

COLISEUM PREY TO FIERCE FIRE

BAY CITY AMUSEMENT HALL DEVoured BY FLAMES

PROMPTNESS OF FIREMEN SAVES SPREADING OF BLAZE

Residents for Blocks Removed Furniture and Belongings in Expectation of Being Victims to Conflagration

[By Associated Press.] SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 20.—The Coliseum building, an immense amusement hall, the scene of prize fights and dances and more recently of a passion play, was destroyed by fire early this morning.

The streets in places were piled with household goods, and men, women and children in scant attire ran frantically about. Windows were broken in blocks surrounding, and there were several narrow escapes from injury on the part of those who fled from their flats into the rainy streets.

It was reported two had been burned in the Coliseum, but so far as could be learned no one was injured. The building recently had been in the state of a skating rink, and there was no one there but the night watchman, who escaped.

The loss is placed at more than \$100,000. Mrs. James Jackson and Mrs. Roy Gabbitt, both of whom resided in an apartment house at 1296 Oak street, diagonally across from the Coliseum, were rescued by the imminent risk of his life by Fay Beale, a chauffeur, who discovered they had fallen to be awakened until almost overcome by smoke, and he courageously carried them to safety.

Jack Sladen, night watchman in the Coliseum, was rescued from almost certain death by Johnman Bandlaven of the Park station. At the time of the fire Sladen was in the structure, but rushed out to turn in the alarm. He ran back into the burning building and after several minutes passed in an unsuccessful attempt to secure some papers in the office was almost suffocated by smoke. In a dazed condition he was about to rush back into the mass of flames for a third time when Patrolman Bandlaven dragged him away and took him to a neighboring house.

Twenty horses were burned in an adjoining livery stable.

WILL START DEMOCRATIC PAPER IN SAN FRANCISCO

Chairman of Press Committee of People's Party Says Journal Will Be Issued January 1

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 20.—State Senator Caminetti of Amador county, chairman of the press committee of the Democratic state central committee, announced today that the meeting of the executive committee of the state central committee that a Democratic morning paper would make its first appearance in this city January 1, 1910.

Immediately after the meeting of the executive committee of the state central committee went into executive session, with the following members present:

Mayor E. R. Taylor, James D. Phelan, Walter MacArthur and J. F. Murray of San Francisco; State Senator J. B. Sanford of Ukiah, State Senator Caminetti of Amador, and W. B. Shearer of Yreka.

Other members of the committee have been delayed in their arrival by the inclement weather and the committee will not transact much business until they are on the scene.

LOS ANGELES SUPERIOR COURT FINDING REVERSED

Railway Company Saved from Paying Damages by Clause of Employers' Liability Law

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 20.—The state supreme court reversed today the judgment of the Los Angeles superior court, awarding \$3000 to the parents of O. R. Bridges, who was killed by a live wire while working for the Los Angeles-Pacific Railway company.

The supreme court held that the company was saved from damages by the "co-employees negligence" clause of the employer's liability law, which exempts the death of a fellow employe to turn off a switch after he had promised to do so.

Judges Shaw and Livingston handed down a dissenting opinion, in which it was held the man who failed to turn off the switch was a principal and not a fellow employe of the deceased.

SENTENCES COUNTERFEITER TO TERM OF FIVE YEARS

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 20.—Fred A. Foster, convicted of counterfeiting in the federal court here, was sentenced today by Judge de Haven to serve five years in San Quentin prison and to pay a fine of \$100. A stay of execution for two weeks was granted to enable Foster to communicate with his family in Oregon to obtain means to prosecute an appeal.

Foster was arrested last April in Marysville with Thomas Crowe and William Wakefield for having counterfeited coin in his possession. On the first trial Crowe and Wakefield were convicted and are now serving sentences, but the jury disagreed in Foster's case and today's judgment was the result of his second trial.

ARRESTED ON CHARGE OF CONDUCTING LAND LOTTERY

BIDS GOODBYE TO WIFE, THEN JUMPS FROM FIRE ESCAPE

WRECK OF YACHT SEEN BY GERMAN CRAFT

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COMMUNICATION REFERS TO CUNNINGHAM CLAIMS

Government Introduces Evidence to Show Filings on 52,800 Acres of Land Made to Be Worked as One Claim

[By Associated Press.] SEATTLE, Wash., Nov. 20.—L. R. Glavis, chief of the field work of the general land office at Seattle, who was removed from office by Secretary of the Interior Ballinger with the approval of President Taft, was called to the witness stand today in the hearing of the government inquiry into the validity of the Cunningham coal land claims in Alaska, in connection with which charges made by Glavis resulted in his dismissal.

He was asked merely to identify a letter which he had written recently to J. M. Sheridan, special attorney for the government in the inquiry, in reply to a request from Sheridan for a conference concerning facts to which the former chief could testify.

Glavis wrote in reply he would meet the prosecutor but that a conference was unnecessary, as the government was already in possession of all the information to which he could testify.

Mr. Glavis will be called to the stand Monday.

To Work Through One Claim

The government continued the introduction of evidence to show the filings on 52,800 acres of coal land near Kat-alaska valued at \$50,000,000, was made by thirty-three claimants with the purpose of consolidating the claims and mining coal through one claim.

Andrew Kennedy, a government expert who examined the claims, testified there had been permanent development on but one claim.

Dr. C. J. Cunningham of Spokane told of the discovery of coal by his brother Clarence, after whom the claims were named.

The only testimony of a sensational nature was the introduction in evidence of a copy of the notebook of Clarence Cunningham, procured by Glavis, in which an entry states that Cunningham agreed to carry a coal claim of 160 acres for Senator W. D. Heyburn of Idaho in return for legal services. Other exhibits, however, denied any connection of Heyburn with the Alaska coal claims while a senator.

Eat at the Angelus grill.

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[By Associated Press.] HAVANA, Nov. 20.—A rumor was current here tonight that a German cruiser, wharved at Key West, reported the probable loss of John Jacob Astor's yacht Nourmahal.

Captain Hans Schackler of the Wotan, who reported the wreck, said that his ship did not approach close enough to make an investigation, the wrecked vessel evidently being in shoal water. With glasses he saw what looked to be three spars above the water, one of them being fifteen feet above. He was certain that the middle one was a mast.

According to the location given by Captain Schackler, the Nourmahal, if it was she, was considerably out of her course, having been reported as bound from Port Antonio, Jamaica, for San Juan, P. R.

But by the fierce blow recently this is readily accounted for. Tonight the wireless station here is seeking the revenue cutter Algonquin to give instructions to proceed at once to the point designated in the report of Captain Schackler.

According to advices received here, no other vessels in the storm zone have been reported missing without being accounted for, and this lends additional cause for belief that the ill-fated vessel sighted by the Wotan is Col. Astor's yacht.

At 9:30 tonight the local wireless station spoke to the revenue cutter Yamacraw, giving her the latitude and longitude of the submerged vessel. The captain of the Yamacraw advises that he will leave Charleston at once for the spot indicated.

So far the Algonquin has not been located by wireless.

BURGLAR ENTERS HOUSE; STEALS \$10,000 IN GEMS

Investigation Shows Robber Climbed to Second Story of Residence in His Bare Feet

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 20.—A burglar entered the residence of Rothwell H. Hyde in this city last night and stole jewels valued at \$10,000. They belonged to Mrs. Bixler, sister of Mr. Hyde, and she did not discover their loss until today when she opened her jewel box to place some rings in it.

An investigation by detectives showed the burglar had climbed to the second story of the house and walked around the window ledges in his bare feet to the room occupied by Mrs. Bixler.

Among the jewels stolen were some rare East Indian bracelets set with diamonds, rubies and sapphires. Other than the measurements of the bare footprints, the police have no clue to the burglary.

Begin Life Sentences

LEAVENWORTH, Kans., Nov. 20.—William Matthews, Frank Grigware, John Shelton, D. W. Woods and Frederick Torgensen were placed in the federal prison here last night to begin life sentences for having robbed a Union Pacific train near Omaha last May.

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