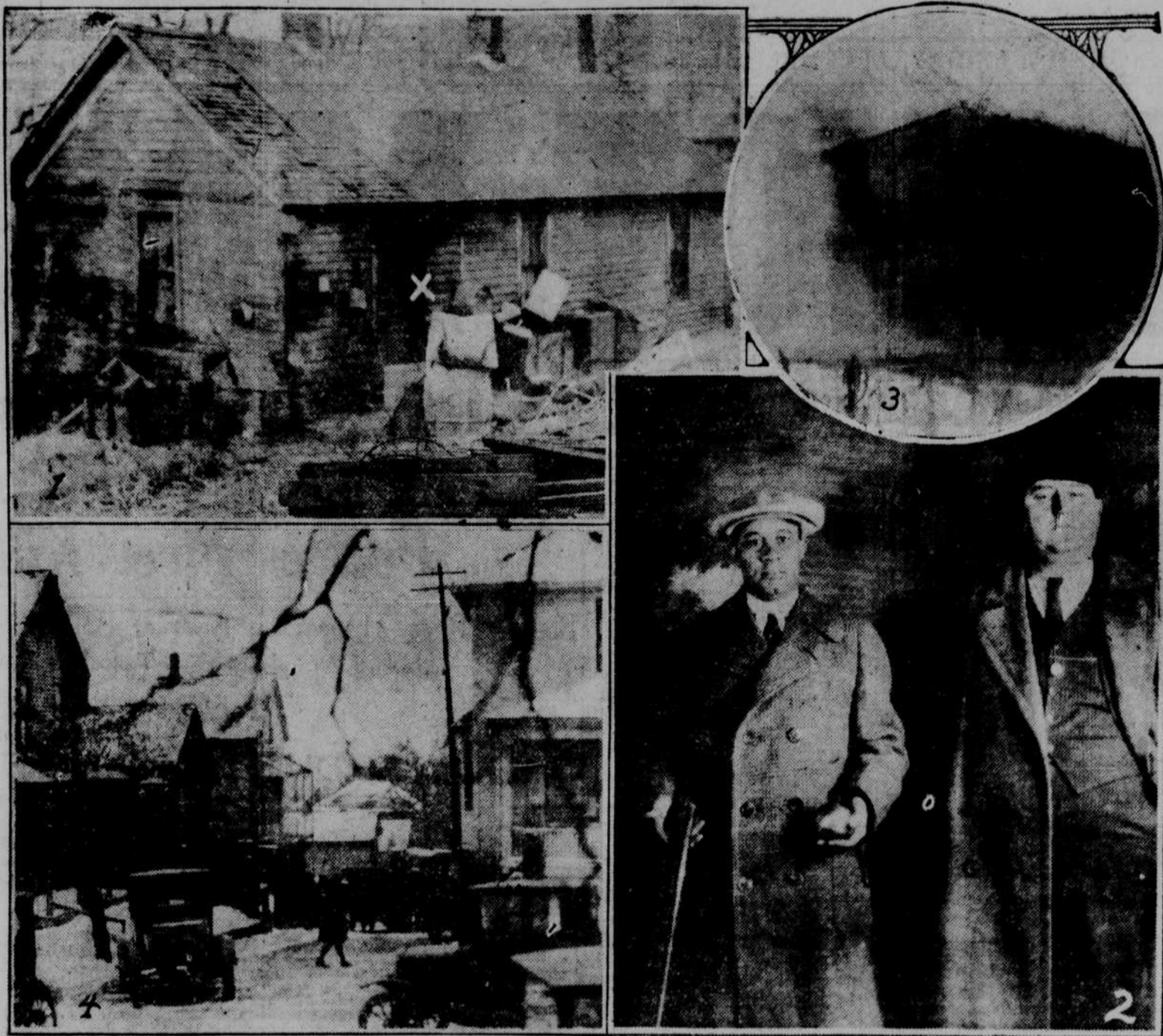


Scene of Gun Fight in Which Detective Chief Danbaum Fell



Frank Mylar, negro, who had defied the law and paid with his life. Cold Hampers Besiegers. Bitter cold weather took its toll from the ranks of the besiegers. Harry Fielding, newly appointed to the detective squad, suffered so severely from frost-bitten hands that he was removed from the scene to a neighboring house and emergency relief given him. Icicles from spray from protecting streams of water played upon neighboring houses clung to the besiegers.

Fate smiled kindly upon the person of Detective George Summitt. Twice he escaped by the proverbial hair's breadth. Summitt walked up to the door of the Mylar house and kicked in the screen. Two shots grazed his face. Summitt stepped aside and then backed away. A moment later Summitt was standing at the side of Danbaum. The chief of detectives slipped on the ice and Summitt caught hold of him. Then Mylar's gun blazed and Danbaum was hit. "I guess it wasn't my time," was Summitt's brief comment.

and gave them a ghost-like appearance as dusk began to fall. Patrolman J. J. Sullivan took up position behind the police emergency auto in front of the negro's dwelling and maintained it throughout the battle. He fired more than a box of shells into the house. Street sergeants took command of the outpost, besiegers and formed them into warfare skirmish parties. Sergts. William Carney and Delehanty both sent relief to their squads under fire. Upon call for reserves after Danbaum was wounded, Chief of Police Charles Van Deusen and his wife sped to the bedside of Danbaum and both remained until late in the night. Hope for recovery of Danbaum is held out at the hospital.

TEXAS ELECTION PROBE HELD UP

Washington, Dec. 18.—Further senate investigation of the Texas senatorial election in 1922 was postponed today by the special investigating committee pending preparation of a brief by counsel for Senator Mayfield in reply to one filed recently by the contestant, George E. B. Peddy. No date was set for the next meeting. The briefs deal with charges of fraud and intimidation in the election and will be studied by the committee which decides whether to call additional testimony on that subject.

Double Wedding Takes Place at Wymore Home

Wymore, Dec. 18.—A double wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Fletcher in Wymore, Wednesday, their daughters, Goldie and Eoe, being the brides, and Joseph Chapman and John Fry, the bridegrooms, respectively. Rev. E. E. Powell of the Wymore Christian church, performed the double ceremony. Mr. Chapman is a Burlington railway shop worker and Mr. Fry is a farmer. Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

Bingham Meets Coolidge.

Washington, Dec. 18.—The part that co-operative marketing can take in bringing about permanent agricultural relief was discussed by President Coolidge with Robert W. Bingham, publisher of the Louisville Courier-Journal and chairman of the National Council of Co-operative Marketing associations.

Endicott Schools Closed.

Endicott, Dec. 18.—Endicott schools are dismissed for the week on account of scarlet fever. Many cases in a light form have been reported. All public meetings have been called off for the present.

Summary of the Day in Washington

The house resumed consideration of the navy appropriation bill. A senate committee investigated the Washington Herald attack on Senator Underwood's Muscle Shoals bill. The Washington government bespoke an era of "the most cordial relations" between the United States and Japan. The treasury predicted this government, like Great Britain, would insist on equal treatment in any settlement of French debts. Vice Chairman Culbertson of the tariff commission indicated a desire for transfer to some other branch of government service. Leigh C. Palmer, president of the Emergency Fleet corporation, testified before the house shipping board investigating committee. The Department of Agriculture estimated winter wheat was sown this fall on 42,317,000 acres, 6.5 per cent more than in the fall of 1923. Representative Britten, republican, Illinois, proposed a conference of white nations bordering the Pacific over the protest of Pacific coast members. Letters urging support of Representative Madden of Illinois for the house speakership were sent out, and the New Jersey delegation put forward Representative Lehlbach for republican leader. The Department of Justice began an investigation into charges that an employe of a senate committee accepted money to use his influence for legislation.

1. It was about this house that one of the most desperate gun battles in the history of Omaha centered. "X" marks the door which Mylar used when he looked out to see how badly the roof was burning, an action which led to his death.

2. Detective Harry Buford holding the gun used by Mylar. Reading from left to right, they are Buford, who found the body of Mylar, and Detective George Summitt, who braved two shots as he broke open the door of Mylar's home.

3. How the house looked after it was fired by Ted Hansen, police mechanic.

4. A general view of the scene of the battle. The photograph shows Twenty-seventh street looking north from Douglas street. The cars parked in the street are police cars. The shooting occurred directly back of the house with the extended porch where a group of police are standing.

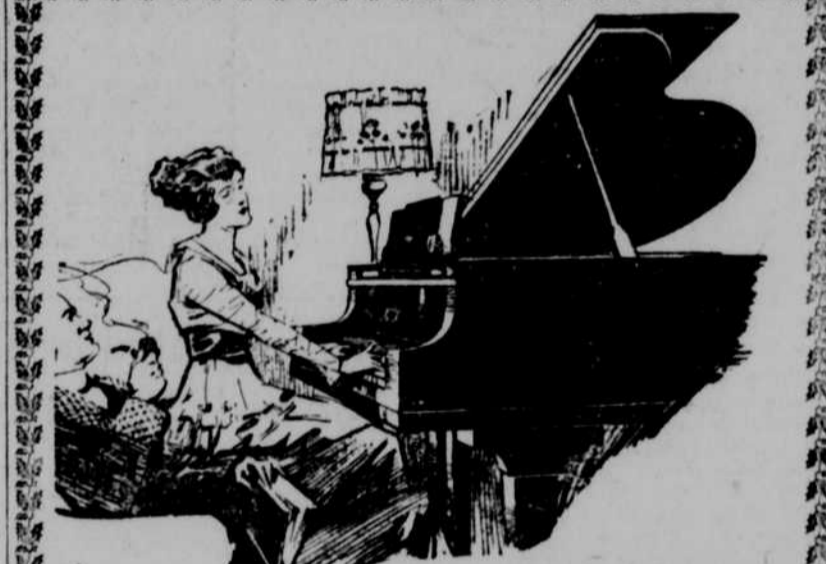
Check Writer Arrested.

Kearney, Dec. 18.—Profile check writing resulted in David L. Rhea, claiming Lincoln as his home town,

being picked up here and held, pending hearing on the charge of passing worthless checks. Fifteen checks which ranged from \$3 to \$7, have already been spotted by the police. Rhea, posing as a salesman, claimed to have enough money in a Lincoln bank to meet his obligations.

Dangerous Corner Eliminated. Fordyce, Dec. 18.—A large force of men under the direction of County Commissioner A. J. Thoenes has completed work in eliminating a dangerous corner between here and Hartington on the road leading to Bow Valley and St. Helena.

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Air Mail Planes Today, Pioneers Within One Year

Promoter of Vibrationless, Slow-Landing Type Sees Flying Taxicabs by Next Summer.

"Air mail flying will advance so far in the next year that the present pilots and ships will be looked upon as pioneers," declared Col. H. E. Hartney of Washington, D. C., who is here in conference with Carl Egge, superintendent of the air mail. Colonel Hartney seeks to get the air mail to accept for trial the giant Sikorsky vibrationless, slow-landing, twin-liberty-motored ship, now on Long Island, N. Y. This plane has a capacity for 16 passengers. It is equipped with three recently-invented instruments which make flying in all kinds of weather, in clouds or at any altitude as simple as driving an automobile, says Colonel Hartney. One of these is the "earth inductor compass," which enables the pilot to fly straight to his destination without even watching the ground. Keeps Plane Horizontal. The second is the "flight indicator," consisting of two gyroscopes and a pendulum. This keeps the plane horizontal even when flying through clouds where the pilot cannot see the ground. The third, most remarkable of all, has been developed by the army. It is called the "radio direction beacon." It involves, in fact, directed radio, says the colonel. It keeps a ship upon its straight course without variation of even a quarter of a mile. Lauds Mail Pilots. "The work the mail pilots are doing now with what might well be called obsolete equipment is marvelous," said Colonel Hartney. "Keeping their eyes on the ground, groping their way, they are supermen because they get through at all. I don't believe the army pilots could do it. These new instruments will do away with most of these hazards."

Burgess Bedtime Stories

By THORNTON W. BURGESS.

Who seeks shall learn, And knowledge earn. Peter Rabbit.



Peter Rabbit Finds a Queer Trail. Peter Rabbit likes snow. That is, he likes it if there isn't too much of it. Sometimes when it is very deep Peter has a hard time getting enough to eat. But when it isn't too deep he likes it. You see, Peter is full of curiosity, and when there is snow on the ground and it isn't crusty over he is able to learn many things about his neighbors. All he has to do is to follow their tracks in the snow to find out where they have been and what they have been doing. So with the coming of the first snow Peter hurried over to the Green Forest, and as soon as he got there he began to look for tracks. The first he found were the dainty little footprints of Whitefoot the Wood Mouse. They were almost as dainty as the tracks of birds. He followed them until they were joined by bigger tracks. Then Peter stopped. He suddenly lost interest. You see, those bigger tracks he recognized as Reddy Fox. Peter decided that that was no place for him to be, for he knew that those footprints were made only a very short time before. So away went Peter in quite another direction. Presently he found footprints like his very own, only very much bigger. They were the

footprints of his cousin, Jumper the Hare. "I haven't seen Cousin Jumper for a long time, so I guess I'll see if I can catch up with him," thought Peter. He hurried lipperty-lipperty-lip, following the trail of Jumper. It wound this way and that among the trees and crossed and recrossed. Gradually it led toward the Laughing Brook. Suddenly Peter sat up and stared round-eyed at another trail that crossed the trail of Jumper. It was a queer trail. It was the queerest trail Peter had ever seen. They were footprints, but they were queer footprints. They were quite round, and following straight along with them was a little furrow of snow. Peter guessed right away that was made by a tail. That would mean that the maker of the tracks had short legs. Right away Peter forgot all about his cousin Jumper the Hare. He was all curiosity to find out who had made this queer trail. He turned and followed it. Presently he came to where there was a gentle slope. There the footprints ended, but there was a long furrow clear down to the bottom of the slope. It was as if something had been pushed or dragged down the slope to the bottom. Peter hurried on. At the bottom of the slope he found the footprints again. He noticed that this trail always followed the easiest way. It never led over logs or stumps, but always around them. By and by he came to another of these long furrows in the snow. He stopped to study it. He scratched a long ear with a long hind leg. He scratched the other long ear with the other long hind leg. He was puzzled. He was very much puzzled. He didn't know what to make of this long furrow without any footprints. "The only way to find out," he decided, "is to catch up with the one who has made this trail." So he hurried on, lipperty-lipperty-lip. And so at last he came to the top of a steep bank, at the bottom of which ran the Laughing Brook. Beginning at the top of this bank was another one of these queer furrows. It ended down below at the edge of the water. Peter looked across the Laughing Brook. He could see no trail on the other side. He looked everywhere, but could see no signs of that trail. It simply ended right there at the Laughing Brook. The next story: "Curiosity Satisfied."

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