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Narrowly Escape Death at 948 South Fourth Street as They Arouse Sleeping Parents

DADDY! DADDY! THEY CRY AS FLAMES ARE LEAPING

Four children, the eldest only eleven years old, ran through a burning room when they might easily have escaped by a stairway in another direction, so they might awaken their sleeping parents when fire broke out last night in the home of Harry Steinberg, at 948 South Fourth street.

The children, cut off then with their father and mother by a rising wall of flames and smoke, were rescued by a six-year-old boy, who climbed an awning pole and carried them from a second story window.

Steinberg, his wife Anna and his four children live over his drygoods store. The children are Stuart, eleven; Anne, four; Bertha, three, and Louis, two.

The parents sleep in the front room on a second floor, and the children in the rear room on the same floor. There is a spare room intervening between the two.

The household had retired early last night and all were asleep when the fire started in some unexplained manner in a closet in the middle room.

Fire spreads as family sleeps

While father and mother and children slept the flames gained headway until they burst from the closet and the room was full of smoke.

It drifted into the back room, where the children were asleep, and awakened Samuel, the eldest. Choking and frightened, he called out loudly for his father and mother to awaken his little sister and two younger brothers. He told them to get up quick, that the house was on fire.

While their nightclothing, the three younger children followed the eldest boy. He looked through the door where the smoke was coming and saw the flames shoot from the closet. Just beyond the children's room lay safety, down the stairs. But just beyond the flames lay their parents, asleep, and unaware of their danger.

Samuel didn't hesitate. "Hurry up," he said to the other children, "all hold hands and beat it."

The four frightened children joined hands, held their breath as best they could against the smoke, and scurried into their parents' room.

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Cry for help

Steinberg and his wife awakened, and the family sought escape together. By that time the fire was burning too fiercely for it to be safe to rush through the middle room, so they shut the door and went to the window to call for help. A neighbor turned in an alarm.

Before the engine could arrive, however, two young men, Max Mosman, sixteen years old, of 945 South Fourth street, heard the calls for help and bravely went to the rescue.

He quickly climbed the iron support of the store awning, got on the cornice over the store front, and crept along to the window. He took the youngest child in his arms, then made his way back again, holding on to the window to the awning crosspiece, where Israel waited for him and relieved him of his burden. The two boys worked so quickly that in five minutes they had all the children down and in a neighbor's house.

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Each follows the same line of reasoning. Remove the prospect of future war and a just solution of political difficulties will follow. It has been Senator Borah's reasoning in urging disarmament first and apart from a consideration of the Far East.

Shifts Administration's Position

The Secretary's action on Saturday was a surprising departure from the Administration position as the Conference approached. All along the Administration has said that the strength of this Government was that it sought nothing; that this country was richer and could build naval ships faster than any other power.

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I have said that Mr. Hughes has asked for and obtained what this country and he himself sought. Two ends were uppermost in the minds of the Administration, one to reduce the burdens of naval armament, and the other to end the Anglo-Japanese alliance.

The American forces did not act. General Woodrow Wilson, the Haitian president, fearing impeachment, issued a decree of dissolution. General Cole added, however, that when Brigadier General Woodrow Wilson, the Haitian president, issued a decree of dissolution, he had a military decree of dissolution for use if the president did not act.

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GARAGE WATCHMAN BOUND

Six Robbers Steal Truck and Fifty Cases of Cigarettes

A delivery truck, loaded with fifty cases of cigarettes, was stolen by six robbers, who were later arrested, and the truck was found with a piece of rope tied up in the garage and jumped into the truck and drove off.

NATIONAL GUARD HAS 132,000 MEN

WASHINGTON, Nov. 14.—With a total of 132,000 men enrolled, National Guard units, recognized by the Federal Government, have reached a strength almost equal to that of the present Regular Army. It was announced today by the War Department, New York State, with an enrollment of 17,693, has the largest organization at present.

ANTHRACITE MINERS OUT

8000 Quit Because of Refusal to Promote Blacksmith's Helper

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Nov. 14.—(By A. P.)—Eight thousand anthracite mine workers at six collieries of the Pennsylvanian Coal Company went on strike today because, it was announced, the company refused to promote a blacksmith's helper to the position of blacksmith after the latter had quit his job. Other grievances are said to be involved.

Man Found Dead From Gas

Frederick Smith, sixty-three years old, was found dead in bed at his home, 1212 Palmyra street, by the Teat's district police last night. A small gas leak in the room was leaking. The body was taken to the Roosevelt Hospital and turned over to the family when it was determined that life was extinct.

When you think of writing, think of THE EVENING PUBLIC LEDGER.

Hughes' Plan Would Scrap Five Ships Here

Ships building here that would be scrapped under the plan of Secretary Hughes presented to the Limitation of Armament Conference are as follows:

New York Shipbuilding Company: Colorado, 16-inch guns—48 per cent completed.

Washington, 16-inch guns—85 per cent completed.

Saratoga, battle cruiser—7 per cent completed.

Philadelphia Navy Yard: Constitution, battle cruiser—3 per cent completed.

United States, battle cruiser—5 per cent completed.

AUTO KILLS GIRL, 7; DRIVER SPEEDS OFF

West Phila. Pupil Hit as She Crosses Street Holding Hand of Little Sister*

COMPANION KNOCKED DOWN

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