

HOLOCAUST

Knoxville Tennessee Burned.

Flames Defy the Firemen In Spite of Their Utmost Efforts

KNOXVILLE, April 9.—Never in the history of Knoxville has the city suffered such a loss by fire as did yesterday, in a grocery store adjoining the big Knox hotel. The hotel and adjoining buildings were soon in flames and the very heart of the city, including some of the largest wholesale and retail business houses in the South, were destroyed. The loss is estimated at from \$1,000,000 to \$1,500,000, with about 60 per cent. of insurance.

The loss of life is uncertain, as the register of the hotel, in which fifty-six people were sleeping, was burned. The proprietor of the hotel says had five or six guests who have not put in an appearance. A. E. Weeks, of Locke, N. Y., a drummer from Rochester stamping company, is known to have perished in the flames. R. W. Hopkins, a St. Louis drummer, was last seen in the burning building in a suffocating condition. W. H. Keppart, ex-secretary of the chamber of commerce, saved the life of John Bogle, an old farmer, by dragging him to a window and letting him out on the roof of another building. Keppart jumped one story and was uninjured.

When the firemen thought all the inmates of the hotel had escaped, a woman, with an infant in her arms, rushed to the rear window and screamed for help. A net was stretched and the woman was asked to drop the child out, but as the smoke choked she told them if some one had to die, both would die. The woman was finally rescued by the firemen.

From the hotel, which is five stories high, the fire spread rapidly, a stiff wind made the flames very ugly, and the fire department was very inadequate. In the wholesale house of W. W. Woodruff & Co., a large dynamite explosion occurred and scores of people were hurt by flying brick and glass. It became necessary at last to have the walls of one building blown down by cannon to stop the mad career of the fire.

The city authorities, realizing that the fire department was unable to conquer the flames, telegraphed to Chattanooga for assistance. An engine was placed aboard a flat car and started on the run of 111 miles, which was made by Engineer Robbins in 109 minutes, breaking the record.

A cabinet maker named P. G. Dyer, fell dead on the street from fright. A man named Robinson, from Pulaski, Tenn., is supposed to be another victim. He was registered at the hotel and has not been seen. A large force of men is at work clearing the debris and searching the ruins. Street traffic is entirely suspended.

Knoxville architects received orders today for eleven buildings to take the place of the ones burned. All the buildings are to be replaced at once. The losses given amount to \$1,100,000.

In addition to the destruction of several smaller buildings, and the loss to small dealers, heavy losses to plate glass were caused by the intense heat and water.

It is more than probably that J. C. Bogle, the old gentleman who was hurt in a fall, will die. He inhaled flames and cannot speak nor swallow. The last man to leave the burning hotel says he has positive proof that five or six persons were burned. He ran over three or four men in the hallway who were suffocated. Johnson, a railroad baggage agent, came down from the fifth story of the hotel hand over hand on the water pipes, before the first engines arrived. Only one of the guests saved any of his effects.

List of dead, so far as reported, is as follows: Many of the largest wholesale houses in the city were burned. The entire block between Union and Reservoir, Long and Gay streets, with the exception of the Metree building, on one end, the handsome block in the city, a mass of ruins, and the loss is estimated at nearly a million dollars. Several people were slightly injured.

BATTLE.

Indians Fight With Knives.

The Battle Resulted From the Theft of a Wife.

SPOKANE, April 9.—The bloodiest fight in the history of Spokane county took place at an Indian camp three miles below Spokane, on the bank of the Spokane river. The result is that two Indians are dying from knife wounds and two others are in jail.

The tragedy arose from the theft of an Indian's wife. That was about a year ago. Que-ton-kin, a Spokane brave, of considerable reputation as a marksman and athlete, was much devoted to his tawney-hued kloochee, Ma-a-quita. He fancied that she was too much admired by the stalwart John Alexander, member of the tribe. One day, at the entrance to the telephone exchange in the Hazel block, this city, Que-ton-kin found Alexander and Ma-a-quita in close consultation. The green-eyed monster overmastered his reason and he went in for vengeance.

Alexander was severely cut in vital parts, but rallied sufficiently to appear in court and testify against his assailant. Que-ton-kin was sentenced to the penitentiary for one year, and was released at the expiration of eight months, under the rule for commutation on account of good behavior.

Since his return, the Indians say, Que-ton-kin has repeatedly threatened to kill Alexander at the earliest favorable opportunity. The occasion occurred at the convention of the United States court, when Indians were gathered in from all the reservations adjacent to Spokane. Que-ton-kin procured two quarts of whiskey and invited Alexander to join him in social festivities.

The fight was terrific. Indian Moses is supposed to have supported Que-ton-kin. Indian Louis Savie rushed in at the thickest of the battle, to protect his friend, Alexander. Four keen blades flashed simultaneously in the moonlight and the clashing of steel was heard above the shrieks of women, the wailing of children, and the sighing of the wind through the pine boughs. The scene is entirely shut off, except by telegraph.

Today was ration day for destitute refugees, and a more poverty stricken band of negroes than these gathered at the place of distribution would be hard to picture. Only those who were known to be actually in need were supplied. The news had become current among the negroes that the government had sent rations and many, who were unable to take care of themselves, were grievously disappointed on not finding their names on the relief roll.

At Helena the river has fallen two feet eleven inches since the levee gave way on Sunday. The backwater in the southern part of the city is at a standstill. Many flood refugees are being taken to Helena and the number in that city will now probably reach 3,000.

The relief committee is doing good work, and no complaints have been made. The river is falling at all points between Cairo and Helena.

Little Girl Killed. PORTLAND, Or., April 9.—Grace Wade, a three-year-old girl, was run over Thursday afternoon by a street car on Eighth and Gleason streets and instantly killed. Her body was frightfully mangled.

Cigarettes for the Orient. TACOMA, April 9.—Exporting cigarettes to the Orient is a new, growing industry at this port. Seven hundred thousand cigarettes now await the sailing of the next steamship to Japan.

Director. WASHINGTON, April 9.—The president has appointed John T. Bressler, of Nebraska, a government director of the Union Pacific railroad. He succeeds R. R. Nelson, whose term has expired.

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

A beer war is the latest development of the feud between Tacoma and Seattle.

An Ohio woman asks a divorce because her husband has fallen in love with a spirit.

St. Louis likes grand opera, but her appreciation of it fell \$12,000 short of the expenses of a single week's engagement.

The shrinkage of railroad securities, in the recent slump attributed to the anti-pooling decision, amounts to the enormous sum of \$38,000,000.

Riviera talks like a patriot. He said to a correspondent: "I expect to be shot. It may help the cause. Other considerations are not important."

On the first of July next the bill permitting the printing and use of private mailing cards, with a one-cent stamp affixed, will go into effect.

The progressive business man will have his own advertisement conspicuously displayed.

A moment after Sadie Clark, a pretty Kansas City woman, had secured a divorce granted by default, her husband surprised the court room by appearing on the scene and congratulating his erstwhile wife, paid her attorney's fee of \$50 and gave her \$1000 in cash.

President McKinley is to ride the goat as a Mystic Shriner. He has been accepted as a candidate, but couldn't find time during the campaign when he was in the discharge of his duties as advance agent of prosperity, to take the initiation. He has plenty of time now.

One railroad company, at least, reads aright the signs of the times and has foregone all pooling connections. The Union Pacific authorities declare that it would be dangerous to try to avoid the mandate of the supreme court, and has accepted the situation.

A fir tree, which stood on the slope of the Cascade mountains in the state of Washington, has been cut down. It was believed to be the largest tree of its kind in the world. It stood 465 feet high, and its age was estimated at nearly 500 years. And yet all this did not save it, the men who cut it down gloating over the thought of the many feet of lumber that it would produce. It is these mercenary considerations that have ruined our forests, and thus brought about drought in summer and flood in winter, besides robbing the landscape of its richest beauties.

Home Talent at Independence. The ladies of the Unitarian church, of this city, very successfully presented the laughable farce-comedy "Engaged" at Independence last evening before a good crowd. The performance was given at the opera house and was fairly well attended.

The affair was a decided success from a financial standpoint besides furnishing a pleasant evening's amusement for those who attended, and the ladies felt highly pleased with the success that attended their first appearance.

All performers acquitted themselves very creditably all uniting to make the affair a decided success. The cast of characters consisted, of some of Salem's best talent.

The party made the trip via steamer Altona going up the river about 5 p. m. Thursday and returning at 7:30 a. m. today. Those forming the party were: Mrs. W. E. Copeland, Miss Viva Mason, Mrs. Mason, Miss Anna Golden, Miss Musa Geer, Miss Georgia Davenport, Miss Myrtle Williams, Miss Alice Davenport, Miss Helen Copeland and Mrs. E. B. Philbrook. Messrs: Whit Holman, Luke Lynn, George Irwin, Harold Copeland, C. H. Burggraf, Tom Horgan and Herbert Copeland.

For Annexation. SAN FRANCISCO, April 9.—The steamer Monowai arrived from Australia, via Api and Honolulu, with the following advices: HONOLULU, April 1.—President Dole gave out the information today that Wm. A. Kinney, a local lawyer, had been selected to go to Washington as an annexation commissioner. He is to leave here on the 7th inst. C. A. Spreckels, who controls the Spreckelsville plantation, has discharged every white man on the place with the exception of two and has put Orientals in the places thus made vacant. An attempt to reduce expenses is given as the reason.

There has been no new developments in the Japanese immigration trouble.

LADIES OF SALEM.—Mrs. M. E. Smith has succeeded to the millinery business of Mrs. D. L. Piester at the "Paris" and requests your inspection of her spring stock which is ample and elegant and offered at the best figures for the times. Mr. Smith has also established a bargain-counter from which she will sell trimmed hats from 25 cents to \$1.

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STATE NEWS.

Judge McBride says the gambling license ordinance at Astoria is illegal.

Clackamas county paid but \$1,971 for papers for the six months ending April 1st.

The new fishermen cannery at Astoria will be opened and ready for work about Sunday.

Clackamas county treasurer report shows a balance of \$7,249.91 for the six months ending April 1st.

It is reported that most of the cattle in Union county have been cleaned out by buyers and consequently stock is scarce.

Wm. Rathage, of Union county committed suicide in his cell by hanging. He was waiting transportation to the asylum.

Burglars tried to blow open the S. P. safe in Lebanon Tuesday night, by breaking it open with dynamite. There is no clew to the perpetrators of the deed.

A farmer of Lane county man fell 70 feet down a shaft at the Senator mine in Arizona. He fell across a car track upon his back and broke his arm. He will recover.

The outstanding warrant in Clackamas county with estimated interest to date aggregate \$178,884, leaving an indebtedness of \$86,062. This is a decrease in indebtedness \$7,630.

The total amount of taxes collected this year in Clatsop county was \$79,515.18, on a roll of \$110,044.18. Last year \$83,343.59 was collected on a roll of about the same size, which, considering the difference in the times, is very creditable.

The total receipts of Washington county for the last six months amounted to \$20,145.25. The cash on hand October 1, 1896, was \$87.90 making a total of \$21,023.15. The total expenditures were \$21,002.95.

The county treasurer in Douglas county, received from the county clerk since last July: July, \$291.00; August, \$209.20; September, \$196.25; October, \$26.15; November, \$271.40; December, \$263.10; January, \$108.45; February, \$231.45; March, \$258.50.

N. Goodman & Sons filed a contract, by which George Birtchett et al., 71 Marquand, agree to deliver to the firm 20,000 pounds of hops next October, to be sold on commission. On the execution of the contract \$120 were paid, and \$680 more are to be advanced for picking, if demanded.

While Robert Moe was working in the stove mill in Marshfield last week, a piece of charred wood broke from a log and was thrown by the saw with such force that it pierced Moe's eye ball. Fortunately it struck obliquely, or it would have penetrated the brain. He will lose the sight of the eye.

The Corvallis carriage & wagon factory was sold by the sheriff at assignees sale Wednesday at the courthouse door at 3 o'clock, and the rest of the property, at the factory building, at 1 o'clock. The factory was built in the summer of 1891. The company that built it was composed entirely of local investors, and their paid-up capital aggregated \$45,000. The building cost over \$13,000, the machinery \$16,000, and the block of real estate, on which it stands \$2000. Three other blocks of real estate are appurtenant to the property. The amount realized was: Factory building, plant and grounds, \$2800; material on hand, \$1000.

There are 168 towns in Connecticut, and they will all be connected by telephone before the year is ended.

C. H. MACK, DENTIST.

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