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BOHNENKAMP HARDWARE STORE RUINED BY FIRE

Fire and Water Do Great Damage To Stock On Three Floors

Early Sunday morning fire destroyed one of the oldest and best known hardware stores in the county, when the W. H. Bohnenkamp hardware store was gutted by a fire which had, from all appearances, been smoldering for some time before it broke through the roof with a smothered explosion and a burst of flames. A large stock of new fall and winter goods was destroyed with the large stock carried by the company, and though the fire raged mostly on upper floors the lower floor was damaged by water and several feet of water stood in the basement, where immense quantities of goods were stored.

About 1 o'clock Sunday morning Leon Adams passed the store and noticed nothing at that time, but when a block away he heard what sounded like a smothered explosion. Turning he saw flames leaping from a third story window of the Bohnenkamp building. He quickly turned in an alarm from box 25 and it was approximately about two minutes from the time of the alarm until a stream of water was playing upon the flames. The first stream played upon the building from the west and the second from the south. By this time the auto crew had all the hose in the city assembled and with ropes the hose was lifted to the roof of the Masonic temple, the firemen then ran a hose line through the narrow hall of this building to the doorway which connects it with the Bohnenkamp building and here they fought back the flames that at times threatened to consume the remainder of the block.

The variety store next door, owned by Fisher, was greatly damaged by water, but most of the perishable stock was removed before any great damage was done. It was thought for a time that the stock of E. E. Kirtley would have to be removed and though men were in readiness to help in the removal, it was not found necessary. The only clue to the origin of the fire is defective electric wiring and this is only a supposition. The explosion heard by Mr. Adams was not caused from any of the explosives in the stock as the gunpowder and a quantity of giant caps were removed by Mr. Bohnenkamp after the alarm had been given.

Up to date the amount of loss cannot be ascertained. The company carried \$22,500 insurance, \$9,500 of this being insurance on the building and

Legal Test of Commission Govt.

Denver, Colo., Sept. 8.—The legality of the commission form of government will be determined by the state supreme court through arguments begun in court here today. The preferential system of voting, as practised under the Denver plan of commission government will be an issue in the case. Advocates of the commission plan anticipate a favorable ruling.

NEGROES BURIED IN BLACK HOLE

Harlem, Texas, Sept. 8.—Paralleling on a smaller scale, the black hole of Calcutta, eight negroes were smothered to death outright today and 11 were confined on a plank in a cell seven by 10 feet wide and ventilated only by six one-inch auger holes. Coroner Fenn held Jail Superintendent Wheeler, and Guards Stewart and

\$13,000 on the stock. The insurance will probably cover the damage on the building. A member of the company said this morning that the fall and winter stock had been received and they were all ready to do business with a heavier stock than was usually carried. This stock was destroyed by the fire and water. There was some salvage on the first floor and basement, hence exact loss at this time to stock cannot be determined.

Students "Take" Philadelphia.

Philadelphia, Sept. 8.—On their trip through the east, more than 100 delegates to the English International congress of students "took" Philadelphia to day and then settled down for a two days' tour of Pennsylvania's institutions of learning in this vicinity. The delegates, who are mostly foreign representatives at the "Corda Fratres" which recently was held in Ithaca, N. Y., are undergraduates from great universities and colleges all over the world. On their arrival here today a committee appointed by Provost Smith, of the University of Pennsylvania, including E. T. Stotenburg, John Wanamaker and Cyrus K. Curtis, welcomed the visitors. An elaborate program is ahead of the delegates tonight and tomorrow. After an inspection of the city and the university museums, they will be taken for a steamboat ride on the Schuylkill river; an automobile trip through the city and Fairmount park, and a visit to Valley Forge. The program also includes dinners, luncheons and theatre parties.

Other Charges in White Slave Cases.

Sacramento, Sept. 8.—Evidence that Maury Diggs and Drew Caminetti cannot escape prosecution in the Sacramento courts on charges of contributing to the dependency of their minor children, until it is practically certain that they will be lodged behind the bars for the crimes of which they were convicted, was shown in Judge Hughes' court today when the cases were called. The cases were postponed a week.

Kills Sweetheart.

Salem, Ore., Sept. 8.—Disappointed over his inability to marry on account of his youth, Oscar Gray, aged 18, shot and killed Ida Lee, aged 18, and then killed himself. The young people were both pupils in the high school.

Americans Endangered.

Washington, Sept. 8.—The Vice Consul Estava at Puerto Plata, San Domingo, cabled the state department that Dominican gunboats were shelling the town and endangering American lives and property. The cruiser Des Moines is en route to join the Nashville in Dominican waters and protect the Americans there.

Payne on charges of "negligent homicide." Three of the survivors were in the last stages of exhaustion when released and said they had spent the whole night in a desperate struggle for life. Every man in the cell they said was fighting desperately to get near the scant supply of air.

Prettiest Princess In Europe Is the Kaiser's Daughter-in-law



THEY call her the most beautiful princess in all Europe. There seems little reason to doubt the wisdom of this selection. Princess Augusta Wilhelm, daughter-in-law of Emperor William of Germany, is surely as pretty and charming as she is talented. She married the fourth son of the Kaiser five years ago, and this is the most recent picture of her, showing the consensus of opinion of the European courts is well justified. This very lovely woman was Princess Victoria of Schleswig-Holstein and is a cousin of the man she married.

SENATE ENGAGES IN BITTER FIGHT OVER THE TARIFF BILL

Washington, Sept. 8.—Wilson's tariff bill is today the center of the contest in the senate and is expected to pass before night. After the passage of the tariff bill it is expected that a brief vacation will be taken but the chamber will convene every few days to pass urgent bills. It is expected that the currency bill will reach the senate within 10 days but no one will venture a prediction as to how long it will remain in the upper house. When the senate meets it is not believed that the republicans will demand a detailed report of roll calls, there being little hope of preventing the bill passing as per program.

It is doubtful if the voting of the various amendments to the tariff bill will be finished in time to vote on the bill before midnight. During the day the senate discussed the fundamental right of wealthy men to pile up millions. Senator Norris of Nebraska, said that the inheritance tax effectively applied would break up the huge

aggregations of capitol and he strongly urged his amendment to the tariff bill providing such tax on all bequests. The plan provides the tax paying on inheritances up to \$50,000 as one per cent, with gradual increases until the inheritances above \$50,000 pay the public 75 per cent.

Third Trial Denied.

Kansas City, Sept. 8.—The action, for a motion to bring Dr. B. C. Hyde to trial for the third time for the alleged murder of Colonial Thomas Swope, philanthropist, has been postponed to January 15. The two former trials resulted in a disagreement.

No Serious Mission.

Washington, Sept. 8.—It has been learned at the White House that the forthcoming visit to this country of Manuel Zamacona, former Mexican ambassador here, will have no political significance.

Chicago, Sept. 8.—The belated heat wave which yesterday made Chicago swelter in a temperature of 100 degrees was broken by rain this morning. A cool northwest wind is blowing and the forecaster predicts even cooler weather for the next few days.

Kansas Gets Rain.

Kansas City, Sept. 8.—Scattered rains throughout Kansas, Oklahoma and northern Texas have broken the second heat and drought period of the summer. Two-tenths of an inch of rain fell at Oklahoma City and conditions are much improved. The temperature is generally becoming normal again.

O. A. C. WELFARE SCHOOL OPENS TO LARGE NUMBER

Party of Six Instructors Arrive This Morning To Conduct School

The first session of the O. A. C. welfare school opened promptly at 2:30 this afternoon with a large number in attendance. The purpose and character of the work was fully and clearly set forth by Professor Peck. He was followed by Mrs. Robbins, who spoke on home problems and the unpreparedness of the average young woman to meet the problems of furnishing and decorating a home of her own. The domestic science department of the O. A. C. endeavors to instruct young women in matters of selection and buying for the home as well as in the science of cooking. Professor Tartar of the department of food chemistry and J. D. Mickle of the state dairy and food commission, spoke on the subject of pure food legislation. The afternoon program was completed by a practical domestic science demonstration by Mrs. Robbins. At 1:30 Mrs. Robbins gave a talk to the high school girls on "The Daughter and the Home."

This evening from 7:30 until 8:10, Mr. Cummings of the state Social Hygiene society, will deliver a lecture for men only.

At 8:15 Professor A. L. Peck of the division of landscape gardening will give a practical talk on "Municipal Improvement and Utilization of Vacant Lots." This lecture will be illustrated by a large number of handsome slides and should prove very helpful and suggestive to all persons interested in civic and home improvements.

No session will be held Tuesday morning but in the afternoon another practical domestic science demonstration will be given which will be preceded by a talk on food chemistry by Professor Tartar.

At 4 o'clock in the high school building Professor Peck, landscape gardening architect and M. O. Evans, Jr., school garden director from Portland, will talk to the students at the high school on the subject of school gardens.

The final session on Tuesday evening will consist of a lecture on social hygiene to the fathers and their sons at the hour of 7:30 in the Commercial club rooms. Mr. Mickle and Professor Tartar will also lecture on the food adulterations and preservatives. Sex and Health Lecture.

Earl C. Cummins of the Oregon Social Hygiene society arrived this morning and will be here for the coming two days working in connection with the O. A. C. extension school. This is a state work and is sent out under the supervision of the state organization at Portland. The main lecture on this part of the work will be heard tomorrow evening at the Commercial club. Mr. Cummins will give the talk for the evening and extends an urgent invitation to all the boys between the ages of 15 and 18 to come and bring their fathers. Especially does

he want the fathers of all the boys in this city to hear this talk which will be along the lines of Sex and Health. Great work has been and is being done by this society and it is one of the most important organizations in the state. A more detailed study of the work will be taken up later and possibly a branch organization will be installed here. Several will be placed over the state in the larger cities and La Grande will come in for her share of the work.

Mr. Cummings is extending the work here through the Y. M. C. A. and has secured its co-operation in all his efforts. A most hearty welcome will be extended to all the boys and their fathers tomorrow night at the Commercial club rooms.

San Francisco Plans Big Celebration.

San Francisco, Cal., Sept. 8.—A big celebration in San Francisco on September 26, when the intervening wall in the Panama canal will be destroyed and the waters from the Pacific and Atlantic meet was arranged for here today when the Chamber of Commerce announced its plans. The beginning of the local demonstration will be timed to coincide with the removal of the dike in the big ditch. Secretary of the Navy Daniels has been asked to have as many warships in the harbor as possible. Prominent speakers will tell of what the canal means to San Francisco and California and special lessons will be given in the schools on what the opening of the canal will mean to the present generation and to prosperity.

Progressives Plan 1914 Campaign.

Detroit, Mich., Sept. 8.—Progressive party leaders from all over the state of Michigan gathered today on Bois Blanc island in the Detroit river to lay plans for a vigorous 1914 state campaign. While the party chieftains talked politics and ways and means, the rank and file of Detroit and Wayne county. Bull Moosers headed for the famous river park for annual outing. The entertainment part of the program today was in the hands of the Wayne County Progressive club. Victor Murdock and Albert J. Beveridge were on the program for the only political speeches of the day.

New Governor General at Manila.

San Francisco, Sept. 8.—Francis Burton Harrison, the newly appointed governor general of the Philippines, accompanied by his wife and four children, arrived from New York today on their way to Manila. They sail Wednesday for Managua. Although admitting that he had partly planned his administrative policy, Harrison refused to discuss it.

JEROME IS ON TRIAL TODAY

Coaticook, Sept. 8.—Attorney Jerome arrived today from Montreal and will be tried this afternoon before Judge Mulveen of Sherbrooke on a charge of gambling. Harry Thaw is still here. The feeling is decidedly against Jerome but the Coaticook officials ridicule the report that the attorney will likely be attacked. Jerome last night asked the crown prosecutor to try him tonight instead of September 11th, the date originally set for the trial. The courtroom was packed long before the hour set for the trial and hundreds of farmers came to the city to attend the trial. Jerome expects to be discharged. A guard of constables met Jerome at the station and escorted him to the hotel.