

TO-DAY'S NEWS IN BRIEF.

LOCAL AND SUBURBAN. In his first sermon as pastor of St. Leo's Church the Reverend James T. Coffey drew lessons from the Iroquois Theater fire on the uncertainties of life.

NINETEEN CHICAGO THEATERS ARE CLOSED.

Continued From Page One. been identified. A sister of Mrs. Pond, Miss Grace Tuttle, is still among the missing. Helen, a 7-year old daughter of Mr. Pond, was identified solely by her teeth.

A pathetic incident occurred to-day on the Cottage Grove cable line. This passed within a half square of Rolston's morgue. Late this afternoon a man, haggard and worn, walked up to a Cottage Grove car and climbed aboard, carrying in his arms the body of a little golden-haired girl.

WASHINGTON. The President shakes hands with 6,711 callers at the New Year's reception at the White House.

GENERAL DOMESTIC. A large number of negro veterans passed in line before the President at the reception at the White House after the ceremony had been in progress about two hours.

The motion for a dismissal of the claim of the Onondaga Indians to participate in the Kansas award has been denied, and the United States Court of Claims will consider the case.

The financial outlook for business the coming year is thought to be much better than it was a year ago. The decline at the beginning of 1903 has been met by a Kansas award, has been denied, and the United States Court of Claims will consider the case.

Fire breaks out in the hospital at Sioux Falls, S. D., in the midst of a storm, but all the patients are saved.

Colonel McClellan assumes office as Mayor of New York after a reception to thousands of enthusiastic Democrats who gather at the City Hall.

Dun's weekly review of trade says that violent fluctuations in the price of cotton and the warlike news from the Far East are the significant factors in the week's commercial affairs.

Nine business houses and two dwellings burn at Senath, Mo., with losses aggregating \$25,000.

Assistant Attorney General Sam B. Jeffrey forwards Mr. Crow's brief in the Ziegler case to Governor Odell of New York. It sets forth emphatically that Ziegler is a fugitive from justice, and demands his return to Missouri, where a fair trial is assured.

Two men are incinerated in a fire which destroys a hotel and a church at Mount Sterling, Ky.

Street railway men strike for increase in wages at Bloomington and Normal, Ill., and as a result both systems are tied up.

Failing to reach any agreement with the Carpenters and Joiners' Union, the officers of the Woodworkers' International return to Chicago.

Governor Dockery appoints C. W. Frazer of St. Louis State Barber Examiner to succeed J. J. Ryan.

Charles Morgan, 72 years old, is arrested at his home near Watson, Mo., for sending threatening letters to officials of the Burlington Railroad. The youth confesses to the postal authorities.

City Attorney Charles A. Jackson and Logan Guiley, son of City Marshal Guiley of Carbondale, Ill., are arrested on the charge of killing John W. Chamness, who was shot in the street at Creal Springs, Ill., Saturday night.

Captain Frederick Pabel, the brewer, dies at his home in Milwaukee, Wis.

A man standing in Kentucky shoots his father-in-law across the State line in Tennessee. A knotty problem has now arisen as to which State has jurisdiction to try the case.

FOREIGN. Emperor William says he intends to send to the World's Fair for exhibition the most silver service which he has presented to him on his accession to the throne. The emperor has sent to President Roosevelt his best wishes for the happiness and prosperity of the American people.

The Danish Crown Prince acts in behalf of his father at the New Year's reception, King Christian's condition being the cause of much concern.

The Mexican Finance Commission reports in favor of adopting the gold standard.

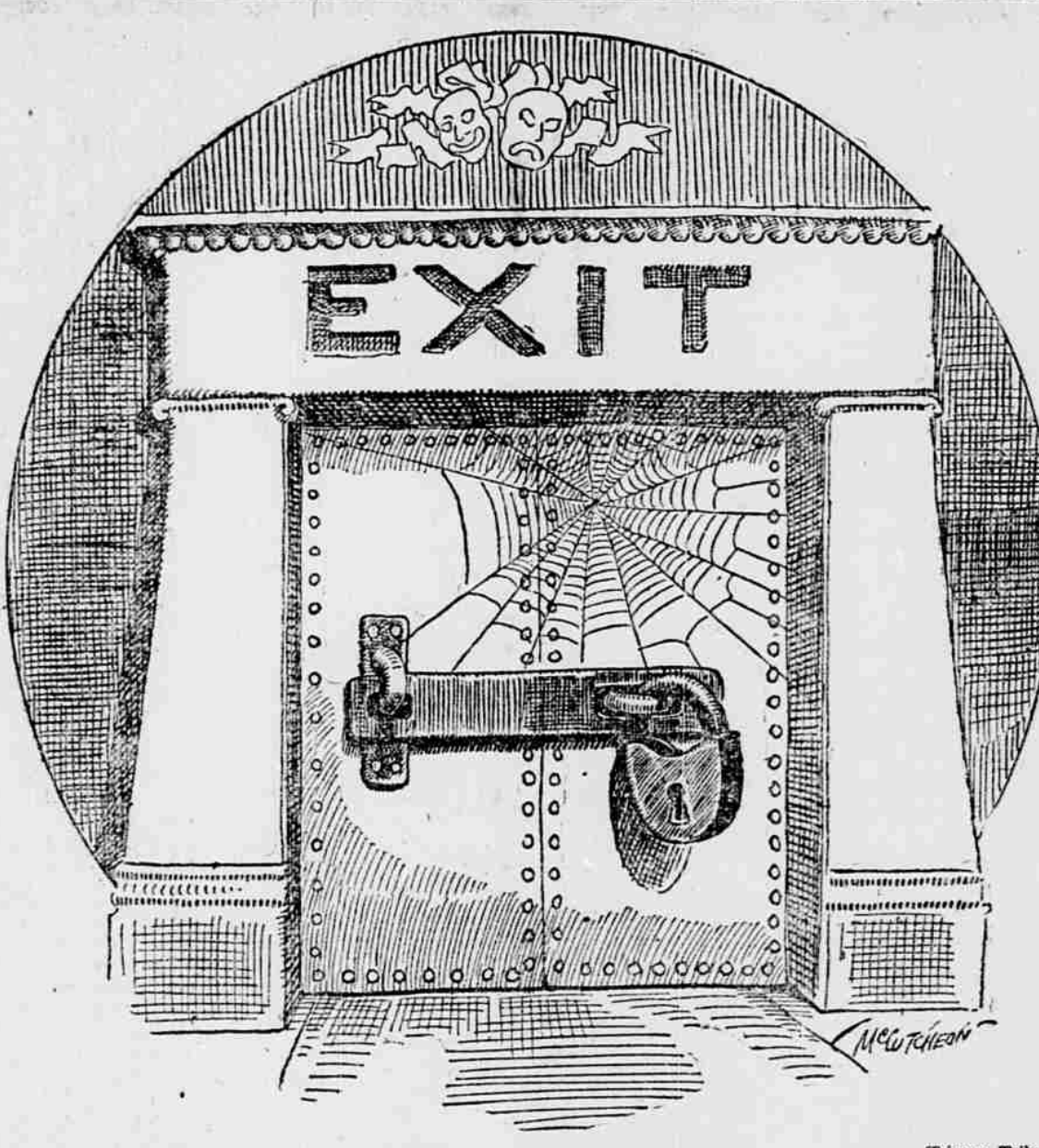
SPORTING. Five knockouts in one evening is the record made at a pugilistic exhibition in Baltimore.

Marine Intelligence. New York, Jan. 1.-Arrived: Mongolian, from Glasgow. Queenstown, Jan. 1.-Arrived: Lucania, New York. New York, Jan. 1.-Arrived: Calabria, Genoa and Naples; Patria, Marsellias, Genoa and Naples; Breslau, Bremen; Minnastonia, San Francisco, via Coronet and Rio Janeiro.

Moville, Jan. 1.-Sailed: Ionian, from Liverpool, Halifax and St. John, New Brunswick. Glasgow, Dec. 31.-Sailed: Pomeranian, Boston; Oberian, New York. Greenock, Dec. 31.-Arrived: Carthagan, Philadelphia, via St. Johns, Newfoundland.

Queensdown, Dec. 31.-Arrived: Cymric, Boston, for Liverpool, and proceeded. Trieste, Dec. 31.-Sailed: Auranian, New York. Havre, Dec. 31.-Arrived: La Bretagne, New York.

PROVIDED FOR HIS DOG AND THEN DRANK POISON. John Brobst, former Missonian, ended his life at Dallas, Tex.—Body shipped to Miami.



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I worked pulling people out of the choked exits until it was useless to stay any longer. With the arrest of McMullen the police believe they have the last important witness among the theater employes who are essential to a complete inquiry into the coroner's inquest.

MANAGER W. J. DAVIS BEFORE CHIEF OF POLICE. Chief of Police O'Neill today sent detectives to summon Manager Will J. Davis of the Iroquois Theater to police headquarters. "I want to question him," Chief O'Neill said, when asked the reason for the summons.

It had been running fully five weeks in heaven's name, how long does it take to make a few signs? To this Mr. Marshall offered no reply. Returning to his office the Mayor said: "I think exactly as I thought yesterday of the theater. I could not see any explanation for the disaster except the failure of the curtain to come down. I tried a lot of the doors, and they seemed to open and shut readily. I got into the rigging loft, which is of solid metal, without a trace of combustible material about it."

TEXAS COUPLE RELATE TRYING ORDEAL IN CHICAGO. An ordeal in connection with the Iroquois Theater fire in Chicago was related yesterday by Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Talliferro of Dallas, Tex., who are in St. Louis on their way to their home.

RELIEF FUNDS STARTED; LIPTON OFFERS \$1,000. Chicago, Jan. 1.—Public realization of the horror of the Iroquois disaster has led to the opening of a number of subscription lists to raise funds for the pressing work of relief. Sir Thomas Lipton cabled from London that he stood ready to contribute \$1,000.

H. G. DARROW SAVED HIS DAUGHTER FROM FIRE. H. G. Darrow, vice president of the Home Publishing Company of St. Louis, arrived in the city at 8 o'clock last night from Chicago. Mr. Darrow was one of the spectators at the Iroquois Theater on the afternoon of the fire, and helped in getting out frightened and helpless women.

INSANITY IS CAUSED BY IROQUOIS THEATER DISASTER. Chicago, Jan. 1.—The dread aftermath of the Iroquois horror among those who escaped with their lives has begun to show itself in wrecked minds. How many there are of the fortunate hundreds who survived the holocaust whose brains have been more or less seriously affected by the terrible scenes through which they passed will probably never be known.

BLAMES PUBLIC FOR CALAMITY; PEOPLE DEMAND TOO MUCH EXCITEMENT AND LIGHT. Philadelphia, Jan. 1.—Jessie Bartlett Davis, wife of Will J. Davis, part owner and manager of the Iroquois Theater, Chicago, in speaking of the terrible calamity, said: "It is all the fault of the public that such things occur. In these swift days the public is not satisfied with good, quiet shows. They must have lots of excitement, color and light, with the result that every actor takes his life in his hands when he goes before the footlights."

They had an extra ticket for the little girl, but Mr. Darrow was compelled to stand at the rear of the house. When the fire broke out he ran for his daughter and fought his way to the street with her. Then he went back for the others, but could not reach them, and joined in the general rescue work, carrying out fifteen women and children, until finally stopped by the police on account of that duty.

BODY OF ROBERT CALDWELL WILL ARRIVE THIS MORNING. A telegram to The Republic from Chicago last night announced that William B. Harrison, uncle of Robert Porter Caldwell, son of Mrs. Eyrud T. Caldwell of No. 638 Morgan street, who perished in the Iroquois Theater fire, had left the city last night with his nephew's body. He will arrive here this morning.

MISSOURI WOMAN AND SON PERISHED IN THEATER FIRE. J. L. Dryden, an attorney living at No. 4224 Elmbank avenue, received a telegram Thursday afternoon announcing that his daughter-in-law, Mrs. John Dryden, Jr., and his grandson, Taylor Dryden, perished in the Iroquois Theater fire at Chicago.

MRS. LEFMANN FIRE VICTIM; FORMERLY LIVED HERE. Mrs. Susie Lefmann, sister-in-law of Julius Lefmann, secretary of the Missouri Coffee Growers' Association, was one of the victims of the Iroquois Theater fire. Mrs. Lefmann formerly lived in St. Louis but recently removed to La Porte Ind. Mr. Lefmann departed yesterday for Chicago to take charge of the body.

WILL INSPECT THEATERS. Mayor Holt of Houston, Tex., Taking Steps to Prevent Fire. REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Houston, Tex., Jan. 1.—The Chicago horror has caused Mayor Holt to order an inspection of all theater buildings in Houston, with a view to having safeguards instituted against fire.

BENJAMIN A. DOZIER DEAD. Was Steamboat Captain on Mississippi Before War. Captain Benjamin A. Dozier, who was a steamboat captain on the Mississippi before the war, and who was engaged in the cracker business in St. Louis for many years, died last night at his residence, No. 522 Delmar boulevard.

Scruggs Vandervoort & Barney Commencing Monday Morning, January 4th, Our Semi-Annual Clearance of Women's Ready-to-Wear Garments. This important event will be doubly interesting this season. FOR FULL PARTICULARS SEE MONDAY'S MORNING PAPERS.

For Men Only! The standard price of Monarch Shirts, Cuff, Peabody & Co. makers, is \$1.00 and \$1.50 the world over. In our great Semiannual Clearing Sale, Starting to-day, they are 6 for \$3.00, or 55c each. Men's Suits and Overcoats which formerly sold for \$15.00 are now marked \$8.45. Hundreds of equal values all over this great store are sure to more than repay your attendance at this Grand Clearing Sale, which starts to-day.

MEMORIAL SERVICE AT THE CENTURY. Theater Audience Sings "Nearer, My God, to Thee" for Chicago Fire Victims. MINISTER LEADS IN HYMN. Incident Caused by the Reverend C. H. Congdon and Said to Have Been Impromptu Affects Crowd.

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TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY. Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box.

ARMY BRACKEN WHILE SKATING. William Bracken, 15 years old, while skating on the sidewalk on Eighteenth, near Division street, last evening fell on the pavement and sustained a double fracture of the arm. He was taken to the City Dispensary for treatment and later was removed to his home, No. 178 West 50th street.