

CASTRO IS WORSE; MAY LIVE A WEEK

His Death Likely to Be Signal for War Among Rival Vice Presidents.

Port of Spain, Trinidad, Dec. 20.—Latest advices indicate that President Castro is much worse and it is even said that he cannot live more than a week longer. Should he die, First Vice President Gomez will assume the first presidency, and will be supported by a large section of the army.

CLASH IN IOWA ON 2-CENT FARE BILL

Cummins Will Stand for It in His Message and the Roads Will Fight.

Des Moines, Dec. 20.—With Governor Cummins in Washington conferring with prominent Iowans, and the legislature close at hand, much speculation is going on as to the annual message which will be out in a few days.

REBATES BANISHED; CHEAP FARES NEXT

Interstate Commerce Commission Predicts 2-Cent Passenger Rate in East.

Kansas City, Dec. 20.—C. A. Prouty, interstate commerce commissioner, who arrived here today from St. Louis to continue the rate hearing, said today in an interview in speaking of the so-called rate law:

WINS PARDON FOR CONVICT BROTHER

Governor's Heart Touched by Appeal of New York Man for Sick Prisoner.

Special to The Journal. Omaha, Dec. 20.—If you will release my brother long enough for him to go home and see his mother before he dies, I will put on his prison stripes and take his place in the cell at the penitentiary until he returns.

KOCH WINS FIGHT WITH DREAD GERM

Finds Arsenic Compound that Kills Microbes that Cause Sleeping Sickness.

Berlin, Dec. 20.—Professor Robert Koch, who resigned the presidency of the Berlin Medical society in May, in order to continue his investigation in equatorial Africa of the so-called "sleeping sickness," in his official report to the imperial ministry of the interior, says he has found that arsenic preparation of arsenic, is as efficacious in the treatment of the sickness as quinine is in the case of malaria.

BABE'S DEATH TRACED TO PATENT MEDICINE

Mankato, Minn., Dec. 20.—A babe, aged 19 months, of Mr. and Mrs. William Veigel died yesterday. No physician had been called, but when a burial permit was asked for an investigation was made and it was found that the babe died of opium poisoning.

FATHER HAS SON ARRESTED

Albert Hitchcock of Stillwater Charged with Neglecting Sick Wife. Stillwater, Minn., Dec. 20.—Albert Hitchcock was arrested today at the instance of his father for failing to support and provide medicines for his sick wife. He promised to do better and was allowed to go until Dec. 31, when it will be determined if he has kept his word.

"LID" MAY CAUSE RISING IN CHINA

Reforms Start Serious Agitation Among Opium Dealers and Gamblers. Berlin, Dec. 20.—A dispatch to the Frankfurt Zeitung from Tientsin, published today, describes the situation as critical owing to the agitation of the Chinese opium dealers and owners of gambling houses who are discontented as a result of various recent reforms and the suppression of the opium traffic.

CONGRESSMEN HELD UP

Two Panhandlers Find Nation's Socks Easy Prey. Washington, Dec. 20.—There was a general hold-up of senators and representatives yesterday by two young men who got considerable money by the rawest sort of panhandling. The best returns from the shake-down seem to have come from the houses where Representative J. Adam Bede contributed \$5 of his hard-earned stipend, and Representative Esch, who has been active in protesting against the grinding of monopolies, parted from a like amount.

END CAR SHORTAGE HANSBROUGH'S PLAN

Legislation to Prevent Recurrence of Present Trouble Framed by Senator. Washington, Dec. 20.—Senator Hansbrough (N. D.), who has taken an active interest in steps to remedy the car shortage, particularly in the north-west, has prepared the outlines of legislation which, he believes, will tend to prevent a recurrence of present conditions. These have been shown to the president and to the interstate commerce commission. They contemplate legislation along the following lines:

PIONEER WOMEN DEAD

Mrs. Roway and Mrs. McGraw of Mankato Answer Last Summons. Mankato, Minn., Dec. 20.—Mrs. Leonard Roway of this city is dead. She was born at Westport, Ireland, sixty-five years ago, and at the age of 15 years came to America. At Hastings, Minn., she was married to Roway, who was subsequently murdered in this city. She resided in Mankato forty years.

DORCHERT A SUICIDE

Composer and Director Despaired when Repulsed by Managers. Milwaukee, Wis., Dec. 20.—Frank T. Dorchert, a composer and for half a century musical director of Milwaukee, Chicago, and other cities, and scores of smaller places, hanged himself at Mayville, Wis., today. He was despondent because his opera, "The Bride of Moscow," was refused by managers. He tied a noose to a ladder in a freight-car.

NAB NEGRO BLACKMAILER

Police Take Chauffeur Who Threatened Lives of Two. Journal Special Service. New York, Dec. 20.—After torturing his employer's sister-in-law for months in an attempt to extort cash, Joe Page, a chauffeur, is alleged to have planned to kill his master, Albert De Verastegui, a rich resident of Hoboken, N. J., by steering him off the palkades in an automobile, unless blood money of \$5,000 was paid to him.

PRESIDENT MAY HUNT

Has Invitation of Buffalo Bill Under Consideration—Big Game Promised. Journal Special Service. Washington, Dec. 20.—President Roosevelt may go on another hunting trip after big game in the Rocky mountains next fall at the request of Buffalo Bill. It is learned that Colonel Cody invited the president to go hunting as his guest in Wyoming. The president said he would be delighted to accept the invitation, but did not give a definite answer. He now has the invitation under consideration.

MRS. BRADLEY IS A WRECK

Woman Who Slew Ex-Senator Brown Falls Fast in Cell. Washington, Dec. 20.—Suffering mental tortures and wrecked physically by the discomforts of the district jail, Mrs. Anna M. Bradley, who killed former Senator Arthur Brown of Utah, is wasting away rapidly. She weighs but ninety-eight pounds, having lost eleven pounds since she was first arrested.

OIL COMPANY IS RUINED

President of Republic Company Owns Exposures End Concern's Usefulness. New York, Dec. 20.—Testifying in the suit brought by the state of Missouri against the Standard Oil company, the Waters-Pierce Oil company and the Republic Oil company to oust them from Missouri, C. L. Nichols, president of the Republic Oil company, declared that as a result of the disclosures made in the proceedings the usefulness of the Republic Oil company, as a supposed competitor of the Standard Oil company, had ended.

HAakon IS HOME

Christiana, Dec. 20.—King Haakon, Queen Maud and Crown Prince Olaf of Norway returned here today from their visits to England and Germany.

Blames Rate Law

Senator Kittredge (S. D.) today expressed the opinion that the coal famine in the market is the result of the requirement of the amended interstate commerce law under which the railroads have to give thirty days' notice before changing a rate, and also the result of the refusal of retailers in putting off shipment of coal until they could have the advantage of the new rate. The senator made this statement as the result of many letters he has received. He added:

PICKPOCKETS FORM TRUST

Chicago "Dips" Said to Have Regularly Hired Lawyer to Represent Them. Journal Special Service. Chicago, Dec. 20.—Charges have been made in Judge Kersten's court that there is a well organized "pickpocket trust" in Chicago. The statement was made by Sergeant of Police Gabriel, who is detailed at the criminal court to identify habitual criminals and those having records. According to Sergeant Gabriel, the members of the "light-fingered fraternity" are laboring the organized, and he said, they even have a regularly appointed representative, who is paid by the "trust" to keep them out of prison.

ST. JAMES FAILURE

Mankato, Minn., Dec. 20.—Bernard M. Erickson, harness maker of St. James, has filed a petition in bankruptcy.

The Swedish American Savings Bank Minneapolis, Minn. 52 South Fourth St. Has met with very gratifying success and the trustees now feel warranted in increasing the interest rate, beginning with the next quarter, from 3 per cent to 3 1/2 PER CENT. Deposits should be made on or before January 4th, 1907. In order to draw interest for the next quarter. OFFICERS—N. O. Werner, Pres. C. S. Hulbert, Vice Pres. J. A. Latta, Vice Pres. E. L. Mattson, Treas.

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