WHOLE FAMILY IS SLAIN IN SEATTLE

W. L. Seetey, Wife and Daughter Killed.

WOMEN'S HEADS BATTERED

Girl's Fiance Breaks In and Discovers Dead Bodies.

NO WEAPON CAN BE FOUND

Murder Occurs Thursday Night. Women Are in Nightrobes, Man Partly Clothed - Seeley Said to Have Financial Trouble.

SEATTLE, Jan. 17 .- W. L. Seeley, an attorney and ex-National Bank Ex- "LIVE LIKE JESUS" HERE aminer for Illinois under Controller of the Currency Eckles; his wife, Mrs. Kate M. Seeley, a member of the National Society of Daughters of the, American Revolution, and his daughter, Miss Rene Seeley, a student at the University of Washington and a mem-ber of the Delta Gamma Sorority, were found dead in a bathroom of their home, 307 Eighteenth avenue, North, in the fashionable Capitol Hill district at I o'clock this afternoon. They had

been dead since the previous Thursday Hammer Used to Kill Women.

The women, each of whom was class in nightrobes, had been murdered by being struck in the head, evidently with a hammer. There was no mark of violence on Secley. He is believed to have been partiallly chloroformed and then drowned in the bathtub. All three were kneeling at the side of the bathtub with their heads submerged in the water. A steamer trunk was on the bodies of Seeley and his wife.

All the doors and windows of the house were locked on the inside. Seeley's arms were covered with blood as if he had carried his wife and daughter to the bath-

Blood Stains All Around.

Seeley was clothed in his underwear, shoes and trousers. His nightgown, which was bloodstained from the bodies of the two women, was found beneath a clean pillow in the room cupled by him and his wife. The nillow on which Mrs. Seeley had been sleeping was saturated with blood.

Seeley came here less than two years ago from St. Joseph, Mo. He had lived there two years, coming from Ottawa, Ill. He had engusted in the practice of law wherever he had been for the past 20 years. He was 55 years of age, his wife about three years his junior. and his daughter was 22 years old.

Girl's Fiance Finds Bodies.

The bodies were found today by Guy M. Smelzer, afflanced husband of Miss Seeley, and E. R. Zibbell, a friend of the family. The family could not be communicated with after 9 o'clock Thursday night, when Smelzer talked over the telephone with Miss Seeley. Efforts to get juto communication with them after that were unsuccessful The only living thing on the premises was a huge black cat, which was the basement and which since Friday, had been fed by neighbors. The animal was a family pet.

Seeley in Financial Troubles.

Although keeping up the appearance of prosperity. Seeley had been forced to borrow money for his last month's house rent from W. W. Wilshire, an attorney from whom he rented deak room in the New York block.

Police detectives searched the house for the weapon with which the murders had been committed, but were unable to find any bloodstained implement. No jewelry or other article of value was taken from the house. Every window and door was found to have their death through no fault of the like extremely poor and petty politics to been securely locked.

Guy M. Smelzer was the last person so far as is known who held any communication with any member of the Seeley family. He talked with Miss Seeley, his flance, over the telephone at 9 o'clock Thursday night. She said nothing of any family trouble at that time. He was talking with her of their plans to go to a party the following night at the home of a friend.

Smelzer Tries to Get In.

The next morning Smelzer called up the residence again on the telephone but got no answer. He tried twice after that to catch the house on the wire but falled. Finally he ascertained from the telephone company that the line was in order and surmised that the members of the family were away for a short

That evening he went to the house but failed to get any response to his knocks. He rang the door-bell and knocked on the door. There was no sound from within. He went to the home of H. D. Moore in the neighborhood, and with Miss Claire Moore, friend of Miss Secley, he returned to the Seeley home and again tried to get an answer to his

Cat Found in Basement.

A noise was heard in the basement and upon investigation they found that it was the big black cat. The milkman had left a bottle of milk on the back porch

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500,000 SUICIDES YEARLY BY OPIUM

POPPY DRUG RESPONSIBLE FOR SELF-SLAUGHTER.

Rev. A. S. Greeg, of International Reform Bureau, Makes a Startling Statement.

CLEVELAND, O., Jan. 17 .- "Oplum causes half a million suicides a year, declared Rev. A. S. Gregg, of the Inter national Reform Bureau today, with ref-erence to the opium conference called by President Roosevelt, which begins its session at Shanghai February I. The statement is based on letters and reports from Dr. E. W. Thwing, special secretary of the Reform Bureau who has been sent to Shanghai by the bureau to attend the opium conference.

Dr. Thwing will ask the conference to take action that will hasten the destruction of the opium traffic throughout the Dr. Thwing says he has obtained statistics from four Chinese provinces with a population of 580,000 in which he says the proportion of the population using opium is from 20 to 80 per cent, and the amount of money spent for the drug is \$200,000,000 a year,

President Roosevelt called the oplum onference at the suggestion of Bishor Brent, of Manila, and delegates have been appointed by China, Japhn, Siam, Persia, Russia, Germany, France, Great Britain, Italy, Holland and the United

Dr. Brougher to Launch Movement Next Sunday.

CLEVELAND, O., Jan. 17.-The two weeks' effort of 1800 young people of this city to 'live as Jesus would live' closed today with a big mass meeting

at the Epworth Memorial Church. Rev. W. B. Wallace declared the test has been a success. Thousands in Cleveland attempted the test, but did not officially join the movement.

A letter was received from Rev. Charles M. Sheldon, of Topeka, Kan., author of "In His Steps," the originator of the idea, complimenting the Cieveland young people on their determination.

Dr. J. Whitcomb Brougher, of Portland, Or., at an experience meeting of those who took part in the movement tonight announced that next Sunday he would inaugurate a similar movement in Portland.

348 AUTOS ARE BURNED

Six Boston Garages Destroyed by Fire-Loss \$800,000.

BOSTON, Jan. 17.-The most extensive automobile storage and repair plant in the city burned today, destroying 348 automobiles, valued at \$750,000. The fire spread bring the total to \$800,000.

There were six garages in the storage rest.

PRISON REFORM HER WORK Mrs. Florence Maybrick Asks Congress for Improvements.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17 .- Mrs. Florence E. Maybrick, whose release from an English prison five years ago was due to the efforts of American women, declared here today she was devoting her life work to prison reforms. In a statement she appealed to Congress to provide the National Capital prisons with sanitary facilities. Mrs. Maybrick denied the rumor that

she was engaged to be married.

MEN CAUSE OWN DEATHS Overcharge of Powder Responsible for 65 Lives in Lick Branch.

BLUEFIELD, W. Va., Jan. 17.-The Coroner's jury today decided the explosion last Tuesday in the Lick Branch mine was, caused by an overcharge shot

ANGER NIPPON

Hochi Hurls Editorial at Ambassador.

SAYS AFFRONTS MUST STOP

Warns America "For Sake of Peace in Pacific."

RECALLS FORMER INSULTS

Boundless Patience" Becoming Exhausted and Cure for "Malady Which Has Attacked Relations" Is Called For.

YOKOHAMA, Jan. 17.—(Special.)—Under the caption, "Don't Anger Us," the Hochl, in an editorial addressed to Thomas J. O'Brien, the American Ambassador a Tokio, says:

"Japan is grateful to America for opening the country, and reveres her as the land where virtue is honored, but fears that sooner or later repeated insults will compel Japan to resort to a deter-

mined policy of welf-protection."

The Hochi recalls how, at the time of the school question, the Japanese were objects of intolerable abuse and slander, and that despite Federal expressions of regret and sympathy, Japanese interests and honor were not protected.

"Japan's yielding attitude," continues the Hooh!, "rather seemed to tie her hands and augment the restriction of the rights enjoyed by all civilized powers. Considering the fleet's visit, American generosity toward our exposition and the visits of commissions of business men, it is highly desirable to find a cure for the malady which has attacked our good re lations. The Hochi appeals to the President and the people of America. Although the Japanese still believe the magnanimity displayed in the past will continue, the ceaseless affronts are exhausting our boundless patience. For the sake of peace in the Pacific, don't anger us."

"JINGOES" TO BE SQUELCHED

California Legislature to Sit Upon

Anti-Japanese Legislators. o the old trainshed of the Park Square is scheduled to come up in the Senate railroad station, formerly used as the within the next few days is the putting terminal of the Providence division of the of the extinguisher down good and hard New York, New Haven & Hartford Rall- upon those members who have persisted road, and destroyed the bicych track and in stirring up the Japanese question at a large pavillon used for exhibition pur- a time when a majority of both houses, poses. The damage to the building will as well as the Administration faction at Washington, are most anxious to let it

Several bills calculated to rouse the tre of Japan have already been introduced and more are being made as fast as the pens of the agitators can write them. There is no likelihood of any of the bills getting out of the first committee into whose spacious pigeon-hole they happen to drop, but not satisfied with the certainty of defeating such measures, the organization intends to prevent, as far as possible, the discussion of the possibility of passing them.

It is the old and worn-out Leavitt organization alone which is agitating for anti-Japanese legislation at this session. The reorganized majority under Wright's leadership believes that Washington should be left alone to deal with the sit-

In regard to the demands, the situation s, of course, different, and there appears to be no way of keeping them from hooting as many arrows at the Orient as they think advisable.

"It is the cheapest kind of gallery-play ing to argue for such bills as the antiallen landholder measure or that ferbidding California corporations from having Oriental directors," said an influential member of the Upper House today. "Everybody knows that the bills won't of gunpowder, and that 65 men came to pass. Under the circumstances it looks try to pass thert."

Miss Leona Tillman.

ALKALI PETE CAN'T STAND PORULARITY

USEFULNESS AS FEDERAL DE-TECTIVE IS SPOILED.

Sleuth in Beef Trust .Prosecution Is Moved to Other Fields by His Employer.

CHICAGO, Jan. 17 .- (Special.) - Popularity is responsible for the downfall of "Alkall Pete," Idaho "cow puncher" and detective of the Federal beef investiga-tion. His familiarly striking figure was much in evidence in the Federal building during the past two weeks and District Attorney Sims admitted today that he had been transferred to other fields, with the remark that the Federal secret service man's usefulness is ended when he

becomes a popular idol.

"Alkali Pete" was originally a ranch-man in Idaho. He became Sheriff in that state and was known to be a quick man with a gun. He afterward became a Government secret service operator and was brought to Chicago to assist in the investigation of the packing industry. It might be all right to hide behind boulders in a canyon, but when such a strange appearing person hides behind a piliar in the Federal building and takes peeps at the man he is shadowing he is bound to attract more or less attention. Such was the case with "Alkali Pete."

INDIVIDUAL IS PLAINTIFF

Government Not Sponsors for Libel Suits on Canal Scandal.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17 .- The latest suggestion regarding yesterday's sensational developments regarding the service of subpenss in newspapers in this city and elsewhere is that an individual and not the United States Government, is the real plaintiff in the case.

It is true that the subpenas served read office at the same time and with the The United States vs. the Press Publishing Company." But if the proposed action is criminal, as is generally assumed to be the case, that would be the form of a subpena even where an individual is the omplainant, according to the practice in the District of Columbia.

The identity of this individual or individuals is purely a matter of speculation, for the public will have to await the Issue of the promised statement of Attorney-General Bonaparte.

AGED TRAPPER IS SUICIDE

Beno Salvo Found Dead in Lonely Cabin Near Idaho City.

BOISE, Idaho, Jan. 17 .- A coroser's inuest, held today at the isolated and snow-covered cabin of Beno Salvo, the 80-year-old trapper and miner, found dead Saturday near Idaho City, and probably the first white man to explore what is now Idaho, revealed that the old man SACRAMENTO, Cal., Jan. 17.-(Special.) shot himself with a rifle that he had One of the most important things which carried in the mountains for many years. He had run a pencil through all the January dates on his wall calendar up to and including the 9th, which was probably the date of the suicide. On a slip of paper he had scribbled the words 'Very sick," and below them "Crazy," He left his belongings, including his gold dust, to miner friends. A sister and a brother reside somewhere in California.

BANK LOOT IS RECOVERED All but \$280 of \$3250 Taken at Klamath Falls Secured.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., Jan. 17 .- (Special.)-Officers have recovered \$2950, which lacks only \$280 of the total amount secured from the Klamath County Bank by the robbers yesterday. Jack Hall and Rial Bruner, the robbers, will be arraigned in court tomorrow morning. They engaged counsel immediately after their arrest, but speedy action is expected by the state's attorney.

KILLED FOLLOWING HOUNDS Josh Clark, Pioneer Hotel Man, Is

PILOT ROCK, Or., Jan. 17 .- Josh Clark, 65 years, was instantly killed at 8 o'clock south of this place.

Crushed Under Horse.

horse fell on him.

TO STATE CAPITAL

Confident He Will Be Chosen Senator.

DENEEN TAKES SEAT TODAY

Illinois Legislature Will Tackle Senatorial Fight.

DUBOIS OPPOSES HOPKINS

Ex-Senator From Idaho Reported to Be Working Against Former Colleague Because Mormons Are Said to Favor Him.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Jan. 17.-(Special.) After a spirited series of battles, during which Charles S. Deneen and his friends had apprehensions that the Shurtleff Republican and Democratic members of the Legislature would "conspire by unfair means to oust the Governor from his chair and install Adla! E. Stevenson therein," Mr. Deneen will be inaugurated as chief executive tomorrw. The other state officers-elect will be inducted into machinery of the Legislature in working order, the General Assembly will turn its attention this week to the election of a United States Senator to suc-

ceed Albert J. Hopkins. Senator Hopkins, who will arrive here from Chicago tomorrow morning to look after his interests, is quoted as saying he is certain he will have on the first joint ballot 116 votes, or 12, more than enough to nominate. He feels sure of this number and believes that when the time comes every Republican in both couses will vote for him. Arguing that he is entitled to every ballot from his party, Senator Hopkins says he carried every county in the state at the primaries against William E. Mason and carried 86 of the 102 counties against Representative George El Foss.

Caucus Not Needed, He Says.

"After the primaries," said Senator Hopkins, "I announced that I considered myself the victor and that I was going to seek the passage of resolutions by the me the candidate of the party. At that time neither Mr. Foss nor Mr. Mason challenged the procedure; by their silence they ratified it, and the convention adopted the resolutions. So I am the sole party candidate, and I do not think that any Republican in the state would care to endanger his future by entering the lists against me. As to a caucus, in Iowa, Governor Cummins, after the primaries, declared that a caucus was unnecessary the legislators having been instructed at he polls, but a caucus was held in orde to preserve a time-honored custom,"

First Ballot Before Caucus.

Both elements concede that a caucus will not be called until Tuesday, at least, after the Houses have taken separate ballots on the Senatorship.

The most encouraging feature of the situation, as the Hopkins leaders look at it, lies in the fact that the anti-Hopkins forces are scattered, not having united on a candidate. With the opposition in a nebulous form, the Hopkins men assert that they will have no trouble in swing ing most of the Foss men to the junior This belief, however, is not shared by the anti-Hopkins men, who insist that a deadlock will crop up on the first joint ballot; that "dark horse" candidates will be trotted out, and that the tie-up will finally be settled by the election of a compromise candidate.

A startling development tonight was the Western story that the Mormon church a pioneer hotel man of Albee, Or., aged has had active emissaries in Illinois for weeks, working for Senator Hopkins, Ex this afternoon on Bear Creek, 25 miles United States Senator Dubols, of Idaho uncompromising enemy of the Mormon He and a party of friends were on church, has been in Illinois for several horseback following a pack of hounds in | weeks, and this is declared to be signifihot pursuit of three cougars, when his cant of Western gentile opposition to

1908 SETS RECORD MINE DISASTERS

PRESENT YEAR BIDS FAIR TO DUPLICATE SAME.

Science Has Not Yet Solved Problem of Preventing Formation of Deadly Gas.

PITTSBURG, Jan. 17.-The year 1968 was marked by more mine horrors and by more less of life underground that any other year in history. And the year 1909, scarcely three weeks old, apparently is going after 1908's record. last Tuesday 100 lives were lost in an exdosion in a model mine near Bluefick W. Va., and on the Sunday before death exacted another heavy toll in the Leiter

mines at Zeigler, Ill. "Science," said a mining engineer to day, "has not yet solved the problem of preventing the formation of gas. We recognize three kinds of mine gasesthe fire damp, after damp and white

"Fire damp is the only one of the trio that is explosive. It is a gas given off by coal under the influence of the heat of the earth. When Davy levented the miners' safety lamp it was thought that all danger of mine explosions was over The lamp has the flame surrounded with a metallic screen which does not permi the passage of the flame. But the acreens burn out after long usage and miners grow careless."

FRICK TO SELL FINE HOME Sours on Pittsburg Because of Social

Slight to Daughter. PITTSBURG, Jan. 17 .- (Special.)-Real state men of Pittsburg have a quiet ip that "Clayton," the Pittsburg palace of H. C. Frick, on Homewood avenue s for sale. The steel king is desirous of

quitting Pittsburg forever. According to those close to Mr. Frick is bitterly angry at the lack of interest shown in the coming-out party of his daughter, Helen, here some ime since. Only about 15 young men scarcely enough to perform the figures of the dances, were in attendance at the big party at "Clayton," according to ne of those who attended. This is where Mr. Frick is said to have risen in anger and declared himself.

DARING TRIAL AT RESCUE

Man Enters Train and Shoots at Officer Guarding Brother.

FORT SMITH, Ark., Jan. 17.-Enter ng an Iron Mountain train near here today in which his brother, Grant Quinn sat handcuffed to Policeman Burgess. who was taking Quinn to Little Rock to be turned over to the military au-Republican State Convention, declaring thorities as a prisoner, Lee Quinn shot

at the policeman. Burgess returned the fire and several gers went to his assistance Quinn, after emptying his pistol, jumped from the train and escaped.

Irwin Brassfield, a passenger, of Mulberry. Ark., received a fatal wound. Burgess was uninjured and took his prisoner to Little Rock.

HIGH WIRE RIDER FALLS

Women Faint When Performer Plunges 35 Feet to Earth.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Jan. 17.—(Special.) -Hundreds of men, women and children were horrified today when Charles Williams, 30 years old, fell 35 feet from a high wire at Chutes Park, on which he was trying to ride a bicycle.

Williams struck on the edge of the pond and his body rolled into the water. was rescued and at the receiving hospital it was found he was suffering from a severs concussion of the brain, lacerations and bruises. The surgeons give no hope of his re-

ONE KILLED IN WRECK

covery. A number of women fainted when

the man fell.

Rock Island Train Runs Into Switch Engine.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Jan. 17.-Rock Island passenger train No. 43, from Memphis to El Reno, Okla., ran into an open switch and crashed into a switch engine. killing the fireman of the switch engine, J. M. Woods, of Argenta, and partly demolishing both engines today. The engineer of the passenger train,

John Morrison, and his fireman, W. D.

Dorasatt, jumped before the crash. Both

SHEPHERD LOST IN SNOW

Searching Party Starts Out to Find W. A. Mitchell.

GRANGEVILLE, Idaho, Jan. 17 .- (Special.)-A large searching party left White Bird, Idaho, today, to look for W. A. Mitchell, a sheepherder for George Poe, who was lost during the storm of last week. Other searching parties have found no trace of the missing man. Mitchell is believed to have lost his footing on a steep hill and rolled into a canyon

IROQUOIS CLAIMS SETTLED

Chicago Theater to Pay \$750 a Case for 30 Deaths.

CHICAGO, Jan. 17 .- It was made public today that after five years of litigation settlements had been made in the cases of 30 of the deaths caused by the Iroquois Theater fire. It is stated that \$750 a case is to be paid.

Ships More Than Whole of Puget Sound.

STANDS NEXT TO NEW YORK

Beats Every Other Port in United States.

1908 RECORD IS ENVIABLE

Only Portland and San Francisco Among Ports of Entire Country Show Increase of General Exports for Calendar Year.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washngton, Jan. 17.—According to official statistics, prepared by Department of commerce and Labor, Portland, during he calendar year of 1998, exported more wheat than any other American port, save New York. Its total shipments to foreign markets

for the year amounted to 13,042,063 bushels, as against 9,237,437 bushels in Exports for the past year of the entire Puget Sound district amounted to but

11,917,682 bushels.

Last year Portland exported only 685,044 barrels of flour, less than half the amount exported in 1907. Puget Sound's flour shipments also delined from over 2,500,000 barrels in 1907

to 1,500,000 barrels last year. Almost every port in the United States hows a falling off, both in exports and mports during the year just ended, just two exceptions being reported by the De-

partment of Commerce and Labor. The port of San Francisco shows an inrease in exports from \$17,000,000 in 1907. \$28,000,000 in 1908, but its imports fell off rom \$50,000,000 to \$41,000,000. shows a fall of \$1,000,000 in imports from a total of \$4,000,000 in 1907, and in increase

from \$12,525,000 to \$15,750,000 in exports. In the Puget Sound district imports fell off from \$23,000,000 to \$20,000,000, and its exports from \$37,000,000 to \$35,000,000. The inreased exports from the Pacific Coast onsisted chiefly of wheat and lumber The greatest falling off in foreign commerce was at the Atlantic ports, the total decrease being about \$500,000,000.

ATLANTIC PORTS ALL LOSE Bulk of Loss in Foreign Commerce on Eastern Seaboard.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17 -- Of the anproximately \$500,000,000 reduction in the foreign commerce of the United States in 1908, when compared with that of the preceding year, nearly \$400,000,000 was in the trade which was accustomed to pass through Atlantic ports. This is the statement made in a report issued by the bureau of statistics of the Department of

Commerce and Labor. The imports of the Altantic ports in the calendar year 1907 were \$1,107,000,000 while the exports were \$1,156,000,000 as compared with an approximate import total in 1908 of \$990,000,000 and an estimated export total of \$1,050,000,000.

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Senator Tillman .-







names, supposedly, that some of the land the Senator coveted was to be entered. Miss Leona Tillman is very popular in Congressional social circles, and was recently elected president of the Archonides Club—an organization whose membership is limited to the daughters of Senators and members of the House. This club supplements the Congressional Club, which is composed of the wives of Senators and Members. the daughters of Senators and

Mrs. Ben Tillman, Jr., and Miss Leona Tillman are involved in the charges against the Senator in an indirect way, because it was in their

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