

At Least Five Persons Dead In Scattered Hotel Blazes

DETROIT (AP)—At least four persons were killed and a number injured Saturday when fire raced through the 750-room Tuller Hotel in downtown Detroit.

Fire Commissioner Paxton Mendelsohn said between 10 and 20 people were hanging out of hotel windows above the reach of firemen's aerial ladders when the first fire trucks arrived.

Receiving Hospital said eight injured were admitted there within half an hour after the fire broke out in the 14-story hotel.

Mendelsohn said the blaze apparently started near the lobby area and swept up an elevator shaft. He said the fire was under control but still "pretty hot" an hour after it started.

Three of the four dead were found trapped in an elevator near the first floor level. They were badly burned and Mendelsohn said identification could not be made immediately.

Morgan Howard, assistant manager of the Briggs Hotel next to the Tuller, said "flames were coming out the front and there was smoke as high as the 14th floor. I saw many people groping their way down fire escapes while others waited for firemen to raise ladders to them."

Inge Bakmann, a maid on the 12th floor of the Tuller, said "the elevator was full of smoke. I heard people screaming."

STUART, Fla. (AP)—One unidentified man was burned to death and another was missing and presumed dead in an early morning fire at a downtown hotel Saturday.

Seven of the nine registered guests got out of the two-story 40-room Commodore Hotel but Coroner Jimmy Peagram said other persons might have been trapped in the building.

The missing man was George Jackson, 31, a bartender. He was last seen in his room and refused to leave, according to witnesses.

Robert King, 23, and Gene Panipinto, 23, of Rochester, N.Y., said they tried to get the hefty bartender out of his room but when he refused to leave they went outside and got a stepladder.

Panipinto said smoke was billowing from the room when he reached it from the outside and he believed Jackson was trapped inside.

The ruins of the 30-year-old hotel were still smoldering five hours after the fire broke out, but the fire was confined to the stucco over wood building.

Peagram said the body of the unidentified victim was badly burned and identification would have to come through fingerprints. He checked into the hotel Thursday night.

Indiana City Labors Under 17-Inch Snow

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

A hard freeze covered most of the nation Saturday in the wake of widespread storms.

South Bend, Ind., labored at the task of cutting through high drifts that were formed by wind and 17 inches of snow.

Snow squalls were easing off there. Many cars still were stalled on drifted side streets, but most of the main streets were opened to traffic.

Saturday classes at Notre Dame and St. Mary's College were suspended. Studebaker-Packard Corp., only major industry which normally operates on Saturday in the city of 115,000 population, remained closed.

The storm that dumped heavy snow on cities near the eastern shore of Lake Michigan and sections of the Northeast Friday rolled across the St. Lawrence Valley into Canada.

A foot of snow burdened some areas in upstate New York. The storm abated Saturday but blowing snow and slippery highways made travel hazardous.

Five-foot snowdrifts stalled traffic on South Buffalo's Fuhrmann Boulevard along the Lake Erie shoreline.

Snowfall measured 13 inches in Plattsburgh, N.Y., almost a foot in North Creek and Massena, N.Y., and Burlington, Vt., about 10 inches in Syracuse, 9 inches in Rochester and Utica, N.Y., and 4 inches in Erie, Pa.

New York State counted eight deaths in accidents connected with the storm.

But the big local weather story in most of the nation was the sharp cold. The frigid air that had stung the central section spread into the East and South.

Boston, Mass., and Daytona Beach, Fla., both had readings of 30 above before dawn. Augusta, Ga., had a temperature of 16 degrees while the thermometer registered 23 in Augusta, Maine.

Northern Chesapeake Bay was frozen. The Coast Guard reported the area "looks like Grand Central Station," with tugs maneuvering to free five ships lashed in the ice.

Early morning readings included: 12 above in Atlanta and Raleigh, N.C.; 11 in Richmond, Va.; Washington, D.C.; and Nashville, Tenn. New York City had 14.

The Midwest endured another day of piercing cold. It was measured by readings all below zero of -30 in Bemidji, Minn.; -17 in Fargo, N.D.; -14 in Minneapolis; St. Paul and Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.; -5 in Des Moines, Iowa, and Green Bay, Wis., and -1 in Chicago.

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CITY BRIEFS

Treatment—Mrs. Emma Lou Fuller, Klamath Falls, is in the University of Oregon Medical School Hospital, Portland, where she will undergo treatment. Cards and letters will reach her at Ward 45, 3181 Southwest Sam Jackson Road at the hospital. When improved she will return to St. Judd's Nursing Home, Gresham.

Ladies Aid—Klamath Lutheran Ladies Aid will meet on Tuesday at 8 p.m. at the church. Installation of officers will be held, and there will be a film on Norway and Sweden. Hostesses are Mrs. Cal Raney, Mrs. Orton Mann, Mrs. Gilbert Huck and Mrs. Joe Huck.

Polio Film—"The Challenge" will be shown over KOTI TV Sunday at 2:30 p.m. instead of 3:30 as previously reported, according to Jack Insley, chairman of the local March of Dimes drive.

Juniper Garden Club—will meet Monday, January 19, at 12:30 at the home of Mrs. Harvey Woodard, 5340 Alva Avenue. The program will be on landscaping.

Friendship Court—No. 11, Order of Amaranth, will hold a stated meeting Wednesday, January 21, at 8 p.m. in the Scottish Rite Temple.

As the theme of the meeting is the Oregon Centennial, all members and officers are to wear 1859 costumes. Potluck dinner at 6:30, refreshments and oldtime dancing, led by John and Mary Lou Stanley, after the meeting.

Surgery—Mrs. I. W. Vernon, 2128 Darrow Street, is a surgical patient in Klamath Valley Hospital.

Funerals—AKIN Funeral services for Leo Akin will take place from the chapel of Ward's Klamath Funeral Home on Monday, January 19, 1959, at 2 p.m., the Rev. Robert Groves of the First Presbyterian Church officiating. Concluding services in Klamath Memorial Park.

HIGH TEST GRADE—McCloud—Sandra Miller, a senior at McCloud High School, won over 11 other seniors in the Betty Crocker Homemaking examination held in December. The tests were scored by Science Research Associates of Chicago, an educational testing organization.

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TWO CENTENARIANS DIE—LONDON (UPI)—Two of England's oldest women died Friday. One was Mrs. Rhoda Harris who claimed her 108 years made her the oldest woman in the country. The other was Emma Sarah Agate, who celebrated her 102nd birthday two weeks ago.

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Auxiliary Plans Rummage Sale

DUNSMUIR—Epps Unit, American Legion Auxiliary, will hold a rummage sale on February 12 from 9 a.m. till 4 p.m.

Mrs. Lelia Test will be sale chairman and auxiliary members will assist her. The sale will be in the Legion club room.

A portion of the sale proceeds will be used toward buying a flag for the Mt. Shasta Ski Bowl lodge.

Mrs. Myrtle French, unit president, will explore flag costs and possible presentation times and support of Epps Post will also be sought for this project.

Students Apply For College Tests

McCLOUD—Students from McCloud, Fall River, Weed, Dunsmuir and Mount Shasta registered to take the scholastic aptitude test in the McCloud High School last week.

The following students from McCloud took the tests: Judy Willis, Louie Tallero, Rita Ojeda, Paul Hamilton, Jo Ann Heidrich, Robert Jordan, Sandra Miller and Edith Muma.

The college entrance examination board offers a program of tests required for admission by many colleges.

Mrs. Frances Hogin McCloud, senior class adviser, was their instructor.

Lions Support Campout Fund

WEED—The Weed Lions Club voted Wednesday night to donate the sum of \$50 to the Weed Senior Girl Scouts. The money will be used to help defray expenses of the three local girls who will represent the Northern California area at the Pike's Peak Round-up (an international GS campout) to be held near Colorado Springs during July, 1959.

Six Weed girls, Georgeanna Scribner, Linda Tonkin, Margaret Linville, Brenda Baraglia, Sharon Belcastro and Susan Auman, were selected to receive the special training for the round-up and three will be selected as the delegates, the others will serve as alternates.

The club also voted to support any money raising project sponsored by the Girl Scouts for added expense funds.

New members accepted in the Weed Lions Club this week were

Berchie Miller, Fred Harris, J. M. White and Carl Hoberg.

Ladies of the Lions will be entertained Saturday night, February 14, at a Valentine ladies and guest night. The event will be a dinner party with entertainment.

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Jury Unanimous In Finding Suspect Guilty Of Forgery

Jim Howell, a Tulelake man whose plea of guilty to a forgery charge was rejected by the judge, was found guilty of the charge by a circuit court jury late Friday.

The jury returned its verdict at 8:15 p.m. after deliberating two hours and 40 minutes. Despite the length of deliberation, a poll revealed that the decision was unanimous.

Judge David R. Vandenberg set sentencing for 10 a.m. next Tuesday.

Howell, 39, had appeared before the judge exactly one week before for arraignment on the forgery or endorsement charge which accused him of forging a paycheck issued to Jim Elston. At the arraignment Howell pleaded guilty, but after questioning by the judge admitted he wasn't sure whether he had signed the check.

The judge rejected the guilty plea on that ground, and scheduled trial for last Wednesday.

During the trial Howell, represented by Attorney Robert G. Danielson, who was appointed by the court, stoutly maintained that he

had no memory of cashing the check or receiving the money.

Under exacting cross-examination by District Attorney Arthur Beddoe, Howell remembered getting three paychecks issued by Malin rancher Robert Anderson to three different potato pickers. And he remembered details of a drinking party he and a number of other persons conducted in the Malin Hotel December 5.

But he maintained he could not recall events after going down to the hotel bar at 6 o'clock that evening.

Beddoe, after a testy session with Howell concerning the defendant's activities that night, read before the jury a statement Howell had given Deputy District Attorney O. W. Goakey. In the statement, Howell had admitted cashing the paycheck issued to Elston.

Howell took exception to the statement when on the witness stand Friday. He also took exception to statements credited to him when Tulelake police investigated the complaint of bartender Harvey Copper December 7.

"Doesn't that statement sound bad in the cold light of day?" Beddoe challenged. "Doesn't it look bad now?"

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Obituaries

AKIN

Leo Akin, 56, native of Baker, resident of Klamath Falls, died here January 18, 1959. Survivors include his stepmother Mrs. Althea Whitman of Grants Pass; brothers, C. J. and L. A. of California; halfbrothers, Clark and Ernest and a halfsister, Mrs. Don Cox of Chiloquin. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Ward's Klamath Funeral Home.

CAVANAUGH

Nora Mary Cavanaugh, 75, native of Coaldale, Pennsylvania, resident of Klamath Falls for 30 years, died here January 17, 1959. Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Mary Zeller of Portland; sons, James and Barney of this city; a brother, Bernard Harvey of Portland; also eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Recitation of the holy rosary will take place from the chapel of Ward's Klamath Funeral Home Monday, January 19, at 7 p.m. Funeral services Tuesday, January 20, at 9:30 a.m.

THE BETHEL GUARDIAN, Mrs. Evelyn Merrill, and associate guardian, Chester Kimrey, were also escorted to the east for honors.

A school of instruction will be conducted at the next regular meeting, January 26, by Mrs. Kay Morford, Yreka, district deputy grand guardian.

Refreshments were served following the meeting adjournment.

Girl, 16, Wins Rich Contract

SANTA MONICA, Calif. (AP)—Superior Court Friday approved a seven-year film contract under which 16-year-old Carol Lynley will make two pictures a year for 20th-Century Fox at \$15,000 each.

Miss Lynley lives in New York and goes to school there.

The contract will permit her to do limited stage and television work. The court here ordered her to save 20 per cent of her earnings.

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