

FIVE HURT IN BLAZE WHICH BURNS HOTEL

Firemen Rescue Three Men From Flames; One Guest Fatally Injured; Several Overcome by Smoke.

Five men were injured, one probably fatally, when fire of unknown origin destroyed the interior of the St. James hotel, 414-416 South Thirteenth street, early this morning. The entire business block was threatened for a time.

Daniel Bandert, employe of the Wells-Fargo Express company, guest at the hotel, was seriously injured when, in his excitement, he jumped from a third-story window to the paved alleyway. Physicians say he will die.

FIREMEN RESCUE THREE.

Firemen rescued three men who were overcome by smoke in their rooms. Joseph Evans, baggage checker, 328 Avenue B, Council Bluffs, suffered severe burns about the hands and face and was overcome by smoke. In his attempt to escape from the burning building, a bureau fell on him. Firemen found him unconscious underneath the furniture.

T. J. McGlynn, employment agent, was burned badly about the feet. He was imprisoned in his room by sheets of leaping flames and was rescued only when firemen heard his cries for help.

R. L. Welton, Union Pacific brakeman, was burned about the face. He remained in his room until rescued.

Proprietor Burned.

Harry E. Lemer, proprietor of the hotel, received cuts about the arms and hands by falling glass, when he attempted to arouse the guests.

The fire was discovered by Night Clerk Richard Hascall, when he heard windows in the second floor crash. Forty guests of the hotel escaped by descending the fire escape.

No Warning.

Hascall said he was unable to reach the roomers, as the flames had already filled the entire building.

Mrs. Shrader, wife of the former proprietor of the hotel, and "Mother" Vincent, a chambermaid, were nearly overcome by smoke. They were trying to restrain Bandert from leaping out a third-story window. Bandert became uncontrollably excited, they said, pushed aside the women and jumped through a screened window. Firemen found him unconscious in the alleyway.

W. L. Hunter, printer, found a safe spot on a window ledge of the third story. He was almost precipitated from his position when Bandert accidentally knocked one of his hands from the sill.

Walter Ford, painter, climbed out a front window to a ledge and climbed around to the north side of the building to attract the attention of firemen.

Throws Out Trunk.

Thomas Rothman, who occupied a room on the second floor, was awakened by smoke and made his escape down the fire escape before flames enveloped that section of the building. He threw his trunk out the window.

Homer Helvie, house man, roused many guests after the fire had gutted the interior of the second floor. He went from door to door, knocking on the walls and shouting to arouse the sleepers.

F. L. Luce, salesman, was awakened by the crackling of flames in the hallway. He kicked in several doors and aroused other guests.

The loss is estimated at \$6,000. Insurance, amounting to \$8,500, was carried on the interior furnishings of the hotel. The building was valued at \$10,000.

Fire Chief Salter is conducting an investigation of the cause of the fire.

John G. Woolley to Speak

At South Side Church Sunday

John G. Woolley, a well known prohibition worker, will speak at union services of South Side churches at the Grace Methodist Episcopal church, Twenty-fifth and E streets, Sunday night. His subject will be, "When Good Men Rule the World." He is touring the country urging the adoption of the national prohibition amendment.

Showers in Western Part of Nebraska Wednesday Night

The railroads report a few scattered showers over the western part of Nebraska Wednesday night, nowhere was there anything like a general rain. The weather is warming up, temperatures Thursday morning starting in at 32 to 45 degrees above zero.

STOLEN!

From Sioux Falls, a 5-passenger Dodge Touring Car, 1917 model. License Number, S. D. 3402. Car Number, 82908. Equipped with Good-year cord tires all around. Had new cloth on top. \$25.00 reward for locating car and same amount for arrest and detention of thief. Phone or wire JERRY CARLETON, Sheriff, Sioux Falls, S. D.

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Boy Scouts Plan Program for Moving of Liberty Loan Tank

Boy Scouts of Omaha plan an elaborate program when they move the Nebraska Liberty loan "tank" at 5 p. m. Friday.

They will portray the famous Lyndacker Boy Scout Liberty loan poster. The Goddess of Liberty will be portrayed by Miss Regina Connell and the scout by Austin Sturtevant of Troop 9. These figures will pose on top of the tank.

Tangier bugle and drum corps will head the procession. The "tank" will be moved by boy power.

The National Boy Scout headquarters at New York City has offered a prize for the city whose scouts best portray this poster and the Omaha council believes it has a good chance to win the prize.

Scout Executive C. H. English calls

attention to the fact that the title of the Lyndacker poster is "Weapons for Liberty" and believes that, since the tank has proven itself one of the principal weapons for liberty, it is a fitting foundation for Omaha's organization as a whole, through its work in war service, is another important weapon for liberty.

The Boy Scouts in the Omaha campaign are to act as gleaners after the main drive is over. It will be their duty to go over the ground after the men and women committees are through.

The Omaha executive office has issued an order that every scout present himself at the "tank" on Farnam street, near Thirtieth-second street, at 4:45 p. m. Friday.

SALESMEN BEGIN ACTIVE WORK IN BIG BOND DRIVE

Thorough Canvass of Greater Omaha Will Be Made in Interest of Third Liberty Loan.

Omaha's drive to sell its quota of the bonds of the third Liberty loan is now on in full swing and the 1,500 bond salesmen are actively at work making a canvass of everyone in the city. Women will make a house-to-house canvass to sell bonds to women.

While Omaha has not started to announce any figures of sales made officially, it is known that quite a few bonds have already been sold in addition to the figures which have been given out by the women in charge of the Liberty bank on the courthouse walk. Banks have sold large numbers of bonds unsolicited and these taken in the aggregate will make quite a total.

Quota Is Larger.

The quota for Nebraska for the third Liberty loan is more than \$11,000,000, as compared with \$29,942,800 for the second drive and \$18,000,000 for the first Liberty loan. The increase in quota for the third loan over the second is due to the increase in deposits in Nebraska banks. All previous Nebraska loans have gone over the top and the committee is predicting the same result of the present drive.

"Omaha and the state should be in a position to stand in the front row to welcome the boys who come marching back and not have to slink in some alley and let other states and cities be the whole reception committee," said E. F. Folda, secretary of the Nebraska Liberty loan committee.

State Farmers Respond.

More than 50,000 cards have been received in the last week and they continue to pour in from Nebraska farmers responding to the call for enlistment by the Nebraska Farmers' War council and the sending of signed service cards to the state Liberty loan committee in Omaha.

In addition to the programs previously published the following will be presented at the patriotic meeting to be held tonight in school houses in Omaha:

Vaccinate More than 400 Union Pacific Employees

Yesterday was vaccination day at the Union Pacific headquarters, the scarification being done by a squad of doctors under the direction of Drs. Smith and Hollister. From 10 to 4 o'clock there were close to 400 men and women vaccinated.

The health order to all Union Pacific headquarters requires vaccination, the women going to the lunch room and the men to room No. 327. The men went through the ordeal of baring their arms and taking the virus without flinching, but among the women there were two or three who fainted, but they were quickly revived by the nurses who were in attendance.

Opera Singer Loses Valuable Diamonds Enroute to Omaha

A two-carat diamond ring, set with an emerald, valued at \$4,000, and another diamond cluster ring, valued at \$500, were stolen from Frieda Hempel, soprano soloist of the Metropolitan Opera company of New York, who arrived in Omaha Wednesday night from Portland, Ore.

The rings were stolen either on the train or as she was leaving the station in Portland, Miss Hempel told detectives. She told detectives she did not discover the theft of the rings until she arrived at the Union station in Omaha.

The Bee Want Ads Are the Best Business Boosters.

POLITICAL SHRAPNEL

Kugel Says "No Sore Spots on Him" as Result of City Primary Election.

Commissioner Kugel, defeated city hall candidate for nomination, said he was glad that his defeat was decisive rather than to have been placed in the twilight zone and be compelled to make a pre-election campaign as a tail-end nominee.

"There are no sore spots on me," he said. "I am here to say that no man will be happy as superintendent of this police department unless he can have absolute control and supervision, a condition which was not possible during the four and one-half years I had the police department. I can make more net earnings a year out of the plumbing business than I have as commissioner. If I could find some of the money which some people have believed that I made

while superintendent of police I would go farming. "It may also be said that the department of public safety, health and sanitation, which I have had charge of, offers no opportunity to make friends, but on the contrary one makes enemies right along."

Mr. Kugel maintains that a man dignifies his political grave when he takes the superintendency of the police department under the present commission plan of government.

Who will be the new mayor of Omaha? Dahlgren, Butler, Smith, Ure, Zimmerman or Hummel?

Commissioner Parks remarks that worse luck could befall a fellow than to be thirteenth man in a list of fourteen nominees.

The Seventh ward was the "lucky seventh" for Jerry Howard, who received 329 votes in this section.

There is a silver lining in every cloud, even in the cloud of politics. Julius Smith Cooley received 190 votes at the primary three years ago. On

last Tuesday his vote was 193, a gain of three votes in three years.

National Life Insurance Co. Subscribes \$20,000 to Loan

The National Life Insurance company of Vermont Thursday morning gave the third Liberty loan a \$20,000 boost. Nathan Bernstein, the company's general agent, received a night letter from headquarters in Montpelier, Vt., authorizing the subscription. It stated that this would be Omaha's quota of the company subscription to the loan.

Mr. Bernstein drew a check for \$20,000 on the company treasury.

North Presbyterian Church Has Small Debt on Building

At the annual meeting of the congregation of the North Presbyterian church Wednesday night, reports officers indicated that the church is in good financial condition and that the total indebtedness is around \$5,000. This represents the sum due on the \$60,000 church building.

Supper was served by the women

of the church and following that there was an address by Dr. William S. Marquis of Chicago on the "United Movement of the Presbyterian Churches of the United States."

Food Agents Find Flour Held by Nebraska Millers

Two large consignments of flour have been found by the federal food administration and diverted to the allies in France. Leyboldt & Pennington of North Platte had three cars of flour they had accumulated before the substitute ruling went into effect. It will be turned over to the North Platte Electric Milling company for shipment abroad.

Bossemeyer Bros. of Superior had 65,000 pounds of high patent flour, and this also will be turned over to the government for export.

Will Start Official Count of Primary Vote Tonight

The election commissioner will start the official canvass of the vote on primary day, Tuesday, at 8 o'clock tonight.

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