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FAMILY OF THREE AND RANCHMAN MURDERED

RECENT ARRIVALS IN MARION MEET DEATH

Wealthy Mrs. Casteel, Daughter, Son and Foreman Victims of Tramps According to Theory. Marion County Aroused. Officials Hurry to Scene.

Salem, Or., Dec. 2.-Four persons were murdered last night at the Hurst farm, near Macleay. Mrs. Casteel, her daughter, her son and the foreman of the farm, Mr. Montgomery, were killed by an unknown person or persons. After the murders were committed the farmhouse was set on fire in the hope that evidence of the awful crime might be obliterated or that the deaths could have been construed to have been caused by being caught in the flames.

A bloodstained hatchet was found near the scene of the murders, also a loaded shotgun. Sheriff Culver and Deputy Sheriff Minto have gone to the scene of the murder. The Casteel family came here recently from Myrtle Creek and were said to have had considerable money.

Mrs. Casteel was a woman about 60 years of age. Her son was aged 19 and the daughter 24, and the foreman on the place, who came with them from Douglas county, was a man about 55 years old. Their nearest neighbor is a farmer named Wilson. They had been there such a short time and met so few people there is little known of them. The bodies are almost completely burned up. The residence was as fine a one as any in-that part of the

One theory is that tramps who have been infesting the country attacked the farm, and when the boy and foreman resisted shot them and then killed the women. Posses are out looking for clues. The entire country is aroused.

Old Fashioned Hair Pulling Bee Results From Resolution Condemning Business Men for Holding Conference Sunday to Discuss Banking Holidays.

"Entertaining as we do the highest regard for the business men and bankers of Oregon, we hereby express both astonishment and regret at the business meeting held by some of them in this city yesterday on the Lord's day; we deeply sympathize with these gentlemen in the strain through which they have been passing, but cannot think the stress sufficient to justify the infliction of such an example as breaking the Sabbath on the Christian people of this great state."

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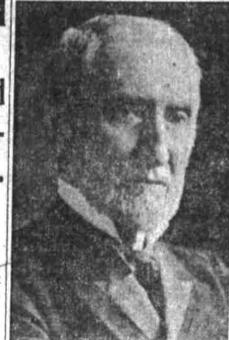
Personalities were indulged in and returned till some of the conservative brethren, hurt by the chill in the atmosphere and the warmth in the discussion, poured soothing oil on the troubled waters and all ended in apologies all around and pleasant smiles. But the discussion will not soon be forgotten and several brethren fearlessly placed themselves on record as against the majority.

majority. Rev. C. W. Hays began the discussion. taking exception to Dr. Cline. He agreed that it was unfortunate that the meeting called for the discussion of the financial situation and the calling of a special session of the legislature should have been held on Sunday. "But," he said, "we should not nars comment on the stress being sufficient, for we know nothing about these matters. We are not used to the handling of such big sums of money, and as a minister with a small salary, what should we know about their stress and the necessity of such a meeting?" ing called for the discussion

Opponents Line Up. Dr. E. S. Muckley next lined himself on the opposing side with the words:
"Did their time of meeting interfere
with any of the Sabbath services? Then
you can find nothing in the gospel
against their holding such meeting. We against their holding such meeting. We do not know the facts and have no right to pass judgment. Any question concerning the moral, spiritual and physical welfare of man can rightfully be discussed on the Sabbath if there is no other day for it. Sometimes we can do the Lord's business on the Lord's day.

Dr. Cline interrupted with "Are you cancer the said of the concerning of are you only provided."

CONGRESS CONVENES FOR SIXTIETH SESSION WORK



SPEAKER JOSEPH CANNON.

Nebraska's Test Trip Shows Her to Be Fine Vessel.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Seattle, Wash., Dec. 2 .- Tests of battleship Nebraska were satisfactory The ship proved efficient in every way. There are not better in the United States navy, declares Captain Perkins senior member

afternoon at 2 o'clock without a single bolt started and with not so much as the paint cracked about the gun mounts and their fastenings secure. With but one accident to mar the test, and that one of minor importance. The battleship has done all its builders promised for it and has won the admiration of the officers of the may. Every portlon of the ship was tested from the guns down to speaking tubes, signals for plant and condensers was modified shipping bill, the creation of a superior of the pulsar and condensers was modified shipping bill, the creation of a superior of the pulsar and condensers was modified shipping bill, the creation of a superior of the pullapines, the passage of a superior of the pullapines, the passage of a superior of the pullapines, the passage of a superior of the shipping bill, the creation of a superior of the shipping bill, the creation of the shipping bill th

from the guns down to speaking tubes, signals, ice plant, and condensers, even to the most minute details.

In the seventh half hour of the first day's run an exhaust pipe of the blowers on the starboard bursted and filled the boller room in that portion of the ship with steam. In spite of this han-dicap the men who had entered fully into the spirit of the occasion stayed at their posts.

EMPTY CARS GO OVER CANADIAN PACIFIC

with the circumstances he was not in favor of the resolution.

Rev. H. C. Shaffer berated the dissenting members for going into spasms about closing saloons and theatres on Sunday and being afraid to take a stand when their church members broke the Sabbath with such a meeting. Dr. Abbott opposed the proposed amendment openly and reversed the idea by saying those who did not like the resolution could so go on record.

Dr. Jordan expressed his astonishment at the way these brethren talked who (United Press Leased Wire.) Vancouver, B. C., Dec. 2.-For the first time in the history of railway transportation on this section of the Pacific coast, the Canadian Pacific raliway is hauling hundreds of empty freight cars over the Rocky mountains every week. Car shortage is a thing of the past for the time being but exporters of lumber are very much afraid that when the demand for that article picks up in the spring there will be a famine of cars which may exert a re-

tarding effect upon the trade.

Bride Commits Suicide. (United Press Leased Wire.)

Unwritten Law Also Broached.

Dr. Muckley tried several times to peak, but Dr. Cline and others on his about 8 o'clock last night at the Golden side objected to his having the floor a State hotel. The woman was afflicted with an incurable disease and growing despondent she killed herself.

POWERS PLEADS FOR CLEMENCY FOR WOMAN WHO KILLED BROWN

Dr. Jordan expressed his astonishment at the way these brethren talked who upheld the men who stole their money in banks giving only a silp of paper as security, and then stole the Subbath for a meeting to set themselves right. He said no one should be afraid to speak out

Washington, Dec. 2 .- Attorney George; society turned its back on the defendant Hoover, in behalf of the defense, resumed the closing arguments in the Bradley case this morning. He was followed by Judge Orlando Powers, who said:

"When you add to the defendant's society turned its back on the defendant and that she had no other place to go except to the master who placed her where size was. Clearly this is a case of accidental shooting. The defendant went to Brown's room to end her life and in the struggle for the revolver Brown was shot and killed."

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discussed on the Sabbath if there is no clier day for it. Sometimes we can do the Lord's day.

The Cline interrupted with "Are you readly serious or are you only preaching?" which caused a laugh, but Dr. Muckley said, "I am serious when I preach, though I don't know how Dr. Cline is in his pulpit. But, we can't condemn men on the mere fact that we heard they held a meeting, when we don't know that they did anything wrong."

Dr. William Hiram Foulkes said that he had called personally on Mr. Richardson of the Commercial club this morning and expressed his disapproval, and in discussing the meeting had found that it was a matter of immediate necessity; that the business had to be done at once and that one third of the men were from other parts of the state, who could not come at any other time, lie said:

"It is not our business to set our-"

said:

"When you add to the defendant's character the presumption of her innochant the government has not proved its case beyond a reasonable doubt. It say that no candid man can browed its delivery. Continuing, the speaker say a verdict of guilty is justified."

He then referred to the defendant's love for Senator Brown and declared that she would have made a good wife had she been united to the man she loved.

Powers painted a pretty picture of the woman's live, decl' ring that the defendant to her involute that the defendant was like all women, who fail to which she fell."

Powers concluded with an eloquent appeal to the jury was masterly and eloquent. Mrs. Bradley's frame was shaken by sobs throughout the device of guilty is justified."

"Under the evidence it is your duty to send the defendant forth back to the eternal mountains, that she would have made a good wife loved.

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Cabinet Officials Who May Go Out and Others Who Are Likely to Take Their Places - President's Message Tomorrow.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Washington, Dec. 2 .- The sixtieth session of the United States congress opened at noon today. Both houses convened with the usual opening cere and adjourned immediately thereafter.

ead before tomorrow and after its introduction in both houses the day wil be devoted to the introduction of bills and to various preliminary committee meetings. The message is to be an exhaustive document of some 25,000

words.
There is a possibility of the introduc tion of measures bearing pressingly upon the financial situation, but in this respect there seems to be little that can be said, as members are extremely can be said, as members are extremely reticent about giving their views; in fact, there is a deal of speculation as to what action the house and senate will take on the money and other important problems that are sure to occupy much of the time of both houses. The usual wiseacres are absent from the lobby and while the corporation lobbyist is here in full prime as of yore he is not largely supplemented by

of the trial board which had the final tests of the Nebraska under its control. That a report favorable in all respects will be made is the full belief of everyone connected with the battleship's known this afternoon. The final result will be known this afternoon.

Fresh from its trial trip the Nebraska steamed into the navy yards Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock without a single bolt started and with not so much as the paint cracked about the gun mounts the paint cracked about the gun mounts the paint cracked about the gun mounts to the Sherman anti-trust

consideration of a federal income tax, consideration of a federal income tax, the revision of the tariff on imports from the Philippines, the passage of a modified shipping bill, the creation of postal savings banks, the establishment of a more effective public health service than now exists and the extension than now exists, and the extension

of the parcels post.

The demand for the exclusion of the Japarese will be another serious problem with which the administration and Republican leaders in congress will have to deal. The Pacific coast states are insistent that Japanese shall be ex-cluded from American soil, and the delegations in congress from those states will urge legislation. That the administration is keenly apprehensive as to the situation is shown by the refusal of the department of commerce and la-bor to discuss Japanese immigration and the determination of Secretary Strauss to suppress the publication of builtetins showing the volume of Japanese immi- and a concert in the library car.

gration. Vice-President Fairbanks called the senate to order while the house was called to order by the clerk.

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chosen president pro tem of the senate, but as Vice-President Fairbanks has a habit of being always in his seat and punctual in attendance, Mr. Frye will have little to do. The officers of the senate hold over.

Including Senators Gore and Owen of Oklahoma, in regard to whom there may be some contest, and Smith of Michigan, Curtis of Kansas and Du Pont of Delaware, who took their seats, filling vacancies, late in the last session, there will be 18 new men in the senate. These will be Bankhead and Johnsson of Alabama, Borah of Idaho. Bourne of Oregon, Eriggs of New Jersey, Brown of Nebraska, Davis of Arkansas, Dixon of Montana, Guggenheim of Colorado, Paynter of Kentucky, Richardson of Delaware, Stephenson of Wisconsin and Taylor of Tennessee.

Prospective Charges.

Intended to introduce the exclusion intended to introduce the near future. He is alive to the fact that Chinese and Japanese chiliren and Chinese an

Prospective Changes. Rumor is busy with prospective changes in President Roosevelt's cab-(Continued on Page Nine.)

"WILL NOT DEVIATE," SAYS THE PRESIDENT

(United Press Leused Wire.) Washington, Dec. 2 .- "I will not deviate one single point . from the announcement I have & already made," said President . Roosevelt today to Representa- • tive Hinshaw of Nebraska, who told the president that Nebraska | Republicans want him to run for a third term. This is the . most direct and positive statement yet made by the president ... on the third term question.



Seattle Theatres Watched by Police Who Collect Evi-

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 2 .- All of the open as usual yesterday and last night and the usual Sunday performances

were given, 32 in all. Police Sergeants Bryant closing law. Their further instructions were after gathering this information, to lay it before Prosecuting Attorney Mack-intosh today and ask that complaints be issued against the managers of the

theatres.
The officers did not attempt yester day to stop any of the performances. The managers refused last night to say what course they will pursue. The minimum fine is \$30 and should a charge be laid for each performance the 3 showhouses would have to pay \$960.

HONEYMOON SPECIAL LATEST ON RAILROADS

(United Press Leased Wire.) Chicago, Dec. 2.-Plans have been per fected for a "Honeymoon Special" which will leave Chicago December 8, for Los Angeles for 30 days of billing and coo-

ing.
This decided novelty in rallway transportation is to be inaugurated by the Northwestern and Southern Pacific and Union Pacific lines. Efforts will be made to confine the entire passenger list to newly weds but reservations are being accepted from married couples who still love each other and who have who still love each other and who have never taken their honeymoon trip. The train itself will be the finest ever equipped. There will be a Christmas tree, Christmas dinner, holiday carol, equipped.

IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

(United Press Leased Wire.)

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Bellevarnon, Fa., Dec. 2.—The body of one of the miners entombed in the Natomi mine of the United Coal company was recovered this morning. The number of men entombed is not definitely known, but is supposed to be 30. A large rescue force is at work.

vance guard for Rear Admiral Evans' battleship cruise, sailed at 10 o'clock this morning for Hampton Roads, according to a dispatch received at the navy department from the commandant of the Norfolk navy yard. The flotilla is commanded by Lieutenant H. L. Cone.

Anxiety for Overdue Vessel Relieved When News Is Received of Her in Tow of Another Vessel-Had Exciting Experience Off Coos Bay

vill arrive at Astoria late this afteroon in tow of the bar tug Tatoosh. The tug crossed out this morning towng the lumber laden schooners Chur-

Beals in this city that he could see the Alliance in tow of the tug Tatoosh, approaching the mouth of the Columbia. At first the tug and tow appeared like little specks on the horizon but their relative position gave hopes of the Al-liance having been picked up. Kelli-her had been scanning the sea all morn-

to the river although she could not have been more than about 25 miles off, in view of the fact that the Tacosh had been out but a comparatively short while when she was sighted re-urning with the tow.

Mariners expected the Alliance would be found off the mouth of the river, a short while when she was sighted re-turning with the tow. According to a report brought to Vic-

toria. B. C., by the master of the British steamer Boveric, which arrived there
late Saturday night, the Alliance lost
three blades of her propelier in crossing
out over Coos bay bar Thursday afternoon. A heavy sea was running at the
time and Captain Olson deemed it better to stand out to sea and sail to the
Columbia river than to attempt to reColumbia river than to attempt to recolumbia river than to attempt to retime and Captain Olson knew
the only way to eventually bring his
to sea and await a favorable opportunity
to make a run for port. She was well
fear of passengers suffering for want
of food for several days at least.

The steamer Alliance is safe. She the passengers had been washed over-ill arrive at Astoria late this after-boon in tow of the bar tug Tatoosh. The identity of the passenger will remain a mystery until the Affiance remain a mystery until the reaches her dock this afternoon.

ing the lumber laden schooners Churchill and Transit to sea and after letting them go stood out to westward in search of the overdue Coos bay liner. She found her heading for the river under sall.

Shortly before noon Lookout J. J. Kelliher, at the North Head weather bureau station, wheel District Observer bureau station, wheel District Observer the Alliance in tow of the tug Tatoosh, approaching the mouth of the Columbia, At first the tug and tow appeared like little specks on the horizon but their

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Weather Pavorable.

The weather was clear this morning, but the sky cloudy. A 25-mile breeze was blowing from the east which would have made it difficult if not impossible for the Alliance with her small area of canvas to have sailed close to the river although she could not the friends of the 21 passent and the friends

the friends of the the crew and the office was besieg besteged good distance from shore, as she was

Columbia river than to attempt to return for repairs.

The Boveric's report also stated that Captain Clson had reported that one of for Coos before the end of the week.

Case Goes Over Until Janu- Defense Begins Examination ary 6.-Wife Attends

Session of Court.

(United Press Lensed Wire)

days was one cause of postponement. days was one cause of postponement.

Judge Dowling ordered a venire of 200 to be in court on January 6. Attorney Littleton, Thaw's chief counsel, insisted upon an immediate trial, but was promptly overruled. Both sides asked for permission to examine the records of the insanity commission.

The defendant's wife was the only member of the Thaw family present. Thaw stood in the doorway under guard while the arguments were being made. He looked rather pale, but bore a hope-label of the state and was passed for cause. He testified that he had no opinion as to the defendant's guilt or innocence and was not opposed to capital punishment.

W. S. Sensznig was excused because of an opinion, which he said he could not put aside.

Michael Halley, a farmer, stated that he had formed no opinion in the case and he answered all other questions satisfactorily to the state and was passed for cause.

speaker and other officers and the drawing of seats by the members of the house. The pemocrats will hold their caucus in the house of representatives this evening.

Mew Members.

Mr. Frye of Maine will again be chosen president pro tem of the senate, but as Vice-President Fairbanks has a bast of being always in his seat and punctual in attendance, Mr. Frye will have little to do. The officers of the mand sapanese children and Chinese have little to do. The officers of the members and sapanese children and Chinese have little to do. The officers of the member of the senated when the counsel, none of its most acute forms is, about to become a live issue with the board of school trustees for 1907 and a candidate for election in 1908, stated yesterday that he intended to introduce the exclusion to examine the records of the insanity commission. The defendant's wife was the only member of the Thaw family present. They stood in the doorway under guard while the arguments were being made. He is alive to the fact that Chinese and Japanese children and Chinese the records of the insanity commission. The defendant's wife was the only member of the Thaw family present. They stood in the doorway under guard while the arguments were being made. He is alive to the fact that Chinese and Japanese children and Chinese the service of the chosen president protein in the door and the fact that Chinese and Japanese children and Chinese the service of the ser records of the insanity commission.

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LEAVES FOR WEST

Washington, D. C., Dec. 2 .- Six torpedo beat destroyers, forming the advance guard for Rear Admiral Evans'

"I SHALL NOT CALL SPECIAL SESSION." SAYS GOVERNOR

Salem. Or., Dec. 2.—"I shall not call an extra session of the legislature," said Governor Chamberlain this morning. "I question whether it would do any good and the ylew expressed by the representatives of the commercial interests of the state, at the meeting yesterday in Portland, coincides with my own views. The idea of calling an extra session has seemed to me from the first to be of questionable propriety."

"It seems to be the general concensus of opinion all over the state that the holidays should be continued probably into the first of the year. It is quite likely that I shall follow this course, although I do not think serious consequences would ensue if the holidays will probably be continued.

"The demand for a continuation of the holidays comes even more strongly from the business interests than from the banks." (Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

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WORRIES THAW TWELVE MEN

of Talesmen-Jury This Week, Possibly.

Bolse, Idaho, Dec. 2.-One hundred New York, Dec. 2.-The second trial talesmen, summoned by Sheriff Hodgin of Harry Thaw for the murder of Stan- on special venire for the trial of George ford White, which was scheduled to be- A. Pettibone, were in court this morngin today, was postponed this morning ing when the trial was resumed. Judge until January 6. The prospect of the Wood excused twelve of these for reajurors being locked up during the holi- sons of health and business, and the examination was then resumed. The

passed for cause.

Charles Stewart was excused because of an opinion which he said would not permit him to give the defendant a fair

The state passed Frank J. Gove, who tes, fined in answer to questions by Hawley that he had no fixed opinion in the case and was not opposed to capital punishment.

William Howell also met all requirements and was accepted by the prosecution, making eleven passed by the state for cause.

T. A. Brown, a Boise contractor, was accepted by the state, and Hawley announced that the state passed the jury

for cause.

The examination of jurymen for the defense was conducted by Edgar Wil-

defense was conducted by Edgar Wilson.

Michael Halley was first examined and was passed for cause.

The line of questioning by the defense was similar to that in the Haywood trial, the taleamen being required to state their political and raligious belief, their attitude toward organized labor and what newspapers they had been reading. After Halley's examination the court adjourned to 2 o'clock.

Progress up to the present time indicates the jury may be secured this week.

Senator Bourne Sworn In. (Special Dispatch to The Journal, I Washington, D. C., Dec. 2.—Sense Bourne, escarted by Sonator Fullon, sworn in in the first squad of four took his seat on the Lamouratic si the second row to the left.

Hig Fire at Houston,

Houston, Tex. Dec. 3-trainess district, sherling a stand a loss of \$500,000, artidings burned were the