

Washington, Dec. 11.-Attention was called today to the fact that the ut-terances of the president in regard to other countries.

HOW TAXICAB DRIVERS **ROB THEIR PATRONS**

sheen her nusband was captured and she was told that he had been wound-ed. Mrs. Sharp, who also is in jail, said: "Then there's little left for me to pin my faith to."

When her husband was captured and sent back.

CASTRO MUST **BEHAVE IN FRANCE**

them. Sometimes our system is compared with that of nations in Europe. There they do not choose a municipal officer, because he belongs to a clique or gang, or party wing, but because he knows the needs of the city. All clites have problems to solve. These are connect-ed with waterworks, lighting systems, sewer systems, highways and protection of property.

WHO IS NEEDED,

of property.

an?" "Certainly. I see no reason why I should not be just as good a friend to Mr. Bryan now as I have been in the "Will you back him for president in 1913?" "As it is not at all likely that Mr. Bryan will be a candidate four years from now there is no use discussing that question at this time." "Who is likely to be a candidate?" "Your guess is just as good as mine. The important question just now is whether we are going to have any real tariff revision. The manner in which the high protective interests at Wash-ington are framing things makes it ap-pear that the relief expected will not be realized; but the interests of the Dem-ocratic party will be well taken care of by the Democrats in Congress." Will you back him for president in arrest.

the crowd, leisurely unbuttoned a long overcoat he wore and drew an auto-matic pistol. If any words were passed those who escaped the rain buled those who escaped the rain bul-lets which followed by dodging behind the furniture, declare they heard none. As Latura shot one after another of the negroes fell. When the police ar-rived, three were dead and four others were lying about the floor wounded, one of the latter a woman. His weapon empty, Latura threw it in an ash heap and walked to a neighboring saloon, where he quietly submitted to

the action of Congress in limiting the use of the secret service force is not the only action of the executive that is considered by the members as objec-tionable. It became known that the sub-committee of the committee on committee on the committee on appropriations, having in charge preparation of the executive, legis tive and judicial appropriation legisla bill has been investigating the razing of the old Pennsylvania depot, that was located on the mall until the president had it forn down last summer. That the committee failed to expunge its in-quiries about this action from the printed hearings is taken to indicate the temper of that committee toward

the executive, When Col. Charles S. Bromwell, When Col. Charles S. Bromwell, military aide to the president and superintendent of public buildings and grounds, appeared before the com-mittee, Rrpresentatives Burleson of Texas asked him if he had not re-quested an appropriation last year for a watchman for the old depot. "I think so," replied Col. Bromwell, "but I have had no occasion to use it because I have torn down the

"but I have had no occasion to use it, because I have torn down the railroad station." "What! Torn down the railroad station?" exclaimed the Texas mem-

ber. Col. Bromwell explained that he tore down the building on a written order from the president of the United States.

"Do you know of any law on the statute books that authorizes any ex-ecutive officer to sell any of the pro-perty of the United States of that character—real estate?" inquired Mr.

Tawney of Minnesota, "No sir," exclained the president's aid, "I called the attention of the higher authorities to that fact and I received an order to tear the building down

ing down." From the stenographic report of the hearing it appears that Representa-tive Livingston asked if the presi-dent had said why he wanted the building removed, Mr. Tawney asked if there was any necessity for its re-moved and Mr. Burleson inquired if if there was any necessity for its re-moval and Mr, Burleson inquired if it was done to improve the perspec-tive—all of which questions remain-ed unanswered until Chairman Taw-ney demanded an answer. Then Col. Bronwell responded that he knew of no immediate necessity, although he was very glad personally that it was done. The committe also went into an ex-

done. The committe also went into an ex-amination of governement officals to ascertain what right the comis-sion on country life, appointed by the president, had to use the franking privileges, as it was claimed is being done. Members of the committee re-ferred to the commission as "one created without authority of lawu"



Chicago, Dec. 11 .- E. H. Moulton Chicago, Dec. 11.-E. H. Moullon, president, and H. D. Critchfield, gen-eral counsel of the International Inde-pendent Telephone association, told the council committee on gas, oil and elec-tric light yesterday about the efforts of the independent telephone companies to enter Chicago. "Elghteen months ago several of the larger independent telephone companies

larger independent telephone companies agreed with the Illinois Tunnel com-pany to connect with Chicago provided the company would install a system the company would install a system of 20,000 telephones in the loop dis-trict and establish a toll station out-side Chicago," said Mr. Mouiton. "That the company would install a system and given objects that the Chebra cut of 20,000 telephones in the loop dis-trict and establish a toll station out-side Chicago," said Mr. Moulton "That agreement was to go into effect last ould never be brought down to the 40-foot level above the sea necessary for a width of 85 feet

Chicago, Dec. 11 .-- City Sealer John Kjellander, started to do two things vesterday: to detect taximeter cabs in the act of cheating and to detect the methods by which said cheating may be practised. In the former course he failed; in the latter course se suc-

It all came about when, after a con-ference with other city officials, it was decided that an ordinance ought to be decided that an ordinance ought to be drawn empowering the city to stop at any time in any place any taxicab and to open the registering box deter-mining whether the dial is accurate in its distance measuring method. "Can you fellows cheat if you want to 2" Mk Kiellander asked the sec-

"O, yes," was the reply. "How?" Mr. Kjellander asked the sec-

"Well, one way would be to attach the registering box to the rear instead of the front wheels by means of the down a smooth, wet pavement, the driver could make the rear wheels revolve as rapidly as he pleased, and as much as the wheels revolved the fare would increase."

'Any other way?' "O, yes. The driver can start the flag at the second point and then a single passenger is paying what is would cost to carry two or more passengers. Even then the driver could throw in a few

extra miles for good measure." RUEF MAY BE TRIED **ON OTHER INDICTMENTS**

San Francisco, Dec. 11 .- Abraham Ruef, who was yesterday convicted on a charge of bribery after a trial lasting three and one-half months, will be arraigned for judgment tomorrow before Judge Lawlor. Whether or not sentence will be pronounced at this session of court will not be determined until the defense has announced its intentions. It is certain, from the expressions of Henry Ach. Ruef's chief counsel, that the case will be appealed to a higher court, and it will require some time to prepare a bill of excep-tions from the record, which contains

several volumes, aggregating nearly 4,-600 pages. The prosecution has intimated that Ruef will be tried again within a short time on one of the scores of indict-ments still pending against him. Ac-

cording to announcement made today. Hirman W. Johnson, Matt I. Su'livan and J. J. Dwyer, the three attorneys who volunteered their services wher Francis J. Heney was shot, will now withdraw from the prosecution and the next trial will be conducted by Mr.



Heney

Col. Goethals Denies Rumor That it is To be Widened.

Panama, Dec. 11 .- It was rumored in this city yesterday that Col. Goethals, chairman of the Panama commission, had given orders that the Culebra cut

FEARS PRESDENT WILL CALL HIM NATURE FAKER

Chicago, Dec. 11.—Friends of Cy Dev-rey, head animal keeper of Lincoln park fear that he will incur the dis-pleasure of Beneficier Boosserie as a pleasure of President Roosevelt as pleasure of President Rooseveit as a result of some statements he made about animals last night, "Cy" Devrey spoke before the men's club of the Church of Our Savior, 702 Fullerion avenue, on "In the Jungle." During his talk, as he recounted the almost human traits of "Miss Dooley," the celebrated ourang outang who died some vears are, he betrayed emotion. some years ago, he betrayed emotion. The animal keeper said that "Miss Dooley" was more human in her actions than many a person he knows. But it was when he told about snake eating snake and cow elk eating the antiers of male elk while the latter

slept that his auditors, nearly all of them personal friends, sat up and appeared incredulous.

NATIONAL LIVESTOCK

ASSOCIATION CALL Denver, Colorado, Dec. 11 .- From the office of Secy. T. W. Tomilson, of the American National Livestock association, has just been issued the call for

the Twelfth annual convention of the association, to be held in Los Angeles, January 26, to 28, 1909. Among the questions to be discussed are federal control of the grazing on unappropriated public lands in the semi-arid states and territories; the administration of forest reserves by the

administration of forest reserves by the federal government; further considera-tion of service given by railroads to shipments of stock, especially the furn-ishing of cars and the speed minimum; correction of unreasonable railroad rates and the tariff. Concerning the latter, the call says:

latter, the call says: "Some revision of the tariff will un-doubtedly be attempted by the next Congress and already certain manu-facturing interests are clamoring for reduction in the duties on hides, wool and livestock in all providence tests and livestock. In all previous tariff legislation, the manufacturing inter-ests, by reason of intelligent organization and persistent effort, have been able to secure many favors to which they were not justly entitled, and, as

consequence, our meat food products are barred from many European coun-tries. In past years this association has fovored such reciprocal trade has fovored such reciprocal trade agreements as would permit the admis-sion of our meat products to those countries, and now is the time while the tariff is under consideration to se-cure such favorable legislation. The special committee, representing the de-partments of agriculture converse.

partments of agriculture, commerce and labor and the treasury, which went to Europe for the purpose of ascertaining commercial conditions abcord re-lative to an increased sale of our farm and livestock products, has returned,

and their very elaborate report will be presented for consideration at our meeting."

GEN. WORTHINGTON BETTER. Washington, Dec. 11 .- Gen. Henry G.

Washington, Dec. 11.—Gen. Henry G. Worthington, former member of Con-gress from Nevada and the only sur-viving pall bearer at the funeral of President Lincoln, who was stricken with apoplexy on the floor of the sen-ate yesterday, was improved today, al-though his condition remains critical.

If He Does Anything Calculated To Disturb Public Order He Will be Expelled.

MAY NOT JUSTIFY HIS COURSE

Cannot Give Interviews to Press-He Promises to Obey Wishes of The Government.

Bordeaux, Dec. 11 .-- President Castro of Venezuela left for Paris today. His physicians are anxious that he reach Berlin as soon as possible in order to undergo his operation, should special-ists consider this necessary; conse-quently his stay in Paris will be short. A private car was reserved for the arty. President Castro is accomparty. paried to Paris by a special commissary of police

CASTRO IS WARNED.

Paris, Dec. 11 .- It was officially announced today that the French gov-ernment informed President Castro yesterday that he would be expelled from the country in case he made any manifestations calculated to disturb the public order, gave interviews to journals, or in any manner inaugurated a justification of his own attitude or that of the Venezuelan government. Castro gave assurances that he came to France in the capacity of a private citizen to undergo an operation, and he promised to adhere to the wishes of the government.

NETHERLAND'S COURSE.

Willemstad, Dec. 11 .-- The govern-ment of the Netherlands has no intention of being negligent in the matter of the blockade of the Venezuelan coast, inaugurated by three of its warships

POLITE THAN CHESTERFIELD

Chicago, Dec. 11.—Bowing courteously and murmuring "Excuse me," a patron of Wishack's drug store, Halsteud and Madison streets, tried last night to get out of the way of his own reflection in a mirror and stepped into another, send-ing a shower of glass over the place. A policeman was about to arrest the unlucky patron when the proprietor of the store interfered. "He is one of my best customers," Mr. Wishack said, "and I do not want lim to get into trouble over an acci-dent." The patron said that ne was looking toward the floor in explanation of his inability to recognize his own reflection. The mirror was valued at 3409.

Do we need Democrats as such to bandle these problems, or "Americans" or Republicans? Or do we need our citizens, according to their fitness and

experience, because they are of use and know our needs? "I admire President Roosevelt when he says that it is difficult to eradicate big evils in a single sweeping move. In this particular his message is remarkable, for as these evils have grown slowly and have entrenched themselves upon the body politic, so they must be removed with care and mature judgment. "As to the Des Moines plan I advo-

cate it only in so far as it is a be-ginning on a new road. It drives out of city elections the national party organizations, the clique, the machine, and the gang rule. Under it men of the class composing these parasitic attributes of our present system are elim-'How many of us know good men

whom we need in politics, and who would get in, to serve their city, if it were not for having to fight politicians?

"This plan calls for primary nomi-nations, which means that the names of candidates go on the ballot in alphabetical order, and that the citizen cannot find his favorite elephant emblem, or rooster emblem, or any em-blem. He must judge of the men, and of them only. No party ma-chinery manipulates his choice. It is blem. not necessary to put any party ma-chine in motion to accomplish any end under this plan. The people at last are to manage their own affairs, with all their candidates forced to stand on their merits, with a law making them felons if they spend money to secure their election, or if they make a single campaign promise to secure it.

NOMINATION BY PETITION.

Judge King outlined the system of making nominations by petition, and then by the primary election eliminat-ing all the candidates save the two highest for mayor, and the eight highest for city councilmen, four of whom are to be chosen at the general election. "To be sent into office with the knowledge that all the people are with you, and that you represent them is a tremendous incentive to good work," he continued, "and mighty different from the obligation you feel when you know a gang sent you there and can drive you away at its pleasure."

"The system," he explained, "en-ourages the independent voter, and hrough the referendum gives all power both legislative and executive into a board of four men acting for the peo-ple, but with strings attached so that the people may assume their rights at any time, through petition and may retire any officer through petitioning for special election." When asked the difference between

the Galveston plan and the Des Moines plan, Mr. King said that the Galves-ton plan was a crude beginning, and that the Des Moines plan called for a civil service system for appointments under the city government, which had been overlooked in the Galveston. There were also other improvements gested by the increase of familiarity with the problem. Judge King in concluding impressed

upon the convention that no plan would succeed through mere legislation and that to bring success the first necessity was a militant, united, earnest, hon

public opinion

MICHIGAN BANK CLOSED.

Springport, Mich., Dec. 11 .- The Springport State Savings bank with deposits of about \$90,000 was closed to-day by the state banking commissioner. It is said that last Monday an official of the bank confessed to the president that the bank's funds had been over-loaned. The official left the city then, it is said, ostensibly to try to arrange an adjustment, and his present where abouts are unknown.



Extra Southbound Goes Into the Ditch Near Swan Lake, Idaho,

A freight train on the Oregon Short Line went into the ditch near Swan Lake, Idaho, yesterday afternoon, when eight cars went off the track and four cars with their contents were demol-ished. No one was hurt, however, the

crew escaping without injury. The train was Extra No. 1044, and was coming south approaching Swan Lake at reduced speed, with the idea

of picking up a car at that point. Sud-denly the second car from the engine left the track precipitating seven oth-ers down a 20-foot hill. Two cars of lumber and two cars of coal were brok-en and scattered, and four other cars

were considerably damaged, the esti-mated loss amounting to \$1,700. After the train was brought to a standstill, investigation showed a broken rall under the train, but until the debris is cleared away it will be im-possible to locate the cause of the accident.

A wrecking train was sent out to the scene from Pocatello, and passen-ger traffic, which had been delayed 16 ours by the wreck, was resumed at 10 this morning.

BOB FULLERTON SURRENDERS.

New York, Dec. 11.—Robert W. Fuller-ton, son of S. H. Fullerton, a wealth St. Louis lumber man, who was indicted in April last, charged with the abduction of Gladys Hobar of Hawley Terrace. Yonkers, surrendered himself to Dist. Atty Jerome today, and was later held in \$2,000 bail for trial on a plea of not guilty.

in \$2,000 bail for trial on a plea of not guilty. Fullerton is alleged to have persuaded Miss Hobar to go with him to South American, under pretense of marriage, and then to have deserted her. An in-dletment was subsequently found against Fullerton and he was located in Seattle. New York detectives arrested him in Seattle, but they were unable to obtain extradition papers for his return to New York.

D. R. Roberts of Cache, known as Fullerton became acquainted with Miss Hobar while both were students at

Latura, who is regarded as a fearless man, evidently had been drinking. Sev-eral years ago he shot and killed a white man, but was released on the ground of self-defense. Several years igo a negro met death at his hands. and in this instance he was again ac-quitted on a plea of self-defense. Re-cently he forced several men, at the point of a pistol, it is declared, to return money won in a game of chance

BAND OF RUFFIANS OUTRAGE A FAMILY

Cartersville, Ga., Dec. 11 .- That a band of ruffians entered the home of J. A. Gibson, three miles from Cartersville, Saturday night, and perpe-trated a series of dastardly outages up-on the members of that family, includ-ing the shooting of Mrs. Gibson and criminal assault upon Lizzie Hardy, a 16-year-old girl who lived with the family, is the substance of charges contained in warrants just issued for Bud Lanham. Steve Heath and Tom Collier, well known young white men of this county. Lanham and Collier have been placed in jail and efforts are being made to capture Heath. tersville, Saturday night, and perpe-

capture Heath.

Following threats received by the Gibson family, who are in extremely meager financial circumstances, Judge Fite took steps to protect them. Indig-nation is high against the alleged perpetrators of these outrages.

DANGER OF SOCIALISM.

Ex-Secy. Shaw Appeals to College

Men to Save Country from It. New York, Dec. 11 .- Speaking before a gathering of alumni of Dickin.

son college last night Leslie M. Shaw, former secretary of the treasury, appealed to the college men to save the country from Socialism, He said: "I am alarmed at the trend toward So-claism in this country today. If am alarmed at the trend toward So-clalism in this country today. If there is any power in this country to stem it, it ought to be the trained minds of college men. But four out of five commencement day orations are purely socialistic. I have met many of the teachers of Sociology in our schools and universities. With few orancians there to a contart on a contart exceptions these teachers are socia-lists as you can find by a few mements conversation with them, and few ex-

conversation with them, and few ex-ceptions are anarchists. "I want to say to you preachers assembled here that unfortunately there is a good deal of Socialism being taught these days from the pulpit. The Chauatauqua is also full it; if you can mention one Chautauqua you can mention one Chautauqua popular speaker who is not talking and teaching Socialism. I will be ob-liged for his name.

"The public libraries are full of it. "The trend of newspapers oward Socialisn I repeat rend is danger this country Whenever we don't to teach that men must succeed equally re-gardless of aptitude, we are pointing towards the rocks of a nation."

