

5 BURN TO DEATH AS FIRE SWEEPS HOSPITAL ANNEX

Flames Start in Basement; Cut Off Escape by Stairway at Holy Family Home

Cincinnati, July 12.—(AP)—Five persons died and at least two others were burned severely as fire early today trapped 30 residents and employes on the third floor of the Holy Family Home, a branch of St. Frances hospital.

The dead were: Mary Rose Watkins, 42; Mary Theders, 57; Minnie Brandhoff, 57; Regina Niekamp, 45, and Rosaline Burns, 41, all residents. Injured were Theresa Bukart, 78, and Jennie Kenster, also residents.

Flames starting in the basement laundry cut off escape by stairways, firemen said.

Many occupants of the building were led to safety down fire escapes. Others were rescued by volunteers and firemen through windows.

Those fatally burned were found huddled in corners. One victim, Mary Theders, was found in the linen closet which she apparently entered in the belief she had reached an outside door.

"One went back to get her clothes and that was the last we saw of her," a hospital attaché said.

Arthur Jahn, 29, an engineer, said he and five other persons were in the basement of the building when the fire was discovered.

Police Maj. Elmer O'Neil saw the blaze as he was passing in an automobile and said he heard persons shouting "I've me."

TRAVELING MISSIONARY TO SPEAK, SHOW FILMS IN CENTRAL PT. CHURCH

Central Point, July 12.—(Spl.)—The Rev. Michael Billester, Russia-born traveling mission-



Rev. Billester

ary, will be a guest speaker in the Federated church here from Sunday to Wednesday, inclusive, it was announced today by the Rev. C. R. Luther, pastor.

Mr. Billester will lecture and show motion pictures which he took in Germany, Poland, Latvia, Sweden and England, some of the films being in natural color. Other pictures will show the conquest of Danzig and Poland and the taking of Belgium, Holland and France.

Mr. Billester is an ordained minister. He was born in Russia, but came to America when he was a small boy. He returned to his native country as a missionary in 1924. Since then he has travelled extensively.

Hops Need Rain

Portland, July 12.—(P)—Oregon producers cried for rain today to stave off damage in the hop yards. No loss has been reported, but market authorities said serious consequences might develop unless rain came in two weeks. The crop still is "in the making" and much will depend upon weather conditions.

Golfer Patty Turns Pro



Patty Berg, the red-haired Minneapolis golfing star and 1938 national women's champion, is shown here in Chicago getting a pat on the back from her father, Herman L. Berg, after she turned professional, signing a six-year contract with a Chicago sporting goods firm. She will teach golf and give exhibitions on college and high school campuses.

TRAVELER WITNESSED CHAMPLAIN SINKING

Hoboken, N. J., July 12.—(AP)—The destruction of the French liner Champlain, about which there have been conflicting reports, was confirmed today by an American passenger on the Greek liner Nea Hellas which arrived from Lisbon, Portugal. Michel Weill, vice president of the White House, San Francisco department store, said he witnessed the sinking of the liner by an airplane-laid magnetic mine in the harbor of La Rochelle, France, June 27.

The Champlain, loaded with American airplanes, sank in 20 minutes, Weill said, while the

captain was ashore for orders. All the crew was saved.

Whirl on Skates Reveals Shorts Of Varied Color

New Orleans, July 12.—(AP)—C. T. Bruce, who weighs 205 pounds, accepted the offer of a roller skating park at a local amusement park to give any spectator a whirl. Faster and faster they turned and Bruce's body rose to a horizontal position. Then—Bruce's belt split and his trousers sailed into the crowd. Bruce's shorts were varicolored but his face was just one color—red.

COUNTY WELFARE COSTS FOR JUNE LOWER THAN MAY

Monthly Statistical Report Shows Outlay Slightly Higher Than June, 1939

Total expenditures for welfare in Jackson county were slightly higher last month than they were in June a year ago but lower than they were in May, 1940.

This was revealed in monthly statistical reports studied today at the regular monthly meeting of the Jackson county public welfare commission in city hall. All members of the commission were present. A. S. V. Carpenter, reappointed for a four-year tenure this week by the governor, presided.

Statistical reports for June and May of this year and June of last year follow:

June 1940

General Assistance:	
Families	130 \$2,383.23
Single	99 1,447.96
	229 \$3,831.21
Old Age Assistance:	
Cases	675 \$13,095.72
Aid to Dependent Children:	
Cases	76 \$2,356.00
(Children 172)	
Blind Assistance:	
Cases	10 \$264.00
Total	\$19,546.93

June 1939

General Assistance:	
Families	143 \$2,845.99
Singles	76 1,244.61
	219 \$4,090.60
Old Age Assistance:	
Cases	672 \$13,180.88
Aid to Dependent Children:	
Cases	66 \$1,872.00
(Children 133)	
Blind Assistance:	
Cases	10 \$245.00
Total	\$19,386.48

May 1940

General Assistance:	
Families	158 \$2,917.93
Singles	100 1,430.52
	258 \$4,348.45



WHITE HOUSE HOPEFUL—Tough days of campaigning lie ahead of Wendell Willkie, Republican presidential nominee, shown with his wife as both began to plan for the big political battle. They have one son, live in New York.

Old Age Assistance:	Blind Assistance:
Cases 661 \$13,114.07	Cases 10 \$264.00
Aid to Dependent Children:	
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