

VICTIMS OF DISASTER NOW NUMBER 587 --MONUMENT FOR UNIDENTIFIED DEAD

The number of dead is now definitely known to be 587, and of these 577 have been identified. The remaining 10 bodies were tonight removed to the county morgue, where they will be kept for identification.

OWNERS HELD FOR MANSLAUGHTER

Managers of Iroquois and Building Commissioner Arrested.

CAUSE OF HOLOCAUST

FOUND LIGHT REFLECTOR STOPPED ASBESTOS CURTAIN AND DEADLY FLAMES SPREAD.

By Associated Press.

Chicago, Jan. 2.—W. J. Davis and Harry Powers, proprietors of the Iroquois theatre and Building Commissioner Williams were arrested today, charged with manslaughter.

The warrants were sworn out by Arthur E. Hull, who lost his wife and three children. Hull explained that his action was not inspired by any motive of vengeance, but simply to make certain that the owners of the theatre may not escape by any chance.

It is a noteworthy fact that Building Commissioner Williams, who is now charged with manslaughter in connection with the greatest fire horror the country has ever experienced, owes his appointment to a fire tragedy which occurred two years ago.

Fire Inspector Fulkerson tonight announced that he had discovered the secret of the fire. The asbestos curtain, upon which the safety of the audience depended was, according to Fulkerson, blocked in its descent by a steel reflector carelessly left open by a stage hand.

Fulkerson, acting upon a clue furnished by John A. Mazzoni, scene-shifter, today discovered the dead, reflector still open in the theatre rooms.

On each side of the proscenium arc at the theatre was a metallic reflector, concave in form, 29 feet long and studded throughout the entire length with incandescent lights.

The carelessness of some employe resulted in the combination of the open reflector and the falling curtain which cost approximately six hundred lives.

Mazzoni was one of the first employes arrested. After his release this afternoon, on bond of \$5,000, he disclosed the truth of the misplaced reflector to Inspector Fulkerson.

CHICAGO'S HEAD BOWED IN GRIEF

Business Suspended While All Church Bells in City Told

REQUIEM FOR THE DEAD

MANY DOUBLE AND TRIPLE FUNERALS HELD—NUMEROUS PATHETIC INCIDENTS.

By the Associated Press.

Chicago, Jan. 2.—Chicago's head was bowed in grief today at the awful catastrophe of Wednesday afternoon. Business generally was suspended, the banks alone being the only commercial centers, which for obvious reasons could not close their doors.

For an hour at noon the bells of the city tolled a requiem for the dead. The idea of an hour for mourning was not generally disseminated, but when at noon the sound of the silver chimbes of St. James church on the north side were borne by the wind over the heart of the city, it seemed as though every other church in the city caught from it the inspiration and bells of each responded at once.

The churches in the outlying portions of the city were the last to respond but they at once followed and the bells of St. James had been silent two hours and more when the bells of the churches in the southwest portion began their tolling.

Outside of what little business was transacted down town, the city was given over to funerals. There was not a cemetery in Chicago which did not see one or more, some having as high as a score.

Two double funerals came through the downtown streets just as the large merchandise stores were dismissing their employes at noon. The sound of the St. James chimbes was carried on the air and the people recognizing the solemnity of the occasion, lined the streets and stood, many of them, with bared heads while the funeral passed slowly on.

One of these funerals was that of a brother and sister, John J. Fitzgibbons, 18 years old, and his sister, Anna, 16. The other was that of two sisters, Mrs. Ella M. Cantwell and Mrs. P. U. O'Donnell.

A triple funeral was held at noon from 2227 Groveland avenue, from whence the remains of Myron A. Becker, wife and daughter, Mamie, were taken to Rose Hill cemetery. The sole survivor of this family is a daughter eight years old who did not attend the theatre.

The bodies of Francis and Agnes Kennedy were followed by hundreds of relatives and friends from St. Bernard's Catholic church. Fifty young women followed with the caskets as they were carried to the altar. The sisters were both teachers in the Chicago public schools.

A triple funeral at 2183 east Monroe street was that of Mrs. E. Schradler and daughters Irene and Inna. The husband and father has been dead some time and the catastrophe of Wednesday exterminated the family. There were several other double and triple funerals held during the day.

The largest funeral to be held tomorrow is that of the entire family of Morris Eger, 2769 Indiana avenue. Mr. and Mrs. Eger, who are aged people, lost three daughters and two grand children, and are left alone of all their family.

PROMINENT GERMAN SENTENCED

Munich, Bavaria, Jan. 2.—Leonhard Seyboth, a member of the Reichstag and a manufacturer of this city, has been sentenced to fifteen months imprisonment and loss of civil rights for five years for forging bills of exchange.

CHICAGO THEATRES CLOSED BY MAYOR

Every House in City Except One is Dark with Locked Doors.

MUST COMPLY WITH LAW

IN EVERY RESPECT BEFORE THEY WILL BE OPENED—MAYOR IS FIRM.

By Associated Press.

Chicago, Jan. 2.—Tonight every theatre in Chicago except the Auditorium is dark, and the doors are locked. Not one is open to the public until the managers have complied in the fullest major with every section of the ordinances regulating play houses.

The order compelling the theatres to close was issued this afternoon by Mayor Harrison after conferring with Corporation counsel Tolman who assured the mayor that ample legal ground existed for the action.

Seventeen theatres and museums were closed last night and the sweeping order of the mayor today shut the doors of seventeen more. Many of the theatres are the leading theatres in the business section of the city—Studebaker, Grand Opera house, McVickers, LaSalle, Garrick, Bush Temple, Calumet, Cleveland, Great Northern, Haymarket, Hopkins, Peoples, Trocadero, Columbus, Illinois and Powers.

The last two named are owned and controlled by Powers & Davis, managers of the ill-fated Iroquois. The Garrick theatre closed today is not to be confounded with the Garrick theatre closed yesterday, it being one of the largest play houses in the city, while the one closed yesterday in a smaller affair in the northwest section of the city.

There was a hasty rush of theatrical managers to the mayor's office in an effort to secure the withdrawal of at least a postponement of the order but their reception was exceedingly frosty.

A description of the asbestos curtain that burned in the Iroquois led to the decision that asbestos curtains are not to be relied upon in the future.

In order to open again the theatres must comply with these conditions: Steel roll curtains, wide exits, no combustibles of any kind in the house furnishings, fire proof scenery, no calcium or "spot" lights to be used on the stage, skylights above stage provided with automatic lifts to permit egress of smoke, separate stairways for each exit having its own stairs leading to the street.

The Auditorium is the only theatre left open that has a steel roll curtain, and this the mayor considers the only kind that affords absolute protection against fire.

SLASHED ADMIRER IN COURT WITH RAZOR

INFURIATED WOMAN CUTS JUGULAR VEIN OF ATTENTIVE MAN.

While Judge Was Hearing Case Woman Who Caused Arrest of Man Assaults Him.

By Associated Press.

Orange, N. J., Jan. 2.—In a crowded court room today, Mrs. Carmelo Barba drew a razor from her dress pocket and slashed Pasquale de Parma across the neck severing the jugular vein.

The man and woman were directly in front of Judge Bray at the time and the blood spattered the judge's face and clothing. The wounded man is in a critical condition.

The woman had caused the arrest of De Parma whom she accused of annoying her by his attentions.

GAME WARDENS MEET IN BATTLE

Minnesota Deputies Try to Confiscate Nets and are Taken at

POINT OF WINCHESTERS

HELD BY WISCONSIN SHERIFF AND WARDENS—RELEASED ON BOND.

By Associated Press.

Peplin, Wis., Jan. 2.—The Minnesota and Wisconsin game wardens met in battle in Lake Pepin today.

Ira Wick, game warden of Wabasha and deputies, came up to Lake Pepin to confiscate the net belonging to Wisconsin fishermen. Fully armed they commenced to raise the Wisconsin nets.

O. G. Fuller, deputy sheriff and three deputy game wardens went out to resist the Minnesota wardens. Fullerton read a warrant to the same. The Minnesotians drew their revolvers but were quickly covered by Winchester rifles and surrendered. The Minnesotians were released on \$10,000 bonds to appear for hearing January 7th.

The law of Wisconsin permits fishing in the lake, but the laws of Minnesota do not. Up to a year ago Minnesota wardens claimed the right to enforce the Minnesota law anywhere on the lake, and the test was taken through Wisconsin courts to the supreme court, which decided that the Minnesota wardens must stay on their side of the line.

ANOTHER THEATRE FIRE

Blaze in Berlin Trap Discovered Just in Time—Chicago Horror Stirs The Emperor.

By Associated Press.

Berlin, Jan. 2.—Fire by an electric wire started last night in the cloak room of the new Royal theatre during the performance of "A Midsummer Night's Dream." A fireman stationed at the theatre discovered the flames and put them out without the audience being alarmed.

The historic Royal opera house is the only theatre in the city not regarded as safe. The Chicago disaster will probably hasten its reconstruction, which has long been considered. Experts went over the opera house today examining the electric lighting, stage arrangements and working condition of the asbestos curtain, with the object of reporting to Emperor William the present condition of the opera house and what changes are essential to place it in the highest state of safety.

NEW YORK ALSO MOURNS

In Sympathy With the Stricken City—Trinity Bells Told at Noon Yesterday.

By the Associated Press.

New York, Jan. 2.—In various sections of Manhattan, Chicago's great sorrow and her mourning for those who died in the terrible Iroquois fire were brought home to thousands by the tolling of the bells in all the churches and chapels embraced in the Trinity parish.

Just as Wall street was sending forth its thousands who had finished their week's work this noon, the parent church, Trinity, sent forth its solemn notes and they were echoed in the six other churches and chapels of the parish.

Another landmark to go. Some of the oldest buildings near Westminster abbey in London are threatened with destruction to make way for safely modern improvements.

Baron Street, which may be regarded as the parent street of the parish, dates from 1722 and was named after its first owner, Baron Bosc, the actor of Cowley, in Middlesex, hence Cowley street, in the same neighborhood. Booth was famous as Casp in Addison's play, in which part he delighted the town. The removal of these streets may be described as a double-injury to Booth's memory, kept green in the abbey close by. Booth's last in post's corner was erected by his second wife, Mrs. Ladbroke, the actress, in 1772. Educated at Westminster school, bound to the neighborhood by ties of property and honored in the abbey, Booth's name still demands respect. He is said to have been an ancestor of Julius Brutus Booth and therefore of the latter's son, Edwin Booth and John Wilkes Booth, the assassin of President Lincoln.

BANQUET FOR THE FAITHFUL

Treat for Democrats on Home-Coming of Billy Bryan.

GOLD BUGS CUT OUT

AND ONLY DEMOCRATS WHO ARE DEMOCRATS WILL BE THERE—NO LOVE FEAST.

By Associated Press.

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 2.—An invitation was issued today by the Bryan Democrats, asking the faithful to a banquet January 18, to welcome William J. Bryan upon his return home from his trip abroad. The invitation says: "It is to be a Democratic banquet in fact as well as in name, given by Democrats who not only refuse to apologize for remaining true to the principles of Democracy as enunciated in Chicago and Kansas City platform, but deny with due Democratic emphasis that they owe any apology to the Democrats who deserted the party during these campaigns and lent their aid and comfort to the enemy. While standing ready at all times to welcome the wandering and erring ones back to the Democratic fold upon sufficient evidence that in the future they purpose to support the Democratic ticket, the Democrats who are arranging for this banquet to the Democratic gallant leader decline to step aside to make room at the family table for those who betrayed the household of the faith."

WAR DOGS WILL SOON BE TURNED LOOSE IN FAR EAST

Japan to Abandon Diplomacy for Force--Russia Hopes to Postpone Hostilities.

By Associated Press.

Peking, Jan. 2.—Information in possession of the best informed diplomats in Peking convinces them that war is inevitable, probably within a few days.

Count Cassini, the Russian ambassador, thinks the far eastern situation "bloody but not without some hope of salvation."

At the Japanese legation tonight it was intimated that if the Russian reply does not give a definite assurance that in general concessions asked by Japan in Korea will be granted, the Tokio government will be impelled to abandon diplomacy for force.

Dispatches received by the Japanese minister from Tokio today tell of the critical state of purpose there. It is stated that if Russia fails to give a definite reply, Japan will interpret the dilatory note as indicating Russia's wish to defer hostilities until spring when her forces on land and sea can be used to a better advantage. If Japan is convinced of Russia's intention not to accept her proposal the Tokio government, it is declared, will not hesitate to take the initiative and assume the responsibility for making war.

Japan to Abandon Diplomacy. Washington, Jan. 2.—The Associated Press learns from an official source that Japan in her last note to Russia announced that the minimum proposition which she can accept from Russia are the rights in Korea equal to those claimed by Russia in Manchuria.

In return, it is said that Japan agrees to recognize only the supremacy of Russia in Manchuria. To this proposition the Associated Press is informed Russia will not give its approval, feeling that Japan should be content with the modifications in form of concessions in Korea for her commerce.

The Russian government has not abandoned hope of diplomatic settlement of the question. In view of the powerful pressure which Great Britain and France are bringing to bear upon Japan to consent to the continuance of negotiations but it is emphatically stated that Russia will never admit a parallel between her position in Manchuria and that Japan in Korea.

SAW WIFE KISSED 65 TIMES THEN SHOT THE ARDENT LOVER

By Associated Press.

Manhato, Minn., Jan. 2.—Henry Kleinmann was arrested today for attempting to kill Andrew Anderson Klemann says while pretending to be asleep he saw Anderson making love to his wife, and that after seeing Anderson kiss Mrs. Klemann sixty-five times he could stand it no longer, and got a rifle and fired six shots. He said he would have killed them both if it had been light enough to see, but they fled to a neighbors before he could shoot any more. Anderson received a flesh wound in the arm.

HALF OF AN ILLINOIS TOWN WIPED OUT BY DISASTROUS FIRE

By Associated Press.

Vincennes, Ind., Jan. 2.—Half the town of Birds, Illinois, was wiped out by fire today. Two drug stores, general stores and hardware stores were burned. The fire was gotten under control before the entire town was destroyed although the loss will reach far into the thousands.

ANOTHER THEATRE DISASTER CHECKED BY HEROIC ACTION

By Associated Press.

New York, Jan. 2.—The cry of "fire" at a matinee in the Thalia theatre afternoon caused a panic, but the rush of the audience was stopped by the heroic measures adopted by the police and employes.

Chairs and seats met the rush the moment it began, the police and employes of the theatre rushing the crowd and literally lifting the leaders from their feet and forcing them into the seats.

The attack of the policemen from the front was as sudden as had been the fire alarm and served in a moment to quiet the crowd and avert what could not have failed to be a murderous and deadly stampede.

CUPID NOW KEPT BUSY PLENTY OF COAL HERE

Alexander County Marriage License Record Was Largest in History of the County.

By Associated Press.

Omaha, Jan. 2.—Zero weather has prevailed for nearly 24 hours throughout Nebraska and western Iowa, with the temperature still falling.

Zero in Nebraska and Iowa.