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OVERLOOK 30 GIRLS ATOP BURNING LOFT

Firemen, Unaware of Their Presence, Fight a Fierce Blaze on Floors Below—Office Boy is the Hero.

New York, Sept. 21.—Thirty girls, receiving a warning almost too late, were in danger of death on the top floor of a burning building at 50 West Houston street, two blocks west of Broadway, but finally escaped by running down a smoke-filled staircase.

The five lower floors had been cleared and firemen had carried hose lines up to the fourth and fifth floors, which were ablaze, before the alarm was given to the thirty girls in the dress factory of Friedman & Kahn on the sixth floor. Through some misunderstanding, those who had spread the alarm through the building were under the impression that the girls had been warned long before.

Firemen, who had been told that everybody was out of the building, had just opened doors from the staircase into the burning Sabatoga hat factory on the fourth floor, when a cross-eyed office boy wearing spectacles came running down from the top floor, shouting:—

"Help me rescue these girls!"

The office boy was employed by the Regal Doll Factory on the second and third floors and had discovered that the girls on the top floor had not been rescued when he could not find a young girl that he knew among the hundreds who had fled from other floors to the street.

Rushing down the stairs behind the office boy came a crowd of young women, frightened by the smoke, hesitating and crying for help, until the firemen slammed the doors of the burning hat factory to smother the smoke in the hallway. Picking their way past the hose lines and wading down steps from which water was pouring in torrents, the neglected thirty girls reached the street.

In the meantime, responding to three alarms, thirty pieces of apparatus had forced their way through the heavy motor traffic, while their sirens scattered thousands on Broadway and other streets near the fire. The crowd going from office buildings to the subways was at its densest. On the streets west of Broadway pedestrians dodged into doorways as drivers of fire apparatus ran their vehicles upon the sidewalks to pass the jam of motor trucks.

Smoke was pouring out into Houston street and into Greene street from the two fronts of the building, which is "J" shaped, having a front at 153 Greene street, as well as at 50 West Houston street. The two wings of the "J" enclose the corner building, another six-story building, which is occupied wholly by R. H. Conroy & Co., dyers and bleachers. Firemen rushed hose up to the roof of this building.

The burning building is adjoined on the west by the Spring Exchange of the New York Telephone Company, where more than 100 girls were at work. Smoke began to drift in through the windows, causing some alarm among the girls. They were reassured by Mrs. Josephine Harding, chief operator, and those who were on duty remained at their switchboards, as firemen by dozens rushed up the stairs with hose.

The main fire-fighting force poured water into the burning fourth floor from the Green street side. Other firemen worked on the Houston street stairway. The firemen, advancing from both wings, drove fire, smoke and water at each other. Firemen were tumbling over their feet by the battering-rams of water from the firemen on the other side. The shouts of Battalion Chief J. J. Helm and others, endeavoring to straighten out this confusion, could be heard for blocks, above the pumping of the engines.

By the time all the apparatus had arrived, Houston and Greene streets were lousy on which seventy or eighty lines of hose were interwoven. A hose burst in front of the New York Edison Building and knocked down Joseph Cortese of 183 Bleecker street and was hurried to the New York Hospital with a sprained ankle.

Several Firemen Hurt.

Fireman Edwin Foley of Engine Company No. 18 got a blast of flames in his face from a back draught. His face and hands were badly burnt. He was taken to St. Vincent's Hospital. Acting Battalion Chief Edward Quinn's hands were severely lacerated by glass. Several firemen were overcome and were helped to the street by their fellows. These included Firemen J. F. Green, William Theall and John Englert.

When asked to estimate the damage, Battalion Chief Helm said that it would be like shooting at the moon to make a guess, but that he thought it would run to only a few thousand dollars.

Among the nurses attending the New Brunswick Nurses' Association meeting at Moncton this week are Miss Margaret Murdoch, superintendent; Miss Mitchell, matron, and Miss Grace Andrews, head operating room nurse, all of the General Public Hospital staff. The convention opened on Tuesday and finishes today.



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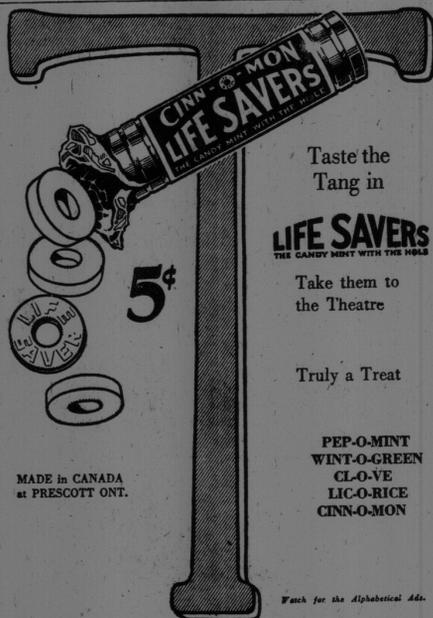
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GOODS BY AIRPLANE.
Cleveland Firm Sends Them That Way To Insure Delivery.

New York, Sept. 21.—What is described as the first attempt to use the airplane for carrying merchandise to a retail store will be undertaken today. At the Mineola, L. I. flying field an airplane loaded with goods consigned to William Taylor, Son & Co., Cleveland, is scheduled to depart. It is expected that the trip to that city will be completed in six hours, the plane reaching there by noon.

This shipment by air is the first of four, the others to take place Thursday, Saturday and next Monday, providing flying conditions are suitable. The merchandise to be shipped is intended for the fall festival week of the store, which begins on Sept. 25. The shipment going forward today comprises imported Japanese kimonos, women's shoes, blouses and infants' coats. Merchandise of like nature will be transported in the other flights.

The shipment is being made by air according to an official of the company, because of the fact that the goods

must be available for the opening of the sales next Monday, and it was felt that there might be delay if the merchandise were forwarded by express of freight, owing to the rail strike.

SAYS NATION SPECIALIZED IN KILLING ITS OWN MEN
Major General Harris Declares That Half the American Army in World War Were Untrained.

Atlantic City, N. J., Sept. 21.—"This country has specialized in killing its own men. By that I mean that over fifty per cent of the men killed in the last war were killed unnecessarily, because they didn't know how to fight."

This was the statement made by Major General George H. Harris, commander-in-chief of the Military Order of the World War, holding its convention at the Ambassador Hotel.

"We need adequate national defence," he continued, "and I am opposed to the thoughtless follies and propaganda of those who insist upon destroying and crippling our army and navy. It is a known fact that those persons who were trying so hard to do that crippling have never risked their own lives in battle."

HAD TO SIT ON BARREL.
VALPININO COMPLAINS
In Suit Argues Famous-Players Dressing Room Was Too Small.

New York, Sept. 21.—Supreme Court Justice Wasservogel reserved decision on the application by the Famous Players-Lasky Corporation for an injunction restraining Rodolph Valentino from breaking a contract which it is alleged does not expire until Feb. 7, 1924, to go with another motion picture concern for a higher salary. Louis Marshall, arguing for the injunction, said that Valentino was a college man and knew what he was doing when he signed the contract. He was now accused of trying to break it.

Arthur Butler Graham, attorney for Valentino, told the court that misrepresentations were made to the actor as to the contract he signed, and that he was told it was the same contract as had been signed by Thomas Meighan. The attorney said it wasn't, and that Valentino got only \$1250 a week while he worked, while Meighan got a larger salary whether he was working or waiting.

Attorney Graham contended that the Famous Players-Lasky Corporation broke the contract first by featuring two women in "Blood and Sand" as co-stars when they were not stars, which damaged the standing, and that when he was making the film he had to use a dressing room so small that he could hardly turn around in it and when he wanted to sit down he had to use a barrel. He asserted that he had to pay the tendor who instructed him in his role out of his own pocket, and was not permitted to invite his friends to the private showing of "Blood and Sand" as other stars were permitted to do.

Valentino also complained that two days after he was married to Winifred Hudnut she was ordered back to New York and his employers compelled her to travel in an ordinary Pullman berth, where she was subjected to annoyance from reporters throughout her trip, instead of having a compartment. He said that this treatment of his wife so affected him that he could not work.

HAS ARMORED PRISON AUTO
Sheriff Nagle Tries Out His Invention For Hauling Convicts.

New York, Sept. 21.—An armored motor car to transfer convicts to and from Sing Sing Prison will be put into operation today by Sheriff Percy E. Nagle, who got several thousands of dollars from the Board of Estimate to build this portable prison according to his own ideas. It is said to be the first machine of this type ever constructed here or abroad.

The auto is bullet proof, including its small windows, which consist of plate glass an inch or more thick. At the front and rear are compartments, each for two armed guards, with apertures for firing from the interior of the car. Each guard is equipped with a rifle and a revolver. The body of the car provides room for twenty prisoners.

It is intended to run the car on a schedule of three round trips weekly to the prison at Ossining at a minimum speed of 38 miles an hour.

The first trial of the machine was made yesterday by Under Sheriff Thomas Burke, with four guards and a chauffeur, by carrying twelve prisoners from police headquarters to Blackwell's Island.

THE TELEGRAM AND HON. M. W. DOHERTY
(Toronto Telegram)
Hon. Manning Doherty's efforts to break into Journalism via the Farmers' Sun were not crowned with success. But there is still a place open for Hon. Manning Doherty in a higher sphere.
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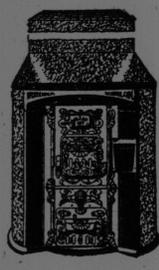
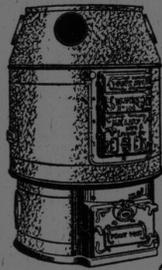
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permanent that educational service he contributed to the British public with regard to the cattle embargo. Indeed, one of those mysterious Northcliffe wills may even provide that the London Times be turned over to Hon. Manning Doherty, that he may stand on guard for a protracted period between the British people and their government. Ontario will make any incidental sacrifice required, if Premier Doherty will co-operate. Times are out of joint, but the Times will be prepared to put the Empire on an even keel could Hon. Manning Doherty be persuaded to set up his milking stool in Fleet street.

EX-SENATOR COLE 100,
CALLS WORRY LIFE'S FOE
Says Pessimism is a Brain Disease—Be Cheerful, He Tells Friends Congratulating Him.

Los Angeles, Sept. 21.—Cornelius Cole, former Congressman and Senator from California, who celebrated at his home the hundredth anniversary of his birth, told the multitude of friends who greeted him at a reception in his garden that "worry kills more people than bludgeons, bullets and disease."

"Keep your mind in order," he advised, "just as you expect your house to be kept in order."

"Hunger is a wholesome sensation, all excesses are dangerous to health and overeating is the commonest form of excess."

"Make your mind behave. Avoid anger. By all means avoid anger."

"Pessimism is a form of brain disease; it may be cured or cultivated by the power of the will."

"I hear much alarmist talk. Sixty years ago men said the country was going to the dogs, but it didn't seem to, some how."

"Years ago I wondered whether I'd ever live to see this century. And here

I am twenty-two years into it, and still going. I've come to the conclusion that the climate must have a great deal to do with it."

Mr. Cole has several speaking engagements for this week.

A new bill for today, Friday and Saturday, starts today. On Friday night a ballroom dancing night will be held and contestants are asked to leave their names at the box office. The Saturday matinee will be a children's show and prizes will be given to the kiddies. Next week is planned to be surprise week with something surprising every night. The Sunshine Girls will star then also. The whole show is clean and refined.

GREAT MARKET FOR CANADIAN GOODS SOUTH

A great market for goods manufactured in Canada, as well as for Canadian wheat is offered in Colombia and Venezuela, according to E. C. Austin, who has been representing Canadian interests in a tour of these two countries.

Mr. Austin reached St. John last evening. In conversation with a Telegraph reporter he pointed out that in Colombia and Venezuela there was a combined population of more than 8,000,000 people, who were ready to purchase goods from Canada.

Mr. Austin was sure that Canada could secure a large portion of the trade with Colombia and Venezuela providing the goods were packed so as to reach their destination in good shape and the terms of credit were satisfactory.

PITTSBURGH BISHOP DEAD.
Pittsburg, Sept. 20.—The Rt. Rev. Dr. Cortland Whitehead, Episcopal bishop of Pittsburg, is dead.

SUNSHINE GIRLS DRAW FULL HOUSES

Large Audiences at Queen Square Theatre For Second Week—Several Individual Stars—New Bill For Week-end.

The Sunshine Girls, in their second week's engagement at the Queen Square theatre, are drawing capacity houses and the audiences are delighted with the quality of the show put on by them. The chorus opened their season here with a new set of costumes especially designed to fit their act. Al. Fox, the champion wooden shoe dancer of New England, appears in some unusually fine dancing numbers and executes some difficult steps. Joe Donovan, the leading comedian, was formerly with the Ting-a-Ling Company and his sallies are good for a laugh at any time. His parodies are especially unique. Jack Ryan is good both in his specialties and in his straight acting. Tiny Davis, petite sou-brette, shows a good deal of cleverness in her singing and her dancing is very nearly, if not quite, as good as that of

Mr. Fox. Margaret Haskell needs no introduction to St. John audiences as she has been seen here before with high class companies. Miss Frances Ryer, "the little girl with the big voice," and Miss Ethel Fox give some first-class songs and dances.

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