

GIRL HELPS SAVE 4 TOTS FROM FIRE

Aids Painter Rescuing Youngsters While Flames Wreck Home in Highspire

LITTLE ONES ALONE IN HOUSE

Snatched From Their Beds in Second Floor After Eldest Brother Gives the Alarm—Neighbors Prompt in Clothing Tiny Refugees

Four children, from 2 to 8 years old, were rescued from flames which destroyed a large frame double dwelling at Willow street and George avenue, Highspire, this morning, through the plucky work of Lloyd Bailey, a painter at work on the building, and Miss Verna Etnoyer, a girl of nineteen years.

The children were alone in the building when the fire was discovered and the flames spread so rapidly that Bailey barely escaped being overcome by smoke as he groped his way through the halls with the last of the youngsters in his arms. At the bottom of the stairs he was relieved of his burden by Miss Etnoyer who also assisted him out to the fresh air.

The fire, which had its origin from an over-heated stove pipe at 7.30 o'clock, completely destroyed the large house, together with almost all the belongings of two families, who were made homeless and almost penniless by the blaze. The loss on the buildings is put at \$3,500, partly insured, and the tenants lost \$1,000 in furniture.

Building Was a New One

The building was owned by Bailey, the man who made the rescue. It was new; in fact, not quite completed, and was occupied, on the one side only, by Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Wolf, who have no children, and by Mr. and Mrs. I. G. Hall, who are the parents of five children, ranging from 2 to 12 years of age.

Mrs. Hall and Mrs. Wolf are sisters, and the former had moved in temporarily, storing her household goods in the second and third stories until the Halls would be able to obtain a permanent house.

Mr. and Mrs. Hall last all of their furniture with the exception of one couch and two rocking chairs.

The rescue of the children from the burning structure was spectacular in the extreme and was made possible by the strenuous work of Lloyd Bailey, assisted by Miss Etnoyer, who resides nearby.

Bailey was painting in the unfinished part of the dwelling when the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Hall, a youngster of 12 years, called to him that the carpet was burning in the sleeping room of the Hall home and that a baby sister was in danger of being burned up. The boy shouted that his mother had just gone to the store for bread.

Thrilling Rescue Work

Dropping his brushes, the painter hurried to the Hall apartment and bounded up the steps. The boy who gave the alarm was safe in the street. Bailey, hastily getting the four remaining children together, ordered the biggest one to march down the steps. Bailey carried the three youngest, one at a time, to the bottom of the stairs where he turned them over to Miss Etnoyer, who rushed in from the street to give aid.

On the last trip Bailey was almost overcome by the stifling smoke which filled the bed room and the halls in the upper stories from ceiling to floor, but knowing the direction to go managed to make his exit from the room just as the flames broke out over the bed which had just been emptied of the sleeping children.

Miss Etnoyer took the children from Bailey as they were brought down stairs and hurried them out into the air where they were taken in charge by kind neighbors and given shelter. On Bailey's last trip down she supported him to the air, as he was weak from smoke he had inhaled. He, however, quickly recovered. Other persons attracted to the scene began a canvass of the neighborhood and gathered such children's clothing as was obtainable for the use of the fire refugees.

Children Alone as Fire Starts

An alarm of fire was sent in by John H. Palmer, a grocer, and the Highspire auto chemical apparatus was rushed to the scene, but the blaze had made such headway that the firemen could not save the building. When they saw the structure was doomed they turned their attention to saving the adjoining properties, none of which was damaged.

The fire was visible from almost all parts of Highspire, and half the population of that town tramped to the scene. Those who got there early assisted in saving some furniture from the first floor.

The heat pipe from the kitchen range

AGREE ON \$1.50 A FRONT FOOT FOR RIVER EDGE LAND

Viewers for the Property Between Harris and Maclay Streets Will Recommen damages and Benefits That Will About Offset Each Other

James D. Saltsman, Karl Steward and Paul G. Smith, as viewers, are now preparing the schedule of damage and benefit awards incident to the City's taking that section of the river front between Harris and Maclay streets, lying between the low water mark of the Susquehanna river and western Front street curb line, and except to have it ready for presentation to the court in the next ten days, so it was announced to-day.

The viewers declined to discuss their decision, suggesting the impropriety of making any announcement before the schedule is placed on file, yet it was learned authoritatively from an unofficial source that the river front land value has uniformly been fixed at \$1.50 a foot front. Damages will be allowed to the property owners on the west side of the street at that rate and the benefits from the improvement to be assessed against the property owners on the east side of the street will offset the damages in cases where the east side property owners also own the properties to the water's edge. In cases where they do not own the land to the water's edge they will have actually to pay \$1.50 a foot front for the improvement.

Thus the City will acquire the land, to the river's edge, between Harris and Maclay streets, practically without cost; indeed, the City may make a little money on the deal.

That is due to the few instances in which the east side property owners do not hold title to the ground to the water's edge and, therefore, will have to pay cash for benefits—\$1.50 a foot. The viewers in this case also are officiating in the "hardscrabble" negotiations. Their hearing yesterday, at which witnesses said the "Hardscrabble" ground is worth anywhere from \$100 to \$225 a foot front, was adjourned last evening without a date having been fixed for the next meeting.

Karl Steward, one of the viewers, will be out of the city on a business trip through the West during the next fortnight and the date of the next hearing will not be fixed until he returns.

CHARGE HE RACED IN AUTO WITH THE FIRE APPARATUS

Police Order C. W. Fisher to Appear Before Mayor to Answer That Com- plaint—Smoke-eaters Were Re- sponding to False Alarm

C. W. Fisher, a grocer, Fifteenth and Berryhill streets, whose automobile was detected racing north on Second street at 7.30 o'clock last evening with fire apparatus responding to the alarm from box No. 54, Second and Harris streets, was ordered to appear before Mayor Roy for a hearing this afternoon to answer a charge of violating the city fire ordinance, which prohibits interference with fire apparatus while responding to an alarm.

Policemen Shoemaker and Scheelhaas appeared against Fisher in police court this afternoon. The former testified that Fisher ran his machine through the fire apparatus grouped at Second and Harris streets and he called Motorcycle Policeman Scheelhaas, who followed him and made the arrest. Both testified that he had no light and license tag on the car. Fisher was discharged by Mayor Roy.

Before the present traffic ordinance was in effect a fatal accident occurred when the driver of a chemical engine tried to avoid an automobile, and the firemen have been asked to report all such cases to the police.

The firemen were responding to a false alarm turned in from Second and Berryhill streets by some mischievous boys. They were seen tampering with the box, but escaped. The matter has been placed in the hands of Chief of Police Hutchison. Arrests are expected to be made.

CLERGYMAN AND WIFE ARE HURLED FROM A CARRIAGE

The Rev. E. Aurice Mills Suffers Broken Arm and, With Mrs. Mills, Barely Escapes Death During an Exciting Runaway Near Shiremanstown

(Special to the Star-Independent.)
Shiremanstown, Pa., March 27.—The Rev. E. Aurice Mills, pastor of the Church of God, here, who, with Mrs. Mills, was visiting members of his congregation late yesterday afternoon, narrowly escaped death when a horse he was driving attached to a buggy became frightened on the Lisburna pike near the Rosemont station, and ran away. The horse overturned the buggy and dragged the Rev. Mr. Mills for many yards along the road. The carriage was demolished and then the horse broke away and ran a mile before being stopped by farmers.

Mrs. Mills was thrown out but landed on her feet and escaped injury. Her husband, also thrown out, clung to the reins in an effort to stop the horse, and he was dragged through the road, suffering many body bruises and a fracture of the right arm.

Mr. and Mrs. Mills were taken home by farmers and the clergyman was placed in a doctor's hands. He is unable to use his right arm but will preach as usual to-morrow. He believes that the horse, which was hired, became frightened when a part of the harness snapped.

IMPRISONED CREW NOT YET REACHED

Lost U. S. Submarine F-4 Will Probably Be Raised Late This Afternoon

FAINT HOPE THAT MEN ARE LIVING

Army Department Hospital in Readiness to Receive Members of the Crew When Submarine, Submerged Since Thursday Morning, Is Raised

By Associated Press.
Honolulu, March 27.—The raising of the United States submarine F-4 lost in the deep water outside Honolulu harbor since early Thursday has been held up temporarily, while the cables attached to the submerged craft are tested.

Honolulu, March 26.—The lost United States submarine F-4, which has been located outside the harbor entrance, should be raised late this afternoon if all goes well, according to a statement made by Captain of the Yard Duffy last night. Duffy says he believes there is a fighting chance to save the lives of the men imprisoned in the submarine on the ocean floor.

The dredger California, dispatched from the Pearl harbor naval station in response to a radiogram, reached the scene at midnight but did not begin work immediately. The dredger will work with the left, mother ship of the submarine flotilla. The pontoon system probably will be used to raise the F-4. Chains will be passed under the bow and stern of the submerged submarine, the dredger sunk into the water and the chains tightened. The water then will be pumped out of the dredger causing her to rise higher in the water, thus providing lifting power to raise the submarine.

The Army Department hospital is in readiness to receive the men of the F-4 when the submarine is raised. Colonel Ebert has placed his hospital staff and equipment at the service of the navy. The weather is fine. The bright moonlight facilitated the work during the night.

From soundings and divers' descriptions of the ocean bottom over which the vessel must be drawn the rescuers learned of a sudden rise in the ocean floor nearly fifty feet high. This ridge forms the lip of a submarine crater in which F-4 is believed to lie at a depth of 320 feet.

TO CARRY OUT STEELE'S PLAN

Late Principal of Central High School Was Eager to Perpetuate Alumni Prize

Plans made by the late Prof. W. S. Steele, principal of the Central High School, to secure annually the \$25 alumni prize to the valedictorian of the Central High school will be carried out by others, who were prominent in the Alumni Association, according to some of the school's graduates to-day.

The association discontinued its annual reception to the graduating class two years ago and since that time the annual prize has been secured by subscriptions each year. Prof. Steele's plan was to secure from the graduates a sum of \$500, which would annually provide the prize. He had planned to make a personal canvass among the members to get this money. There are between 2,500 and 3,000 graduates of the school.

The prize this year will be secured, as it has in the last two years, by personal subscriptions of some of the members. The salutatorian gets \$15 each year, a prize from the class of 1907, and should the alumni prize be discontinued it would leave the winner of first honors without recognition.

SIEGE OF MATAMORAS BEGUN

Villa Cavalrymen Open Fire at Noon To-day on Mexican Town Opposite Brownsville, Texas

By Associated Press.
Brownsville, Tex., March 27.—The Villa siege of Matamoras, the Mexican town opposite here, began about noon to-day. Cavalrymen opened heavy rifle fire on the breastworks west of Matamoras near the Rio Grande.

Simultaneously the cavalry, totaling 5,500 men, began spreading to surround the city on the west and south. A Villa officer told the Associated Press correspondent that artillery is due to reach the firing line some time this evening.

GALLANT U. S. PHYSICIAN WHO SAVED LIVES OF 3,000 ASSYRIANS IN PERSIA WITH THE STARS AND STRIPES



MISSION CHURCH BURNED IN URUMIAH ARROW SHOWS BISHOP MAR ELIA WHO WAS HANGED

Telegrams and letters from Urumiah, in Northwestern Persia, describe the situation of the American Presbyterian Mission station there as desperate. Turkish regular troops and Kurds are persecuting and massacring Assyrian Christians. Dr. Harry P. Packard, the physician of the missionary station at Urumiah of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church, risked his life in a successful effort to prevent a frightful massacre at Geogtapa, where three thousand Assyrians made their last stand. They had fought for three days, and all their ammunition was gone. At this juncture Dr. Packard unfurled an American flag and advanced between the lines. His act resulted in the saving of all but two hundred of the Assyrians, who had been burned in a church. A despatch from Urumiah declared that Turkish troops had entered the French mission there, hanged the Orthodox bishop, Mar Elia, and insulted a missionary named Allen just before sixty refugees had been dragged from the French mission and killed in spite of the tearful pleas of the nuns.

CHARGE THE 'DOCTOR TRUST' HURTS 'BEAUTY' BUSINESS

Manufacturers of Chemicals Used by 'Bleached Blondes' and Persons Coaxing Perpetual Youth Resent Attack in the Legislature

Consternation is apparent among the Pennsylvania manufacturers of drugs for beautifying the human form, for preserving youthful appearance and for the preservation of hair, because of a bill recently introduced in the Senate by Senator Thompson, of Beaver. This bill regulates the sale of certain medicines, substances and preparations for "certain purposes," to use the language of the title, and provides that it shall be unlawful, except under certain conditions, to sell any medicine or other preparation purporting to restore or to preserve beauty, or to affect the complexion, or to change the color of the hair, or to affect the condition or health of the hair, to beautify any organ or part of the human body, or to increase or decrease the weight of the human body. The bill is regarded as a direct slap at the bleached blondes.

But the bill also provides that these preparations may be sold if the manufacturers paste a label on the container wherein shall be printed in plain English an analysis showing the exact quantity by weight of every ingredient of such medicine or preparation.

The penalty for selling such preparation without its bearing the label is a fine of not less than \$500 or imprisonment for one year, or both, at the discretion of the court.

Patent medicine manufacturers, makers of beautifiers, hair dyes, hair preparations of all kinds, and fat reducers, have gotten wind of this new bill, and they are flooding the legislative mails with protests, declaring that the bill has been framed by "the doctor trust," whatever that is, and asking that it be killed.

Senator Thompson, of Beaver, is the author of the bill, and it is now in the hands of the Committee on Judiciary Special of the Senate, known to fame as the "Pickling Vat" Committee.

PERSIA OUTRAGES ORDERED TO STOP

Grand Vizier of Turkey Instructs Subordi- nates to Protect Urumiah Christians

SAYS ACCOUNTS ARE INACCURATE

Presbyterian Mission Board in New York Not So Apprehensive Now as to the Safety of the American Mis- sionaries

By Associated Press.
New York, March 27.—The Grand Vizier of Turkey has issued instructions to his subordinates that all inhabitants of the mob-ridden section of Persia, including the thousands of Christians in the vicinity of Urumiah, must be protected, according to advices received from the State Department by the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions.

Reports from Urumiah, made public yesterday, announced that the large village of Gulpashan had been destroyed, its men shot and women outraged and that sixty-five refugees had been taken from the French and American mission compounds and hanged on a scaffold erected in the French mission yard. A message impended, according to this message, which had been delayed in transmission and was several days old when made public.

Grand Vizier Answers Morgenthau

The communication from the State Department was signed by Robert Lansing, counselor of the department, and was written under date of yesterday.

ELEVEN MEN ROBBED TWO BANKS

Secure \$5,000 From Oklahoma Institu- tions To-day—Robbers Surround- ed by a Posse of 100 Men

By Associated Press.
Oklahoma City, Okla., March 27.—The two banks at Stroud, Okla., about fifty miles north of here, are reported to have been robbed of \$5,000 to-day by eleven men.

It is reported here that the band of robbers rode into Stroud at 10 o'clock this morning, left their horses at the stock pens and after robbing the First National Bank and the Stroud National Bank, were pursued by a posse to three miles east of Stroud where they are surrounded by more than 100 men.

GERMAN-AMERICANS BALK AT MEETING IN CANADA

Karl Steward, National Secretary, An- nounces Glass Manufacturers' As- sociation Will Shun Toronto for a City in the United States

Because a large number,—if not a majority,—of the members of the society are German-Americans, it has been decided not to hold the next annual convention of the National Ornamental Glass Manufacturers' Association in Toronto, Canada, on soil of Great Britain. That fact was announced to-day by Karl Steward, of this city, national secretary of the association.

Steward will leave this evening for Chicago, where next week he will meet the president and executive officers of the association to select a place for the meeting, which will be held in June. It has been suggested, he said, that the convention be held in Grand Rapids, Mich.

"I cannot say that we fear our German delegates would be made prisoners," said Mr. Steward, "but it is our desire to preserve this country's policy of strict neutrality. We have taken this matter up with the Canadian authorities and while they are sorry for the change of the convention plans, they agree that it probably would be the wiser move to have the meeting somewhere in the United States."

BULBS MAKE FAMILY ILL

Chinese Lily Roots Mistaken for Onions and Are Put into the Boiling Pot for Dinner

When Hamilton Shrenk, auctioneer at the Verbeke street market, went there to-day for business he found a very much excited Polish woman waiting for him.

At an auction sale last Wednesday there was offered a large lot of Chinese lily bulbs which very much resemble onions in appearance. In fact it would take an expert to tell the difference. The auctioneer was careful to explain what they were, but his explanation was given only in English.

The Polish woman who evidently never had seen such bulbs before and who thought they were onions, made a bid for them and got them for a trifle. What she did with them was told this morning to the auctioneer. She took them home and cooked them, as she would onions, and the whole family was made ill for several hours. To-day she complained to the auctioneer: "Say, meester! Onion no good. Maka man sick. Maka litt boy, litt girl sick, too. Maka me sick. No good."

ITALY READY TO COMBINE WITH ALLIES

Italian Government Takes Every Possible Measure Preparatory to Beginning War

BULGARIA MAY ALSO TAKE HAND

She Will Probably Act in Conjunction With Italy and Rumania—Prince George of Greece to Support Broth- er's Neutrality Policy

Rome, March 26, 10.55 P. M., Via Paris, March 27, 5.10 A. M.—Every measure possible has been taken by the Italian government preparatory to the beginning of hostilities by Italy on the side of the allies.

Rome, March 26, 11.10 P. M., Via Paris, March 27, 6.45 A. M.—Close observers here of the Balkan situation profess to see indications of a gradual tendency on the part of the Bulgarian government to adopt a policy favorable to the allies. It is believed Bulgaria hopes to act jointly in that direction with Italy and Rumania.

Brindisi, Italy, March 26, 8.25 P. M., Via Paris, March 27, 6.40 A. M.—Prince George of Greece before leaving to-day for Athens declared he was going home to support his brother, King Constantine, in the stand he has taken regarding the attitude of Greece toward the war. Prince George said his country must conserve all her strength to command the Balkan complications, retain the territory she had conquered and hold in check the ambition of other nations which would prevent the extension of Greek influence in territories which historically and racially belonged to her.

THREE GERMAN STEAMERS REPORTED LOST IN BALTIC

Stockholm, March 27, via London, 4.55 P. M.—The loss in the Baltic of three German steamers, the Bavaria, the Germania and the Konigsberg, all laden with iron ore, is announced to-day in the newspaper "Social Demokraten." The Bavaria went down March 15 with her entire crew. The cause of her sinking is not revealed. No details of the destruction of the other vessels are given.

American Lard for Switzerland

Genoa, March 26, 11 P. M., Via Paris, March 27, 5.45 A. M.—Acting upon instructions received from the authorities at Rome officials have permitted exportation to Switzerland of 100,000 quintals (22,000,000 pounds) of American lard.

Aircraft Bombs Do No Damage

Paris, March 27, via London, 4.05 P. M.—Both Calais and Dunkirk were visited by German monoplane this morning but neither town was damaged. Six bombs were thrown on Dunkirk and one on Calais.

LATE WAR NEWS SUMMARY

Decisive action by Italy is regarded in Rome as imminent. A brief dispatch from that city to-day states that the Italian government has taken every possible measure preparatory to beginning war on the side of the allies.

It is also said in Rome that there is observable a tendency on the part of Bulgaria to adopt a policy favorable to the allies, and that the government hopes to act in conjunction with Italy and Rumania. The attitude of Bulgaria has been in doubt on account of her hostility toward the other Balkan nations, with the exception of Turkey, which grew out of the second Balkan war.

Prince George of Greece is leaving Italy for Athens to support the policy of his brother, King Constantine, for the continued neutrality of his nation, in opposition to the faction which favors intervention on the side of the allies. Dispatches reaching Paris from Athens say the Turkish forts at Dardanelles, have been destroyed and that batteries which attacked mine sweepers have been silenced by two battleships of the allies. British and French warships are said to have taken transports to

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