

SECOND BLAZE IS INCENDIARY

Waterbury Municipal Building is Saved at Peril of Many Lives... NEW YORK INSURANCE MEN HAD HIT Metropolitan Companies Figure Up Their Losses at One and a Half Millions—Hartford Concerns Get Off Lightly.

WATERBURY, Conn., Feb. 3.—The fire across this morning on a blackened and smouldering mass of ruins that marked the main business section of the city...

The fire in the Scoville house originated in the pool and started in the basement of the house, on the further side from the burning district. The room was locked and no one was supposed to be there...

Second Fire Increases Consternation. The fire came so close on the heels of the big conflagration that the thousands of spectators who witnessed it were thrown into a more complete panic than the original fire caused.

Looting of Household Goods. The streets were piled with household goods and strewn with small articles thrown from the windows. Some of this property was collected by a few vandals...

Remarkable Freedom from Injury. The remarkable feature of the fire was undoubtedly the absence, so far as known, of loss of life. Two men who were asleep in the Scoville house...

Some of the Heaviest Losses. A revised list of the heaviest losses by the fire and the insurance carried is as follows, not including losses to scores of families...

Scoville House, Building, etc.—\$100,000; Insurance, \$50,000. Old Abbott—Loss, \$20,000. Reid & Hughes Company—Loss on stock and building, \$210,000; insurance, \$135,000.

HARTFORD, Conn., Feb. 3.—The closest estimates of the losses of Hartford insurance companies caused by the Waterbury fire as given by officials are: Aetna, \$30,000; Phoenix, \$21,000; National, \$13,000; Connecticut, \$15,000; Hartford, \$20,000; Oriskany, \$7,000; Scottish Union and National, \$13,000; total, \$230,000.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Feb. 3.—An official of the Security Insurance company of this city said this afternoon that the policies carried by this company on property destroyed in the Waterbury fire aggregated less than \$10,000.

FOUR PLAINVIEW STORES BURN. Buildings in Block That Was Devastated by Flames Last Year Are Destroyed.

Republican Press on Meserve

Albion Star-Journal: Ex-Treasurer Meserve, the reform state treasurer that was, has been indicted by the Douglas county grand jury for appropriating interest on state money to his own use while in office.

Imperial Republican: Ex-State Treasurer Meserve has been indicted by the grand jury at Omaha. The amount in this case is only \$1,500, but there are many such cases where the aggregate will be large.

Ord Quits: Meserve says he did not do it and so won't put it back. Hilten admits taking it and wants to know what the people are going to do about it.

Rushville Recorder: Ex-Treasurer Meserve is indicted by the grand jury of Douglas county, charged with diverting the interest of the school funds while he was state treasurer to his own use.

Broken Row Republican: The indictment of ex-Treasurer Meserve by the Douglas county grand jury for embezzlement of interest on state funds was a general surprise.

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York Times: Listen now for a fiercer and shriller outburst against Meserve than there was against Bartley as the governor who pardoned him.

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our treasurer's competence in keeping with their vast responsibilities and then provide ways to make the surplus safe and secure. In other words, let the next legislature inject a little common sense into this law and disrobe it of its superabundance of legal technicality.

Holdings Citizen: Quite a little excitement was caused among the politicians last week when the grand jury of Douglas county brought in an indictment against ex-Treasurer Meserve.

Bloomington Advocate: And now the grand jury has returned an indictment against ex-Treasurer Meserve, charging him with embezzling interest on school funds deposited in a State bank.

Beatrice Express: Ex-Treasurer Meserve has been indicted by a grand jury in Douglas county, on the charge of embezzling money belonging to the school fund.

Ashlund Gazette: If the indictment returned against Meserve, late fusionist state treasurer, should be sustained upon trial of the case, the last issue that the people hoped to make will fade away in the realm of the absurd and grotesque.

Tekamah Herald: The indictment by the grand jury of Douglas county of ex-Treasurer J. B. Meserve on the charge of embezzlement of interest on state trust funds is a most interesting case.

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presently idle, yet in reality deposited in banks where interest was secured to the treasurer's private account. As this is unlawful, no treasurer has dared make a public accounting of state funds and tell where deposited, although repeatedly called upon to do so.

Norfolk News: If ex-State Treasurer J. B. Meserve hoped to escape without the tag of opprobrium which has regularly been attached as part and parcel of the honors of the state treasurer's office in Nebraska for a number of years past...

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THE CHILDREN ENJOY Life out of doors and out of the games which they play and the enjoyment which they receive and the efforts which they make, comes the greater part of that healthful development which is so essential to their happiness when grown.

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GASOLINE FIRE KILLS FOUR

Explosion in Bakery Slays Father and Son, Also Two Others, and Injures a Fifth.

BOYERTOWN, Pa., Feb. 3.—Four persons were killed and another was probably fatally injured as the result of an explosion of gasoline at 11 o'clock tonight in the bakery of George Carver of this place.

EGYPTIAN RELICS IN DANGER

Fire at University of Chicago Threatens Priceless Gems, Utensils and Pottery.

CHICAGO, Feb. 3.—Garments worn by Egypt's kings when the Pharaohs were new, utensils from royal homes that were reduced to dust, some rock-work and inscribed pottery shaped by workers who lived before the days of Moses, were threatened with destruction by a fire in the basement of the Haskell museum at the University of Chicago today.

PARTING GIFT TO SWEETLAND

Employees of Nebraska Clothing Company Give Retiring Manager a Handsome Desk.

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OKLAHOMA NOT A PARADISE

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