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### COP CONFESSES TO 494 KILLINGS

In a signed statement submitted to Acting Chief of Police O'Dwyer on Tuesday morning, Patrolman John Schroeder, one of the oldest members of the force, confessed to having taken 494 lives during the year 1909.

"Guess that's going some. Some days I shot them down right and left and once I killed six big fellows in less than an hour," he said.

Schroeder was talking about dogs, of course, for he is the chief "bow-wow executioner" of the police department. The death rate in Toledo's dogdom increased over 50 per cent in 1909 over the preceding year.

The largest number of canines exterminated in any one month was 80, during June, and the smallest 33, this being the number shot in February, August and November.

