CASTRO'S RULE ENDS

Venezuelan People Rise Against Absent President.

MAKE BONFIRES OF PIGTURES

Government Lottery is Locted and Many Stores of Hated Supporters Are Gutted.

erty of Castro's leading supporters value, walke and gathered together all of his statues and pictures which could be found and made a great bonfire of them on the Boulevard de Plaza.

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from the presidency is expected at shown by the fact that they fired on any moment. His power is proba-

An enormous crowd of the inhabi-An enormous crowd of the inhabitants of the capital, swelled by people from the outlying country, gathered in the streets soon after daybreak. The people began marching up and down the main thoroughtares, and it was easy to see that the ill-temper would result in violence. The police stood by and made no attempt whatever to restrain the mob.

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enterprise that has enriched itself at the expense of the people were ransacked and pillaged. Furniture was broken and thrown into the streets and piles of lottery tickets were decided by the property of the problems left the cab, taking with them the fireman, while the third stroyed. The crowd then moved to the printing office of El Constitu-tional the organ of President Castro, of which Gumersindo Rivas is editor.

The crowd then turned its attention to several drugstores belonging to Senor Thielen, a son-in-law of General Tello Mendoza, and turned them inside out. General Mendoza was at one time minister of finance under As Fireman Bon was shoved aside, he Castro, and one of his staunchest supporters. He is universally hated by made good his opportunity to dash the enemies of Castro and his unpopularity and his close connection with however, one of the highwaymen the president accounted for the anger turned and fired at him, but missed, alof his son-in-law.

It was after 1 o'clock by the time the crowd had got thus far in its dep-redations. It was then that a detachment of troops was called out for left standing on the track while the duty on the city streets, and Acting robbers forced the engineer to carry President Gomez issued a manifesto them nearly to Mostavilla, where they prohibiting further manifestations

These measures had the desired ef-fect, for the mob quieted down and then dispersed.

MAY OWN STEAMSHIPS.

Government Employes Inspecting Vessels at San Francisco.

San Francisco, Dec. 17.—An inspec-tion board comprising Colonel J. B. Bellinger, superintendent of the army transport service, and Chief Engineer John Donnelly and Captain Scott, of the transport service, is completing an inspection of the steamers Sierra. Sonoms and Ventura, of the ocean steamship line, with the probable pur-chase of them by the government in view. One of the officers admitted last night that they were making an inspection of the vessels and would forward the report of their investiga-tion to the department at Washing-

The shipping men of this city believe the goernment intends to buy the yeavels for use in the much-talked-of line between here and Panama Recently the government purchased three vessels at Boston to be used be-tween New York and Colon, and it is believed the three ships in the Pacific will link New York and San Francisco via Panama by a governmentowned steamship line.

Mexico Buys Canadian Grain.

Winningg, Dec. 17.-A Mexican syndicate has sent H. H. Cooper to tion that it is a "case of distinction western Canada to buy an enormous without a difference." A renewal of quantity of wheat and oats for shipquantity of wheat and oats for shipment to the south on account of a hitch in the rates for Atlantic seanorts via New York or Halifax About 16,000,000 bushels are going via Vancouver. B. C. Rates of 50 cents per hundred for wheat and 47 cents per hundred for oats have been made for Pacific ports, the railways refusing to onote an all-rail rate through the central states. Cooper says the hard northern is preferred to Kansas red

Escaped Prisoner is Ghoul.

Scattle, Dec. 17.—George Williams, the red-haired prisoner who slipped a handcuff and escaped from Detective Tack Barek Monday, has been identified as "Kid" Barnett, who mutilated victims of the Galveston flood in 1898 and escaped a death penalty only through the tears of a broken-hearted mother.

Money for Goast Line.

Madison. Wis., Dec. 18.—The Wis approved the issuance of \$150,000.000 of \$15

EXPRESS CAR LOOTED.

O. R. & N. Passenger Train Held Up Near Portland.

Portland, Dec. 18 .- O. R. & N. train o. 1, the Chicago Express, westbound. was held up by three robbers at 9:10 o'clock last night eight miles east of Portland. Entrance to the express car was obtained by nitro-glycerin, and the express messenger, O. H. Huff, was ompelled to open the way safe, which was looted.

mile or more.

That the robbers got but little for their trouble was due to the quick ac-tion of Messenger Huff. Warned by Caracas, Monday, Dec. 14 (via Willemstad).—Open revolt against Fresident Castro and his supporters broke out here today. Defying the police, which was powerless against its mumbers and fury, a great mob raged through the city. It wrecked the property of Castro's leading supporters and fury, a great mob raged attraction of Castro's leading supporters and fury, a great mob raged through the city. It wrecked the property of Castro's leading supporters and fury, a great mob raged through the city. It wrecked the property of Castro's leading supporters and fury, a great mob raged through the city. It wrecked the property of Castro's leading supporters and fury, a great mob raged through the city. It wrecked the property of Castro's leading supporters and fury, a great mob raged through the city. It wrecked the property of Castro's leading supporters and fury, a great mob raged through the city. It wrecked the property of Castro's leading supporters and fury, a great mob raged through the city. It wrecked the property of Castro's leading supporters and fury, a great mob raged through the city. It wrecked the property of Castro's leading supporters and fury, a great mob raged through the city. It wrecked the property of Castro's leading supporters are and fury, a great mob raged through the city in the past few years, and thu has been brought and socialist labout largely by agricultural wealth of the count that he would a second that has added millions of dollars to the agricultural wealth of the count that he would account that he was a supporters and fury in the past few years, and this has been brought to apples, principally Spitzenberg, the presidential election of 1904, when the two and early in the past few years, and this has been brought the spit to the agricultural wealth of the count that he provided the property is applied. Augusta, Ga., Dec. 19. President to the provident to the provident transmitted that he provident the past of the president and socialist and socialist and socialist and socialist and soc

> enger Huff and the fireman, Mark H. Neither man was injured and no

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The first building to be attacked and looted was that of the lottery blackened. The engine crew had no opmonopoly. The offices of the state portunity to offer resistance, and En-

of which Gumersindo Rivas is called a volvers, Fireman Bon esteasored and pillaged it completely. A steam off the mail and express ears, but was badly frightened and unable to unable to

was left momentarily unguarded, and the populace against the property though the distance was short. Bon his son-in-law.

Numerous inscriptions setting forth this gave the robber opportunity for to a nearby farmhouse and telephoned news of the crime to the Portland po-

The express and mail cars were then Portland.

that was the last stop made on the trip before the robbery, with the exception of a short stay at Bonneville under special orders to take on a physician.

The evident leader of the gang is de-

scribed as short and wearing a dark mustache. He was musked about the description of the third member of

the gang was obtained.

PRACTICALLY STATE OF WAR

Gomez' State of Defense Means Same Thing to Us.

Washington, Dec. 18 .-- A flurry was caused in diplomatic circles today over the report which generally obtained that Venezuela had declared war against Holland. These reports had their foundation in the disputch to the state department by way of Bogota, fransmitting a telegram from Caracas, saying that the government had made such a declaration. It was also pointed out, however, that the announcement was based on Vice President Gomez's declaration that the country is in a state of defense because Holland had seized the coast guardship Alexis.

Officials profess to see no actual dif-ference between a "state of war" and a "state of defense," taking the pesi

OREGON STATE ITEMS OF INTEREST

EXPERIMENT STATIONS BENEFIT

By Their Aid Farmers Are Able to Growth in All Directions at Oregon's Follow Better Methods.

Agricultural methods and practices The passengers were not molested and the desperadoes made good their escape after uncoupling the engine and forcing the engineer, George E. Double, to earry them down the track a covery is sometimes worth millions of Coyote valleys, have grown fruit of the country. ter methods.

Alfalfa has added millions of dollar-

the robber cow and to put dairying no the trees come to bearing a profitable basis.

Several miners are prospecting

this country but for the discoveries would yield in fruit culture. tinue to cat fruit.

But for our better knowledge of animal diseases and their prevention we would be unable to produce animal prodocts at a profit.

The improvements that have been made in methods of soil treatment and animal breeding and feeding with a view to increased crop and animal pro-duction, have been revolutionary.

About a hundred million dollars has seen added to the wealth of the nation annually through work at the experi ment stations in developing the sugar-

And all this is just a beginning. The work of improvement must go on, for the perpetuity of the nation depends largely upon the ability of our farmers increase the productiveness of the

ECHO TO BE WOOL POINT.

J. T. Hoskins Estimates Annual Shipment of 5,000,000 Pounds.

Echo-Those who claim to know the virtues of Castro and extolling his powers next attracted the mob, and every inscription was hacked out and erased. Some of these legends were carved in the public buildings of the Conductor Dunn, with whom he went to a nearly farmhouse and telephone. wool to this place for shipment. J. T. Hoskins, one of the largest wool-growers, is confident that is a conservative estimate, and says further that the establishing of a woolscouring mill at Echo will call for many other improvements, among which will be a shearing plant and

were close to a street-car line into Business of all kinds in Echo is on the upward trend. The new council boarded the train at Hood River, for proposes many public improvements.

Ruling Set Aside.

Engene.-The old ruling of the de partment of the interior, that a person who has filed upon a piece of land under the timber and stone act must mustache. He was masked about the distribution of the face with a hand see the land before he can prove up on kerchief. Another of the robbers was it, has been set aside by a decision a Swede, who talked brokenly, and whose face had been blackened. No wife of S. P. Ness, of this city. Mrs. description of the third member of Ness brought suit to secure a writ of mandamus in the court of District of Columbia to compel Secretary Garfield, of the department of the interior, to allow her to prove a control of the department of the interior, to allow her to prove a control of the interior. Columbia to compel Secretary field, of the department of the interior, field, of the department of the interior, to allow her to prove up on her timber claim in Lane county, without personally visiting the land. The court granted the mandamus, overthrowing \$14 per ton; eastern Oregon timothy. \$14 per ton; eastern Oregon timothy. \$16.50@17; clover, \$12; alfalfa, \$12; grain hay, \$12@13.

Fruits—Apples, 60c@\$2.50 per box; pears, \$1@1.25 per box; grapes, 75c@\$1.50 per crate; quinces, \$1@1.25 per bar 1b.

Klamath Falls.—The Klamath Wa-ter Users' association will endeavor to hold the reclamation service to its original estimate of the cost of water under the Klamath project, which was \$18.60 per acre. The cost of \$30 was \$18.60 per acre. The cost of per acre is regarded as too high, especially by the large landholders who have cultivated but a small portion of holdings heretofore. This cost per acre is regarded as too high, especially by the large landholders who have cultivated but a small portion of their holdings heretofore. This cost beets, \$1.25; horseradish, \$62.10c per will cause large tracts of land to be lb; artichokes, 90c@ \$1 per doz; beans,

Poultry Raiser Sells Property.

son intends buying a wheat ranch in Franklin or Adams county.

WOLF CHEEK PROGRESS.

Ideal Colony

Wolf Creek - Tree-planting has are rapidly changing as a result of the begun in what is destined to be one of covery is sometimes worth millions of dollars, and the prosperous farmer is the first to put in practice new and bet for methods.

W. G. Smith is now setting 40 acres to apples, principally Spitzenberg, Winesap and Newtown, and will plant

Improvement in seeds by selection or Description of Country ledges are known to exist and breeding has added immensely to the value will now be determined as well as the extent and richness of States. A day at the winter course will show how it is done. Today we would be without fruit in greater returns than the same that have been made as a result of long chasers of tracts on Wolf and Coyote and expensive work at the agricultural creeks will be able to secure considcolleges and experiment stations. In erable gold without injury to fruit stead of being helpless against the and agriculture, as only the present ravages of insect pests, the farmer is and old creek channels will be washed, master of the situation, and we con and this can be done with "self shooters" during low water, at small ex

Field Too Large.

Prineville—Because of the wide area he must cover in Crook county, and also because he has no clerical assistance to aid him in the perform-ance of his duties at the county seat. R. A. Ford, county superintendent of schools, has announced that henceforth he will publish his appointments in advance, the same as do the Episco-pal bishops in church matters. Mr. Ford is now compiling his lirst of five articles along this line, setting forth a list of some twenty schools to be visited during January

Scouring Mill for Echo.

Pendleton.-Umatilla county wool men expect to build and equip a \$50,-000 wool scouring mill at Echo and have it in operation during the season of 1909. Plans for the organization of a company to control the plant have been perfected in this city. The management will rest in the hands of say that, whereas something like 1. a directorate of sheepmen. The town 000,000 pounds of wool have in the of Echo has donated a site for the That location was chosen

Salem.—The governor's office has the body, but an autopay will be held received a warrant from the United to assist, if possible in clearing up the States land department for \$66,870, which covers the sales of public lands ably will not be held until next week in Oregon for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1908. This amount will be divided in proportion to the acreage in those counties.

Schools Show Increase.

Eugene.-The incomplete school There are several families yet to enu

PORTLAND MARKETS.

rel; huckleberries, 10@15c per 1b. persimmons, \$1@1.25. Potatoes - 80@90c per sweef potatoes, 2@21c per lb

broken up, and farmers will hold only as many acres as they can afford to cauliflower, 75c@\$1 per doz; celery firigate. This is what the reclamation service contemplates in its plans for the settling of the Klamath basin 55c@\$1 ner box; parsley, 30c per doz; peas, 124c per lb; peopers, 156:20c per lb; pumpkins, 16:11c per lb; rad ishes, 30c per doz; spinach, 2c per lb; sprouts, 91@10c per lb; squash. 1@14c per lb.; tomatoes, 50c@\$1.75. Butter—City creamery, extras, 36@ 37c; fancy outside creamery, 324@35c

per lb.; store, 18@20c.

Fggs - Oregon ranch, 40@423c; astern, 30@25c per doz. Poultry-Hens, 123@13c per lb; spring, large, 12@13c, small, 13@14c; mixed, 12@12c; ducks, 14@15c; seese 9@10c; turkeys, 174@18c; dressed tur-keys, 20@224c. Veal-Extra, 9@10c per lh.; ordi-

nary, 7@8c; heavy, 5c. Pork-Fancy, 7tc per lb; large, 6t Hops-1908, 5@6lc; 1907, 2@4lc;

according

PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION.

Official Figures Compiled on Popular Vote of Country.

New York, Dec. 16 .- The total popular vote of the presidential candi- Talt Selects Senator Knox as New dates at the last national election was made known today in an official form by the filing of the last of the official vote, that of Michigan. The total shows the following votes cast:

Taft, republican, 7,637,676. Brvan, democrat, 6,393,182.

Debs, socialist 448 471. Chafin, prohibitionist, 241,252. Hisgen, independence, 83,186. Watson, populist, 33,871.

Gilhaus, socialist-labor, 15,431. Total for all candidates, 14,852,239 This grand total exceeds by 1,341. 31 the total number of votes cast it the presidential election of 1904, when

The biggest difference in a party The biggest difference in a party had not heard from Mr. Knox until to vote is shown in an increase for Bryan day's telegram.

of 1,315,211 over the total vote cast in the feel that I am to be congratulated of 1,315,211 over the total vote cast in 1904 for Alton B. Parker, the democratic candidate. Taft received 14,190 Knox in my cabinet," said Mr. Taft dent Roosevelt in 180 for President Roosevelt in 1904, and Debs ran 45,368 ahead of his predecessor on the

FIND BIGGY'S BODY.

Remains Were Floating in Bay With Features Disfigured.

San Francisco, Dec. 16.-The body of Chief of Police Biggy, who was while he was at the head of that de drowned from the police launch Patrol partment. opposite Alcatraz island in San Franopposite Alcatraz Island in San Francisco bay on the night of Nevember 30, was found yesterday by the crew of the freight ferryboat Transit. It was floating off Goat island, face upward, with the arms outstretched. The harbor police were at once foutfield, and, procuring a launch, Sergeant Donovan recovered the remains. The bed, and, procuring a launch, Sergeant

For a time at least.

For of the dead chief.

When the corpse was taken from the waters it had on the long cont and gloves worn by Biggy on the night of his disappearance. The watch which Chief Biggy always carried was count of his injured knee are authorited. stopped at 9:12 d'clock. So far as could be ascertained, there were no papers in the pockets to which any significance could be attached, and it

There were no marks of violence or

CASTRO WANTS AID.

Endeavors to Effect Alliance With Germany for Protection.

Berlin, Dec. 16.-President Castro census of Eugene shows that there are over 2,300 children of school age in the city, an increase of over 123 over the enumeration of last year, when the count showed 2,175 children port Venezuela in future international entanglements in returns for the count showed 2,175 children than the count showed 2,17 cessions from the republic as will allow Germany to become the dominating influence in Venezuela's com-

Castro, it was also learned today wants a big loan.

Herr Goesch counsellor in the foreign office, visited Castro today and
arranged for an official visit with
Count von Bulow, the German chancellor, and Foreign Secretary von
Schoen. Castro and Herr Goesch in
dulged in a lengthy discussion concerning the etiquette of the proposed
interview, the president of Venezuela
demanding that he be received in a Herr Goesch, counsellor in the fordemanding that he be received in a manner befitting his station. This was promised him, after which Castro sent a member of his suite to leave his cards with Von Bulow and Von Schoen.

Emperor Wilhelm today sent a cor-dial telegram of welcome to Castro.

King Edward III,

is indicated by the latt two ment re-idly unloading many government re-fletal re sponsibilities on the shoulders of the ington. sponsibilities on the shoulders of the Prince of Wales. The most alarming features of the king's condition are the reappearance of those symptoms which preceded his operation in 1902. which preceded his operation in 1902,

Castro in France.

fore he came ashore.

Robbers Secure \$15,000.

WORKS ON CABINET

Secretary of State.

SENATOR HAS ACCEPTED PLACE

Teft is Looking for Good War Secretary Straus and Wilson May Be Retained.

true of the candidates of the prohibition, populist and socialist labor parties. The independence party did not figure in the presidential election four Taft without delay announced that the years ago. Taft's plurality over Bryan matter was settled. He said the offer was made to Mr. Knox last Sunday in New York and that since the offer he

"In selecting a accretary of state I wanted, first, a great lawyer, and, seend, a man who would fill the public eye, not only here, but abroad, as a man who stands out pre-eminently as a great American.

It was stated at the capitol that Mr. Taft is looking for a man to take the war portfolio who has had sufficient experience to work out the reorganiza-tion scheme put into force by Mr. Root

The position of secretary of com-

year or more. The appointment of Frank H. Hitchcock to be postnaster Reports that Secretary Root would

tatively denied. Other than to announce that Knex had been selected as secretary of state,

was concluded that if Chief Biggy had rumors.

A written resignation prepared on the occasion of his visit to Police Commissioner Hugo Keil at the latter's attorney general, Mr. Taft sail he had home in Belvedere, he had disposed for this place. It is his desire to fill place with an administrative place with an administrative place. Mr. Taft declined to speak of cabinet this place with an administrative genius who will reorganize the depart

department of commerce and labor and the interstate commerce commission. CASTRO SEEKS RECONCILIATION

ment as well as the legal phases of the

Willing to Arbitrate With France-Return to Venezuela Unlikely.

Berlin, Dec. 19 .- There is an evident mire on the part of President Castro to effect an arrangement of the out-standing difficulties between Venezuela and France. He authorized a diploma! today to make the following statement

"I believe it would be very easy to bring about a renewal of relations be-Venezuela and France by submitting the question to arbitration."

Renor Castro had a lengthy confer-

ice with a prominent representative ject matter of the interview is not

Drink Acid and Die

Manila, Dec. 19. Eleven deaths have centred and 13 men are seriously ill at Keithley camp, Mindanao island, as a result of the men of the eighteenth in London, Dec. 16.—From sources of uneuestioned reliability it was learned today that the royal family's physicians are deeply concerned over the king's condition. That Edward himself realizes the gravity of his illness is indicated by the fact that he is rapidle. riously ill will be withheld until an of-

San Francisco Honors Biggy.

Bordeaux, France, Dec. 11.—President Castro, of Venezuela, landed here yesterday from the steamer Guadalupe and will proceed direct to Berlin. A representative of the minister of foreign affairs went aboard the steamer where the body lay in state yesterday. The cortege moved to St. Mary's cathedral where a solemn requiem high mass dral, where a solemn requiem high mass was said. Every policeman who was not actually on duty at his post was present at the funeral, there being a McAlester, Okla. Dec. 16.—The safe of the First National bank of Eugraphical Color of the State of the First National Color of the State o cemetery.