

HOBOKEN FIRE LAD TO POOR INSULATION

Army Inquiry Board Cannot Find Evidence of Incendiaries' Work.

NO DANGER OF REVIVAL

Total Loss May Be Pared to \$3,000,000; Leviathan Damage \$50,000.

PIERS STILL SMOULDER

Investigators Bestow High Praise Upon Fireboats Sent From New York.

The Hoboken fire was not of incendiary origin. The Army board of inquiry investigating it has come to that conclusion, although it will be two or three days before its formal report is made.

The startling flash that signalled the beginning of the blaze is laid to the short circuiting of the electric current where two naked wires came into contact. It will require at least \$50,000 to restore the Leviathan to its former condition.

The board of inquiry, composed of Major Earl Briscoe, Major Elbery Farmer, Capt. E. A. Robbins and Capt. Fred Henke, made a tour of the burned area yesterday. While they surveyed the ruins the fire was still blazing beneath Pier 5.

Fire Smolders on Pier.

All morning the fire smoldered on the ruined Pier 6. The walls of the destroyed army barracks, the machine shops, the guardhouse and the officers' quarters were still hot to work on.

The damage to the Leviathan was smaller than first supposed. It now develops that the great liner not only defied herself against destruction but that she former a fire wall that protected Pier 4.

The investigators started their inquiry by listening to the stories of Private Cecile of the Thirtieth Infantry, on guard at Pier 4. Henry J. Magee and John Shine, watchmen. Cecile saw the flash and the great puff of smoke. He called the watchmen. They turned in the alarm. They repeated that within five minutes after the flash half of Pier 5 was enveloped by fire and that before the Hoboken fire engines arrived the entire structure was blazing.

The army men were vigorous in their praise of the New York City fireboats. They declared that these boats saved the Hoboken water front. Without the aid of the three craft the flash started a whole row of the lifeboats on her port side were burning. The fireboats between the Leviathan and the burning pier were crowded so close to the ship that their steam was on a vertical without their own hose the whole upper works of the ship would soon have been in flames.

"We think this preservation of the ship by her own crew of guards and engineers sufficient answer to the many bitter unjust attacks that have been made on the International Mercantile Marine Company and the Shipping Board for spending money on the upkeep of this ship, which could not be replaced to-day for more than \$25,000,000."

KENNELLY'S DIVORCE ACTION IS DISMISSED

Plea for Custody of Daughter Also Is Refused.

Supreme Court Justice Cochran yesterday dismissed the complaint in the divorce action brought by William Kennelly, Jr., son of the late William Kennelly and nephew of Bryan L. Kennelly, real estate operator. The testimony of the plaintiff's witnesses was badly shaken by cross-examination and flatly contradicted by the case of the defendant, the Justice held.

For many years, the court found, Mrs. Kennelly had been living apart from her husband and with her family in Connecticut, due to his inability to support her. Mr. Kennelly also was denied the custody of their daughter, 11 years old, who has always lived with her mother.

ACCUSED OF STEALING BONDS.

R. L. Griffin Arrested on Charge of Taking \$30,000 Worth.

On a telegraphic request from San Francisco, Russell Griffin, 21, of the Street Aberdeen, 17 West Thirty-second street, was locked up at Police Headquarters last night, charged with being a fugitive from justice.

AUTOMOBILE KILLS FLAGMAN WHO WARNED IT OF DANGER

Signals Approach of Freight Train on Eleventh Avenue, but Machine Disregards Warning, Drags Man Ninety Feet and Then Speeds Away.

William Kettelmann, a flagman at the New York Central railroad crossing at Eleventh avenue and Fifty-second street, was killed at his post yesterday by an automobile which he tried to warn from making the crossing because of the approach of a freight train. The radiator of the machine struck him with terrific force. He was dragged ninety feet and most of his clothing ripped from his body. The driver of the car failed to stop.

The crew of the freight train, which reached the crossing a minute later, found Kettelmann's body and a motor, which apparently had broken off of the radiator of the murder car. The police are using it as the only clue in the case. Kettelmann lived at 123 Fourteenth street, West Hoboken. Yetta Scron, 5, of 632 East Eleventh street, was killed in front of her home by an automobile, and a crowd threatened the driver, George Bohman of 2520 Madison street, Ridgewood, causing him to run to Patrolman Joseph Brady for protection. He surrendered at the Fifth

street station and was paroled for court appearance to-day.

Joseph Coye, 9, of 322 East Thirty-fifth street was killed by an automobile at Lexington avenue and Thirty-seventh street. The driver was not held.

Patrolman Vincent Durning of the East Fifty-first street station saved the life of Leo Stenzler, 23, of 207 East 165th street, by making a tourniquet with his handkerchief and his night stick, when Stenzler's wrist was cut in a smashup of a taxicab and a furniture truck at Lexington avenue and Forty-sixth street. In the taxicab with him were his mother, Mrs. Mollie Stenzler of 205 East Ninety-ninth street and his brother, Abraham, 17.

Stenzler was thrown half through the taxicab window, his right wrist breaking the glass. The tourniquet kept the flow of blood so well under control that after being attended by a physician, the young man went home. The others were unhurt. The taxicab was struck by a truck, owned by the Somelastique Building Company, 301 East Twenty-second street. Surface car traffic was delayed fifteen minutes. There were no arrests.

'GRAND OLD MAN' OF WALL ST. IS 99

John A. Stewart Fails to See Anything Remarkable in His Business Activities.

John A. Stewart, Wall Street's "grand old man," seemed surprised yesterday at the notion that his ninety-ninth birthday was an occasion city editors consider worthy of chronicle.

"Did you really come all the way out here just to see me?" he asked a reporter who found him sitting on the porch of his summer home at Morris-town. "I suppose John Rockefeller is to blame for that. Ever since he has a friend almost 100 years old who goes to work twice a week you boys won't let me alone. Two photographers got me at my office last week. I don't understand why they should want my photograph. There is nothing remarkable about the fact that I motor into the city occasionally—that's my exercise."

The man whose century year begins today was born on the corner of Fulton and Front streets, New York, August 26, 1822, the year after the death of Napoleon at St. Helena and six years before the construction of the first steam railroad in the United States.

"I haven't used tobacco in any form since I was 29 years old," he said. "I believe that is one of the reasons I have kept my health. The only rule I have is moderation in everything. Eating too much is just as bad as drinking too much. I do not live differently from other people, but I eat and drink carefully."

"My first job?" said Mr. Stewart in reply to a question. "I had graduated from Columbia in '41 and I went to work for \$1.25 a day as a civil engineer on the Erie railroad, which was then being built. I was 19."

Mr. Stewart is Princeton's oldest alumnus. He is the oldest trustee of Princeton, having been a member of the board since 1868. When Mr. Wilson resigned as president of Princeton to become candidate for Governor of New Jersey, Mr. Stewart served as interim president. He sat with Mr. Wilson on the board and knew him when Wilson was a student at Princeton in the class of 1878. He admires the former President's mind, but, like others who have known him well, found Mr. Wilson sometimes hard to get on with.

"If you disagreed with him you were wrong and he was right and that ended it," Mr. Stewart said. At the close of the interview he ordered his car to take the reporter to the railroad station and courteously escorted him to the front steps. "Please don't say too much about me in your paper," he said. "It really isn't important, you know."

LEAPS OUT OF WINDOW TO ESCAPE POLICE QUIZ

Bullets Follow Prisoner, Who Is Recaptured.

Michael Michaelovitch of 336 First avenue, arrested on a charge of stealing a bolt of silk from his employer, jumped out of a second story window last night in an effort to escape from the East Thirty-fifth street station house, where he was being questioned by detectives. He landed on his feet uninjured, but was caught by policemen before he could get away. Patrolman Murphy fired two shots out of the window when Michaelovitch leaped, and a platoon of policemen went to go on duty heard them and rushed out.

Michaelovitch was arrested on complaint of Joseph A. Perstein of 145 Madison avenue, who said the roll of silk was worth \$550.

CHILD'S EXPOSED FOOD TRIAL IS POSTPONED

Restaurant Claims It Had Permission of Inspector.

An adjournment was taken yesterday in the case of James Hotelling, manager of the Childs restaurant at 270 Sixth avenue, charged with exposing foodstuffs in violation of the sanitary regulations. Counsel for the restaurant company, asking for the postponement to Michaelovitch's trial, declared that one of the health inspectors had given permission to leave foodstuffs uncovered during certain hours.

"We can only take cognizance of the law," said Magistrate Hatting. "The laws are made to safeguard the health of the public, and if public health officials are slack in endeavoring to keep them, it is their own fault." The case was put over until September 1.

BROOKLYN CAFE ROOF COLLAPSES; SIX HURT

Bowling Alleys Being Torn Down for Post Office.

Thirty-five workmen engaged in tearing down the old Superba bowling alleys and cafe at Franklin avenue and Fulton street, Brooklyn, made a dash for safety yesterday morning when, with a sudden, crackling noise, part of the roof collapsed. Six men were pinned in the debris. None, however, are thought to have been hurt mortally. The bowling alleys were built originally by Charles H. Ebbets, owner of the Brooklyn baseball team. A modern building, which will house Post Office Station, is to be built on the site.

TIGHE SOBER IN RAID; WITNESSES TESTIFY

Also Declare They Never Saw Detective Use Blackjack on Women.

Witnesses at the Police Department trial of Detective Sergeant Charles Tighe before Deputy Police Commissioner Leach testified yesterday that Tighe was not drunk, that he did not use a blackjack, and that his conduct in the raid on July 28, which resulted in several accusations of assault against him, was not unbecoming an officer.

The only witness who charged Tighe with brutal methods was called a liar and told to get off the witness stand by Commissioner Leach, because, he said, he did not know bets were made at the raid in a saloon at 600 Ninth avenue, where the raid was made.

The hearing was resumed after unsuccessful attempts by Samuel Furstenberg, counsel for the defendant, to postpone police action until after the criminal trial in General Sessions. Michael Durkin of 403 West Forty-sixth street, called by the defense, said that while he was drinking at the bar he saw Detectives Tighe and Kaufman enter and place under arrest several men who were placing bets at the ticker. While Tighe went out to get a patrol wagon, the witness said, some of the prisoners escaped through a back room. Then he saw Tighe interfere with the men who tried to recover those men with his hands.

The detective's sobriety at the time of the raid was attested by Hugh Lavery, a pawnbroker at 594 Ninth avenue, and Rev. Terence P. McNulty of the Church of the Resurrection at 151st street and Eighth avenue. Father McNulty testified that on the evening of July 28 he went to Tighe's house, which is in his parish, to meet another priest and that Tighe showed no signs of intoxication.

Alonso DeGrosse, a cook employed at the lunch counter in the saloon, testified that he did not see anything of the raid. He said he knew of no betting in the place. "Do you mean to say that you worked two feet from the news ticker and did not know what was going on there?" asked Commissioner Leach. "No, I did not know what was going on," the witness replied.

"You are a liar," the Commissioner ordered. Charles B. Green of 215 East Seventy-third street admitted that after he had been pushed into a back room by Tighe he escaped and aided five others to get away. A motion to dismiss the case was denied. The trial was adjourned until September 14.

ELWOOD COX ADAMS SENT TO BELLEVUE

Jean Cunningham Also There With Baby.

Elwood Cox Adams, who was indicted for burglary in the third degree in connection with the robbery of the apartment of Miss Myrtle Tanshill, actress, at 245 West Seventy-fifth street, was ordered to Bellevue Hospital for observation by Judge Nott in General Sessions yesterday. Counsel for Adams presented statements to the court to show that his client was mentally un-sound.

A statement from the defendant's stepfather, Dr. Charles B. Adams of 47 Irving place, was read, in which Dr. Adams said that observation over a period of fourteen years made him believe his stepson to be mentally incompetent.

Adams will be in the same hospital with Jean Cunningham, his girl companion, formerly a maid in the Adams home, who says her father, the father of her baby, born in the hospital Wednesday.

POLICE STOP SOLICITORS OUTSIDE CITY HALL

Men Seeking Funds to Aid Ex-Service Men.

The police stopped two young men yesterday who described themselves as Daniel A. Sweeney of 222 East Seventy-third street and Joseph Hamilla, recently in the merchant marine, from asking contributions from passersby outside of City Hall for the American Land Service. They said their object was to collect money to aid ex-service men to obtain work on farms and elsewhere.

They attracted attention by a banner, on one side of which was printed "Please don't say we won't work; give us a chance." On the other side were the words, "We sleep in the park." Each had a certificate that he was authorized to represent the American Land Service, with offices at 480 Lexington avenue. The certificates had typed upon them: "We have a police permit. Aug. 23, 1921." Neither of them, however, had a permit which conferred the right to solicit funds publicly. When this fact was called to their attention by a policeman they readily agreed to discontinue their enterprise.

COP IS SUSPECTED IN CAR THEFT CASE

Said to Be Partner of Stealing and Selling Gang in Brooklyn.

INSPECTOR QUIZZES HIM BELONGS TO WILLIAMSBURG PRECINCT, BUT IDENTITY IS NOT MADE PUBLIC.

A policeman attached to a Williamsburg precinct is under suspicion, it was learned yesterday, of partnership with Brooklyn automobile thieves, who are said to have admitted extensive dealings in stolen cars. When William Perkins, negro, of 272 Third street, Brooklyn; John Gerbe of 675 Park avenue, Brooklyn; Charles Wilson of 29 East Fourth street, Manhattan, and George Walter of 109 Eckford street, Brooklyn, were held for the Grand Jury in \$10,000 bail each by Magistrate Folwell in Gates avenue court, the accusation came out.

The policeman was not named, but Louis Goldstein, Assistant District Attorney, told the court that one of the prisoners accused the policeman of trying to force him to sell him a stolen car for \$100, and when he refused, arrested him. The policeman's case broke down in court, however, and the prisoner was discharged.

The four men under arrest, Mr. Goldstein said, were connected with stealing between forty and fifty automobiles in Brooklyn. At least twenty, he said, had been disposed of in Albany. Perkins and Wilson, he said, stole the cars, while the other two men attended to disassembling and selling them. He said statements had been obtained from two of the men.

The four were specifically accused of the theft of two cars in the cases yesterday. One was that of Dr. Leo Linnet, a dentist, of 164 Sumner avenue, stolen on June 29, and the other that of William Boon of 25 Hoyt street, stolen on July 12. Both cars have been recovered. It was said, and the transactions traced.

Mr. Goldstein refused to discuss the case out of court, but it was learned last night that an inspector in Brooklyn had questioned the policeman named by the alleged thieves, but that no further action had been taken as yet.

PROSECUTOR MALOY HURT IN MOTOR CRASH

District Attorney and Arthur Thompson, Jr., Ditched.

Joseph F. Maloy, District Attorney of Richmond county, continued last night to preserve silence about an automobile accident early yesterday morning in which he, Arthur Thompson, Jr., of Stapleton and two other men whose names could not be learned were injured. The District Attorney is said to have scalp wounds and injuries to his right arm and to be suffering from shock.

Thompson, who is said to have been driving, was taken from the District Attorney's home during the day to St. Vincent's Hospital in an ambulance. His injuries, at first considered slight, may prove serious, it was learned. It is thought one of his lungs is punctured and he may have other internal injuries.

From what could be learned about the accident, it happened shortly after 2 o'clock, when Thompson was driving on the Willowbrook road and started to turn into the Richmond road, losing control of his car and going through a fence and into a ditch. The four men in the car were thrown out.

MRS. CHARLES B. ELLIS ASKS ALIMONY AWARD

Says Her Husband Gets \$12,000 a Year; He Denies It.

Mrs. Bertha B. Ellis applied to Supreme Court Justice MacCratie in Brooklyn yesterday for an award of alimony pending trial of her suit against Charles B. Ellis, formerly sales manager of the Colorado Vanadium Company, for separation.

According to Mrs. Ellis, her husband, who is well known in steel industry, has ill treated her when he was intoxicated. Lately, she added, he has been associating with another woman. She pled his income at \$12,000 a year. Ellis denied his wife's charges, and said he had not been working since January 1, owing to the depression in the steel business. He could not, therefore, pay alimony, he said. "The defendant will find means to pay if you grant this application," returned counsel for the wife. "It is notable how impetuous men pretend to be when they are asked to pay alimony and how easily they usually pay after an order compelling them to do so has been entered." Decision was reserved.

SON FINDS FATHER DEAD IN BED FROM BULLET

Believes He Was Murdered by a Burglar.

John Woolley, a fisherman of Spring Lake, N. J., was found dead in his bedroom early yesterday morning by his son, Alvah, when he returned from a trip to Asbury Park. Woolley had a bullet wound in his chest, and his son said that the house apparently had been entered by a burglar, as \$5 which he had left in the pockets of a pair of trousers was missing. In his father's study, however, Alvah Woolley found \$200 in cash and a gold watch.

The fisherman's son told the police that he believed his father surprised the burglar who was in the study, becoming frightened and escaping without rifling the old man's pockets. Woolley had recently expressed anxiety over the operation of sneak thieves in the vicinity of his home, and had obtained permission to carry a revolver.

DANCERS RETURN HERE ON CENTENNIAL STATE

Educators Also Voyagers on U. S. Mail Liner.

The steamship Centennial State of the United States Mail line, after what her officers described as the smoothest ocean trip in her memories, arrived here yesterday with forty-two first class and twenty-six stateroom passengers.

Broadway at Ninth Street, New York Business Hours—9 to 5 Telephone Stuyvesant 4700

New Fashions—New Sales for Week-end Friday

The First Stroke is Half the Battle

Choosing one's companions has made some men what they are, and the mistake of others in not taking offered advice or not being strong enough to drop evil company has been their ruin.

Better for the latter to have fallen into a bed of waps. To almost every man known to the writer was given an elective opportunity to make or lose his way. All men are weak on some side or other, and need to be spoken with as to the first strokes of life's battle.

(Signed) The John W. Wauwatsky Store

August 26, 1921.

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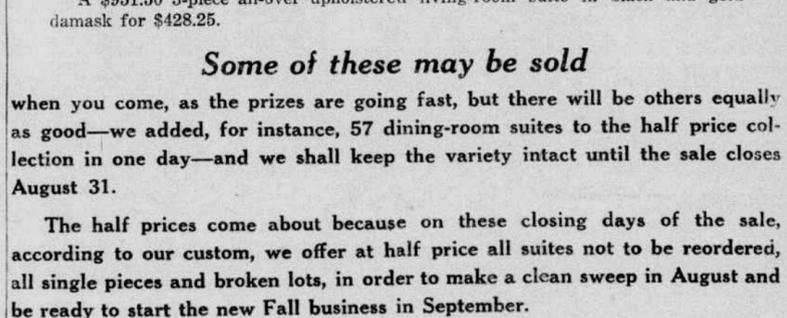
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