

CORNER'S JURY TAKES THE OATH

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were never awakened. Another fact to substantiate this was the fact that the chemical bottles on the walls and the emergency hose were not touched by any employees.

Fire Escape Inadequate. The fire escape did not answer the requirements of the ordinance, say some of the officials. The ordinance requires them to be in good condition and ready for immediate service. They were not in good condition.

The ladder is made of iron with square rungs. Many of these rungs were loose and had become turned up on one edge so that those who went down out and bruised their bare feet at every step.

Grand Jury May Act. The grand jury will also take up the case of County Attorney A. J. Smith which will bring up the case as soon as the corner's jury reports.

The building itself was of excellent construction and had it not been fireproof, the firemen say they could have done but little rescue work.

J. R. Canterbury, fire chief, says that additional fire escapes on the West hotel would have helped but little in yesterday's disaster.

"If anyone had told me, or anyone who had ever made a study or inspection of the West that it were possible to be a fireproof building. Nor do I believe more fire escapes would have helped much. The suffocating smoke and the intense heat which was in such great part responsible for the loss of life, was confined to the corridors. The people who left their rooms to find fire escapes, even though they might have been nearby, at once entered the field of the greatest danger. The fire was a disaster which authorities did not believe possible."

MADE RECORD RUN. Special Train from Chicago Brings Relatives of Spiesbergers. The special train on the North-Western road that brought the party of relatives and friends of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel E. Spiesberger from Chicago to Minneapolis Wednesday morning established a record for time between these points. The run was made in ten hours, but there was a delay, said to have been occasioned by a hot box, of an hour and a quarter. The rest of the other side of Elroy, Wis. Otherwise the run would have been made in less than eight hours and a half.

Those comprising the party were: Mr. and Mrs. Eisenbrath, parents of Mrs. Spiesberger, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Eisenbrath, Dr. Dan Eisenbrath, Aaron Strander and Lever Rosenbaum, a representative of the firm of Strauss, Eisenbrath & Co., who had charge of the special.

LONG LADDERS NEEDED. Chief Canterbury Has Been Trying for Years to Get Them. The scarcity of long ladders greatly impeded the fire department in the work of saving lives and getting at the fire yesterday, and when seen last night Chief Canterbury said:

"I have been trying for the last four years to get the council to purchase longer and better ladders. I have tried to make the aldermen realize that the city is growing, there are more high buildings and that the old ladders will not do in all cases. The Boutwell fire a year ago showed this need beyond a doubt, but nothing was done. We have only two long ladders and these are

INCIPENT CONSUMPTION. Low Food Headed Off the Insidious Disease. The happy wife of a good old-fashioned Mich. farmer says:

"In the spring of 1902, I was taken sick—a general breaking down, as it were, was excessively nervous, could not sleep well at night, my food seemed to do me no good, and I was so weak I could scarcely walk across the room. The doctor said my condition was due to overwork and close confinement and that he very much feared that consumption would set in. For several months I took one kind of medicine after another, but with no good effect. In fact, I seemed to grow worse. Then I determined to quit all medicines, give up coffee and sweetened grape-Nuts food would do for me. I began to eat Grape-Nuts with sugar and cream and bread and butter three times a day.

A COMPLETE LIST OF WEST HOTEL GUESTS

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These were in the building when the fire broke out. Numbers after names indicate floor on which they were. Minneapolis, Minn.: Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Chamberlain, eighth; H. K. McDonald, eighth; W. S. Nott and family, seventh; Mrs. L. A. Day, sixth; Miss Ting, sixth; W. S. Cooper, seventh; Judge I. Atwater, sixth; Mrs. Mary Wyman, sixth; Dr. G. Eitel, sixth; F. W. Fink, fifth; Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Rothschild, fourth; J. Morgan, sixth; I. H. Peley, fourth; low, eighth; Mrs. W. C. Aron, eighth; W. G. Bennett, fourth; M. D. Hodges, eighth; W. S. Lercing, seventh; W. J. Murphy, fifth; K. H. Murphy, fifth; H. G. Roberts, fifth; O. Searns, sixth; New York City—M. L. Brown, sixth; T. G. Booth, sixth; William Block, eighth; T. K. Creighton, seventh; Rankin Dewar, fifth; W. G. Furberg, sixth; J. S. Fillmore, seventh; James Gulech, sixth; B. Greenberg, sixth; R. L. Haines, fifth; J. E. Hagarty, fourth; B. D. Hitt, fourth; M. O. Hyman, fourth; L. S. Harris, seventh; Sam Hecht, third; Henry H. Knapp, fifth; M. Levison, fourth; T. M. Murphy and wife, fourth; W. S. Murray, seventh; J. Morgan, sixth; I. H. Peley, fourth; J. B. Presinger, eighth; H. H. Reolofs, fourth; George Remdel, eighth; M. Stusser, sixth; W. R. Smith, seventh; A. J. Steiner, fourth; E. E. Wynn, third; J. A. Whelan, fifth; Miss S. Whitford, fifth; Edgar Wolf, fourth. New Haven, Conn., M. H. Martin, fifth; Charles Porter, fifth. Peoria, Ill., S. G. Lutz, second; A. A. Ash, sixth.

Portland, Ore., P. A. Kribs, fourth. Portland, N. D., J. E. Madelad, seventh. Philadelphia, O. L. Stamate, seventh. Aitkin, Minn., B. M. Hungerford, fifth. Appleton, Minn., C. B. Pride, second. Beligum, A. Hans, fifth. Bemidji, Minn., F. Prince and wife, fourth; J. M. Richards, seventh. Bozeman, Mont., O. E. Lamm, eighth. Chapman, Maine, W. Richardson and wife, fourth.

Chicago, Ill.—Arnold Adler, sixth; G. L. Brewster, sixth; Robert Banghart, fourth; H. C. Cobb, fifth; A. E. Horton, fifth; G. Herberich, sixth; F. E. Eddy, seventh; Judson L. Field, eighth; A. Fried, seventh; J. H. Hollister, fifth; not adequate for the work of the department.

In speaking of the work of the men he said: "Every man did his duty and worked with all his strength to save life and property, and no one can complain of their work. They are all brave men, and the loss of John Berwin will be keenly felt by the whole department. He was a brave fireman, an all-around good fellow and a willing worker."

THEFT WAS IMPOSSIBLE. Vigilance of Police Prevented Possible Looting of Hotel by Vandals. With blue-coated guards stationed at every entrance and posted at each stair landing, and an unknown number of plain-clothes men patrolling the lobby, the West hotel was well guarded against the possibility of looting. The fire did not break out until about 11:30 p. m. The fire was a disaster which authorities did not believe possible.

STAYED IN HIS ROOM. Chicago Man Threatened to Shoot Anyone Who Broke in Door. Alfred Lotz of Chicago displayed considerable nerve and determination during the West hotel fire yesterday morning.

Mr. Lotz had room 657, the windows of which open on the hotel court. When the fire broke out he was in bed with smoke, in spite of the fact that his door and transom were closed. On opening the door he saw that the hall was full of suffocating smoke. He knew the hotel was of fireproof construction and at once determined that the safest place for him was to remain where he was.

Several times unknown parties came to his door, pounded on it for him to open, several giving the door blows which threatened to break it down. "The man that breaks in my door will get a bullet thru him," called out Lotz at each of these attacks on the entrance to his room.

"I had my revolver out," he said some hours later, "and I believe I would have shot any man who insisted on forcing an entrance. I felt safe in my room and felt that to break the door might mean my death by suffocation. I had a goodly supply of water from the faucet in my room. By use of this I soaked the bedding, walls and floor. I then wet a towel and kept it over my head so as to filter the smoke and give myself better air. I remained in my room fully two hours and made out of the ordeal without a scratch. The worst of it all was the mental anguish; the thoughts of my family; and what possibly my judgment in remaining where I was might have been a fault, and that I would never see them again. But as it turned out, I did the right thing."

FOR HERO'S FAMILY. Hearts Are Full of Sympathy for Mrs. John Berwin and Children. It was after noon yesterday when Mrs. Berwin, wife of Captain John Berwin, who lost his life in the fire in his attempt to save Mrs. Barlow, learned of his death.

Early in the morning Mrs. Berwin knew that there was a big fire at the West hotel, and later she was told that her husband had again been the hero in a great fire. Later in the day a little party of neighbors called at the home and told her of his death as gently as they could. At first she was overcome with grief, but soon gained her self-control and eagerly asked the particulars of his death.

Rev. G. L. Morrill's Sunday evening service at the Auditorium will be a benefit for Mrs. Berwin and her children, and it is hoped that at least \$500 will be raised. Mr. Morrill in his sermon on "A Fireman's Sacrifice" will speak of the fire laws and their evasion, and of the heroism of the firemen. Chief J. R. Canterbury and as many of the firemen as can attend will be present. No charge will be made. The service will be held at 7:30 p. m. with greater interest the thrilling story of the West hotel fire than the members of the Chamber of Commerce. The heroic conduct of Captain Berwin was the subject of general discussion in the

PRESIDENT SEES INTO FOES' PLAN

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views. Chairman Hepburn of that committee blew cold on the whole rate proposition at first, and so did nearly every other of its prominent members. Finally, however, Messrs. Esch and Townsend, junior members of the committee, came forward and volunteered to introduce a bill which would draw the fire on the opposition and get the question before the country. The president talked the question over with them, and finally they introduced their famous measure. The president was not consulted as to its details, nor did he commit himself to its details, nor did he commit himself to its details, nor did he commit himself to its details.

President's Views. So matters drifted along to the adjournment of congress, last March 4. Since that time the president has made numerous addresses on the rate question, restating the rate views which he had elaborated in earlier addresses. These views, it will be seen by a consultation of the record, do not square with the Esch-Townsend views, but are much more moderate.

Here will lie the ground for any statement that may be made that the president has changed his views, and this statement will probably be made first of all by some of the more radical of his present supporters, who, in their unfamiliarity with his true position, have thus far been impugning to him a degree of radicalism similar to their own.

BOHEMIA OF THE SENATE. Leaders Would "Investigate" the President and His Acts. Journal Special Service. Washington, Jan. 11.—There has been no more important political step in recent years in Washington than that which has been decided by the leading members of the senate, with regard to party with reference to the propensity of President Roosevelt to act on his own responsibility and without reference to congress.

It has been definitely decided that Mr. Roosevelt shall be effectively curbed. Whether this is to be a peaceful revolution will rest entirely with the president. The senate is going to investigate every move of the president that it considers unconstitutional or as invading its prerogatives, and as a first step it proposes to inquire at great length and with much formality into the action of Secretary Taft, under instructions from the president, in making the now famous move for the purpose of maintaining the parity of the silver coinage of the republic of Panama with the money of the United States.

President Knows Plan. Mr. Roosevelt knows of this intention on the part of the senate. He perhaps does not view it with entire equanimity. He was certain on Monday that he courted a full investigation of his fair the intentions of Panama. But it is a different question when he, himself, and his secretary of war are under fire.

But the senate will not depart from its position, which has been taken only after several months of deep thought. It has seen the president do a great many things in which it felt it ought to have had a say. It has seen him recognize the independence of the republic of Panama; negotiate a treaty with Santo Domingo; create a new system of age pension for ex-soldiers; enter upon an elaborate scheme for the control of the finances of Santo Domingo, and various other matters, without the advice and consent of the senate. It has seen the president do a great many things in which it felt it ought to have had a say. It has seen him recognize the independence of the republic of Panama; negotiate a treaty with Santo Domingo; create a new system of age pension for ex-soldiers; enter upon an elaborate scheme for the control of the finances of Santo Domingo, and various other matters, without the advice and consent of the senate.

"The Time Has Come." So the senate has decided that the time has come to have it out with Mr. Roosevelt. Mr. Roosevelt has been informed of its intention, if gossip around the cloakroom is to be believed, and it is usually accurate. The first sign of this rebellion on the part of the senate was manifested when Senator Kittredge told Mr. Roosevelt three weeks ago that he had better prepare for the fullest sort of investigation of his sweatshop in connection with the Panama canal. The next sign came Tuesday, when the senate, without a dissenting word, adopted a resolution by Senator Bailey of Texas, directing the finance committee to inquire into the circumstances under which the agreement was entered into for the maintenance of the parity of the silver money of Panama.

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DULUTH MAN HAS A NEW RATE BILL. Ferguson Sends Private Car Measure to Be Introduced in Congress. Duluth, Minn., Jan. 11.—Copies of a bill, providing for sweeping reform in railroad legislation, have been sent by E. M. Ferguson of Duluth, president of the Western Fruit Jobbers' association, backed by western and southern growers. General Moody, members of the cabinet and congress and interstate commerce commission.

The bill aims to abolish private car lines, correct refrigerating rates and bring express companies under interstate commerce acts and to prohibit their dealing in commodities handled by them as carriers. It was drawn by Judge Roger S. Powell. The measure provides for penalty upon a carrier for failure to furnish equipment of reasonable notice and prohibits the making of a flexible charge for transportation service; to shippers; clothes interstate commerce commission with supervising jurisdiction over carriers, prohibiting later abuse from acting as merchants, and furnishing information of shipments to their own persons.

Mr. Ferguson said that the bill will be introduced during the present session of congress and will be introduced by the representative of fruit-growing states.

Judson Field Missing. Judson L. Field, who escaped from the fire and who was slightly cut and bruised by broken glass, has disappeared. He is a relative of Marshal Field, the Chicago merchant, and cannot be found. He registered at the Rogers hotel last night, but could not be found by his friends.

24th Annual Reduced-Price Sale. The Great Plymouth Clothing House. REFUSES PARDON TO ROUGH RIDER THIEF. Journal Special Service. Denver, Jan. 11.—Governor McDonald has refused a pardon for Convict Curtis C. Wagoner, who fought with the Rough Riders in Cuba, and for whom President Roosevelt recently interceded. Curtis confessed to horse-stealing, and his term in the Colorado penitentiary will expire in a few days. The governor, after receiving President Roosevelt's suggestion for clemency and satisfying himself of the facts in the case, referred the matter to the trial judge to see if anything could be done. Judge Northcutt, of Trinidad made this reply: "It seems to me that when a man served with distinction under the stars and stripes, he would consider honor paramount to everything else. But I realize the fact that too many men who have gained honor on the battlefield think that this honor should make them immune from punishment for the crimes they commit in after life."

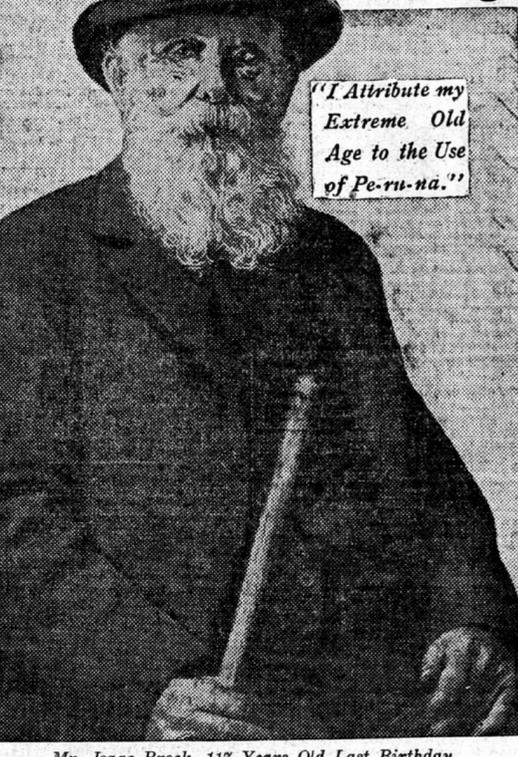
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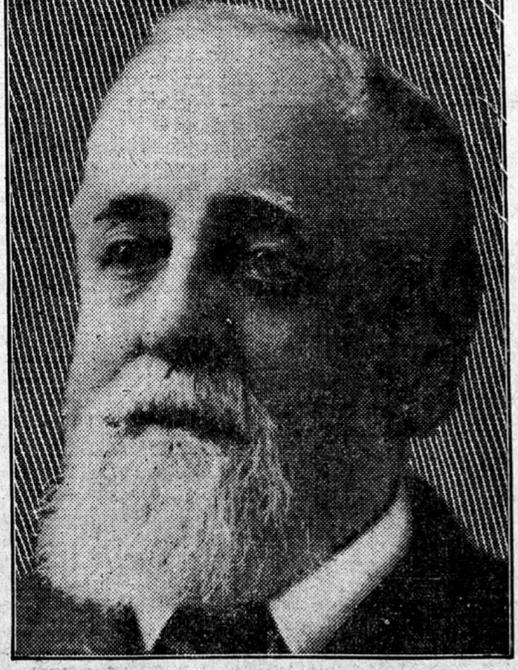
"I have always been a very healthy man, but of course, subject to the affections which are due to sudden changes in the climate and temperature. During my long life I have known a great many remedies for coughs, colds and diarrhoea. As for Dr. Hartman's remedy, Peru-na, I have found it to be the best, if not the only, reliable remedy for these affections. It has been my standby for many years, and I attribute my good health and extreme old age to this remedy."

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