## HARRISBURG



## TELEGRAPH

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# 'FIRE SWEEPS CENTRAL BUSINESS BLOCK WITH LOSS OF \$150,000

Twelve Business Places Gutted or Destroyed; Nine Apartments Burned Out; 54 Automobiles Lost in Central Garage

THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE CROWD THE FIRE LINES

Firemen Do Splendid Work and Save Brewery; Thrilling Rescues; Several Fire-Fighters Hurt; Gasoline Explosions Add Fuel to Big Blaze; No Loss of Life

Fire early this morning swept the business block on the northwest corner of Fourth and Chestnut streets, entailing a loss estimated at \$150,000. Twelve business places were wiped out nine residences and apartments were destroyed and thirty-one people were made homeless.

The blaze started shortly after 2 o'clock in the kitchen of the Philadelphia Cafe, 26-28 South Fourth street owned by Ahmad Hamewei.

Fire Chief John C. Kindler believes an explosion of gas in the cafe kitchen set fire to lard and grease. The building is a frame structure and the flames spread rapidly.

The fire spread north on Fourth street to Blackberry street; south on Fourth street to Chestnut; along Chestnut street to the residence of Dr. M. L. Wolford, and out Blackberry street to the Doehne brewery.

The destruction by the flames wa so rapid that occupants of the homes and apartments merely had time to escape in their night clothes. It was impossible to save the contents of any of the buildings, except a few tables from the Palace Restaurant at Fourth and Blackberry streets. General Alarm Goes In

When the firemen arrived in response to an alarm from Box No. 221

Fourth and Market streets, the flames had gained considerable headway. A general alarm was turned in immediately, but it required three hours' hard work before the fire was undercontrol. Firemen were kept on duty at the ruins all day, as the flames broke out at frequent intervals.

No Serious Injuries

#### THRILLING RESCUES

There were several thrilling rescues Miss Annie Ashton, who occupied one of the apartments at 22 South Fourth street, fell over unconscious as she reached the foot of the stairway. She was carried by two firemen to the Victor Hotel, across the street.

Mrs. Harris Cohen, aged 65 years, residing at 20 South Fourth street was awakened by the smoke. She was helped to the streets by two railroadneiped to the streets by two railroad-ers and a newspaperman, and taken to the home of Mrs. Gertrude Jame-son, 21 South Fourth street. A colored maid, Helen Ragsdale, who was over-come by smoke in the Cohen home, was also helped to a nearby house.

Save One Auto

E. C. Jones, who occupied a room in the front of the Central Garage in Chestnut street, was awakened by an employe and he narrowly escaped with his clothes. His personal belong-ings were lost. When Jones came

#### THE WEATHER

Harrisburg and vicinity: Partly cloudy to-night and Friday, probably thunder showers. Slightly cooler. Eastern Pennsylvania: Partly cloudy to-night and Friday with probably local thunder showers. Somewhat lower temperature. Moderate variable winds. were directed to the Philadelphia Cafe building.

On the arrival of the firemen from the general alarm call Fire Chief Kindler and Assistant Fire Chief Edward Halbert placed the firemen at every point of vantage. They worked on Chestnut street, along Fourth street, on Blackberry street and from the rear of Doehne's brewery.

At intervals flames spread to buildings across Blackberry street, but they were quickly extinguished. Two streams were kept busy on Chestnut street property adjoining the blaze. The flames were helped some by a breeze from the southeast which came up about 2.30 this morning.

Flames Spread to Garage

No material changes are likely to occur in river conditions. A stage of about 3.3 feet is indicated for Harrisburg Friday morning.

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Pressure is high and has increased somewhat since last report over nearly all the eastern half of the country and in the Rocky Mountain and plateau regions. An area of low pressure is central over western Canada, its front extending sutheastward into the upper Missurheastward into the Atlantic coast except in New England. It is 4 to 16 degrees warmer in the dissourl and upper Mississippi valless

Temperature: 8 a. m., 74; 2 p. m.,

Sun: Rises, 5.46 a. m.; Sets, 6.15 p. m. Moon: Sets, 10.59 p. m. River Stage: 3.3 feet above low water mark.

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER Highest temperature, 91. Lowest temperature, 73. Mean temperature, 82. Normal temperature, 65.

WHAT HAPPENED AT FOURTH AND CHESTNUT STREETS THIS MORNING



#### LOSERS IN THE FIRE

The loss from the fire was \$125,000, distributed as follows: Fourth street—
No. 18 Palace restaurant, loss on No. 18 Palace restaurant, loss on building by Dochne's \$1,000; con-tents, \$1,500. Total \$2,500. No. 20 Mrs. Annie Cohen, resi-dence and contents, \$8,000. No. 22 Hetrick and Geistwhite, tailor shop and apartment house, \$15,000.

No. 24 Charles Anderson, barber shop, loss \$1,000; Dochne's loss on building, \$6,000. Total loss \$7,000

No. 26 Fred Bender, barber sup-

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No. 28 Philadelphia cafe, Ahmed Hamawei, \$1,000; building, \$1,000.
Total loss \$2,000.
No. 30 Mrs. Annie Keener, building and contents, \$8,000.
No. 32-34 J. C. Kelley, plumber, \$2,000; on building, \$5,000. Mc-Caskey Cash Register company, \$1,000. Total loss, \$8,000.
No. 36 August L. Rumford, building, \$3,000; M. Barbush, fruits, \$1,000. Total loss \$4,000.
Chestnut street—

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No. 334-236 Central Auto garage,
54 machines belonging to thirty
individuals, loss \$60,000. Building, \$6,000. Total, \$66,000.
No. 332, 330 and 328 residences
of Robert Boyer, Thomas Brown
and Dr. M. L. Wolford, smoke and
water damage to furniture, \$2,500.

Flames Spread to Garage

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From the case the flames spread to be garage. This building, an old

GOVERNOR IS HOME:

Hospital in Minnesota For

Observation Today

# YEAR ARE PROMISED MR. HIATT TAKEN ILL

down the stairway to the first floor of the garage he found the place filled with smoke and flames. With Norman Delbler, night foreman at the garage Jones pushed an automobile which was in the front of the building through a large plate glass window to Chestnut street. The car, which is owned by J. C. Peters of Middletown, was the only one that was saved. Estimates Published by Department Secretary to the Governor Is in a of Agriculture Show Increase Over Last Month

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Serguson was badly burned about the pittal for treatment. The Chestnut street front of the garage fell on both men.

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Firemen Do Great Work

Prospects are most ravorable in the most northern states of Wisconsin, Minnesota and North Dakota, where conditions are above normal. A year ago the crop was estimated at 1,141,000,000 bushels."

## Fire Destroys Summer

By Associated Press

London, Sept. 16. — Advices from Constantinople, according to the Athens correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph Company, are to the effect that all government financial institutions such as the Ottoman bank are making preparations to move to the interior of Asia Minor. It has been learned from the same sources that because of the fear of an insurrection in the Turkish arny all Turkish artillery soon will be placed in charge of Germans.

From the cafe the flames spread to the garage. This building, an old structure, was soon a seething furnace and it was only a short time until the roof fell in. In the meantime the business places on Fourth street caught fire and with the exception of the lower floor they are a wreck.

The stable of Dr. J. H. Oyler, the veterinarian, adjacent to the garage, was also food for the licking flames. It is a complete wreck. The Doehne brewery building joins the Oyler stable. Here the work of the flames stopped on Blackberry street.

Buildings Burned to Ground

The cafe in which the fire started The cafe in which the fire started is in ruins. Adjoining on the south side is the residence of Mrs. Anne Keener, which was totally destroyed.

# TEUTONIC FORCES ON

Persistent Refusal of Rumania to Permit Passage of German Supplies Causes Difficulty

AGREEMENT TO BE RATIFIED

Emperor Nicholas Grants Amnesty to All Political Prisoners, Numbering 100,000

Several millions of dollars worth of American goods, mostly meat products, carried by four steamships, been declared forfeited to the crown by a British prize court. The stined for the German government and not for consumption in Denmark whither the vessels detained were

German newspapers have published by official permission dispatches inti-mating that Rumania's participation in the war may be momentarily ex-

in the war may be momentarily, expected, according to advices through Copenhagen.

Following Rumania's persistent refusal to allow war supplies for Turkey to pass through her territory, Austro-German troops have recently been massed on the Rumanian frontier, while Rumania has effected the mobilization of large bodies of her troops.

sylvania official party to the San Fran-cisco exposition spent five minutes in

#### Big Cut in Harrisburg Railways Dividend on Account of Jitney

The Directors of the Harrisburg Railways company at their meeting this morning declared a dividend of 1 per cent. in place of 21/2 per cent as has been customary. The decrease in earnings making necessary this heavy reduction in the dividends is largely attributed to the jitney.

#### Moving to Interior Harrisburg G. U. O. O. F. Make Good Showing in Carlisle Parade

Home of Former Resident

Special to The Telegraph

Seal Harbor, Maine, Sept. 16.—The beautiful \$50,000 summer home of the same sources that the same sources

### BRITISH PRIZE COURT FORFEITS AMERICAN PRODUCTS TO CROWN

Shipments Valued at Several Million Dollars Condemned by Court in England

VESSELS SEIZED IN NOVEMBER CANDIDATES

Sir Samuel T. Evans; Chicago Packers Lose

returned as nominated of the circuit primary.

For the first time, probably, in the history of the State, a dead man was nominated for office. Ernest A. Toadwine, who died suddenly Monday, was returned as nominated over J. Clayton Kelley for clerk of the circuit court.

Democratic Bosses Seeing No Hope For "Mule Ticket" Are Distressed

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Lengthy Judgment Delivered by Republicans, Sure of Election if Nominated, Are Hustling For Votes

By Associated Press
London, Sept. 16, 3.33 P. M.—The tion figures for Harrisburg has had British prize court to-day condemned the greater part of the American foreseen. Democrats who had been tion figures for Harrisburg has had an effect on local politics entirely unforescent who had been hoping to slip across a "mule ticket," as they did in part four years ago, woke up to the fact that the Republican cannot be beaten even by a combination of all the political forces opposed to them. Add the Socialist, the Prohibitionist and the Washing-ton marty vict to that of the Democrats and the total would still be short by some thousands. The Democratic bosses at once saw visions of their "fusion" scheme going up in smoke unless they could create dissension in the Republican ranks and their object distinctly has been to do this ever since. But they are not meeting with much success.

Salisbury, Md., Sept. 16.—A curious complication has arisen in Wiconico county as a result of Tuesday's Democratic primary.

For the first time, probably, in the history of the State, a dead was a series of the same products of the time. The party man-

ENDING OF DUMA SESSION IS EXPECTED THIS WEEK

Petrograd, Sept. 16.—A member of the Duma is quoted to-day as saying that the session of the Duma will be prorogued not later than September 18, probably for a month.

court.

As Mr. Toadvine died on the day preceding the primary, his name could not be removed from the ticket. Although the fact of his death was known generally throughout the county, his name received 200 more votes than his opponent in the party and the judges of election were compelled to declare him nominated. It is said that Kelley will claim the nomination and will fight out the question in court.

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ENGINEERS IN SESSION
San Francisco, Sept. 16.—Hundreds world attended the convention of the purpose.

#### MASONIC LODGE CONSTITUTED

Camp Hill. - West Shore Lodge No. 681, Free and Accepted Order of Masons was constituted at noon to-day in its specially fitted out hall above D. W. Holler's store, in Camp Hill, by Right Worshipful Grand Master J. Henry Williams, of Philadelphia and his staff of grand lodge officers. Following the ceremonies at Camp Hill a luncheon was served at the Harrisburg Club.

#### CHICAGO PACKERS LOSE HEAVILY

Chicago, Sept. 16. - The meat cargoes confiscated by Great Britian will be a complete loss to the packers, according to Thomas E. Wilson, president of Morris & Company, as there were no advance payments made on the shipments. He will issue a statement later to-day.

Washington, Sept. 16. - Secretary Garrison said to-day he would refer all requests for additional citizen training camps in the Middle West to a central division of the army at Chicago. The requirements of the Chicago training camp as to officers and equipment has exhausted the present resources of the War Department.

#### 'AGAINST PROPOSED WAR LOAN

Chicago, Sept. 16. - Claiming that the war loan of a billion dollars would invite a repetition of the panics of 1873 and 1893, Senator J. Hamilton Lewis, to-day made public a letter protesting against it.

#### ALL IS QUIET ALONG BORDER

El Paso, Tex., Sept. 16. - All was quiet on the Rio Grande from Del Rio, Texas, four hundred miles east of here on the border as far west as Columbus N. M., when the celebration of Mexico's independence day began to-day.

Berlin, Sept. 16, via London 2.30 P. M. - The capture of the Russian city of Pinsk about 100 miles east of Brest-Litovsk, was announced to-day at army headquarters.

London, Sept. 16, 5.01 P. M .- The Admiralty announced to-day that in all probability the British submarine E-7 had been sunk off the Dardanelles.

New York, Sept. 16.-Standard oil millionaires including John D. Rockefeller, Jr., it was reported to-day are considering the terms of the proposed billion-dollar credit loan

#### MARRIAGE LICENSES

Henry B. Smith, Dillaburg, and Louisa Trego, city. Robert William Marans, city, and Alice J. Show, Penbrook Irwin A. Light and Katle Elizabeth Hoke, Lebanon.