FIREBUGS RETURN

Frightened Off From Chester Co. Farm, They Come Back and Fire Structure

LOSS \$12,000 IN 31ST BLAZE

Firebugs, frightened away from the barn of Alphonse Alleva, near Ald-ham Station, Chester County, early Saturday morning, returned yesterday

Saturday morning, returned yesterday morning and burned it to the ground. The loss was \$12,000.

Fire marshals and State police were told by George Kellman, who lives close to the lane entering the Alleva farm, that he was awakened Saturday morning by an automobile going up the lane and saw three men get out of the machine and flash a light about the barn. They left hastily, probably frightened by the light which Kellman turned on so he could see to load his shotgun.

State troopers, working under direc-So he could see to lond his shotgun.
State troopers, working under direction of Major C. M. Wilhelm, believe the men returned Sunday morning and applied their torch. Their flashlights were again seen about the barn shortly before it was fired.

Thirty-first Barn to Go Thirty-first Barn to to This was the thirty-first barn to be burned in Chester, Delaware and Montgomery Counties since early in October and the third to go up in flames in the last four days. Almost all of the fires are thought to have been the work of a firebug, evidences of incendiarism having been found at many. Two other barns within a mile of that of Alleva

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have been burned.
Two calves and more than a hundred
chickens perished in the fire, while
twenty cows, a bull and four horses
were saved by Mr., and Mrs. Alleva
and two men who board with the fam-

Alleva was awakened at 3:30 e'clock by an automobile which was driven close to the lane leading to the barn. She saw men flashing lights about the called a few days ago at a hotel owned barn. An hour later she looked from her window and saw flames issuing from the open barn doors where the from the open barn doors where the looked was stored.

Barn Destroyed Quickly two boarders and all four ran to the structure and brought out twenty cows and four horses, but were unable to reach the chickens or the two calves. It

was impossible to save the contests of the upper portion of the structure, and thirty tons of corn fodder, a huge quantity of hay, straw, oats, wheat and all the implements were lost. The barn was destroyed within fifteen minutes. Neighbors saved the dwelling and tenant house near the barn, buckets being used. No firemen were called, it being considered useless since there was no water for their use. The snow covering the roofs also added much in protecting the buildings other than the

Fire Marshal John V. Nolan, of Malvern, after an investigation, said he was convinced the blaze was the work of a fire-bug. He notified Marshal Soule, of Contesville, while the State

George Bowman, living in the nearest bouse to the scene of the fire, gave a clue to the mysterious automobile and a fair description of it. He had driven adelphia Men on Suspicion his car to Phoenixville Saturday night, and when returning early Sunday morn-

ing saw a machine being zig-zagged about the road ahead of him near Devault Station. He said he feared a hold-up, and kept behind it. It was turned suddenly and driven past him and along the road. A few moments later it again returned and was driven directly toward the Alleys form directly toward the Alleva farm.

PARROT'S CRY OF "FIRE" NOT A BURGLAR ALARM

Bird Awakens Owner Who Finds Kitchen Aflame After Card Party A pet parrot saved a three-story partment house, the Juanita 1328 efferson street, from destruction by

Jefferson street, from destruction by fire early today.

C. J. Doyle, who has an apartment on the top floor of the Juanita, had a card party in his kitchen last night. The play lasted well into the early hours. When the players had gone, Doyle retired, but a few moments after he had gone to sleep, he was awakened by the shrill screams of his parrot, which he kept in the kitchen.

In the last few weeks, three attempts have been made by burglars to enter Doyle's apartment. Thinking the bird had been alarmed by another attempt to force an entrance, Doyle rushed into the kitchen with his revolver. Instead of burglars, he found the woodwork in the kitchen in flames.

Doyle, who is a cripple, called the fanilor, and with his help put out the fire before arrival of the firemen. It is thought the flames started from a cigar butt, thrown on the floor by one of the card players.

AUTOMOBILE SIDEWIPED

Mrs. William Gee. 3553 Sepviva street, is in the Germantown Hospital, suffering from bruises and shock, and her husband and daughter, Yvonne, twenty years old, are at their home, both suffering slight cuts, following the sidewiping of Gee's automobile early today at Norwood avenue and Church lane, Germantown.

The machine that ran into Gee's auto was driven and owned by Joseph Andreoli, 6167 North Bouvier street. With him was Louis S. Bugaretti, 756 South Eighth street. Andreoli was arrested and held for a hearing and Bugaretti was held as a material witness.

FIND ROV DEAD IN ORESEA.

FIND BOY DEAD IN CREEK

Fishing Rod and Line Discovered Near Body

Park guards have been unable to identify a Negro boy about twelve years old, whose body was found partly submerged in Cobb's Creek at Sixty-third and Arch streets yesterday after

A fishing rod and line was found near the body and park guards believe that the boy fell into the stream while fish-ing and drowned. The body was sent

CITY HALL IN BOWER

Christmas Trees and Greens Once More Surround Big Building

City Hall began to take on its atmosphere of Christmas today, when the first of the Christmas trees and freenery which are sold there arrived.

Besides providing a holiday decoration for the municipal building, the tree-stands at the east entrance become the center of interest for boys and come the center of interest for boys and girls out with their parents on shopping

FIRE DRIVES OUT ROOMERS

Six occupants of a rooming house, fed to the street at 7 o'clock this mornfind to the street at 7 o'clock this morning when a fire, caused by a cigarette falling on a mattress, swept through the upper floors of a three-story brick building at 2008 South street. The house is owned by Fred Thomas.

Damage estimated at several hundred dollars was caused in the two upper floors before extinguished.

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On Way to This City



Woman Also disappeared when Hammer slayer escaped from Jail, is reported to have relatives here

DRY AGENT ARRESTED FOR ACCEPTING "BRIBE"

Homer Robbins Brought Here After Luzerne Police Make Charge Homer Robbins, a special prohibition gent, was brought to Philadelphia to-

day by a Department of Justice agent.

charged with accepting what he thought was a bribe from a hotelkeeper in Lu-zerne, near Wilkes-Barre. Robbins was arrested Saturday night when, according to the agents, he ac-cepted the supposed bribe in marked money while police officers were con-cealed under the table as the deal took

Barn Destroyed Quickly

The police officers concealed themnotified her husband and the selves under a table and when Robbins arrived he was taken to the room where the policemen were hidden. Zelinsky says he handed him marked money which was found in Robbins' pocket by the police when they arrested him.

AUTO SALESMAN TO PAY FOR DAMAGE TO ROAD

Pitman Officials Hold Car Driven Over New Concrete Surface

The pleas of his employer obtained the release from the Woodbury jail last night of R. W. Weeks, an automobile salesman of this city and a former army aviator, who drove a car for 300 yards over the soft concrete of a newly surfaced road at Pitman, N. J. was convinced the blaze was the work of a fire-bug. He notified Marshal Soule, of Coatesville, while the State police in West Chester sent a detail out at once.

Mystery Automobile Seen

No tracks of an automobile was supported by the concrete Saturday night, leaving deep tracks in its wake. When it stalled neighbors held Weeks until police arrived. Justice of the Peace Hairnes committed him to jail for thirty

No tracks of an automobile were found on the lane leading to the burned building, and it is believed it was halted on the road close by. The melting of the snow obliterated tracks of persons about the barn, and those of early arrivals on the fields could not be seen within a short time.

Haines committed min to juit for that, Although Weeks was released, the township officials are holding the car as security for the payment of damages to the road. A contractor today began patching up the ruts.

HOLD HUMAN FORTRESSES

Salvatore Marine and Samuel Conti-both of Philadelphia and the latter reboth of Philadelphta and the latter re-cently of Wilmington, Del., who were arrested in that city yesterday and found to be heavily armed, were ar-raigned in Municipal Court. Wilming-ton, this morning. The men were ar-rested as they were about to board a train for Philadelphia and each had two pistols, one an automatic, and ammunition.

They have refused to make any statement about their intentions. A the request of counsel their hearing was postponed until a week from tomorrow, to which time they were held under \$2500 bail each. Being unable to furnish security they were committed.

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THE STREET

SAY MRS. CAFFEE FINE STATIONERS

Disappeared From Los Angeles When Clara Phillips Broke Out of Jail

CHIEF WITNESS FOR STATE

Peggy Caffee, chorus girl and chum of Clara Phillips, who was convicted in Los Angeles of the murder of Alberta Meadows, is on her way to this city, according to a report received from an east-bound Santa Fe train at

Albuquerque.

Mrs. Caffee, it is said, has relatives in this city. She has refused to discuss the recent escape of her former chum.

Los Angeles, Dec. 18.—Officials in the search for Clara Phillips, who escaped from prison while serving a term for the murder of Alberta Meadows, are searching for an unnamed woman who they believe holds the key to the mystery. Under-Sheriff Biscailuz said it would be a matter of days before she would be found. He declared it was virtually certain that the woman could give information as to the persons who aided Mrs. Phillips in her escape.

rescape.

Tea women inmates of the county jail were questioned yesterday. In all, more than twenty persons have been

interrogated.
Word from Kansas City police shattered what was at first believed to be an important clue to Mrs. Phillips whereabouts. Officers discovered a telegram sent two days after the escape to an address in Kansas City, and signed "Clara." The wire stated a registered letter was to follow. According to the police of the Eastern city, the party to whom the telegram was addressed knew nothing of Clara Phillips. According to a telegram received here yesterday. Clara Phillips is in Tia

yesterday. Clara Philips is in Juana. The telegram states that the "tiger woman" can be seen daily in the streets of the Mexican border town. The sender of the telegram, according to Biscailuz, is of good repute along the border. Unofficial reports from Government officials at San Diego give credence to the story.

RIDGE AVENUE IS GAY

Roxborough's Shopping District Puts on Festal Display for Holidays Roxborough business men have decorated the main shopping district of that section, which is on Ridge avenue between Lyceum and Leverington avenues, with electric light streamers, Christmas trees and placards, giving the streat a festive apparance.

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\$13.50. Knitted jackets, \$7.50 to

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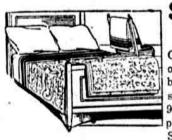


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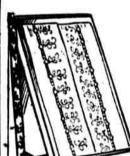
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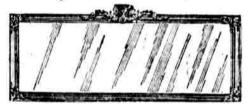


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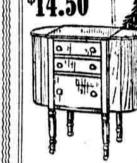
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