

HOMES WRECKED IN POCATELLO

Explosion in Doctor's Laboratory May Have Fatal Results.

WALLS BLOWN TWELVE FEET

Doctor Rolled Out of House Like Barrel of Fire—He May Not Live—Cause of Explosion a Mystery.

(Special to the "News.")

Pocatello, July 26.—The private hospital, residence and office of Dr. J. A. Alquire, which is located on North Garfield avenue, opposite the L. D. S. church, and also the residence adjoining, occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Lucien B. Gordon, were completely destroyed by a fire, caused by a terrific explosion in the doctor's laboratory that occurred at 1:30 this morning. The explosion shocked the city, and blew out the walls of the Alquire office, and wrecked the building. The doctor himself was either thrown out with the force of the explosion, or else he reached the open air soon after.

MAY PROVE FATAL.

Neighbors looking out saw an object looking like a barrel of fire rolling through the weeds. This was the doctor himself.

The two houses were soon in a fierce blaze, and being frame buildings only, burned like paper. The explosion came from the first to sound the alarm of fire, which was soon repeated by the big whistle of the O. S. L. shops. The fire department was quickly on the scene, and did good work under bad conditions. A shower of rain came up most opportunely and the fire was confined to the two places, which, however, were so close together that they were both destroyed. The property damage is estimated at \$5,000. The doctor's plant of electrical appliances, and his library, were a total loss. The house is partly covered by insurance in the building covered by insurance on the building and furniture.

The doctor, all ablaze, was taken to the home of Frank Madden, where Dr. Steeley was called to attend him. His burns are serious and may possibly prove fatal. He was removed this afternoon to the General hospital.

THREW WALLS 12 FEET.

Mrs. Alquire was out of town at the time. Zella Sherwin, a little girl, a niece of Mrs. Alquire, was with her. Gordon, while all escaped, Gordon was burned about the head and hands in an effort to save the girl and his wife. This property is owned by Gordon, who is a barber. The force of the explosion threw the front wall 12 feet away, and lifted the Gordon house one foot and a half off the foundation. Much mystery surrounds the affair, the doctor is not in a condition to make a statement at this time. It is said Dr. Alquire has recently received two anonymous letters threatening his life.

OTHER INJURIES.

John O'Connell, a fireman, was slightly burned on the shoulder, three others of the fire boys received slight cuts and bruises. Live wires formed an element of special danger; several of their presence, though without serious results. The fire was put out by the fire department, and it will take a day or two before it is restored to service.

Look out for a second bond issue next year. The American crew figures that the income and expenses of the City for 1908 show an estimated shortage of over \$400,000. What is the end to be?

KENNETH KERR SPEAKS.

Talks of Gathering of Latter-day Saints on Coast Pioneer Day.

Latter-day Saints residing in Los Angeles observed Pioneer day in that city and one of the speakers was Kenneth C. Kerr, formerly a railroad man and newspaper man of this city. Mr. Kerr went to Riverside, Calif., some time ago as commercial agent for the Salt Lake Route.

In his talk Mr. Kerr told of Utah's contributions to the world's famous people, mentioning that the others such world wide known folks as Maude Adams, Edwin Milton Royle, C. E. Dullin and other writers, stage folk, artists, sculptors and the like, are famous in other walks of life. The Examiner quotes Mr. Kerr as follows: "It is peculiarly fitting," said Mr. Kerr, "that we of California should be celebrating Pioneer day, for the pioneer history of the two states is linked in many ways."

Prior to the settlement of our own Utah, we recall the march of the same pioneers, who settled there, from the Missouri river to southern California in 1846.

Some of these men were present at the discovery of gold and many of the same names are found among the settlers of the San Bernardino valley.

"One of the prettiest pages of history is the story of the west, and it is pleasing to note that the sons and daughters of the west are nobly carrying out the work of their mothers and fathers."

"Of the original pioneers of Utah, there are, I believe, but eleven now living and in the natural course of events it will not be long before they will all be gone. But it is of Utah people of today that I would speak and truly you have given me an easy task, for it is no trouble at all to look for a long and rapidly-filling list of men and women who are making Utah famous."

M. & M. FOR GOOD ROADS.

Association Frames Up Resolution Indorsing the Movement.

The Manufacturers & Merchants' association of Salt Lake is the latest organization to get into line in the good roads parade. The M. & M. association has decided that it wants good roads.

After all, none of the hot weather dainties are half so delightful as

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is willing to work for them, and has framed up its thought towards them in the form of a good roads resolution commending the Salt Lake automobile association for its work for good roads. The M. & M. resolution, given below, is not the only evidence of growing interest in the movement. A resolution comes from Los Angeles county to hold a bond election to issue \$2,000,000 for the purpose of building a highway. What the M. & M. thinks of the movement is indicated in the following:

"Whereas, certain of our progressive citizens have organized themselves into a good roads association with the avowed purpose of creating a keener individual interest on the part of every citizen in the improvement of the public highways, and

"Whereas, we realize, and appreciate, the splendid results that must necessarily accrue from such an association, which is resolved by the manufacturers and merchants' association of Utah, that we hereby indorse such a movement, and commend the careful consideration of all the people of Utah, to the end that every citizen, woman and child, will be enabled to manifest a personal interest in the matter, and lend their earnest support to the splendid work already done, and further purposed by the good roads association."

If the City owes the National Bank of the Republic nearly half a million dollars, will the proceeds from the bonds go? Ask Mr. Knox. He wants his money, and knowing the City Council as he must, who can blame him?

DENVER TO SEND SINGERS.

Business Manager J. H. Martin of the Denver Choral society will be in this city the latter part of August to arrange for two choruses that are to take part in the October Elsteadoff John James has returned from a trip through the southern part of the states, and reports that the Beaver, Milford and Provo probably will be represented in the singing of the strong choruses is expected from Provo.

SALOON MEN AGREE AGAIN.

There was a meeting last evening of the Liquor Dealers' association at which it was decided to change the agreement recently entered into with reference to the sale of liquor in the city. It was agreed that the stands should be closed on Sunday but last night the agreement was reached to keep them open. George W. Strickley, who was president of the association, resigned and George Whitaker was elected president. When the first meeting was held the liquor dealers' association men refused to abide by it. It is known that the liquor dealers' association is strongly in favor of the saloon men, and it will take a day or two before it is restored to service.

Should men who brazenly repudiate their own promises be entrusted with \$600,000 of the people's money?

NOTED DANISH EDITOR.

Ivar Kirkgaard of Racine Here to Address Scandinavians.

Editor Ivar Kirkgaard of Norden, the Danish-Norwegian illustrated monthly, published at Racine, Wis., is a guest at the Wilson. He is speaking this afternoon, before the annual outing of the Danish Brotherhood and Sisterhood, on the subject of "Good Citizenship." His idea being to impress more firmly than ever on the Scandinavian mind that it is the duty of American citizens of foreign birth to become actively interested in the principles suggested by the text, and to actively let their influence be felt for good in the maintenance of correct standards of civic righteousness and public morality.

Editor Kirkgaard is an enthusiast on the name and fame gained by Danish-Americans in sociological, industrial, educational and military lines. He is a student of the world, and in the world of politics, in which he believes they can attain to the same honored pre-eminence that they have reached in other spheres of action. Mr. Kirkgaard mentions Prof. Neils Hansen, Emil Carlsen, and others in the world of education, Bergium in sculpture, Carl Busch in musical composition, J. A. Ellis in sociology, and Faber in the continental army at Bunker Hill, one captain and five lieutenants in the French fleet at the capture of Yorktown, Gov. John A. Crockett, Vermont, afterwards a brigadier general in the Civil War, General C. T. Christensen of New York, also a brigade commander. Mr. Kirkgaard brings out fully the part taken by Danish people in the growth of the United States in a work entitled, "Danes in America," prepared for the American Historical association of Chicago. He will be in this city for a few days gathering data for an article on Salt Lake to be published in his paper. He goes to Denver from here.

MAY SWEAR VOTES IN.

For the information of voters who have paid their taxes for 1907, but have lost their tax receipts, it is given out that they can swear their votes in at the polls tomorrow. Lists of taxpayers copied from the official lists will be had at each polling place, and those entitled to vote can have their votes sworn in in case of lost tax receipt.

BONDS FOR MONEY DURING CAMPAIGN

"American" Party's Scheme As Operated by Clerk of Board of Public Works.

WHIP HAND IN DUAL CAPACITY

Inspectors, Useless to the City, Are Hired to Watch Holes Dug, and to Build "American" Fences.

A bond issue in Salt Lake City this fall means a big campaign advantage for the "American" party campaign. That is the reason for the excessive activity of Joseph Lippman. That is why the inner circle are so hard at work.

Taxpayers have to answer tomorrow the question of whether they are to be assessed for money to go to these particular bonds and interest upon them.

In the bond issue the "American" inner circle machine sees a way to build up its political fence, and to recruit its active workers, and to throw the whole expense upon the city.

How? If you see a laborer at work digging a hole in the street or one of the new iron poles of the Utah Light & Railway company, ask him where his "inspector" is. He will tell you the city's \$3 man is on the job at that particular place.

THE INSPECTORS.

Look up the record of this inspector. You will, perhaps, find him an "American" party worker, a canny worker who under the guise of an "inspector" is getting pay from the city for doing work for the "American" party. What is to be done? The city is in a predicament to follow the securing of the bond money for the big county campaign that is approaching? A "News" reporter approached a foreign laborer working at the corner of Second South and Main street. The man was working for the Utah Light & Railway company, not for Salt Lake City. The hole he was digging was for a sewer, and a permit costing the company \$1. The pole being put in was for the company, and any failure of the Italian to dig the hole would revert to the company's damage, not the city's.

PARTY LABORER.

Yet the city had a \$3 inspector standing in the corner, watching the Italian dig the hole. He was a big, powerful-looking man and a good district worker. Other inspectors watch Pat Moran's steam shovel dig. Still others watch the hole being dug by the Italian, and of the two on this job, neither knows the least thing about asphaltum or its use, or how to lay it down.

The inspector's surety is one of the easy ways through which bond money can leak into the campaign fund, and give the "American" party a corps of workers under the guise of inspectors in a position to demand special remuneration for their party work.

Notice the situation, Frank R. Christensen, clerk of the board of public works. The board of public works works. The board of public works has power to hire inspectors.

CHRISTENSEN'S WORK.

Frank R. Christensen is secretary of the American party city committee. The secretary of the city committee has power to hire district workers. Money comes easy, men come easy, and the city inspector knows that his employer on the city jobs knows just how active is his service on the political job as well as on the city job. Frank Christensen is paid in thousands of these positions and given this dual public and political position for a wise purpose. Frank R. Christensen is "American" party whip for the minority party workers.

Christensen, clerk of the board of public works, has already issued his orders for all employees of that board to work for the "American" party. They know what the order means, and what power of removal and discharge follows in one field from the disobedience of orders in a work of the other.

NOT FOR IMPROVEMENTS.

Nobody is opposed to bonds for necessary improvements. Mayor Bransford, the head of the city government, there would be very little opposition, no antagonism, and no failure to trust the government. Were the money destined for the city, and used to build up the city, no one would object. Every person who votes under the deception that he is thereby helping to build a great city, and taking a progressive step in a good direction, votes under a handicap, for he votes with the "Federal" party in the hope of this breaking the prestige of the "Americans" prior to the opening of the fall campaign. Mr. Morris has not taken into account the broad scope of the question by which the people secure a right to defend themselves from un-American forces, operating as free-booters in the political field.

WHERE IS HEADQUARTERS?

Only a few days ago Salt Lake had a special election for the city employees receiving letters from Frank R. Christensen delivering their orders, and his mayor, the only authority authorized to give them orders, pleading ignorance of the fact that such a letter had been sent. Christensen was in harmony, in ignoring the mayor with the inner circle policy as announced by the "American" party.

Former Mayor Richard P. Morris, was told only a short time ago, subscribed \$2 to a fund being raised by Charles Crane to oppose the bond issue. Mr. Crane declares that Mr. Morris told him he was opposed to the issue.

Mr. Morris this morning was quoted as favoring the bond issue, and defended his position when asked the reason for his change of attitude, on the grounds that the fight against the bonds was a political fight, organized by what he styled the "Federal" party in the hope of this breaking the prestige of the "Americans" prior to the opening of the fall campaign. Mr. Morris has not taken into account the broad scope of the question by which the people secure a right to defend themselves from un-American forces, operating as free-booters in the political field.

BIG VOTE NECESSARY.

The vote tomorrow will be close. Every taxpayer who neglects going to the polls seriously opens the way for a possible victory for those who are signing every force within their power to get the deseret money.

Forty owners have an intimate interest in this bonding proposition that they seldom, if ever, have had in a matter of bonds before.

If the people vote for the bonds, and the cash is realized, will it not go to pay the city's existing debt? What, then, becomes of the promised improvements?

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PARADE A BIG FEATURE

Attempt to Do Away With Parade to Performance Found No Favor in America.

The small boy who is impatiently awaiting the coming of the circus is certainly tickled over one thing, and that is that the Barnum and Bailey greatest show on earth will give a parade here on Tuesday morning. And such a parade as it is going to be! You ought to hear the circus man who is in town talk about it.

There is no secret of the fact that the circus managers a few years ago tried to relocate the street parade to the dim and misty past. It was a source of great expense and trouble, and the question was ever open to discussion. The idea of dispensing with the parade came to the Barnum and Bailey people about five years ago while the huge shows were touring Europe. In general cities it was impossible to give a parade. It was noted that the omission had absolutely no effect on the attendance at the circus performances, and an experiment was made. Results that all of the parade features were shipped back to the winter quarters in Connecticut.

As the scheme of dispensing with the parade worked so well abroad it was decided to try the experiment here. If it would work it would mean an enormous saving. Hundreds of horses could be dispensed with and the richly carved and gilded floats and chariots would be unnecessary. But the experiment caused a howl of disapproval which grew louder each season. Merchants kicked and so did hotel and restaurant keepers. There was much adverse editorial comment in the small cities, but still the circus managers persisted.

At the annual meeting of the circus managers last fall the first thing taken up was the question of the street parade. It was decided that it was decided to restore it on a bigger and more expensive scale than ever. In the short discussion of the matter one of the managers proposed that the parade be given in part and parcel of the circus itself, and that therefore the mistake of past seasons ought to be rectified at once.

In its description the parade this year will be a real eye-opener. All of the floats and chariots are new and in all the cities in which it has been seen it has been warmly and superlatively commended.

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LAWYERS INDULGE IN WAR OF WORDS

Heated Passage Between Attorneys Appearing in Police Court Case.

TROUBLE OUT OF TROUBLE

One Legal Light Demands That Policeman Be Arrested, Which Other Resists—End is Not Yet.

There was quite a wordy war in the clerk's office of Judge Diehl's court this morning between Atty. N. V. Jones and Asst. City Atty. Edgar A. Rogers, in which the prosecutor scored a victory.

It was a case where trouble grew out of trouble. Last night prohibition officer W. S. Naylor tried to disperse a crowd of young toughs who had congregated on the corner of Tenth South and Ninth East street, where some older person interfered and one of them struck the officer a blow in the face and then the whole crowd pitched onto him and hurled rocks at his head.

The case was taken up by Naylor to arrest one Byron Sellers, a boy named Calvin Jones and another named John Hagen. Sellers was arrested this morning on the charge of battery, and was represented by Atty. N. V. Jones who entered a plea of not guilty. The matter went over until tomorrow for trial. After pleading Atty. Jones demanded that the charge be issued against Officer Naylor, charging him with battery. Mr. Rogers stated that he did not propose to consider that matter until the Sellers case is disposed of.

ATTORNEYS MIX WORDS.

After court adjourned the two attorneys met in the clerk's office and Jones again demanded a complaint against Naylor and Mr. Rogers quietly informed him that he was not prepared to issue a complaint for battery, but he would not discuss the matter until the other case is disposed of. Mr. Jones became quite wrath and intimated that Rogers didn't know his business. The intimation was hardly resented by Rogers and then Jones declared he would see the city attorney with a view to forcing Mr. Rogers to issue a complaint.

"Go to it," replied Rogers.

And Jones left, much perturbed, while Mr. Rogers continued on the even tenor of his way. Sellers case is disposed of, and if it is shown that Naylor committed a battery, a complaint will be issued, but Rogers says he does not propose to prosecute complainant and defendant at the same time.

SHAKING UP DUE.

Practice of Arresting Men and Forgetting Them Must Cease.

The unjust practice of certain police officers of arresting men, throwing them in jail and then forgetting all about them, was again called to the attention of Judge Diehl this morning and unless it is stopped, there is likely to be a severe shaking up in the police department.

A recently appearing young man named W. E. Allen was in court this morning, and after adjournment he asked permission to address the court. The privilege was granted and he said:

"If the court please, I was arrested last night in jail by some officer, I don't know his name, on July 26. What I was arrested for I don't know. My name is not on the list and have been kept in jail without a hearing. I don't want to stay in jail any longer."

W. A. Monoholland, arrested Saturday last on the charge of having stolen money from someone, then arose and said:

"Judge, I was arrested last Saturday and thrown into jail. There is no charge against me, although I was arrested on the charge of stealing from someone. I am not guilty and I want to get out. I have a wife and children in Los Angeles, and I am anxious to get to them because they need me."

Judge Diehl learned that no complaints had been lodged against either and stated to the jailer that the men should be released. This sort of thing has happened numerous times before and it is nearly always the fault of the arresting officer. Men have been locked in a cell and apparently entirely forgotten for two or three days at a time.