

CINCINNATI FIRE.

Most Destructive Conflagration In History of City.

BUSINESS PORTION BURNING.

Flames are Beyond Control and Situation Serious.

MANY BUILDINGS DESTROYED.

Pike Theatre, Railroad and Express Offices Already Gone and Business Houses Following as Rapidly as Flames can Take Them.

Cincinnati, Feb. 26, 1:00 p. m.—Special: This city is experiencing the most destructive fire ever known here. Fanned by a high wind the fire has been sweeping through the business district during the past eight hours and there is little prospect of getting it under control until the immediate fuel for the flames is all consumed. It is estimated that the financial loss to the city has already exceeded three million dollars in property destroyed. The fire has thus far been confined to the business district but is spreading rapidly with the prospect that a large number of residences will yet go up in the flames.

The district in which the fire is burning is bounded by Vine, Walnut, Baker and Fourth streets, in the center of railroad and business interests near the Ohio river.

The Pike theatre, Adams and American express offices, buildings of the Norfolk and Western and Southern Pacific railway companies, the American Book concern, Robert Clark Publishing house, the building of the Dubme Watch company, and hundreds of other buildings have gone up in the flames and others are threatened.

The firemen are working energetically to control the flames but with little hope of success and the flames are sweeping down a wide swath in the wealthiest business district.

One of the workers has been killed by falling walls and there have been many narrow escapes, but thus far only the one fatality has been reported. The police force is finding it difficult to control the mob.

There have been 400 different losses and the extent of the damage that may result cannot be approximated.

The people in the path of the flames are fleeing to places of safety, and strenuous efforts are being made to save all the movable property possible.

Firemen Injured at Broadway Fire.

New York, Feb. 26.—Special: Eight firemen were injured in a fire this morning on Broadway, several of them seriously. They were making a noble effort to suppress the flames when they received their injuries. They were taken to the hospitals and will there be cared for.

To Release Bartley Bondsman.

Lincoln, Feb. 26.—A joint resolution was introduced in the senate yesterday by Hall of Douglas providing for the relief of the Bartley bondsman. The resolution directs that the attorney general be instructed to dismit all action against the bondsman, and as a final settlement for Bartley's term of office, which began Jan. 3, 1895, the bondsman are to pay only costs in the suits. In the "whereas" it is set forth that the suits against the bondsman of Bartley have been of great cost to the state and it "probably will prove without fruit or advantage to the state" to pursue the litigation further.

SPARKS FROM THE WIRES.

Louis F. Schade, a well known author, correspondent and lawyer, died in Washington Wednesday, aged 74.

John Powell, a well-to-do farmer living near Marshfield, Wis., shot and killed his wife Wednesday. He is thought to have become suddenly insane, as his brother is already in an asylum.

Ten trolley cars left Elizabeth, N. J., Wednesday for Chicago. The cars ran on their own wheels, which is said to be the first time that trolley cars have been shipped in this manner. The cars are for the Aurora, Elgin and Chicago railway.

Panama Company Has No Objections.

Paris, Feb. 25.—It is reported in responsible quarters that the chief officials of the Panama Canal company have informed American officials here that the former had no objection to the two changes in the arrangement suggested in the recent dispatch from Attorney General Knox, which proposed the acceptance of the company's tender subject to the two modifications and to the United States senate's ratification.

Sanitarium for Consumptives.

Denver, Feb. 25.—David Brothers, president of the Colorado Fruit Growers' association, yesterday gave his fruit farm of thirty-six acres, highly improved, to the Y. M. C. A. of Colorado, to be used in connection with the projected sanitarium for consumptives, for which the association has been collecting funds for the past year. A large number of tents will be erected as domiciles for the patients.

MINORITY TO BLOCK BUSINESS.

Democrats in the House Prepare to Filibuster.

Washington, Feb. 26.—The Democrats of the house have called a caucus for today to act on the filibustering program the Democratic leaders have decided on for the remainder of the session. Tuesday, when the majority of the elections committee presented their report in favor of unseating Mr. Butler of Missouri, whose seat is being contested by Mr. Wagoner, the Democratic leaders, at the request of the Democrats of the Missouri delegation, served notice on the Republican leaders that if an attempt was made to call up the case for action they would do everything in their power to block the wheels of legislation until March 4. Speaker Henderson notified Mr. Richardson, the minority leader, that the case would be called up today. Thereupon the call for the Democratic caucus was issued. The Democrats are organizing for a fight to a finish. While their action probably will not jeopardize any of the appropriation bills, if they stick to their program of demanding a roll call on every proposition and insisting on the presence of a quorum, they can greatly embarrass the majority and defeat many minor matters, which otherwise would pass.

Democrats Offer Statehood Scheme.

Washington, Feb. 26.—The Democratic members of the senate committee on postoffices had another conference yesterday with the Republican members of the committee favorable to the omnibus statehood bill for the purpose of discussing the possibility of yet securing a compromise which may be acceptable to all parties. The Democratic members of the conference assured the Republicans rejection of the settlement proposed by the Republican side of the senate as a whole is final. They were then requested to suggest a basis of agreement themselves. Replying that they could speak only for themselves, the Democrats suggested that New Mexico and Arizona might be admitted as one state with the understanding that Arizona may be made a separate state on the attainment of a population of 200,000 within the present area of that territory. The Republican conference promised to present the suggestion to other Republican senators.

Commissioner From Alaska.

Washington, Feb. 26.—Senator Beveridge, from the senate committee on territories, reported a substitute for the house bill, providing for a delegate in congress from Alaska. The substitute provides for a commissioner, instead of a delegate, but he is given all the rights and privileges enjoyed by territorial delegates. Instead of being elected, the representative from Alaska is to be appointed, if the senate bill becomes a law. The power of appointment is vested in the governor and the district judges, sitting as a committee.

Ingalls to Run for Mayor.

Cincinnati, Feb. 26.—Considerable stir was occasioned here last night by M. E. Ingalls, president of the Big Four Railway company, signifying to a committee of citizens of his acceptance of the Democratic nomination for mayor of Cincinnati.

Chamberlain Sails for Home.

Cape Town, Feb. 26.—Mr. and Mrs. Chamberlain embarked at 7 o'clock on the Union line steamer Norman for Southampton. Immense crowds gathered at the docks and gave the colonial secretary an enthusiastic send-off.

Educators Elect Officers.

Cincinnati, Feb. 26.—The department of superintendence of the National Educational association yesterday elected the following officers: President, Henry R. Emerson, superintendent at Buffalo; vice president, Edwin B. Cox, superintendent at Xenia, O., and John W. Abercrombie of Tusculo, president of the University of Alabama; secretary, J. H. Hineman of Little Rock.

Blind Man's Victim Dies.

Spokane, Wash., Feb. 26.—Mrs. Hugh Smith, who was shot by John Bjerklin last Saturday, died yesterday in the hospital at Wallace, Ida. Bjerklin, who was totally blind, became jealous of the woman. She visited his room in Wallace last Saturday and he attacked and mortally wounded her, then committing suicide.

Business Block Burns.

Marion, Ill., Feb. 26.—Fire on North Market street in this city last night destroyed a block of buildings. Among the burned buildings are Mrs. H. J. Hendrickson's millinery store, Fred L. Anderson's tin shop, James Wilder's photograph gallery, John Outhouse's general store and William Line's grocery store.

Four Men for Coal Jury.

Chicago, Feb. 26.—No additions have been made to the four jurors selected yesterday to try the indicted Indiana coal mine operators and their Chicago agent, Walter S. Bogle, on the charge of violating the state anti-trust act.

Weds Adopted Son.

South Bend, Ind., Feb. 25.—Miss Barbara Bell, aged fifty-eight years, and Joseph Hawkins, aged twenty-four, were secretly married here. They reside at Flora, Miss Bell twenty years ago adopted Hawkins as her son, taking him from a soldiers' orphans' home.

Fingulist.

"That deaf and dumb woman is quite a fingulist."
"A what?"
"Fingulist; she speaks four languages on her fingers."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

OFFICES REMAIN IN OMAHA

Headquarters of the Elkhorn Not to Move.

PART OF THE NORTHWESTERN.

After March 1, the Road Will Be Known as the Elkhorn Division of the Northwestern—Bidwell and Other Officers Remain.

Omaha, Feb. 26.—A circular was issued from the general office of the Chicago & Northwestern today, announcing that the Fremont, Elkhorn & Missouri Valley railroad system will become a division of the Chicago & Northwestern. The new order goes into effect March 1, and is pursuant of the plan by which the Elkhorn system was recently absorbed by the Northwestern. The offices of the division will remain in Omaha. There has been fear for the past few days that the Elkhorn headquarters would be removed to Chicago when the expected order was issued, but this circular settles that point to the satisfaction of Omaha people.

The circular announces that George F. Bidwell will remain general manager, R. E. Kuhn will remain at the head of the freight department, and C. C. Hughes will continue to have charge of the operating department. The place of J. R. Buchanan, who for years has been general passenger agent of the Elkhorn and a few years ago made north Nebraska famous with his "Free homes for the million" offer, is not announced.

END NOT FAR AWAY.

Defense Making Good Progress in Lillie Murder Case.

David City, Feb. 25.—Special: The defense in the Lillie murder trial is presenting evidence in rebuttal of the showing by the state. Today E. R. Watson, a carpenter, was on the stand. He testified as to measurements made of the room, the bed and distances concerned. While he was taking measurements Mrs. Lillie posed in bed, the object of the defendant's attorneys being to prove that the defendant could not fire the shots from her position. He was sent to take other important measurements after he had completed his testimony.

WATCHES VOLCANO AT WORK

American Enjoys Spectacle of Flames Issuing From Nearby Mountain. Mexico City, Feb. 26.—News from the region surrounding the volcano Colima continues alarming. The people, terrified by the belching flames and pouring lava, are seeking refuge in distant towns and villages. The city of Tuxpan, in the state of Jalisco, continues under a heavy cloud of smoke. The volcano is alight with flames. The new eruption yesterday has increased the general fear. An American who slept near the volcano on the night of the eruption was awakened by a tremendous explosion and saw the mountain ejecting flames to an enormous height. He waited till morning, enjoying the magnificent spectacle, and then deemed it prudent to leave the vicinity. There is not much alarm in the city of Colima, but fears are felt for the farmers in the neighborhood of the volcano.

Revolution in Honduras.

Mobile, Ala., Feb. 26.—A letter by the steamer Hiram, from Puerto Cortez, Honduras, says that although martial law has been proclaimed, there is no stir at that place. Sierra was proclaimed president by the Honduras congress at Tegucigalpa, and was inaugurated Feb. 19. The revolution is reported spreading on the Pacific side. The American consul has asked for a cruiser to be sent to Puerto Cortez.

Panama, Feb. 26.—According to cables received here from Salvador, President Sierra of Honduras has suffered a serious defeat. From previous reports on the situation in Honduras it is believed that a battle took place in the neighborhood of Maccombe.

Prisoner Well Supplied With Poison.

El Paso, Tex., Feb. 26.—Strychnine enough to kill a regiment and two bottles of morphine were found on the person of Dr. C. S. Harle when he was searched after being taken back to jail from court last night. Harle and two other prisoners are on trial before the United States court in extradition proceedings which were instituted by the Mexican government in relation to alleged swindles and murders committed in Mexico. The case is being pushed by the New York Life insurance company. Richardson, one of the prisoners, asked the jailer to refuse to allow Harle to eat his meals in the same room with him as he feared poisoning.

Ex-Governor Semple in Custody.

Seattle, Wash., Feb. 26.—Ex-Governor Eugene Semple, president of the Seattle and Lake Washington Waterway company, was yesterday ordered confined in the county jail until he complies with an order of the grand jury to produce certain records of his corporation before the body. Governor Semple is now in the custody of the sheriff.

Kaiser Pleases Vatican.

Rome, Feb. 26.—The Rome correspondent of the Berliner Tageblatt telegraphs, according to a Herald dispatch from Berlin, that the Kaiser's letter to Admiral Hollmann has been received with much satisfaction at the Vatican. A cardinal told the correspondent that "even in biblical regions the Kaiser and the pope have at last met."

KING TO SEND JUBILEE JEWELS

England's Ruler to Make Notable Exhibit at St. Louis Fair.

London, Feb. 26.—King Edward will send the Queen Victoria's priceless collection of jubilee presents for exhibition at the Louisiana Purchase exposition, as his personal contribution towards the success of the fair.

The king personally announced this decision yesterday to Dr. Francis, president of the St. Louis exposition, who, accompanied by Ambassador Choate, was received in audience by his majesty at Buckingham palace yesterday morning. King Edward told Mr. Francis that he had been prompted to take this step by his keen appreciation of the affection and respect in which the Americans always held his mother and as a token of his intimate sympathy with American interests. His majesty said that he thought nothing probably would be more appreciated by the American and Canadian visitors to the St. Louis exhibition than this national memento of Queen Victoria's reign. Mr. Francis, on behalf of the exposition, expressed his thanks to King Edward for the promised exhibit. The king was most cordial in his reception of Mr. Francis.

WANTS AN HONEST EFFORT.

John Redmond, the Irish Leader, Simply Asks for Assurances.

London, Feb. 26.—The Irish leader, John Redmond, in the house of commons, yesterday moved an amendment to the address in reply to the speech from the throne on the subject of the Irish land question.

Mr. Redmond's speech was most conciliatory. He said the amendment was not intended as a hostile demonstration against the government, but as a "friendly warning" to the ministers that he and his friends believed the government was engaged in framing a great measure of justice and appeasement for Ireland which, in the words of the King's speech, would "complete the abolition of the dual ownership of land."

All he wanted was an assurance from the chief secretary for Ireland that the government was engaged in an honest attempt to solve the problem on the lines suggested by the recent land conference, which the speaker said offered an unexampled opportunity to end the agrarian troubles and conflicts between classes in Ireland.

ILLINOIS MINERS MEET DEATH IN PIT DISASTER AT AUBURN.

Springfield, Ill., Feb. 26.—An explosion of dust caused the death of three miners in the Auburn and Alton Coal company's mine at Auburn last evening. The dead are: Thomas McLaughlin, Matthew Donnelly, John Davis. The men were alone in the shaft at the time of the explosion. At 9 o'clock a rescuing party, composed of fifteen miners, went in search of the men buried in the mine. They were at first unable to reach them, owing to the condition of the air, but at 11 o'clock they found the bodies of the three men horribly mangled.

To Boycott Nonunion Coal.

Chicago, Feb. 26.—John Mitchell, president of the United Mine Workers of America, has abandoned all hope of organizing the miners of Maryland and West Virginia without outside assistance that will bring such strong pressure upon the operators that they will be forced to unionize their own mines in self defense. To that end a movement was started yesterday in Chicago to protest against the awarding of public contracts to firms handling Maryland and West Virginia coal and this movement is to spread all over the United States wherever labor has entered into a compact with the miners to tie up the output of the boycotted mines.

O'Leary's Head Bowling List.

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Another Blizzard in Kansas.

Topeka, Kan., Feb. 26.—Reports from western Kansas say that that portion of the state, western Oklahoma and northern New Mexico are in the grip of a blizzard. Snow has reached a depth of eighteen inches in some places. A high wind accompanies the snow and forms big drifts, which are delaying railroad traffic.

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BRAND HIM A BLUEBEARD

Ohioan Accused of Marrying and Then Murdering Wife.

MAKES A PARTIAL CONFESSION.

Three of His Wives Have Meet Death in Mysterious Manner—Taken From Home of His Latest Bride by Police at Indianapolis.

Indianapolis, Feb. 26.—Albert B. Knapp of Hamilton, O., was taken by the police yesterday from the home of his bride on a charge of murder. The police say that the wife at whose home Knapp was arrested and whose maiden name was Anna May Gamble, is Knapp's fourth wife, and that the others have disappeared in a manner which warrants investigation.

Knapp married the following women in the order given: Emma Stubbs, Jennie Connors, Hannah Goddard and May Gamble. An investigation showed that Miss Goddard, or Mrs. Knapp No. 3, disappeared Dec. 21, and that the following day Knapp was seen to take from the house, a large box and carry it away in a wagon rented from a livery stable. Further investigation showed that Jennie Connors, wife No. 2, was found dead a few years ago in a canal at Hamilton.

A dispatch from Hamilton, where Knapp was taken after his arrest in this city, says that Knapp has made a confession. When it became known that Knapp had confessed there was much talk of mob violence and the authorities at Hamilton prepared to resist any attack on the city jail.

The dispatch says Knapp admitted to Director of Police Mason and Mayor Bosch that he choked wife No. 3 to death on the morning of Dec. 23, but he says he does not know why he did so. He dumped the box containing the body into the Miami river.

When he was taken back to jail, Knapp told the officers that he had something else on his mind. This statement is believed to be the forerunner of a confession from the prisoner that he killed his first and second wives. His first wife died suddenly about eleven years ago and he soon married the second, whose body was found in the canal in Cincinnati in 1884.

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