

SEVEN PERISH IN WILD RUSH FROM BURNING STORE

Women and Children Fight Way From Place; Many Jump Out of Windows.

FIREWORKS EXPLODED AND STARTED BLAZE

Panic Among Hundreds of Shoppers on First Floor Followed by Another Above—Child Knocked Down and Trampled to Death.

CLEVELAND, OHIO, July 3.—At least seven persons were killed, and fully thirty more were severely hurt, as the result of a fire in S. S. Kresge's 5 and 10 cent store, on Ontario Street, to-day.

The fire followed an explosion of fireworks on display in the store. Opinions differ as to the exact cause of the explosion. A woman who was at the fireworks counter said the stock was ignited by sparks from a device which was being demonstrated to her by a clerk.

Immediately after the explosion an alarm of fire was sounded, and panic seized the hundreds of clerks and shoppers. A mad rush was made for the doors and windows.

Wild Rush for Doors. Craved by the possibility of injury or death, all on the main floor rushed for the front and rear doors.

Another Panic Above. While the panic upon the main floor was in progress the flames from the fireworks counter rapidly advanced to other parts of the store.

Scared Italians Away. This the Design of the Shooting at Damascus—No Indictments Yet.

ABINGDON, VA., July 3.—Accounts sent out from other points of the operations of alleged "night riders" at Damascus, Va., July 2, are exaggerated.

Scared Italians Away. The Damascus Lumber Company had engaged seventeen Italians to work. The night after they reached the site, they gathered on the streets and began firing pistols.

Scared Italians Away. Judge P. B. Hutton called a special session of the grand jury, and about twenty witnesses have been examined.

Scared Italians Away. Snapp Gets Three Years. NEWSPORN, VA., July 3.—C. C. Snapp, the well-known carpenter, was given three years in the penitentiary by a jury in the Corporation Court.

Scared Italians Away. Argument on a motion for a new trial will be heard one day next week.

NAVAL MILITIA ON CRUISE

Those of North Carolina to Go First and Then Those of New York. WASHINGTON, D. C., July 3.—Orders have been issued at the Navy Department for the cruiser Prairie to proceed to Norfolk, Va., to pick up and take on board there the naval militia of that State for a cruise in Chesapeake Bay from July 16th to 28th.

Supplies to Practice Squadron. WASHINGTON, D. C., July 3.—The tugboat Sandhill has been given orders to proceed to Norfolk, Va., on August 1st, and August 21st, with stores, packages and other necessities for the Naval Academy practice squadron now in Chesapeake Bay.

To Go in Fort Totten. WASHINGTON, D. C., July 3.—General J. Franklin Bell, chief of staff of the army, has issued orders to the One Hundred and Sixty-seventh Companies of Coast Artillery, now on duty at Fort Monroe, Va., to proceed to Fort Totten, N. Y., for station on or about August 1st.

UNCLE REMUS DEAD

Joel Chandler Harris Succumbs to Brief Illness in Atlanta. ATLANTA, GA., July 3.—Joel Chandler Harris, author of "Uncle Remus," an author of note, died at his home in a suburb of this city to-night.

Joel Chandler Harris was born in Eatonton, Ga., on December 4, 1848. He was a member of the Georgia House of Representatives, and was a member of the Georgia House of Representatives.

FIND MINE OF LOOT

Atlanta City Police Round Up Alleged Adept Hotel Thieves. ATLANTA, GA., July 3.—A mine of jewelry and other trinkets, stolen from guests at big beach-front hotels, was unearthed by the police, following the arrest of A. C. Poole and his wife.

WINGATE CASE NEAR END Argument to Be Concluded This Morning and Verdict Expected To-night. INDEPENDENCE, VA., July 3.—Edward Wingate, member of a prominent family, on trial here for the atrocious murder of his ten-year-old son, will probably know his fate by to-night.

WEDDING MAY NOT OCCUR Paris Paper Intimates That Something May Stop Madame Gould's Marriage. PARIS, July 3.—The Cri de Paris, in its issue of to-day, intimates that the friends of Count Bonté de Castellane express a doubt to-day as to whether the marriage of Mme. Gould to Prince de Sagan will take place.

TORE OFF GOLD TEETH Dentist's Way of Retaining on Woman Whose Check He Thought Worthless. NEW YORK, July 3.—Accused by Miss Grace Ayer, a pretty and well-to-do young woman living at the Bryn Mawr, for having forcibly extracted three crowns from her mouth while she was laboring under the belief that he had given her a worthless check.

REVOLUTION IN PARAGUAY Reports—Sanguinary Fighting in Streets of the Capital City. BUENOS AIRES, July 3.—The latest advices received from private sources at Formosa, in the northeastern part of Paraguay, are that there is a sanguinary fighting in the streets of Asuncion, the capital of Paraguay.

NORFOLK AND WESTERN EARNINGS SHOW STEADY GROWTH [Special to The Times-Dispatch.] ROANOKE, VA., July 3.—The Norfolk and Western earnings, which have been running from \$80,000 as low as \$60,000 per day for four months, reached \$100,000 on the 30th.

VIRGINIAN IS APPOINTED GENERAL WRIGHT'S SECRETARY WASHINGTON, D. C., July 3.—Secretary of War Taft has appointed Walter R. Pedigo, of Virginia, his private secretary, vice Fred W. Carpenter, who resigned to go with Judge Taft.

Immense Increase in Exports. [Special to The Times-Dispatch.] NORFOLK, Va., July 3.—The monthly report of exports from Norfolk from June 30, 1907, to June, 1908, totals \$1,181,121, an increase of \$1,181,121 over the same month of the year.

SILVER AND FLAGS FOR THE CRUISER

Magnificent Service Presented to the North Carolina on Behalf of the State.

CEREMONY OCCURS IN THE OPEN SEA

State Officials and Others Go Aboard the Cruiser and Lieutenant-Governor Winston Presents Service and Mrs. Van Landingham the Colors.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] OREHEAD CITY, N. C., July 3.—Something absolutely unusual occurred here to-day, this being the presentation of a splendid silver service.

More Hopeful Air About His Estate, But He Is Still Very Ill. COOPERSTOWN, N. Y., July 3.—There was a more hopeful air to-night about Fernleigh, the country estate where the invalid, Mr. Potter, lies, than at any time since it became apparent that the distinguished churchman was engaged in a struggle with a serious malady.

REAR-ADMIRAL THOMAS DIES Stricken with Heart Failure After Supper and Soon Expires. DEL MONTE, CAL., July 3.—Rear Admiral Charles M. Thomas, retired, United States Navy, died here to-night.

MEET DEATH IN TORNADO Five Killed, Forty Injured and Many Made Homeless. SANTA FE, N. M., July 3.—Five persons were killed, forty injured and many rendered homeless by a tornado last night at Fort Sumner, Guadalupe county, N. M.

ROYALTY UP IN BALLOON King Wilhelm and Queen Charlotte Take an Enjoyable Trip. FRIEDRICHSHAFEN, July 3.—For the first time in the history of a reigning king and queen, they to-day made an ascension in a steerable balloon.

THRAIN RUNS INTO RACE-HORSE WHILE OWNER IS SLEEPING [Special to The Times-Dispatch.] SUFFOLK, Va., July 3.—Brown Dexter, a race-horse breeder in Suffolk yesterday by Willis Riddick, of Gates county, N. C., was killed near Gates Station about 1 o'clock this morning by an Atlantic Coast Line train.

WEATHER. Showers.

VIRGINIANS EN ROUTE

Spend Few Hours in St. Louis and Go On to the Mountains. [Special from a Staff Correspondent.] ST. LOUIS, MO., July 3.—The Virginia party, now composed of fifty-one members, arrived here at 7 o'clock this evening and are leaving at 10 o'clock, Kansas City being the next important stop on the way to Denver.

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URGES BRYAN TO RETIRE TO SAVE PARTY'S TICKET

Ridder Tells Nebraskan to Face He Cannot Win and Gets Smile in Reply.

EASTERN LEADERS WANT ANOTHER MAN Parker, Sheehan and Others Make No Effort to Conceal Antagonism—Flurry Over Cleveland Resolution Substituting—Remove Tariff on Printing Paper.

Publicity Plank LINCOLN, NEB., July 3.—William J. Bryan to-night, in a speech before the Nebraska Traveling Men's Club made the significant statement that unless the Denver convention incorporated in its platform a campaign contribution publicity plank it might look elsewhere than to Nebraska for a candidate for President.

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