

FLAMES PLAY HAVOC AT FAIR

Fire Attacks House of Hoo and Destroys Costly Exhibit of the Lumbermen

STILL ALARM FROM PIKE

Small Blaze in Asia Concession Causes Stampede of Camels and Elephants

ST. LOUIS, June 24.—Fire which threatened for a time to destroy many buildings at the World's Fair, today consumed the house of Hoo Hoo, rendering the building and all contents a total loss. So quickly did the flames spread after the fire started that the occupants of the building, five in number, all on the second floor, had difficulty in escaping with their lives. The loss on the building and contents is estimated at \$50,000. The fire is supposed to have started from an electric light wire.

The fire department responded promptly, but the rapid spreading of the flames rendered its attempts to extinguish the fire valueless, and all effort was directed toward saving the Texas, German, Oregon and Mines and Metals buildings, all of which were threatened with destruction on account of flying shingles. All were saved without damage.

But ten minutes before the alarm from the house of Hoo Hoo, the World's Fair fire department had answered a still alarm from the mysterious Asia concession on the Pike, where fire had started in an elephant barn. The loss was insignificant, but there was a wild stampede of elephants and camels, the frightened trumpeting of the former awakening people on all parts of the grounds. None of the animals escaped from the building.

The house of Hoo Hoo was one of the first buildings finished for the exposition. It was erected by the lumbermen of the United States, but under the control of the local board of the Order of Hoo Hoo. It was divided into many rooms, constructed of different kinds of fine and expensive lumbers. Aside from this, there were specimens of rare woods which were valued highly.

There were thirty black cats in the building at the time of the fire, and these perished.

Fearing the Texas building would be destroyed, the women of that State worked heroically to save precious relics of early history. Sheets were torn from beds in the building and used to carry the relics to places of greater safety. One point of the star-shaped building of Texas is within seventy-five feet of the house of Hoo Hoo, and in the large first-floor room of this point the relics have been on exhibition. They include pictures, books, papers and various articles identified with the early history of the State, and are priceless. Nothing but the fact that the wind was not blowing toward the Texas building saved it.

The executive committee of the Order of Hoo Hoo held a meeting and announced to-night that the Hoo Hoo building, which was destroyed by fire, would be rebuilt and ready for occupancy within fourteen days.

DELEGATES AT FAIR.

Three Special Trains Carry Politicians to the Exposition Grounds.

ST. LOUIS, June 24.—The feature of the Swedish day celebration in Festival Hall was a chorus of 500 students from the University of Lund, Sweden. The exercises were preceded by a parade.

"George Rogers Clark day" was celebrated to-day by a special programme in the Kentucky building, which included the unveiling of a statue of General Clark.

The first day of the visit of the Republican national convention delegation to the fair grounds was made somewhat disagreeable by a drizzling rain, which made moving about the grounds unpleasant.

Nearly 1000 of the delegates and alternates arrived on three special trains to-day and will be the guests of the exposition. No formal arrangements have been made for their entertainment, but many of them will be guests at the New York building dedication Saturday. All the State buildings had prepared to entertain the delegates of their respective States.

Views Line Facade.

ST. LOUIS, June 24.—Pictures showing the old mission style of architecture, vine-clad verandas and the State of California generally have been placed on the facade surrounding the California exhibit in the Palace of Horticulture. The facade is also decorated with oranges and orange blossoms.

Grape-Fruit on Exhibit.

ST. LOUIS, June 24.—A very large exhibit of pomelo or grape fruit may be seen on the tables of the California section in the Palace of Horticulture to-day. Seven large pomelos are shown on a stem four inches long.

Cheap Fares on All Lines.

NEW YORK, June 24.—All the steamship lines have announced that they will meet the Cunard cut in east-bound steamer rates from this port. A reduction of \$10 also has been made by the Cunard for certain steamers sailing to Mediterranean ports. This brings the steamer rate to Naples down to \$20.

GRAPE-NUTS.

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GRIM TRAGEDY IN SKYSCRAPER

Detroit Clerk Drops From Window on Eleventh Floor After Shooting a Woman

DIES SOON AFTERWARD

Hundreds of Horrified Pedestrians Watch the Body Whirling Through the Air

DETROIT, Mich., June 24.—Charles Swayze, employed by a life insurance company and former assistant superintendent of the Detroit House of Correction, to-day shot Miss Edie Alvord twice while the couple were in a private office of the company's suite on the eleventh floor of the Chamber of Commerce building and then dropped from the window himself. He was picked up unconscious and died as he was being carried into the lobby of the building. Miss Alvord was shot in the neck and wrist, but not seriously hurt.

Miss Alvord went to the office of the life insurance company about 11 o'clock and asked to have a private interview with Swayze. She was shown into a small private office fronting on the State-street side of the building, where Swayze joined her, shutting and locking the door. In a few moments other persons in the office heard a struggle, then screams, which were followed in quick succession by several pistol shots. Manager McCall of the agency broke in the door and found Miss Alvord prostrate on the floor, her hair disheveled, her waist torn and blood pouring from wounds in her neck and wrist. Through the open window McCall could see Swayze's hands clutching the window ledge. They were in view for only a moment. Then Swayze let go and his body went whirling down through the air. It hit several wires and turned over twice, striking on the face and chest.

LETTER EXPLAINS TRAGEDY.

A bullet wound in his nose showed that he had shot himself. There was just a breath of life in Swayze's body when he was picked up, and he died while being carried into the Chamber of Commerce lobby.

Meantime physicians in the building had been summoned to the insurance office to attend Miss Alvord. They found that her wounds are not fatal.

Occupants of a building across the street from the Chamber of Commerce say that Swayze attempted to throw Miss Alvord out of the window. Her head and shoulders were seen across the ledge, and she was fighting desperately.

Then the couple disappeared from the window and the shots rang out, followed by Swayze's mad plunge.

A letter written by Swayze was found, which explains the tragedy. The letter says Miss Alvord was responsible for Swayze losing his position at the House of Correction.

Miss Alvord is an employee of a sewing machine company, but worked at the House of Correction when Swayze was there. Her home is said to be at Saginaw, Mich.

PEDESTRIANS ARE HORRIFIED.

Miss Alvord told the physician attending her that she had sent a telegram to Swayze asking him to come to her as a birthday present. She said she went to Swayze's office to-day to talk with him. He had been threatening, she said, to write to the mother of her sweetheart and tell her that Miss Alvord was not the kind of a girl her son should marry.

It is not certain that Swayze deliberately jumped from the window. It is thought by many that when he heard the door of the private office being opened he crawled out on the window ledge and endeavored to hang by his hands in a mad attempt to escape detection. Marks in the dust on the window ledge show where his fingers gradually dragged across it until his hold was lost. This is taken to indicate that he did not intend to jump.

The Chamber of Commerce building is at the corner of Griswold and State streets, one block from the busiest shopping districts.

Before Swayze's body whirled through the air, the attention of people had been attracted to the building by the cries of Miss Alvord as she fought at the window against being hurled to the street and by the pistol shots. Scores saw Swayze fall and hundreds of men, women and children were on the scene almost before the body was picked up.

Swayze was 53 years of age and leaves a wife and two children.

WOMAN BELIEVED TO HAVE CAUSED SHOOTING AFFRAY

Mystery Surrounds Crime Uncovered by Discovery of Wounded Man in House Near Cemetery.

BUTTE, Mont., June 24.—Richard J. Finnegan was discovered in a dying condition in a house near the Mount Moriah Cemetery early this morning. He lay on the floor, his body covered with blood. Beyond gasping in a feeble way that he had been shot by a person whose name he refused to divulge, Finnegan would say nothing when questioned by officers. He is wounded in two places, the head and left breast.

The police to-night are searching for Mrs. Lizzie Morrison, who is believed by the officers to cut a prominent figure in the shooting of Finnegan. From evidence at hand the authorities are inclined to believe that some man shot Finnegan in a jealous rage. From the appearance of Finnegan's room a desperate struggle occurred before he was shot down.

To-night when he realized that death was near Finnegan weakened, and in a signed statement says Mrs. Lizzie Morrison shot at him four times during a jealous rage. She shot at him twice as he lay in bed, but the fatal wounds were inflicted as Finnegan struggled on the floor with the woman, the statement says.

Finnegan is a married man. He recently came here from Chicago, where he has a wife and five children.

SANTA ROSA PREPARES FOR GRAND WELCOME TO CHRISTIAN ENDEAVORERS

Delegates of the California Union Will Assemble From All Sections at Seventeenth Annual Convention and Meeting Will Be Most Notable of Any Held in the West

THREE PRISONERS FOUND GUILTY OF MURDER

Slayers of Deputy Sheriff Wight in Arizona Will Pay Heavy Penalty.

TOMBSTONE, Ariz., June 24.—The trial jury to-day returned verdicts of guilty against the three prisoners charged with the murder of Deputy Sheriff Arthur Wight of Black Diamond in February last. The principal, a Mexican named Eredia, alias Chappo, was sentenced to be hanged, and his two associates, Mexican countrymen, named Morena and Figueroa, were sentenced to the penitentiary, the former for life and the latter, who was found guilty of murder in the second degree, will receive his sentence to-morrow.

The trio killed Wight while he was guarding the jail at Black Diamond, the Mexicans attempting to release two friends who had been previously arrested. The officer was taken un-awares and was killed before he had an opportunity to defend himself. The sentence of death is the first had in this country for six years.

HORRIBLE CRUELTY CONFESSED BY BRIDEGROOM

Young Man Deliberately Burns Animals in Stable in Order to Secure Insurance.

PASADENA, June 24.—Charles Long, aged 24, a bridegroom of a few weeks, is under arrest for arson and has confessed to a remarkable crime. In his confession Long states that, in order to collect \$1000 insurance money, he imprisoned a dozen cows in his barn by placing their necks between stanchions, then poured kerosene on hay in the stalls and set it afire. Four of the animals were burned to death. The barn was totally destroyed.

Accident on Torpedo-Boat.

NORFOLK, Va., June 24.—While undergoing a test in Hampton Roads today the United States torpedo boat Biddle, Lieutenant Marshall in command, sustained a serious accident. A boiler valve blew out, perhaps fatally scalding Fireman Warren and Water Tender O'Donnell. On board the Biddle were Captain Cowles and others, comprising a special commission appointed to test the torpedo boats.

Angry Owner Hacks Goat.

OAKLAND, June 24.—Richard Midson, a bricklayer, residing at 609 Madison street, was in the Police Court today on a charge of disemboweling a helpless goat that was browsing on a lot near his place. Midson, it is claimed, was angered because boys were playing with the goat, which was the property of Midson. After Policeman Forgie shot the animal he arrested Midson. In court the prisoner said he had cut the creature because it was about to attack a boy. Police Judge Mortimer Smith will decide upon the punishment to-morrow.

BOY INJURED BY A FALL.

Terry Dye, the 9-year-old son of John W. Dye, residing at 1268 Kentucky street, met with an accident yesterday which may prove fatal. The boy with other companions was engaged in the pastime of sliding down the banisters when he fell a distance of fifteen feet, striking an asphaltum floor. An examination of his injuries by Dr. Buell at the Petrosco Hospital indicated serious internal injuries.

All German soldiers must learn to swim. Some of them are so expert that, with their clothing on their heads and carrying guns and ammunition, they can swim streams several hundred yards wide.

Reliable gas ranges \$16.50, regular price \$20, this week only at S. F. Gas & Electric Co., 415 Post st.

Late Shipping Intelligence.

OCEAN STEAMERS. NEW YORK—Arrived June 24—Stmr Lucania from Queenstown. BOSTON—Arrived June 24—Stmr Sylvania from Queenstown.

ENDEAVORERS WHO WILL BE PROMINENT IN CONVENTION AT SANTA ROSA.

Special Dispatch to The Call.

SANTA ROSA, June 24.—The seventeenth annual State convention of the California Christian Endeavor Union will be held in Santa Rosa from June 29 to July 3, inclusive, and the convention probably will be the most important ever held by the Endeavorers. These young people are coming to Santa Rosa by the hundreds, and it is believed there will be a religious awakening in this city as a result of holding the convention here.

The last convention of the society held here was in 1892, at which the high mark of attendance was reached, and, judging from reports of the numbers coming from all portions of the State, the coming convention will eclipse all records for attendance since that time. Special trains have been arranged to bring the Southern California delegations. Specials will also bring the Santa Clara County delegation to this city, and from Alameda County a special train will be run one day during the convention.

Many eminent speakers will be present at the convention, and an interesting programme has been arranged for the sessions. The Athenaeum, the largest hall in Santa Rosa, has been engaged for the sessions, and other meetings will also be held at the First Presbyterian Church. All the State officers are expected here.

Local committees have been hard at work for some time past, and will have everything in a state of perfection before the time for the convening of the Endeavorers. Dr. David P. Anderson is chairman of the executive committee, and he is being ably assisted by a committee composed of A. C. McMeans, Miss Clytie D. Stark, W. J. Eardley, O. E. Bremner, H. J. Waters, Miss Nellie Mead, Miss Pearl Hendrickson, J. Fred McMinn, Rev. M. H. Alexander, L. E. Schieffer, Herbert Slater, M. T. Vaughan and J. F. Wallace.

GRANGER PREPARING TO IMPROVE OLD SYSTEM

Purchaser of Santa Cruz Railway Will Install Modern Methods in the Service.

SANTA CRUZ, June 24.—F. S. Granger, who has purchased the Santa Cruz Electric Railway, has arrived in Santa Cruz and will open his office in the County Bank building.

As soon as practicable Granger will put the old system in up-to-date shape, and will substitute a ten-minute schedule.

For the first time in five years a car passed over the track on Walnut avenue to-day.

FREE.

ONE BOX (3 CAKES) HIGH GRADE PERFUMED TOILET SOAP TO ALL PERSONS BRINGING A WANT AD TO-DAY FOR INSERTION IN NEXT SUNDAY'S CALL. (See Ad on Classified Page.)

DEPORTED MAN IS NOT WANTED

Telluride Merchant Who Returns to District Given Notice to Take Departure

COMMITTEE WARNS HIM

Cases of 100 Union Miners, Now in Confinement, Will Await the Return of Bell

TELLURIDE, Colo., June 24.—Harry A. Floaten, a merchant who was deported by the military two weeks ago and who returned home last night, departed again to-day after being waited upon by a committee of five citizens, who warned him that his life would be in peril if he remained here.

Upon arrival here Floaten was arrested and detained more than an hour, but no charge was preferred against him. He said he was advised by Acting Governor Haggott to return, as the deportation of citizens by the Citizens' Alliance would have to be stopped. The only accusation made against Floaten by Captain Bulkeley Wells, who ordered him to leave before martial law was suspended, was that he received on deposit at his store funds of the local miners' union and transacted business for that organization.

CRIPPLE CREEK, June 24.—The military commission held an all-day session to dispose of the cases of 100 union men now imprisoned in the various jails and bull pens in the district.

Colonel Edward Verdeckburg, commanding officer, said to-day that upon the return of General Sherman M. Bell from Denver arrangements will be made for the deportation of prisoners against whom no criminal charges are made.

President Charles H. Moyer of the Western Federation of Miners, is kept in close confinement and is not permitted to see visitors.

DENVER, June 24.—William D. Hayward, secretary of the Western Federation of Miners, who has been absent from his office for the past week, resumed his duties in the federation headquarters to-day, having received assurance that no warrant has been issued for his arrest and that none will be.

The federation officials are endeavoring to-day to arrange so that such goods in their Cripple Creek and Victor union stores as were not ruined by the marauders may be distributed to the wives and children of the miners who have been deported.

SILVER WATCHES NOT GOOD ENOUGH FOR BANDITS

Robbers Who Hold Up Saloon Leave Cheap Timepieces and Take Gold Ones and Coin.

BUTTE, Mont., June 24.—Three masked robbers early this morning held up a Dakota street saloon and compelled the proprietor, William Evans, and four men to throw up their hands and face the wall while their pockets were being rifled. Several silver watches were passed up in disdain, the hold-ups saying they wanted gold timepieces and not silver ones. The robbery occurred while a number of people were passing the street in front of the saloon. About \$200 was secured.

"LEAVES WIFE FOR ANOTHER.—S. R. Dale, a barber, according to a telegram received by the local police from his wife in Los Angeles, has run away with another woman, leaving his spouse penniless in the southern metropolis. The police have been asked to find the missing man, who is believed to be in this city.

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