

141 DEAD IN FACTORY FIRE

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they had fought off the flames as long as they could. In most cases they died with their hands stretched out in front of their faces and in a few instances they had turned their faces to the floor.

As no boats run from the East Twenty-sixth street dock on Sunday the work of identifying the dead can go on to-day without interruption. Police Inspector Walsh, who took command on the pier late in the evening, said that this was a fortunate thing, although it was expected that before the forenoon had passed the majority of those that could be identified would be taken away in the long line of undertakers' wagons that will be there to-day. Up to a late hour last night only one wagon was on hand, and that was sent to the boat, as those whose relatives knew he must have perished.

Public Let In After Midnight.

It was after midnight when the temporary morgue was thrown open to the public. At that time the crowd at First avenue and Twenty-sixth street, held there by police lines, had dwindled to about 200, mostly men. Most of the thousands who had gathered there had gone away, the police telling them to come back this morning. Seventeen men were the first batch let in. Dominick Leone of 444 East Thirtieth street, at the head of the line, said he had three cousins and a niece missing. The light was dim and a squad of police with lanterns helped the inquirers to scrutinize the coffins. At the fourteenth box Ernest Mule of 502 East Twelfth street pointed to the body of a woman and identified her as a cousin, Mary Uilo of 437 East Twelfth street. Leone pointed out four bodies that he thought might be those of relatives. Near the end of the line he examined the body of a young girl. He said he knew her, but would not give her name until he saw his wife.

When the first seventeen men had finished viewing the bodies another party of seventeen was admitted and the work of identification went slowly on.

Damage Estimated at \$100,000.

Chief Croker estimated the damage to the Asch Building to be \$100,000 as yet. Representatives of fire insurance companies on the scene of the fire placed their estimate of the damage at more than a half million dollars.

There are two passenger elevators at the Washington Square entrance to the Asch Building and two freight elevators on the Greene street side. Near each of these two sets of elevators is a stairway which Chief Croker described as "so-called fireproof" stairs.

The building, which is of light brown brick and terra cotta, is a typical example of the tall left building which have sprung up within the last few years west of Broadway and south of Fourteenth street since the cloak, suit and feather industry began to centre in this neighborhood. And it is one of the kind which three years ago caused Chief Croker to predict that the neighborhood some day would see a fatality such as that of yesterday.

The four alarms sent in brought more apparatus than the size of the blaze warranted, but as Chief Croker also predicted three years ago, the firemen found themselves only half able to fight flames eight stories above the street. The hardest work fell to the surgeons who responded to the first ten ambulance calls sent in and to the police.

When Capt. Henry of the Mercer street police station saw the magnitude of the catastrophe he immediately communicated with Headquarters for help. Almost as soon as his own reserves had arrived every reserve in the First and Second Inspection districts was hurrying to the scene. Until a late hour the police, directed by Deputy Commissioner Driscoll and the two inspectors and Capt. Henry, had the toughest bit of work before them that they have had to handle since the burning of the Slocum.

And when the bodies all had been laid in rows the police, headed by Inspector Schmittberger, went from body to body and tied to what was left of the clothing of each a red identification ticket.

INCIDENTS OF THE FIRE.

Survivors Tell of the Flights and Struggles to Get to Safety.

In the immediate necessity of caring for the dead and injured the survivors of the fire were overlooked for a time. Many of them in their panic had run for blocks before they stopped. And for hours afterward men and women who had fought their way out of the press on the stairways or who had been carried to safety by Joseph Zito, the elevator boy, or the New York University law school students were unable to describe clearly what they had suffered.

Anna Dougherty was one of the girls who escaped by way of the law school roof. When she reached the street her clothing was burned half off. She struggled with a policeman who tried to calm her, and at first could not think of her name.

"I don't know who I am," she told Policeman McGinn. "There was just a lot of smoke and terrible heat, with all the girls screaming and falling over each other, and then a little boy came—I think his name was Solly something—and he said, 'Come on, girls; I know a way out!' He led us to the roof of the college building and then the students came and took us to a ladder."

A dozen girls who were working at machines near Miss Dougherty's were burned or trampled to death or killed by jumping. Among the tailors who were at work in the finishing room on the eighth floor was Max Rother. Rother heard the girls screaming and turned from his machine to find piles of clothing scattered along the sides of the room in a blaze. He did his best to hold back women who had lost their senses in fright and who had rushed for the windows, but as Rother told The Sun reporter, it would have taken fifty men to control the 200 or 250 women around him.

A girl whom Rother tried to save struck her in the face, pulled from his grasp and before he could grab her again threw herself from the window. One of the worst features of the fire, Rother said, was the rapidity with which the big loft filled with gaseous smoke. Girls who called for one another couldn't see clearly in the haze. He remembered that one girl kept screaming, "Annie! Annie! Annie!" shouting for her sister, Rother thought—and what became of her he does not know.

Max Bernstein, one of the managers of the factory, tried to smother the fire on the fourth floor with two or three men who kept reasonably cool under the cir-

cumstances Bernstein formed a bucket line, but the fire was too hot for them. Then the manager tried to quiet the girls and get them to form lines for the stairs and elevators, but it was hopeless. As he described it, after clinging to one another for a moment they would rush toward the doors and windows. Then one would trip and they would all go down together. In this way many of the girls were pushed from the windows.

Persons who arrived early at the fire saw those girls falling. These spectators could not believe that the objects were human beings whirling toward the street. The dresses of some of these girls were blazing, which added to the unreality of the sight. One man let loose a shout: "They're saving the dummy frames." "No, they're bolus of cloth," said a companion.

A moment later the two men turned their backs as girl after girl crashed to the pavement.

DEAD MOSTLY UNRECOGNIZED.

Some Names Obtained From Pay Envelopes at the Temporary Morgue.

Only a few of the dead at the Morgue have been recognized. The recognized lead the following list:

ABERSTEIN, JULIA, address not known. ALTMAN, ANNIE, 16, of 27 Pike street. BENNETT, ABRAHAM, 30, of 474 Powell street, Brooklyn.

BERNSTEIN, MORRIS, of 209 Fifth street. BIRMAN, GURRIE, 22, of 8 Livingston street. BUCALO, JANE, 19 years old, of 40 Stanton street. Body at the Morgue.

CHERRY, FRANCES, 17, of 81 Degraw street, Brooklyn. CLEGG, POSE, 19 years old, Italian; no address known. Body at the Morgue.

DONOHUE, KATHLEEN, 21, of 214 Monroe street. FURCH, a woman; first name and address not known. FINKELCH, REBECCA, 18, a stitcher of 10 Astor street; died in New York Hospital late last night from burns of the body.

FURCH, REBECCA, 17 years old, of 10 Attorney street. KAPPLMAN, BEKIE, 16, of 191 Madison street. KURTZ, BENNIE, 19, of 40 East Tenth street. L'ARABIE, ANNIE, 16, of 50 East Thirteenth street.

LANSNER, FANNY, 21, of 18 Farley street. LANSNER, SAMUEL, 19, of 143 Essex street. LERDNER, REBECCA, 19 years old, of 10 Clinton street; died at New York Hospital.

LEVINE, MAX, a cutter, address not known. NICHOLS, MICHELLE, 21, of 40 East Thirteenth street. NOVOTRITSKY, ANNIE, 20, of 110 Madison street.

PANQUEBA, ANTONIETTA, 16, of 209 East Thirtieth street. ROBINER, TRUDIE, no address; letter in pocket from H. Scott of 174 Walworth road, London, East.

SARACINO, SARAFINI, 25, of 115 East 119th street. SARACINO, TERENCE, 20, of 115 East 119th street, sister of Sarafini. SELTZER, ANNIE, first name and address not known.

SLAVYER, BEERL, 20, of 160 Monroe street. STRUNT (woman), first name and address not known. UELLO, MARY, of 437 East Twelfth street.

WALTON, BERTHA, 18 years old, of 209 Henry street; died at St. Vincent's Hospital. WINTER, HENRI, 23, of 110 East Eighth street. WEINTRAUB, SALLIE, 17, of 196 Ludlow street.

WITZNER, a woman; first name and address not known. The identification of these bodies is likely by reason of papers or other articles found on them:

Man, about 20 years old, 165 pounds. Had timekeeper's book in pocket and card of "Mr. and Mrs. J. Klein, 1675 Washington avenue. The dress is gold and white with monogram A. H. Woman, 20 years old, 125 pounds, 5 feet 7 inches. There were five rings on the fingers and gold earrings in ears.

Girl, 15 years old, 100 pounds, 5 feet 9 inches, wore green stone ring. Woman, 25 years old, 115 pounds, black and white shirt and waist; wore gold chain and locket.

Man, about 30 years old, 135 pounds, wore fur coat and black cloth shoes, also earrings set with white stones, and a plain gold and a white stone ring.

Woman, about 28 years old, 5 feet 4 inches, 120 pounds, wore coral earrings and a finger ring set with a ruby. Woman, 30 years, Italian, 5 feet 3 inches, black hair. Plain gold ring on left hand with initials G. S.

Woman, 21 years, 5 feet 2 inches, black hair. Signet ring with initials T. L. Tan shoes. Woman, about 20 years old, 115 pounds, wore blue coat and white blouse. Pay envelope bearing name Shena.

Woman, about 20 years old, 150 pounds, black hair, white shirt and waist and gray skirt. Ring with opal center surrounded by four rubies. Man wearing signet ring marked B&G; on outside of notebook in pocket name "Spear." In his pocket receipts made out to "Mr. Isner."

Woman, about 25 years old. Wore gold ring with initials A. on right hand. Woman with laundry check bearing signature of I. Goldberg.

Some of the Injured. CALLEP, NATHAN, 30, 756 Fifth street. WATKINS, Burns about body. St. Vincent's Hospital. FITE, DAISY, 21, 11 Charlton street. Operator. Fracture of left arm and contusions of face. New York Hospital.

GROHMANN, PATRICK, 13, 98 East Seventh street. Fracture of right hand and fracture of right ankle. Bellevue Hospital. HARRIS, PATRICK, 21, 131 Chester street, Brooklyn. Burns about body, face and head. St. Vincent's Hospital.

HIMMELSTEIN, LORA, 20, 250 Madison street. Shock. St. Vincent's Hospital. JEFFRA, SARAH, 18, 1508 Webster avenue, The Bronx. Left knee sprained. St. Vincent's Hospital.

KAPPLMAN, BEKIE, 20, 51 Madison street. Burns about body and general contusions of body. St. Vincent's Hospital. LEVINE, SAMUEL, 20, 1862 Atlantic avenue, Brooklyn. Burns about body; burns about face and hands. New York Hospital.

MILLER, ANNIE, 17, 51 Attorney street. Fracture of right leg. St. Vincent's Hospital. MISSILL, HELEN, 21, 532 East Fifteenth street. Shock. St. Vincent's Hospital.

MURPHY, BECKY, 19, 19 Clinton street. Fracture of right leg and burns about body. New York Hospital. NICHOLAS, ANNIE, 12, 65 East 110th street. In coma. Bellevue Hospital.

ROSEN, ANNIE, 27, 265 Madison street. Shock. St. Vincent's Hospital. SULLIVAN, ANNIE, 17, 265 Henry street. Fracture of right leg. St. Vincent's Hospital.

VOLBE, NATHAN, Seriously injured. St. Vincent's Hospital. ZALLEN, NATHAN, 35, 738 Fifth street. Shock. St. Vincent's Hospital. ZELAKOWITZ, FRIDA, 20, 60 East Twelfth street. Compound fracture of left leg. New York Hospital.

WIRTH, 20, unconscious. St. Vincent's Hospital. The Weather. March 26.—There was a well defined area of high pressure covering the eastern half of the country yesterday. It was this area that carried with it the cold water from the north into the Atlantic States, and as the centre was moving off the middle Atlantic coast warmer weather returned to all the Atlantic States and fair conditions continued in all the States except those immediately bordering the Gulf, where rain was falling. The rainfall was heavy in southern Florida and generally light in the other States.

An area of low pressure was taking shape over the Northwest, causing snow in North Dakota and driving warmer weather up from its southern quadrant. There was a general tendency toward warmth here everywhere east of the Rocky Mountains. In this city the day was fair and warmer; winds, fresh northerly, shifting toward west and south; average humidity, 51 per cent.; barometer, corrected to read to sea level, at 8 A. M., 30.63; 3 P. M., 30.61. The temperature yesterday, as recorded by the official thermometer, is shown in the annexed table:

Table with 4 columns: Time (1911, 1910, 1909, 1908), and 4 rows of temperature data.

WASHINGTON FORECAST FOR TO-DAY AND TO-MORROW. For eastern New York and New England, fair and warmer to-day, followed by increasing cloudiness, scattered to heavy, and probably rainy; moderate southerly winds.

BANCROFT SECURITIES BACK

STORY OF A DICKER IN A TAXI-CAB WITH THE HOLDERS.

Postal Produced and \$6,000 Cash in Advance Demanded—500 Shares of Smelters Still Held Out and the Holders Are Said to Demand More Money.

Securities to the value of \$70,000 or so out of the something over \$85,000 worth stolen from Aaron Bancroft of the brokerage firm of George Bancroft & Co., at 16 Beaver street, on March 2, were recovered on Friday by William M. Sullivan of 35 Nassau street, attorney for the firm. The securities still missing are 300 shares of Smelters, and Mr. Sullivan and the police expect to obtain these.

Those interested in the case were reticent yesterday about the recovery. It was learned, however, that Mr. Sullivan had had something of an experience with either the thieves or their representatives before he finally got the securities.

The firm already had made application for the issue of new securities to replace those stolen. With this application it had been necessary to give a bond for \$250,000, on which the premium mounted up to \$6,000 and \$7,000. There were other heavy expenses entailed in the process of getting new securities. So the firm and Mr. Sullivan decided that they were justified in offering a reward for the return of the securities if thereby they could save even a part of this expense.

Preparations were made to make public the announcement of a reward and meanwhile the police and others were informed that such a reward would be offered. Before the public notices could be issued Mr. Sullivan received word from men who gave up a sum reported to be in the neighborhood of \$6,000 before he was able to get possession of the papers he desired. Even then the man with whom he was negotiating a deal said to have held out the 300 Smelters on him. Mr. Sullivan was given to understand, it is declared, that the return of these would cost the firm more money.

The Pinkertons were called into the case when the discovery of the robbery was first made the Monday after it occurred. They worked on it for some days and then their services were discontinued. Since that time the search has been wholly in the hands of Mr. Sullivan and the Detective Bureau.

At the Detective Bureau yesterday afternoon no one would say anything about the case. Mr. Sullivan was equally inclined to be silent on the ground that talking might injure the chances of recovering the remaining Smelters. The Bancroft firm referred all inquirers to Mr. Sullivan.

It was stated definitely yesterday that the robbery was an "outside job." There are supposed to have been four men involved. No arrest has yet been made, and it is not likely that any attempt will be made to bring about an arrest until the Smelters stock has been restored to the vaults of the firm. Those working on the case believe, however, that they can get the men involved when they want them.

Aaron Bancroft is in his eighty-sixth year. He made a practice of carrying securities between the office of his firm, George Bancroft & Co., and the vaults of the Produce Exchange Safe Deposit Company at Beaver and Stone streets, a few steps away. On the afternoon of March 2 the old man took an envelope containing the \$85,000 worth of securities under his arm and started for the vaults.

He was jostled in the corridor of the Safe Deposit Company by two men and the envelope dropped to the floor. One of the men restored an envelope to Mr. Bancroft and made profuse apologies. Mr. Bancroft deposited the envelope in the vaults, and it was not until his son, George Bancroft, went to the vaults the following Monday to get the securities and reported that the envelope there was stuffed with waste paper that it was known that anything was wrong.

PRENDERGAST A WITNESS. Comptroller Prendergast was a witness yesterday at the hearing in Long Island City as to the charges against Borough President Gresser of Queens. When he finished Gresser's counsel, Chase Mellen, and refrained from cross-examining Mellen, he thanked him for "the excellent testimony given in the defence of Gresser."

The Comptroller had some typewritten notes that he used in refreshing his memory as to the assertion that appeals for appropriations for Queens had been usually disregarded. His notes showed that in 1910 only three of Gresser's requests for appropriations were refused. He said he considered that the President of Queens borough had been treated better than the President of any other borough in money matters.

He presented figures showing that in the cutting down of the budget in 1911 Manhattan suffered a reduction of 6.55 per cent., the Bronx, 8.95 per cent.; Brooklyn, 6.75 per cent.; Richmond, 4.45 per cent., while Queens escaped with a reduction of 1.31 per cent.

When asked to give his opinion as to the competency or incompetency of Gresser the Comptroller replied: "This is not a fair question to ask unless you ask my opinion of every other Borough President. I do not propose to be placed in the position of judging Mr. Gresser. I believe that he is an honest man, I have the friendliest feeling for him. I know a lot of Mr. Gresser's friends who think exactly as I do, and I have met many who think him all right."

ICE IN THE STEAMER LANES. La Savoie Has to Go South to Skirt a Large Field. Icebergs are drifting down into the lanes of the liners of the banks of Newfoundland and it is probable that skippers will steer a still more southerly course in the next month or so. The French steamship La Savoie, from Havre, sighted the edge of an ice field dead ahead on Thursday morning and had to turn to the southwest to avoid it. She was twelve hours skirting it and in the middle, about four miles to the northward, was a berg that Capt. Dumont estimated to be 325 feet tall.

The Cunarder Campania, in last evening discovered an ice field at 1:07 o'clock on Thursday morning, also a big berg which caused her to skirt it for several miles to the north of the ship in the darkness.



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KEMPER LAUDS GAYNOR.

Chief Magistrate Otto Kemper of Brooklyn yesterday came out in this statement in defence of Mayor Gaynor against the attack of Magistrate Corrigan:

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BROKERS DID THEIR BEST. You Can't Always Get the Current Quotation for a Corner Stock.

A judgment for \$419 obtained by Carl F. Ackerman against the Stock Exchange firm of Dick Brock & Co. was reversed yesterday by the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court with the remark that there was no theory upon which the defendants were liable. The firm was carrying 100 shares of Hocking stock on margin for Ackerman and on the day the pool collapsed he ordered it sold at 87. The firm sold at that price, but one of the pool members for whom the stock was bought wouldn't take it and the firm accepted another offer of 83. Not long afterward the stock dropped to 73. Ackerman sued the firm for the difference between 87 and 83 and got judgment in the Municipal Court.

The Appellate Division remarked that a referee had decided that the broker for whom the stock was bought at 87 was justified in not taking the stock when a written order had been given for it and that Dick Brock & Co. did all they could for their customer when they accepted 83 for the stock which might have been at 73 by the time they had another offer for it.

HID A FORTUNE IN HER HAIR. Culture Gives Up \$40,000 Bonds, \$6,000 Coupons and \$1,200 Cash.

SOUTH BEND, Ind., March 25.—Miss Fay Wallert, the friend of Thad Talcott, Sr., is detained as a witness here against him.

When searched by the matron yesterday \$40,000 in bonds, \$6,000 in coupons and \$1,200 in cash were found concealed in her hair.

Talcott, although worth half a million dollars, is in jail, having found it impossible to get \$6,000 bail. He is charged with perjury and contempt of court.

Talcott's former wife sued him in Toledo to-day for \$145,000 alleged to be due as alimony and attorney's fees. It is said that Toledo bank holds \$200,000 of bonds belonging to Talcott.

MURKIN OUT OF JAIL. Settles a \$10,000 Bre