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THIRTY BODIES IN BUILDING RUINS

Perished in Fire That Destroyed The Kansas City, Kan., Chamber of Commerce.

THE ACTUAL LOSS OF LIFE

Cannot be Ascertained Until Thorough Search Has Been Made, Which May Be Days.

Flames Spread so Rapidly That Escape Was Soon Cut Off—Inmates Were Frantic.

Kansas City, Mo., Oct. 25.—In the ruins of the chamber of commerce building in Kansas City, Kan., destroyed by fire early today, there are somewhere from half a dozen to 30 bodies, according to estimates given out this morning by firemen who had worked at the scene all night. Asst. Chief Lind at 8 o'clock insisted that the dead would not reach over six. The actual loss of life will not be known until a thorough search of the ruins can be made, probably not then, as some of the firemen assert that some bodies have been burned to ash. The building, used as a tenement house, was occupied by 100 persons at the time the fire broke out at 12:30 o'clock. Most of the names are unknown. Several persons who were in the building at the time of the fire were rescued. One man, Frank Ditar, a mail clerk, jumped from the fourth floor and caught hold of a ladder on the second floor and although he saved himself, he broke all of the fingers on both hands.

SAVED HIS WIFE.

Jesse Ford, a laborer, carrying his wife in his arms, climbed out of a window of the fourth floor. He walked along a beam until he reached a point where he dropped over a fireman's ladder and then dropped over a fireman's ladder. The fireman caught him and passed her safely to the ground. Ford then went back and got his 9-month-old baby and saved it in like manner. He then jumped himself and was caught by a fireman.

ONE BABY SAVED.

Another baby thrown from one of the upper windows was caught by a fireman. The fire interrupted street car traffic on the elevated road and a motorcar whose car stood in front of the burning building, said he saw five or six persons in the upper floors struggling frantically to escape, and he is certain that they succumbed to the smoke and toppled over into the ruins. He said he had a clear view and would have witnessed the rescue of the persons if any had been possible.

THE POPE'S HEALTH.

Dr. Lappin Reports That It Is Very Much Better.

OTHERS INJURED.

Robert Barton, stone mason, seriously injured. George Sparks, lived on second floor, hands and face burned. George Sparks, hands, neck and face burned. A. H. West, aged 66, carpenter at Missouri Pacific shops, roomed alone on fourth floor; face, neck and hands, seriously injured. Thomas Hunter, blacksmith, bruised and overcome by smoke. Patrick Miller, railroad laborer, hip broken. John E. Buchalter, fireman; back hurt by falling ladder. H. McCall, railroad laborer, head and cut. James O'Brien, engineer, escaped from fourth floor on fire escape, face and hands burned. John Kane, engineer, burns. William Mulvihill, train dispatcher, burns. William Childers, policeman, knocked down by falling beam; face, neck and hands, seriously injured. Emmet Scott, arm broken, face and hands, seriously injured. J. K. Sanko, packinghouse employee; hands and burns. Mary Sanko, bruised by fall from second floor. Edward Bayless, slight. Fred Creel, reporter, cut on head by falling brick. Jack Ditar, swung to ground from fourth floor, with aid rope, hurt internally. A. J. Jackson, laborer, slight hurt. Mrs. J. H. Ross, wife of Missouri Pacific porter, hands burned by sliding down rope from fourth floor. E. O. Eashart, foreman at Fowler Packing house, hands badly burned by sliding down rope from third floor. S. H. McCauley, Missouri Pacific fireman, cut by glass. Frank Otterman, railway mail clerk, cut and bruised.

THE BURNED BUILDING.

The chamber of commerce building was situated at Park and Central streets in the Riverfront district of Kansas City, Kan. It was at a junction of the elevated railway tracks, west of the Kaw river and a business district of what now is the business district of Kansas City, Kan. It was erected 15 years ago at a cost of \$150,000 to be used as a board of health building. The city grew away from it, its original purpose was for many years had been occupied as an apartment house. The structure was four stories in height, with a deep basement of brick and wood. It was known as the Kaw river building. The building was occupied by V. C. Lawrence, a barber shop; Edward T. Lawrence, a barber shop; Central Avenue drug store; Central Avenue restaurant; the Smith Overland Laundry and the Labor Record.

WHERE FIRE STARTED.

The fire broke out on the ground floor from some unknown cause. It was difficult to see the burning building from time before the fire department arrived. Several companies were sent to the fire in another part of the city. When the firemen arrived the building was in flames. So much smoke and so much heat that they discovered all means of escape.

BRYAN'S OHIO TOUR BEGINS.

Bryan began his campaign of speaking in Ohio here today.

DESERT EVENING NEWS.

TRUTH AND LIBERTY.

THURSDAY OCTOBER 25 1906 SALT LAKE CITY UTAH

The next issue of this paper should tell about it—if you have a house to rent or a job to find or a job to offer.

FIFTY-SIXTH YEAR

THREE HUNDRED CHAUFFEURS OUT

Go on Strike for Higher Wages And Better Treatment.

ONLY GET 16 2-3 CENTS HOUR.

Have to Report at Garage at 7 O'clock Every Morning and Frequently Get no Work.

New York, Oct. 25.—Three hundred chauffeurs employed by the New York Transportation company, which operates 250 public electric cabs, went on strike today for an increase in wages. As a result nearly all the cabs remained in the big garage at Fifth street and Eighth avenue today.

The men declared that they are compelled to report for work at the garage every morning at 7 o'clock and some days they are not given any work at all. They are paid at the rate of 16 2-3 cents an hour for what time they work. The demand for the chauffeurs of the ordinary electric machines is a uniform wage of \$2 for a 12 hour day.

Another of the grievances is the cost of uniform they are compelled to wear.

For the drivers of vehicles hired to private families the men demand \$2.50 per day instead of \$2.31, the amount they are now receiving.

A non-union man who attempted to take one of the electric vehicles from the garage was set on by a crowd of strikers and dragged from his seat. He was being roughly handled when he drew a revolver and fired into the crowd.

A big force of policemen who had been summoned when the trouble began arrived after the shot was fired. They charged the crowd and made two arrests.

President Mead of the transportation company, said the company regards the demands of the men as unjust, and that they cannot be granted at present.

After the trouble encountered by the non-union chauffeur, it was decided not to attempt to send out any more machines without police protection.

ASSESSING CORPORATIONS.

In California Will be Assessed on Gross Instead of Net Receipts.

San Francisco, Oct. 24.—According to the report of the state tax commission, which has been in the city for the past three days finishing its final report for submission to the legislature, the corporations of the state will be assessed on their gross receipts and not on their net earnings. This kind of taxation has been taken out of the hands of the counties and hereafter the state of California will exercise the right of taxing the public service utilities throughout the state. This tax will support the state and local property tax will support the county.

The commission also recommends that the assessment of real property shall be based on the actual value of the property in question. The commission also favors a low tax rate.

LEGAL TIME.

Texas Supreme Court Decides That It Is Solar and Not Standard.

Chicago, Oct. 25.—A dispatch to the Record-Herald from Austin, Tex., says: The state supreme court yesterday rendered a decision that solar time, and not railroad or standard time, must govern legal proceedings. This decision was one involving a valuable tract of land. The jury had brought in a verdict three minutes past midnight as measured by standard time, or 15 minutes before midnight by solar time. The trial judge held that the term of court expired at midnight, standard time, and refused to enter judgment. The supreme court yesterday affirmed the verdict on the ground that solar time governs the courts.

FRENCH SOCIALISTS DEMANDS.

Paris, Oct. 25.—The Independent Socialists demand that the ministry include in its program the compulsory arbitration of strikes.

WHAT THE TAX RECORDS SHOW.

In answer to the outrageous assaults being made by the Salt Lake Tribune on Zion's Co-operative Mercantile Institution, which it charges with having benefited by a reduction in its tax levy in the year 1885, over seven years ago, Supt. Thos. G. Webber today furnishes the Deseret News with the following figures, giving the amount of the taxes paid by Z. C. M. I. in Salt Lake City and county each year from 1880 to 1906 inclusive.

The change that Z. C. M. I. or anyone connected with it, was ever interested in altering figures in the office of the county assessor, Mr. Webber dismissed as beneath notice.

In addition to the amounts named below, the institution pays this year something like \$8,000 taxes on its branches.

Taxes paid by Z. C. M. I. in Salt Lake City and Salt Lake county:

Year.	Real Estate.	Improve. Personal.
1880	\$10,363.23	
1881	14,566.48	
1882	13,230.85	
1883	13,104.95	
1884	12,728.06	
1885	11,781.77	
1886	14,579.15	
1887	13,548.68	
1888	14,947.83	
1889	14,733.73	
1890	15,157.24	
1891	19,262.90	
1892	17,312.52	
1893	19,092.76	
1894	18,000.00	\$276,125
1895	181,200	280,950
1896	181,200	280,950
1897	108,175	29,940
1898	92,250	50,000
1899	92,250	54,000
1900	110,700	54,000

The reductions made by Mr. Quinn were not approved by the board of equalization, which restored the old assessments.

The "News" endeavored to inter-

MCCORMICK GETS UTAH NATIONAL

Announcement Made That He Has Control of That Institution.

STOCK WAS DELIVERED TODAY

Purchase Price Was a Handsome Advance Above Par and Between \$75,000 and \$80,000.

Policy of Bank to Remain the Same And Joseph Nelson to be Continued as Cashier.

W. S. McCormick today purchased and had delivered to him a majority of the stock of the Utah National bank, which has of late been rapidly forging to the front as a strong factor in local financial circles. The exact figure is not given but it is a handsome advance above par and aggregates between \$75,000 and \$80,000. This amount, is further stated, was for 31 per cent of the stock of the bank, which is capitalized at \$100,000. The sale was made through the George M. Cannon company, and the stock was delivered today.

It is further announced in connection with the transaction that Mr. McCormick made the purchase for the reason that with the Utah National he would be able to carry on a certain line of business that he could not very well handle as a private banker, and that at the same time he saw an opportunity for a good investment.

It is understood that the policy of the bank is to remain as heretofore, inasmuch as it has prospered so well under it, and that Joseph Nelson is to be retained as cashier. The directors are to meet next week, when the only change in contemplation is the broadening of the scope of the bank's business.

A WAR OF WORDS.

Over Adoption of Reformed Spelling In New York Schools.

New York, Oct. 25.—There was a war of arguments before the board of education committee on text books and supplies last night, when the committee gave a public hearing on the recommendation of the board of superintendents in favor of permitting the use of the simplified spelling board's list of 300 words in the public schools. Prof. Brander Matthews, chairman of the simplified spelling board, was present to plead for the use of the shorter forms, while the opposition was led by Dr. Rossett Johnson, author and dictionary maker. Decision was reserved.

RATE OF DISCOUNT SIX.

London, Oct. 25.—The Bank of England's rate of discount was unchanged today at 5 per cent.

ANOTHER CANARD.

Mr. Eccles Says Harriman Is Not to Buy Ogden Railway.

Hon. David Eccles of Ogden was in the city this morning. He was asked by a representative of the Deseret News as to the truth of the report published today that E. H. Harriman had made an offer for the Ogden street railway system. Mr. Eccles' reply was a denial of the most emphatic sort. "There is not a word of truth in it from beginning to end," he said. "Such a thing has never been thought of, and I never heard a word of it till I heard of the publication by a Salt Lake paper, this morning."

UNITED MINERWORKERS.

Mitchell Accuses Disenters of Trying To Disrupt Organization.

Terre Haute, Ind., Oct. 24.—Replying to the charges that the officials of district No. 11, United Mineworkers of America, were guilty of disloyalty to the organization, National President Mitchell, in the special convention held here today, accused the dissenters of trying to disrupt the union. The denunciation was precipitated when Delegate C. T. Llewellyn of Linton spoke of the coal question.

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REPUBLICANS IN RALLY TONIGHT

Congressman Howell Will Preside—Hon. C. E. Littlefield Principal Speaker.

EXPECTED THIS AFTERNOON.

Large Attendance at Salt Lake Theater Expected and an Interesting Program Has Been Arranged.

The congressman from Utah will preside at a Republican rally, to be held in the Salt Lake theater tonight.

The congressman from Maine will be the guest of honor, and the principal speaker.

This last announcement is made with some little reserve. Congressman C. E. Littlefield is on the way to Salt Lake, but the time of his coming depends on the railroads, and at present the roads are not putting through their trains with normal dispatch. Mr. Littlefield was due here yesterday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock, and the train on which he was coming has been cancelled, owing to the snow storms.

This afternoon the dispatchers' office gives out the news that the delayed train is due to arrive at 6 o'clock. If it does not lose any more time than that Mr. Littlefield can make his appearance. However, there is a prospect of his arriving late, while the meeting is in session, and just a probability of his not getting in till morning.

The Republicans are prepared for the rally, however, in any event. Other speakers will be ready to fill up the time in case Mr. Littlefield is delayed, and an attractive program of music, both instrumental and vocal has been arranged.

Congressman Littlefield is the first campaigner of national prominence to speak in Utah this campaign. In his recent reelection the majority was much cut down from its former position, and practically the entire force of the administration was at work in his district, including Speaker Cannon and Secy. Taft, preaching that his reelection meant a vindication of Roosevelt policies. The incident attracted national attention, and helped to bring Congressman Littlefield into the notice of the nation in a very prominent way.

A good time is promised all who attend the theater tonight, and a large turnout is expected. Congressman Howell will call the mass meeting to order shortly after 8 o'clock.

Democratic rallies are announced for tonight in the Fifth-fourth district at the Farmers ward schoolhouse, and for Saturday night at Scott's schoolhouse in Mill Creek. District Chairman Samuel Russell is in charge of the rally tonight at the Farmers ward schoolhouse. Chairman Cunningham is busy working up meetings for next week and says he will be able to announce them in a few days.

Chief Sheets was freed from the charge of compounding a felony, apparently on the grounds that it required affirmative action to constitute the crime. All the action proved against him was negative, and it included the failure to do almost everything the chief of police is hired to do, and any good officer would be expected to do whose heart was in the right place, with regard to allowing criminals to operate in the city.

The feeling today is that under the decision the chief can do almost anything he wishes to in the way of letting criminals operate here, without being guilty of anything, so far as he personally is concerned. By merely failing to do anything a chief is supposed to do he negatively fails to compound a felony that kind of thing of the simplification of the court hasn't helped remove all of the lawlessness that Chief Sheets is not the man to be continued in the position of chief, if public interest is to be conserved by public office.

THE GRAIN TRADE.

Interstate Commerce Commissioners Still Investigating.

Omaha, Oct. 25.—The hearing on grain trade conditions before Interstate Commerce commissioners Clarke and Lane was resumed today.

E. P. Peck, an Omaha grain dealer, told of the methods of arranging prices year or two ago during the life of the Nebraska Grain Dealers' association, but said no arrangement of that kind now exists. He said he regarded "shovel houses" as unfair competition and used all means to drive them out of business.

C. G. Crittenden, of the Central Grain company, Lincoln, Neb., said his company operated elevators on the Burlington. They received from that road an allowance of 14 cents a hundred pounds to cover elevator charges until last summer when it was discontinued. He knew of no "shovel houses" in his territory.

F. M. Terry, a general merchant of Little Sioux, Iowa, who operates a "shovel house" said he was formerly discriminated against by the Northwestern railway. For the last two years he has had no reason for complaint. The Missouri Valley Mills at Missouri valley, Iowa, he said, refused to handle grain, giving as a reason that the Updike Grain company of Omaha would not sell them grain if they did, and would hold up the price so that they could not buy from farmers.

Miles at Marshalltown, Iowa, also refused to buy his grain, he said, because he had no elevator, and was not a member of the Iowa Grain Dealers' association, some time ago from which he learned that the association fixes prices paid for grain and provides for pooling by its members.

STREETCAR COLLISION.

Defective Rail Causes It and Seven People Are Injured.

Chicago, Oct. 25.—A defective rail was responsible last night for a street car collision in which seven people were seriously injured. Two of them may die. The crash occurred on the Ashland avenue line at Thirty-ninth street. The bad rail was on the southbound track, causing the car on that track to collide with a car going in the opposite direction.

Charles Stadtman and Mrs. Ethel McDowell were seriously hurt and may not recover.

ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE ALARMS LIQUOR MEN.

Newark, N. J., Oct. 24.—At today's session of the National Liquor association, President J. B. Dunn made his annual report. He urged that his organization strengthen its means of defense. He said:

"So much has been accomplished by the Anti-Saloon league that it would seem dangerous to ignore it. We must be on our guard against its efforts. It is a danger which confronts us, but the fact remains that there are those engaged in the liquor traffic who appreciate the gravity of the situation and who are applying to prevent the passage of oppressive laws."

Robert J. Hall submitted a report upon the condition in the liquor trade throughout the country and upon legislation affecting the traffic. He said that the bill should be passed by Congress prohibiting the issuance of government certificates in instances where applicants had not complied with the state laws.

PAYS UP LIKE A MAN.

London & Lancashire Ins. Co. Settles Its San Francisco Losses.

San Francisco, Oct. 25.—Archibald G. McIlwaine, J., United States manager of the London & Lancashire insurance company, announces that with the exception of about \$200,000, the losses of the company, amounting to \$2,500,000, have been paid and that practically the entire balance will be within a few weeks.

Mr. McIlwaine said:

"San Francisco as it is today is a very different city from what it was when I was here some two or three months since."

"The spirit of enterprise and industry is to be perceived on every hand and to a continuance of this spirit will be the rehabilitation of this great coast city."

"Of course vast sums of money have been paid to your citizens by the various insurance companies, and there remains more to be paid."

GREAT POLICE SHAKE-UP COMES TOMORROW.

New York, Oct. 25.—Probably the most sensational shake-up which the New York police department has ever experienced will go into effect tomorrow morning, when every captain except one in the force will be transferred to another precinct by the order of Commissioner Bingham. The shake-up is for the good of the service," the commissioner announced today. The one captain left undisturbed is Captain Schuttman, who commands the Tenderloin precinct. There are 55 police captains in Greater New York.

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VISITING OF THE MISSION FIELDS

Charles W. Penrose Goes to England to Take Charge of the European Mission.

HEBER J. GRANT COMING HOME

George Albert Smith and B. H. Roberts to Visit Eastern and Southern States.

Hyrum M. Smith and Charles H. Hart Go to Northern and Geo. F. Richards to California.

Just after the recent fall conference of the Church, the Deseret News announced that it had been officially decided that several members of the council of the twelve apostles and presidents of seventies would shortly start upon journeys that would take them to the different mission fields; but the purpose of these trips was to inspect and set in order these missions, and that the work would take a considerable time—probably several months, perhaps more.

In pursuance of this appointment, were made as follows: C. W. Penrose to go to England to take charge of the European mission; Heber J. Grant, who has been released to come home, to visit the eastern and southern states, which comprise New England, New York, Pennsylvania, Maryland, West Virginia, Delaware and eastern Canada, in the Eastern States mission; and North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Mississippi, Alabama, Louisiana, Tennessee, Kentucky, Virginia and Ohio, in the Southern States mission.

Hyrum M. Smith and Charles H. Hart have gone to the Northern and Central States mission, which embraces Iowa, Illinois, Wisconsin, Michigan, Minnesota, North Dakota and Iowa. George F. Richards has already started on a tour of California and the Northwestern States missions, which latter includes within its boundaries Oregon, Washington, Montana, Idaho and British Columbia.

John Henry Smith has been assigned to visit the San Luis Stake in the Colorado mission, and will leave for that point this afternoon.

LOOKS BAD FOR TOY.

Notorious Colored Man in Jail for Highway Robbery.

Toy Smith, a colored man who has often been in the police court, on one charge or another, was arrested at midnight by Officer Carlson, and this afternoon a complaint will be filed against him for highway robbery. It is alleged against Smith that he met on Plum alley one Jakayama, a Japanese, with whom he had become acquainted, and with whom he had a previous blow on the eye. Quickly putting his hand into the pocket of his victim, Smith took from him \$20, and fled with the Jap in pursuit. Smith ran through the noodle parlor of Nook Lum and for a time escaped.

Officer Carlson obtained a description of Smith, and soon found him on Franklin avenue, hid away in a shack and smoking opium. He was taken before the police, and the notable man, both of whom identified him as the robber.

PAYETTE-BOISE PROJECT.

Time for Furnishing Gates and Lifting Devices Extended Three Months.

(Special to the "News.")

Washington, D. C., Oct. 25.—The secretary of the interior has granted an extension of three months' time to the Union Works of Oakland on their contract for furnishing gates and lifting devices for use in connection with the Payette-Boise irrigation project, Idaho. The secretary of the interior has also executed a contract with the Billings Construction company, Billings, Mont., for the construction of the Corbett dam and auxiliary structures under Shoshone irrigation project, Wyoming, at its bid of \$66,750. The work must be completed by April 1, 1907.

A BARK'S HARD EXPERIENCE.

Victoria, B. C., Oct. 25.—The British bark Don which arrived today after a boisterous passage from Glasgow with a general cargo, including shipments of explosives, rifles and cement, had an exciting voyage. The vessel was in collision with a French ship in the Irish channel soon after starting and was forced to return to Glasgow. Then a call was made at Monrovia to land Capt. Jeffries, who was ill. From there the mate, Capt. Reach, took charge. Off Capt. Reach's vessel, heavy weather was encountered and the vessel was forced to under storm sails, the crew broke into the shipment of liquor and all hands became intoxicated. They refused to work the ship, which lay helpless, threatening to drive ashore on Horn Island. A favorable wind alone saved her. From that time there was more or less fighting between the crew and more intoxication and fighting until finally the captain got control by threatening to use firearms and attempted to make port without any further serious trouble.

DREYFUS GETS A COMMAND.

Paris, Oct. 25.—Maj. Dreyfus, who was detailed for duty with one of the artillery regiments at Vincennes, has been given an independent artillery command at St. Denis.

OLDEST GYPSY DEAD.

New York, Oct. 25.—Mrs. Louisa Smith, the oldest gypsy in America, died yesterday in a camp near Freehold, N. J., aged 101 years.

ATTELL AND DECOURSEY

Sign for a Match for Nov. 16 Before San Diego Club.

San Diego, Cal., Oct. 25.—Articles have been signed for a match between Attehl and Billy Decoursey, to take place Nov. 16 before the National Athletic club. They are to weigh in at 21 pounds at 3 o'clock on the day of the match.

LOWERS ITS FARE.

Indianapolis, Ind., Oct. 25.—The Cincinnati and Western railway company today announced that beginning Nov. 1 a straight fare of two and one-half cents would be charged in Indiana