire which wrecked the five-story apartment house at 122 West One Hun-

## CITY ATTORNEY BEAN TENDERS RESIGNATION

### Will Take Effect January 11—Differences with Members of Council the Cause

At last night's meeting of the city council the resignation of L. E. Bean as city attorney was read and accepted. The resignation is to take effect on Jan. 11th. There has been some feeling between a number of members of the council and Mr. Bean for some time past and this action on the part of the latter is the outcome.

The ordinance ratifying the contract with Sam Mauerud to furnish crushed rock to the city and to use the city's crusher and engine, was presented. Before it was passed it was amended to read: "All crushed gravel or rock not furnished to the city direct or to the street commissioner by Mr. Mauerud, shall be paid for to the city at ten cents per cubic yard."

The attorney was instructed to appear for the city in the injunction suit recently instituted. The matter of enforcing the anti-spitting ordinance was brought up and the police department was directed to enforce it. The city engineer was instructed to establish the center line of Washington street north of the railroad and to fix monuments at intersections. The council adjourned to meet again next Monday night.

## LADIES WILL KEEP OPEN HOUSE AT CLUB

### Auxiliary Will Entertain the Public on New Year's Day

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Commercial club decided at their last meeting to keep open house at the club on New Year's Day. The hours will be from 3 to 6 p. m., refreshments will be served and an invitation is given to all members of the club and their ladies, to the husbands of the ladies of the Auxiliary, and to all newcomers who have arrived here during the past twelve months.

The affair is arranged especially for the purpose of giving the newcomers a chance to get acquainted with their fellow-citizens. A legion of the National Protective Legion was organized in this city last evening. The National Protective League, though sixth in size in the country, is new in Oregon. This order furnishes its members sick, accidental and death protection and returns to each member his share of surplus accumulated each fifth year and will, doubtless, in Eugene as elsewhere, become one of the most popular orders.

England is late to face with the most serious condition of unemployment in its history, and unless relief is provided on an unprecedented scale during the coming winter, bread riots may be expected in many of the largest and most populous cities.

The division of information of the Department of Commerce and Labor announces that since its organization up to November 14 it has located 2,226 immigrants in desirable places of employment in thirty-five different states.

A marriage license was granted today to Jos. P. Whitman and Miss Ora A. Tarn.

Hendershot's orchestra went to Drain today to play for a dance there tonight.

Ten of the University boys which men returned last night from their trip.

## BIG POULTRY SHOW CLOSED THIS AFTERNOON

### Show Was a Success Financially—Remainder of the Awards Are Made

The big exhibition of the Lane County Poultry association in the Cherry block came to a close this afternoon. The show was a success in every particular and was greatly enjoyed by those who attended it. As to the financial success of the show, Secretary Keeney this afternoon stated that he thought the association would come out even easily. Following are the awards made in addition to those published in yesterday's Guard:

Black Langshans—First hen, first cockerel, first pen, W. C. Conner, Cottage Grove. Second cockerel, first, second, third and fourth pullet, second pen, Eugene Poultry Farm, (E. K. Brown.)

Barred Plymouth Rocks—First and fourth cockerel, third and fourth pullet, third pen, Eugene Poultry Farm. Third cock, second and third cockerel, first and second hen, first and second pullet, second pen, B. F. Keeney, Eugene. Second cock, first cockerel, Leet Smith, Harrisburg.

S. C. White Leghorns—First cock, first, second and third cockerel; first, second, third and fourth hen; first, second, third and fourth pullet; first and second pen, Eugene Poultry Farm. Fourth cockerel, E. A. Kruse, Roseburg.

White Wyandottes—Second cock, first cockerel, first hen; first, second and third pullet; first pen, H. Ringhouse, Gresham. First cock; second, third and fourth hen; sec-



JAMES J. STOROW, mentioned as possible successor of President Elliot of Harvard, is prominent in educational matters in Boston. He is a graduate of Harvard.

and pen, Jesse A. Griffin, Eugene. Third cockerel, J. F. Olson, Eugene. Buff Leghorns—Second, third and fourth cock; third and fourth cockerel; first and second hen; first pullet; second pen, Lee Barker, Drain. First cock, first cockerel; second, third and fourth pullet; first pen, E. N. Keeney, Turley. Second cockerel, J. B. Beebe, Eugene.

S. C. Brown Leghorns—First and second cock, first cockerel, first and fourth hen; first pen, H. C. Wheeler, Pleasant Hill. Third cock, fourth cockerel, fourth pen, E. A. Kruse, Roseburg. Second cockerel, second pen, Ketta Smith Springfield. Third cockerel, third pullet, third pen, E. J. McClanahan, Eugene. Second and third hen, Geo. Widmer, Eugene. First, second and fourth pullet, G. G. Belts, Harrisburg.

## DISMANTLED TUG PICKED UP NEAR MARSHFIELD TODAY

Marshfield, Or., Dec. 24.—The tug Columbia picked up the two-masted schooner San Buenaventura off Cook Bay today and towed her to this port. The vessel had been dismantled by a gale, both masts and all her rigging being gone. The crew were well.

The San Buenaventura was built in 1874 at Fairhaven. Her home port is San Francisco.

## RUEF WILL NOT BE SENTENCED TILL TUESDAY

San Francisco, Dec. 23.—Passing of sentence on Alvin Ruef, courtier of bribing former Supervisor John J. Fury was postponed until next Tuesday.

Hill Vaughn was fined \$20 by Police Judge Morris today for being drunk and disorderly.

The post-office will be open from 7:15 a. m. tomorrow.



# Wishing A Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year



To the people of Eugene, Lane County and all others, and thanking them for the very liberal patronage in the past, making this the most liberal year in our mercantile history. With greater effort to serve you we will strive to merit a continuance of your favors.



# HAMPTON BROS. WHERE CASH BEATS CREDIT