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Block Bounded by Thirteenth, Juniper, Market and Filbert Streets Goes Up in Smoke - Tower on Wanamaker's Big Building Catches Fire and Collapses-Business Portion of a Nebraska Town Licked Up by Flames-Other Blazes.

Philadelphia, Jan. 27.-The most disastrous conflagration that has visited this city in recent years broke out shortly before 7 o'clock Tuesday morning in the rear of the basement of the big grocery store of Hanscom Bros., 1317 Market street, and before the flames were gotten under control, property amounting in value to \$2,500,000 or more had been destroyed. The flames were first discovered by John Wagner, a reserve policeman who was passing the big building at 6:30 o'clock. He imthe engines reached the scene the entire rear portion of the Hanscom & Dennett's big restaurant was ablaze. A second alarm was then sent in, and a few moments later a general alarm was sounded. Immediately adjoining Hanscom Bros. on the west, was the five story building occupied by Blum Bros., manufacturers of ladies' cloaks. The flames spread with almost light-ning rapidity and Brum Bros. building was soon a mass of flames. The water seemed almost to freeze before it touched the buildings, so bitter cold was

Other Buildings Catch Fire.

The next building on the west to be eaten up by the raging fire was that occupied by George Marshall as a restaurant; then came the manufactory of George B. Wells at 1323, and the rear of the wholesale grocery of Showell & Fryer at 1325 Market street. While the flames were sweeping west on Market street, the umbrella manufactory of Hirsch Bros., the largest in the world, which adjoined Dennett's restaurant, caught fire. The inflammable nature of the immense stock of light sliks added fuel to the seething flames, and in half an hour the beautiful eightstory building extending from 1309 to 1315 Market street, was a mass of flames. On the east of the Hirsch building, between 1309 and 1301 Market street, were the following tenants: The Mizpah restaurant, 1307; Sterner Ball, wholesale and retail cigar factory, 1305; wholesale and retail confectionery of A. Nickolacky, 1303, and the big drug store of H. Hillman at 1391, the upper story of which was occupled by Potter Bros. as a photograph

Big Printing House Gutted. On the north side of Hirsch Bros. factory, immediately across Silver street, stood the new seven-story building of Dunlap Bros., the only printing firm in the state with a capacity for printing the big blanket Australian ballots. This building extended from 1306 to 1310 Filbert street, and was 100 feet deep. The first floors were occupied by the Collins Carriage company. flames swept through and gutted it completely. The small buildings on Silver street, which runs west from Thirteenth to Juniper, were all gutted. The shop of Contractor Lewis Havens caught fire from the rear of Blum Bros., and three firemen were caught by a falling wall. Frank Piper of engine company 30 was the only man seriously injured. At 8:15 a. m. fire was discovered in the tower of John Wanamaker's big dry goods store. A stream of water from one of the water towers was run up to the burning structure, but the supply of water was either too small or the apparatus defective, as the stream would not reach. The tower contained a handsome clock and chimes.

Collapse of the Tower. At 9 o'clock theentire tower collapsed. the clock falling through to the first floor. Two lines of hose were then gotten on top of the gigantic structure and the flames which had threatened to destroy Philadelphia's most famous store was soon under control. The fire had been confined entirely to the Market street front and the loss sustained by Mr. Wanamaker was principally in the destruction of his clock and chimes, and the breaking of all the large plate glass windows on Market street. The roof of the building was ablaze at one time and it seemed as though the entire structure was doomed, but the hose operated by the employes of the big establishment kept the fire within

OTHER COSTLY BLAZES.

Several Narrow Escapes at a Fire at Lin-

Lincoln, Neb. Jan. 27.-The Hall-Lansing block, 1336 O street, was totally destroyed by fire at an early hour Tuesday morning. The block was given up to roomers, and as the legislature is in session, was quite full. Several had narrow escapes. One university student, named George Tebault, was carried out by the firemen. John Gorin and L. Bruno, legislative employes in the cloakroom, succeeded in getting to the sidewalk with the loss of all their clothing left in the room. The block was owned by Frank Hall and J. F. Lansing. The building was valued at \$75,000 and was partially insured. The cause of the fire was a lamp explosion.

Fires at Chicago.

Chicago, Jan. 27.—A new record has been established in the fire department headquarters at the city hall. Covering twenty-four hours there were nearly twenty-four hours there were nearly 100 alarms. Fire started in the carpenter shop owned by L. Furst in the basement of 244 Randolph street shortly before 6 o'clock Tuesday morning, and, rapidly spreading to the adjoining building, destroyed about \$55,000 worth of property and stock. The large grain

elevator of the W. H. Purcell Malting company, at One Hundred and Twenty-third street and the Belt Line tracks, was destroyed by fire early Tuesday morning. Loss, \$200,000.

Iowa Town Fire Swept

Omaha, Neb., Jan. 27.-A telephone message from Plattsmouth, Neb., says that the whole of the business portion of Pacific Junction, Ia., has been destroyed by fire. The blaze started in a grocery store and altogether about twenty-two or twenty-three buildings were destroyed, including the Pacific hotel and the Odds Fellows' building. At 2:15 word was received that it was too late for help to be of any avail.

Fire at New York.

New York, Jan. 27.-Fire, which started in the six-story building at 29 Pearl street Tuesday, brought the whole fire-fighting force in the lower section of the city to the scene. The basement was occupied by Waldon & Co., wholesale liquor dealers. The floors above and the adjoining building, 27, are occupled by Percy Kent, dealer in cottons, packing and baling. The loss to the latter is \$40,000, covered by insurance. Waldon & Co.'s loss is said to be about \$30,000, partially covered by insurance,

Fire at Milwaukee.

Milwaukee, Jan. 27.-Fire, swept away a cluster of small buildings on the corner of West Water and Wells streets, involved the ruin of the Kueinstierheim, a quaint Bohemian resort of considerable celebrity, the interior walls of which were decorated with odd and fantastic mural paintings. The place was built and furnished in the style of an old German public house. The loss on wall paintings is \$10,000.

Fatal Fire at Plattsmouth, Neb.

Plattsmouth, Neb., Jan. 27.-Fire started in the Burlington and Missouri coach shops at 7:45 Monday night. The coach shops and paint shops were destroyed, and much damage was done to other buildings. Several coaches were burned. The loss is placed at \$150,000. George Sletchner, an employe of the shops, fell from the roof of the building, breaking his neck.

Fire at Duluth.

Duluth, Jan. 27.-A fire which started about 2 o'clock Monday afternoon in the building occupied by Jacob Steubler as a saloon, almost totally destroyed that building and also the St. James hotel adjoining. The furniture of the hotel was partly saved, but the building is badly damaged. Losses on both buildings about \$15,000, almost entirely covered by insurance.

Commission House Burned Out.

Chester, Pa., Jan. 27.—The commission of house of J. D. Walton & Co., at Second and Edgement avenue, was partially destroyed by fire Tuesday. The origin of the fire is not known. building was occupied by J. D. Walton & Co., Harry Bloom, and William Gra-Their joint losses amount to about \$20,000; partially covered by in-

Flames at Syracuse, N. Y.

Syracuse, N. Y., Jan. 27.-Fire Monday night destroyed the Dillaye block and part of the Butler block. The following stores were burned out: W. W. Kimball company, planes and organs; New York Cloak house, Palmer's millinery stores. The total loss is about \$100,000, mostly insured.

New York Village Destroyed.

Utica, N. Y., Jan. 26.-The village of Poland, Herkimer county, was nearly destroyed by fire Tuesday morning. At 2 a. m. the flames were uncontrolled, and the villagers had no means of fighting them. Assistance was summoned from Herkimer. The loss was estimated at \$50,000 at that time.

Joliet in Darkness.

Joliet, Ills., Jan. 27.-The Economy Light and Power company's plant burned Monday, causing a loss of \$150,-000. The city was in darkness Monday night.

A large residence belonging to Leo Johnson near Assumption, Ills., was destroyed by fire. But little furniture was aved. Loss \$3,000; partly insured.

Block Bros.' clothing store at Manson, Ia., was burned. The estimated loss is \$10,000, with an insurance of \$2,-E. A. Richards owned the building, and it was insured for \$3,000.

The Hatch building, one of the largest commercial structures in Columbus, Miss., burned, together with its contents, including Mayo & Weaver's store. Loss \$50,000, insurance \$40,000. Fire destroyed the postoffice, the

building occupied by the Necedah Republican Printing company, a hotel owned by Mrs. Mary Bentley and the dwelling of Postmaster Joseph Stowasser at Necedah, Wis. Total loss about \$6,000; insurance \$2,000.

The large tannery of the Elk Tan ning company of Ridgway, Pa., located in Curwensville, caught fire, and all the main buildings, including an immense stock of leather and undressed hides, were destroyed. The loss is between \$125,000 and \$150,000. The amount

of insurance is not known. Seeley and Others Indicted.

New York, Jan. 27.—The grand jury has indicted Herbert Barnum Seeley, James H. Phipps, and Theodore Rich in connection with the recent dinner given by Mr. Seeley at Sherry's. The indictments charge them with conspiring to procure the indecent exposure of two certain dancing women. The men will be required to plead to the indictment in the court of general sessions.

Cuban Resolutions Adopted. Albany, N. Y., Jan. 27 .- In the senate

Tuesday there was a long debate over the Cuban resolutions passed by the assembly last week. After being amended so as to call for recognition of the belligerent rights of the insurgents, the resolutions were adopted.

Chicago Politician Dead. Chicago, Jan. 27.-Charles Kern, exsheriff, ex-county treasurer, politician, and club man, died Monday afternoon at his home, 4030 Grand boulevard. Mr. Kern's illness began a year ago.

Senator Sherman Denies Some Recent Rumors.

WILL BE IN M'KINLEY'S CABINET.

The Veteran Ohio Statesman Says He Will Not Withdraw His Acceptance of the State Portfolio-Expects Governor Bushnell Will Appoint Hanna to the Senate-Grosvenor Has Little to Say on the Ohio Senatorship—Capital City Notes.

Washington, Jan. 27 .- Senator Sherman has once for all set at rest the gossip predicted on his alleged intention of withdrawing his acceptance of the portfolio of secretary of state. In an interview drawn out by the wholesale publication of baseless sensational reports from all parts of Ohio representing that state to be riven with factional Republican quarrels, the senator lses this language, which would seem to leave no point unsettled:

"My acceptance of the portfolio of secretary of state was without any reservations or conditions. Governor Bushnell has about six weeks yet before it will be necessary to appoint my suc-cessor in the senate. There seems to be a general desire that Mr. Hanna should be selected for the seat, and, while I have no assurance on that point, I believe that Governor Bushnell will appoint him.

Hanna for the Senate.

Senator Sherman's belief that Mr. Hanna will come to the senate as his successor is shared by nearly all the Republican leaders in Washington who are familiar with politics in the Buck-eye state. The frequent reports which emanate from Cleveland that Senator-Elect Foraker is on the war path and is determined to prevent the selection of Mr. Hanna for the senate are pronounced by them to be utterly groundless and to have been set affoat largely through the agency of a leading Democratic aspirant for senatorial honors, who has adopted that course in the hope of getting up a row in the Republican camp where none now exists except in the imagination of the men who are engaged in the organized dissemination of maliciously inspired roorbacks.

LEAVENWORTH SOLDIERS' HOME, Colonel Smith Appears Before the Congressional Investigating Committee.

Washington, Jan. 27 .- Colonel A. J. Smith, the governor of the Leavenworth soldiers' home, against whom charges of mismanagement were brought by Representative Blue .: Kansas, was the chief witness before the congressional committee investigating the matter. He entered a general denial of the accusations made against him and asked for a further hearing. He said Meirs Powell's testimony in support of his affidavit filed with the committee at the last session could not be answered by him (Smith) now. Colonel Smith represented to the committee that with the large membership of the home it was absolutely necessary to hold over them the fear of dishonorable discharged in order that discipline might be enforced.

The majority of the inmates of the intitutions were sober, reputable men. He declared that there had been a conracy, which culminated about the time of the congressional investigation last summer, and the witness asserted it was for that reason there were many more cases of dishonorable discharges than usual at that time. Colonel Smith also ascribed the increase in arrests to the enlarged membership. In many instances the more money a pensioner re-ceived the more liquor he drank. He offered to show the papers accounting for every cent involved in the administration of the Keely fund, but the committee decided that that phase of the case should have been disposed of at Leavenworth, although the colonel was permitted to make a defense of the Keely cure. During the hearing Representative Blue emphatically declared he would not consent to let the investigation extend beyond this session of congress. Representative Warner will proceed to Leavenworth to take further testimony desired by the committee,

SHERMAN'S SUCCESSOR.

General Grosvenor Will Not Say Much on the Subject.

Washington, Jan. 27.-General Grosvenor of Ohio declined Tuesday to discuss the rumors from Ohio as to the probability that Governor Bushnell will appoint Lieutenant Governor Asa Jones to the vacancy in the senate upon the retirement of Senator Sherman, except to say that the sentiment in Ohio, as expressed in the newspapers, seemed to him overwhelmingly in favor of Mr. Hanna. With regard to the rumor that Senator Sherman reconsidered his acceptance of the state portfolio in case Mr. Hanna was not appointed to succeed him, he expressed himself most emphatically: "Mr. Sherman," said he, was tendered the premiership by Mr. McKinley on his own merits. He accepted and he would have no right now to repudiate his acceptance because of dissatisfaction with matters growing out of his retirement from the senate and moreover, I can say most positively that he has no intention of reconsidering his action.'

National Board of Trade.

Washington, Jan. 27.—The national Board of Trade at its first session Tuesday re-elected as president the venerable Frederick Fraley of Philadelphia who was absent from the meeting by reason of the illness of his wife, Fraley is 93 years of age and has been president of the board continuously since its organization. Ex-Governor E. O. Stanard of St. Louiswas elected temporary chairman. After a number of routine matters had been disposed of resolutions commending the Anglo-American arbitration treaty were unanimously adopted.

Resignation Tendered. Washington, Jan. 27 .- The secretary

of the treasury has received a telegram from Ambrose Lyman, internal revenue collector for the district of Montana, tendering his resignation. The department knows no reason for Mr. Lyman's

Wisconsin Wants Some Land.

Washington, Jan. 27.-The commissioner of the general land office gave a hearing on the application of the state of Wisconsin to have several thousand

acres of land in Wisconsin heretofore certified to the Sturgeon Bay Canal company transferred to the state. The state claims the lands are swamp lands and should pass to it under the act of

Desirable Post to Fill.

Washington, Jan. 27.—General Will-iam Brice Craighill, chief of enginners, after a most brilliant military and scientific record, will be retired next Monday on his own application, under the forty years' service law. The retire-ment will leave to the president the filling of a most desirable post. It is not yet known upon whom the choice will fall, but the general opinion seems to be that it will be between Colonel John M. Wilson, now division engineer of the northeast and superintendent of public buildings and grounds in Washington and Colonel H. M. Robert, division engineer at New York.

Senate Takes Up Silver.

Washington, Jan. 27.—The senate Tuesday took up the bill for an international monetary conference. White spoke in derision of Wolcott's trip to Europe. He read an extract from Chandler's paper which referred to Sherman as the great leader who would solve the problem of bimetallism. White said the effort to secure bimetallism in this way would prove futile, but it might satisfy its promoters with the idea that they were keeping their promises.

Passed Over the Veto.

Washington, Jan. 27.-The bill to pension Jonathan Scott of the Fifth Iowa cavalry, now living at Oswego, Kan., was passed over the president's veto by the house Tuesday.

ESCAPED IN A BLIZZARD.

Adventures in North Dakota of an Express

Chicago, Jan. 26.-Julius Sorensen, who embezzled \$500 of Northern Pacific express funds while agent at Grand Harbor, Ramsey county, N. D., has been arrested and part of the money recovered. He confessed to the crime and agreed to return, without requisition papers. His adventures in escaping from the snow-bound town were He left Grand Harbor in the dead of night, and made his way for several days in a blizzard with the temperature below zero, following the railroad tracks. One night he was wounded by ravenous wolves, from which he took refuge for a night on the roof of a low cabin. He at last secured a train for St. Paul, coming thence to Chicago, where he gave him-

POISON ON THE APPLES.

Three Children Are Dead and Another Is

Very Ill. Jeffersonville, Ind., Jan. 27,-A terrible tragedy took place at the home of George Madison, near this city, Monday. Mrs. Madison had been out working, Madison being sick. When she returned she brought apples for the children. The family ate supper, the children eating the fruit with on, while the parents peeled those they Immediately after Artie, 19 months old; James, 4 years old; Lulu, 8 years old, and a boy of 5, were taken severely ill with signs of strychnine poisoning. Before a physician arrived the first two named children were dead. Lulu died during the night and the boy is very ill. Mrs. Madison is also ill.

Illinois Legislature in Session

Springfield, Ills., Jan. 27 .- There was a large attendance in both houses of the legislature Tuesday. The members were thoroughly rested from the arduous labors attendant upon the election of a United States senator, at least they said they were, and were quite anxious to get to work. Nearly every member brought back a bill with him, and some brought back as many as three or four. Representative Revell of Chicago introduced a bill in the house to repeal the newspaper libel law which was

passed two years ago. Minneapolis Boodle Scandal.

Minneapolis, Jan. 27.-There were developments in the municipal boodling scandal Tuesday, when Building Inspector John R. Gillman was arrested under a grand jury indictment. His arraignment was delayed by the failure of his attorney to arrive, but it is supposed that the charge is boodling in connection with the letting of contracts by the state soldiers' home board, of which Gillman is a member. Indict-ments have also been returned for two more aldermen and their arrest is mementarily expected.

Manufacturers in Convention.

Philadelphia, Jan. 27.—The secon I annual convention of the National Association of Manufacturers opened Tuesday in Horticultural hall. There were 300 delegates present. President Search announced the annual committees of the convention after which he delivered his annual address. Secretary Wilson then read a number of communications extending the courtesies of various clubs and of the telegraph and telephone companies to the delegates. The convention then took a recess.

Noted German Editor Dead

Milwaukee, Jan. 27.—George Koeppen, editor-in-chief of The Germania and president of the Deutscher club, died Monday night shortly before 10 o'clock at the club house of heart disease. Mr. Koeppen had just presided over a meeting of the club, and was about to call to order a meeting of the board of di-rectors, when he became very faint. He was removed to the ladies' parlor and placed in an easy chair, and died a half hour later, while Drs. Jacob Lange and A. Bernard were atte