

TWO FATAL DISASTERS

Many Persons Go Down With a Falling Bridge.

FIERCE FIGHT FOR LIFE.

Victims in the Water Struggle for Places of Vantage.

COLLAPSE OF A GRAND STAND.

At the Buffalo Driving Park Death and Injury Are Caused by an Accident.

ELKHART, Ind., July 4.—A terrible accident occurred at Bristol, a small town six miles from here, late this afternoon. During the progress of a boating race on the St. Joseph River a crowd of probably 600 people was jammed on a three-span iron bridge. During the finish of an exciting race, and while the crowd was cheering tremendously, the bridge gave way and the mass of humanity was precipitated into the water forty feet below.

As near as can be learned at present thirty-eight persons have received serious injuries and it is feared that many of them will die. Physicians from Elkhart, Goshen, La Porte and neighboring cities were hastily telephoned for and went to the scene with all possible haste.

The accident happened at 6 o'clock. The race was the last of a series that had furnished the principal sport of a Fourth of July celebration. When the unfortunates landed in the water amidst a mass of iron and wood framework the groans of men, women and children arose and spurred to activity those who seemed dazed by the magnitude of the catastrophe.

Luckily the water was only five feet deep or many would have been drowned. The crowd on shore saw many people in the water fighting with each other for a place of vantage or some means of escape from what seemed certain death. It was some time before effective aid could be given.

As soon as possible, however, long planks, ladders and ropes were secured and a dozen men waded out and helped by those on the bank. Lifesaving rings, which held several people under the water, were by one of the injured brought to shore, and those living at Bristol were taken care of immediately by their friends and hurried to their homes. The neighboring stores and houses were turned into temporary hospitals and many who lived at a distance were taken care of here.

Owing to the excitement, which amounts to a frenzy, and the rapid scattering of the injured by their friends, it will be some time before a complete list of the injured can be obtained. Those thought to be fatally injured are:

Dr. Cash Dettrow, concussion of spine; Mack Little, both legs broken and injured internally; Mrs. Mack Little, badly injured about the head and shoulders; six-year-old son of Mack Little, both arms and one leg broken; daughter of Mack Little, both legs broken; Jonas Renegard, both arms and legs broken. The day was a pleasant one and a large crowd was in the city witnessing the festivities. Bristol is the center of a populous country and the rural folks were present in large numbers. Those who could not get on the bridge lined the banks and other points to get a view of the sports.

The day's sports were just ending when the accident occurred. Many of the farmers as well as their relatives and friends were hastily placed in wagons and, without waiting for the aid of physicians or as much as leaving names, departed for their homes. It is believed that many injured were taken away in this manner and it is thought that some of them will die. The complete list of the dead and injured will all events not be known for a week. Every train to-night brought from surrounding towns relatives and friends of visitors to Bristol, for the news had spread over the country with great rapidity. Thus the houses where lay the wounded were searched by many anxious-looking persons for some one who had not returned from the celebration. Those who were able to be moved were carried to the cars and taken home, while those more seriously injured will be attended at Bristol.

The bridge has been used for many years. Only last spring it was repaired and considered able to bear any strain that might be put upon it. Examination of the part of the structure which remained intact shows that the railing had given way under the pressure of the crowd and carried with it part of the footway on which the people were standing.

The following is a list of the wounded as far as learned to-night: Dr. C. E. Dutrow, fatally; Clyde Trumbull, Three Rivers, Mich., cut in body and head; Mrs. George Williamson, body crushed; Mrs. Albert Stamp, Hubert Nicholson, Jessie Wesso of Elkhart, broken legs and arms; Daisy Little, broken arm; G. B. Floyd, Howard Meyers, Mrs. Mary Miller, Arthur Samsan, Motville, Mich., both legs broken; George Roth, Miss Lida King, Miss Trattela, Porter, Mich., foot and neck hurt; Frank Fry, hurt internally; Mrs. E. J. Smith, arm broken; John Kistner, Elkhart, hip and head hurt; Miss Stewart, Charles Caraman, Doug Caraman, head and feet crushed; Douglas Stewart, hurt internally; Frank Reingold, wife and daughter, badly injured; Garrett Bloomington, Josie Frane, Elkhart, badly injured; Mack Little, wife and son, legs broken.

Carriages were soon at hand, and took to their homes about forty men and women who were but slightly injured or who suffered from the shock.

Ambulances took the most severely injured to the hospitals. The hospitals gave out this list of the injured to-night: John Gilroy Hill, colored, four ribs broken and internally injured, will die; G. Barrett Rich, president of the Commercial Bank, left leg badly fractured; Frank Veater, back broken and fatal internal injuries, will die; Mrs. James K. Cuddy, scale wounds and head face cut; Mrs. Woods, broken thigh; T. Kitchell, right leg fractured; Mary Montgomery, internal injuries, collarbone broken; Mrs. Howard Herr, both legs broken; Mrs. F. M. Crandall, wife of the librarian of the Bureau of Public Printing, Washington, seriously bruised.

The grand stand was a new one and was built about three years ago by Cicero J. Hamlin, the well-known horse-owner, who is also the owner of the driving park.

SOME MINOR CASUALTIES.

As Usual Death and Injury Come With the Fourth.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., July 4.—Independence day was unusually prolific of painful accidents, two of them fatal. Up to 11:30 p. m. there were fifty-four casualties reported by the police. Thomas Baehr, aged 16, was shot in the head by a stray bullet and instantly killed. John Kern, aged 3, was also struck by a stray bullet and died at midnight. Milton Meyer, aged 9, had both eyes blown out, and Charles Fenton, aged 10, and Arthur Wayatt, aged 15, each lost an eye by powder explosions.

CHICAGO, Ill., July 4.—Three persons were killed, and about fifteen injured in various ways as a result of the celebration. The following is the record of the most serious cases:

Anton Deering, wounded by shot from a revolver fired by August Zerisk, will die; Faleen Shane, shot while examining a revolver; Joseph Karmal, William Milhen and Leroy Meyer, seriously injured.

TIEFEN, Ohio, July 4.—The 18-year-old son of Silas Hull of Attica, while loading his shotgun with buckshot this morning knocked it down, and the arm was discharged, the bullets striking his mother in the abdomen and little sister in the breast. Both will die.

SACRAMENTO, CAL., July 4.—Little Albert Farr, aged 9 years, has not as many fingers to-night as he had this morning when he got out his toy cannon to celebrate the glorious Fourth. He loaded the gun to the muzzle, lit the fuse and then sat down to await results. The fuse burned out, as he supposed, so he picked up his artillery and turned it over to see what was the matter. There was really nothing the matter, as he soon discovered, for it went off in his hand. The palm was terribly lacerated, and his little finger has not been found.

ALL THEIR THROATS CUT.

Editor Fields Kills His Wife and Baby and Then Himself.

The woman had evidently consented to die with her husband.

MEADVILLE, Mo., July 4.—S. A. Fields, until recently editor of the Post at Polo, cut the throats of his wife and baby with a razor this morning and then ended his own life in the same manner. The bodies were found in a garden about 200 yards from the house of his father-in-law, about five miles northwest of here.

The family was visiting there at the time. A note was found in Mrs. Fields' pocket saying that everything they had was to be left to her mother, Mrs. Thomas. It is evident that Fields and his wife had agreed to die together, for she went into the house after they went out and put on an old dress and went back and the deed was done.

Fields was a lawyer by profession and was about 35 years of age, but had made a failure of his practice. Two years ago he attempted his own life by throwing himself out of a second-story window. He was in good circumstances.

AN ENOCH ARDEN STORY.

Dr. Brown Leaves Jail to Find His Wife Married Again.

MACON, Ga., July 4.—A peculiar Enoch Arden story, which is international in its bearings, comes from Waycross. Dr. Brown returned a day or two ago after an absence of twenty-five years and found his wife the happy spouse of a well-to-do citizen of this place.

Brown is a Frenchman with an interesting history. When he left this country he went to France to look after a legacy. A quarrel with his lawyer resulted in the murder of the latter and Brown was sent to prison for twenty-five years. The legacy was used up in the endeavor to acquit him and when he was freed he was penniless. His first act on being released was to come to Georgia to see his wife, whom he had loved all the years of separation. She had long since given him up as dead and had been married twice. Her present husband is a Mr. Thomas, who lives near Sheriff Mill, in this country. Brown's grief on finding her wedded to another man was intense. He begged her and her husband to visit him, but she refused to grant his request. Brown has gone away again, discouraged and heartbroken.

His Wife Is Suspected.

LINNEUS, Mo., July 4.—At 6 o'clock this morning Cy G. Cummings, a boot and shoe dealer, was found dead in bed. A warrant has been sworn out for the arrest of his wife, whom he married a few weeks ago, and she has been placed in custody. Cummings was an Odd Fellow, and it is said that he told a number of his friends that his wife was trying to do away with him, and that she had more than once put poison in his food and drink. The woman is Cummings' third wife, and he got her by advertising in a matrimonial paper. Mrs. Cummings protests her innocence.

MUCH BLOOD IS SHED.

Fierce Riots During the Street Parade in Boston.

A VERY ACTIVE TROOPER

Rushes to the Rescue of an Insulted Woman With an Orange Dress.

SABER AND REVOLVERS USED.

During the Terrible Conflicts Two Men Are Killed and Several Injured.

BOSTON, Mass., July 4.—The most extraordinary scenes were enacted in East Boston. It began with the exchange of insults between the paraders and the thousands of sightseers who lined the sidewalks; it ended with a murder and the injury of two persons after the paraders had gone over the route and disbanded. Portions of it were on their way home. All the trouble was in connection with the afternoon parade, which had come to be called "The Little Red Schoolhouse parade," the paraders representing A. P. A. lodges, Patriotic Sons of America, Orange Lodges, Order of United Workmen and other kindred organizations.

This parade was booked to start at 1:30 and the head of the column started from White street nearly at that time. It presented a novel appearance. It was completely encircled by police, who not alone led the column, but flanked the sides of it for a hundred yards. There were fully 300 policemen under the command of Captain Pierce and Captain Irish.

There were about 1500 men in the parade. It was headed by "The Little Red Schoolhouse" which has been the subject of much talk and comment. It was a facsimile of the regular New England schoolhouse seen in all of its States. At the very end of the procession came a barouche drawn by four gray horses, which was without police protection. In the carriage were O. C. Emmerson, H. Roberts, Mrs. O. C. Emmerson and Mrs. J. F. Campbell. The carriage was profusely decorated with American flags, and Mrs. Campbell wore an orange dress.

When the rear of the procession was between Brooks and Putnam streets, on Saratoga, the crowd closed in. A drunken woman, decked in tawdry finery, marched up to the rear of the carriage, shouting loud insults. The ladies shrank in fright. One of the men pushed the drunken woman back. Some men in the crowd fell upon the man with loud shouts. A milk can sailed through the air, falling into the carriage. The occupants of the carriage shouted for help.

Albert E. Andrews of Everett, a private in the Roxbury Horse Guards, was standing on the sidewalk near by. He was in full uniform, his saber at his side. Andrews had been in the escort of the Mayor all the morning. The bright yellow plume of his helmet attracted the attention of the struggling ladies in the carriage. "Help us, soldier," one of them cried shrilly.

Andrews rushed into the thick of the fight, drawing his saber as he ran. He waved the heavy blade above his head. The crowd fell back a second, then rushed upon the orange plume with a tremendous roar. Four men stood by Andrews, one of them brandishing two self-cocking revolvers.

In seven minutes the street was the scene of a terrible battle. Gradually Andrews was driven up Saratoga street. Twice he fell. Twice the men with the revolvers fired. It is very probable the revolvers were charged only with blank cartridges. Andrews retreated, slashing and feinting with his saber, but cutting only once, when one young man named Stewart of Brooks street had his nose slashed off.

Hardly had the crowd started the fight when a messenger was sent for the police. At this time there was not a policeman within a quarter of a mile. Captain Irish detailed three mounted policemen to the rescue. They came down Boston street on the gallop.

At this time Andrews and his supporters were nearly done for. Officer Bates and the others did great fighting. Bates was struck by a brick immediately on arriving at the scene. A number of his teeth were knocked out. His uniform was spattered with blood.

With great difficulty Andrews was protected till he reached 449 Saratoga street, where he dashed under Bates' horse and escaped over a fence into his father's house. The mounted officers held the crowd at bay ten minutes more; then a platoon of fourteen officers dashed to the rescue, clubbing right and left. Many heads were broken before the crowd went scurrying down Saratoga street.

Michael Doyle of Morris street was clubbed so severely that he now lies dying at the City Hospital.

Only two arrests were made. The crowd made another attack on the lines at Princeton street, but were easily dispersed.

A small detachment of the paraders was coming down Border street just after the parade had been dismissed. At about the corner of Maverick street there was trouble, which originated in the same manner as did the other disturbances of the day. There was hooting and hissing, followed by personal altercations between those who were coming back from the parade and the people in the crowd. Some sticks and stones were thrown and the melee increased, whereupon a number of the paraders drew pistols and began firing indiscriminately.

John W. Wills, who is said to have been an involuntary participant in the affair, was struck by a bullet and received injuries which resulted in his death.

Just a few feet from Wills stood John Ross, one of the paraders. Ross pointed his pistol at Wills, according to the testimony of a man who stood next to him, and fired, the bullet striking Wills just above the right hip, passing into his abdomen. He gave a stifled cry and fell to the pavement.

When Wills fell, a young man named John Quirk sprang toward him and bent over the bleeding body. He claims that Ross pointed his pistol at him and fired again. The bullet grazed his right temple. Patrick A. Kelly was also wounded, but it is not known whether with a bullet or bow. Ross and a man named Harold G. Brown were arrested on suspicion, while many persons are held as witnesses. Wills lived in East Boston and was a longshoreman. The police formed a guard about the

rest of the lodge and escorted it to the ferry. On the ferry-boat they hid their badges and regalia and mingled with and were lost in the crowd.

HAVOC OF THE FLAMES.

Fire Sweeps Through the Town of Wellington, Ohio.

WELLINGTON, Ohio, July 4.—At 8 o'clock fire broke out at the rear of the Methodist church, on Main street, in a small house owned by C. W. Horr. A brisk wind was blowing from the south, and almost as soon as the small town Fire Department was ready to begin work a dozen buildings were ablaze.

In thirty minutes the fire attacked six-story buildings and progressed practically uncontrolled. Telegrams were sent to Cleveland, Oberlin, Lorain and other places asking for assistance.

At 10 o'clock an engine and hose-car arrived from Cleveland, but up to midnight no response had been received from the other towns. The Cleveland fire-fighters began working in a practical way, but the fire had assumed such proportions that the force contending against it was totally inadequate.

Rumors of three or four fatalities are current, but are not yet confirmed. Already \$100,000 worth of property has been destroyed and the fire is making steady and rapid headway.

At 1:30 A. M. the fire believed to be at a standstill and practically under control. The entire business portion of the town and many residences were destroyed.

A REJECTED SUITOR'S REVENGE.

With Dynamite He Blows Up a House Containing Five Women.

LEMON, Ill., July 4.—In the village of Romeo this morning a house containing five women was blown to atoms by dynamite placed there by the rejected lover of one of the women. Luke Hoyle and Tim Hoise were aspirants for the hand of Mollie Bierber and when Hoise was chosen, Hoyle obtained dynamite and revengeful death was the result. Hoyle shot three persons fatally. Hoyle was arrested.

GOING BACK TO THE FOLD.

Negroes Have Lost All Faith in the Pledges of the Democrats.

Prominent Colored Men Returning to the Ranks of the Republican Party.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 4.—Following the example of H. A. Astwood, the chairman of the Colored National Democratic League, who recently left the Democratic party in disgust, other prominent colored men are returning to the Republican fold.

The experience of these negroes who made themselves a feature in the campaign that resulted in the election of Grover Cleveland to the Presidency has been particularly harrowing. They were promised by the Congressional committee that as soon as Cleveland was elected three big places at least would be given to their leaders and a plentiful supply of minor offices apportioned among the rank and file.

R. G. Still of Philadelphia, who had charge of an important organization of colored Democrats, sought recognition as minister to Liberia for his services. He was ignored by Cleveland, who chose instead a colored preacher from Pennsylvania with Republican leanings. Still came to his senses and left the Democratic party.

C. H. J. Taylor of Kansas, who was appointed Register of Deeds in the district, was the only colored Democrat to land in a good office, but this was due more to the fact that he had been elected by the Cleveland managers in keeping their pledges.

Now comes C. C. L. Barnes of Philadelphia, once president of the Negro Democratic Club. Barnes was a clerk in the Pension Office during the campaign. Now he is out of the Government employ.

He was unfortunate or unwise enough to testify against Taylor in a recent libel suit and he immediately left the employ of the Government. He laid upon his official neck with sufficient force to deprive him of his official living. As a consequence Barnes is mad. He is as indignant as Astwood and Still were at their treatment.

Astwood, who had "whooped up" the colored vote for "Cleveland and tariff reform" sadly remarked, as he returned to Republicanism and his church duties that Cleveland did not have the heart so much of a colored Democrat after the election as he did before.

Barnes says more than Astwood. He recites in detail the infamous treatment members of his race have received from the "representatives of the slave power," now in control of the Government.

Under the present administration, he says, the negroes have been indignantly treated. "These are a few of the reasons," he said, "that have forced me out of the Democratic party, and I am willing and anxious to retrieve the mistake of my life by doing all in my power to relegate that party back to an oblivion from which it has never been allowed to rise again."

MAKE THEIR ESCAPE.

Three Desperate Prisoners Leave Ludlow-Street Jail.

KEEPERS OVERPOWERED.

By a Display of Pistols the Desperadoes Secure Freedom.

ALL THE GUARDS SURPRISED.

Through a Big Crowd the Fugitives Make Their Way and Finally Vanish.

NEW YORK, N. Y., July 4.—Three desperate postoffice burglars, Joseph Killoran, Charles Allen and Harry Russell, prisoners of the United States Government, held up keepers Edward A. Schner and Charles Schoen at the Ludlow-street Jail, seized the keys that opened the three doors between them and liberty, and made good their escape. All this occurred in broad daylight, just at 8 o'clock this morning. The streets were crowded, as they always are in that neighborhood, and a crowd of 1000 chased the escaping prisoners down Ludlow street to Broome, where the men separated and were soon lost in the most crowded section of the streets of New York. The story of the escape of these men was told by Schoen and Schner, as well as by a civil prisoner who happened in the office at the time and was too excited to even make an outcry.

"I had just entered the jail," said Schner, "to relieve Schoen, who was the night keeper. The three prisoners took their exercise in the inner court of the jail between the hours of 8 and 9 o'clock every morning. They are sent back to their cells when the other prisoners take exercise between 9 and 10 o'clock. Just as I entered the door the three prisoners pulled out their revolvers and covered Schoen and myself. They are big men and very fierce looking."

"Hold up your hands," they shouted at us, "or we will blow your Dutch heads off." At the same time they yanked the keys to the three outer doors out of my hands. I was frightened badly as I looked into the barrels of three loaded revolvers, but I shouted as loudly as I could. Allen started to unlock the door leading from the hall where the hold-up took place, while his comrades still faced us with their revolvers. A crowd, however, began to gather in Ludlow street as they heard the unusual noise in the jail, and Allen could not open the door quick enough. He then, with an oath, smashed the big plate glass and reached through and opened the latch. This let him into the office with three heavily armed iron doors between him and liberty. We kept on shouting all the time, as the desperadoes rattled the big keys in the heavy doors. As they opened the doors they locked them behind them, leaving us powerless to follow in pursuit. The outer of the doors they left open, and left the bunch of keys in the lock, as they had no time to do anything else."

The crowd had reached great proportions by this time. A number of policemen came running up and the prisoners had to make lively tracks up Ludlow street, the crowd and the police right on their heels. At Broome street, one block north of the Ludlow-street door, from which they escaped, the men separated, one keeping on, Allen going east on Broome street and Killoran taking the western direction.

At Broome and Clinton streets a young man, Louis B. Ostran, was fast catching up with Allen, when the fugitive turned upon the pursuer.

"Now sneak, or I will put an airhole through your heart," he said. Ostran then gave up the chase and Allen was soon lost in the crowd.

LYNCHED FROM THE PULPIT

Vengeance of a Mob of Men Upon a Negro in Florida.

Preacher Bennett Dragged From His Church and Shot to Death.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., July 4.—A special to the Times-Union from Lake City, Fla., says: At the Hope Henry (colored) Church, about five miles southwest of Lake City, Robert Bennett, a young colored preacher, was dragged from the pulpit and lynched by a party of men between 4 and 5 o'clock this morning.

A revival has been going on at the church and when services closed a mourner was at the bench in a trance.

The preacher and several others remained to watch the man. All went to sleep and at 4 o'clock the lynchers entered the church and dragged Bennett from the pulpit. They carried him about a mile and shot him to death.

Bennett had been working in Suwanee County for Mr. Bryant Padgett and was accused of attempting to assault the latter's daughter. It is said the lynchers came from Suwanee County.

One College Enough.

KEOKUK, Iowa, July 4.—The trial of the case against the State Board of Health, for refusing to grant certificates to graduates of the Keokuk Medical College, began to-day. The evidence for the college indicated that Dr. Scroggins, the Keokuk member of the board, who is a director in a rival college, threatened that he would down the Keokuk institution through the State Board, and had induced it to take this action as a means to accomplish his end. It was also stated that Secretary Kennedy of the State Board declared that one college was enough for Keokuk.

Garfield's Son Honored.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, July 4.—James R. Garfield was nominated by the Republicans for the State Senate at Warren yesterday. Garfield is the son of the late President Garfield, and he received his first political honors on the fourteenth anniversary of the day on which Giteau shot his father.

vicinity of these stations. One of the wash-ouths about 200 feet in length and fifteen feet deep. One small bridge was washed out near Haigler. Traffic was delayed about twenty hours.

Fatal Boiler Explosion.

HOWARD, S. P., July 4.—The boiler in the Howard Roller Mills exploded this afternoon, completely wrecking the building and killing the engineer and seriously injuring five other people, three of them probably fatally. Two of the proprietors of the mill are not expected to live. The victims are: O. P. Walker, engineer, killed; T. C. Gould, Lemars, Iowa, not expected to live; J. P. Lawson, not expected to live; Robert Debold, badly mangled and burned, will probably die.

Omaha Police Dismissed.

OMAHA, NEBR., July 4.—At the Fire and Police Commissioners' meeting last evening fifteen members of the force were dismissed. The number included Chief of Detectives Haze and Sergeant Swigart. This is the first demeritation since the inauguration of Chief of Police Martin, imported from Chicago. Other changes are expected. Measures will be taken to oust Martin, as he is not a citizen of Nebraska.

Drowned While Boating.

OTTUMWA, Ia., July 4.—Thomas Clark and Miss Theo Reardon went out boating on the Des Moines last night and did not return. To-day the girl was found clinging to the capsized boat and drowned. Clark was not found. Both were about 22 years old. Search for Clark's remains has been unavailing.

Looted the Treasurer's Safe.

HARRISBURG, Ark., July 4.—The safe in the County Treasurer's office was robbed of \$5400 at noon to-day, while the Treasurer was absent. It is thought the robbery was committed by some person connected with the office.

Execution of a Murderer.

RUSK, Tex., July 4.—G. C. King was hanged here Tuesday. King was convicted in Cherokee County, December 20, 1894, of the murder of Dr. A. F. Drewry, aged 37, married, and the father of seven children.

Death of a Congressman's Sister.

CLINTON, Mo., July 4.—Mrs. Mary A. Ferguson, aged 50 years, died here at 2 o'clock this morning, after a long illness. She was sister of Congressman Outwaite of Ohio.

President Harper Dead.

NEW YORK, N. Y., July 4.—E. B. Harper, President of the Mutual Reserve Fund Life Association, died yesterday of cardiac pneumonia, aged 53.

Justice Orton Dead.

MADISON, Wis., July 4.—At 6:30 o'clock this evening Chief Justice Harlow S. Orton died very suddenly. Judge Orton was born in New York in 1817 and was educated in the Madison (Ind.) University.

NOW GUARDED BY POLICE.

Three Efforts to Burn a Big Apartment Building in Chicago.

Determined Efforts of Firebugs Cause a Panic Among the Occupants.

CHICAGO, Ill., July 4.—Three determined but unsuccessful attempts were made to burn the Mecca apartment building, the big flats occupying an entire block at Thirty-fourth and State streets, Tuesday evening. The greatest excitement prevailed among the members of eight families occupying apartments in the buildings, and thousands of people gathered in the streets to watch the firemen. The first fire was discovered in the basement at 7:30, but prompt work by the firemen prevented further damage than was caused by smoke.

The firemen had only just returned to their houses when another alarm came in from the same quarter. The second fire was found in the basement at the end farther removed from the first blaze. The arrival of the Fire Department the second time threw the occupants of the building into a state of panic. Men, women and children ran through the halls and into the street terror-stricken, but the quick work of the firemen reassured them and they returned to their abodes. After the first attempt police were summoned, and it was while they were being assigned to their places that the second fire broke out.

At just 9:37 another alarm was sent in. This time the fire was discovered in the basement, but on the side near the north end of the building. The firemen, however, were at the building in a jiffy and the blaze was extinguished. A search disclosed that inflammable material had been placed in several parts of the building, and the attempt at arson was so plain that Lieutenant Bonfield sent a large detail of police to guard the building all night. The affair will be investigated in the morning.

The building is owned by Paul J. Sorg, the big tobacco dealer of Middletown, Ohio, and during the World's Fair was known as the Mecca Hotel. The structure is valued at \$500,000 and is insured for \$175,000.

Advertisement for Dr. Sweeney's medicine, including a portrait of the doctor and text describing his expertise in treating various ailments.

Advertisement for Dr. Sweeney, featuring a portrait of the doctor and the text 'DOCTOR SWEANY'.

Advertisement for Dr. Sweeney's 'WHY BECAUSE MEN' medicine, describing its benefits for various ailments.

Advertisement for Dr. Sweeney's 'NOW GUARDED BY POLICE' medicine, describing its benefits for various ailments.

Advertisement for Dr. Sweeney's 'KIDNEY AND URINARY' medicine, describing its benefits for various ailments.

Advertisement for Dr. Sweeney's '\$20,000 WANTED' medicine, describing its benefits for various ailments.

Advertisement for Dr. Sweeney's 'Yale's La Freckla' medicine, describing its benefits for various ailments.