

## OPEN PROBE IN CHICAGO FIRE

Insurance Officials Regard Conflagration Due to Incendiarism.

### WORST BLAZE SINCE 1871

Destruction of "Fireproof" Structures Reveals Many New Problems.

CHICAGO, March 15.—Investigation of the cause of the fire which destroyed a block of thickly-tenanted office buildings, caused a loss of more than \$6,000,000, resulted in the death of one man, and rendered 20,000 others idle, was begun tonight by state, city and insurance officials.

The manner in which the flames flared out in several places at the same moment, the almost incredible rapidity with which they spread until nothing but smoldering ruins was left of the block bounded by South Canal, West VanBuren and South Clinton streets and West Jackson boulevard, caused Shirley T. High, fire attorney, to announce that "everything points to incendiarism."

The first "smell" alarm was turned in at 12:50 a.m. This was followed by other alarms at three and four-minute intervals until nearly every piece of Chicago fire-fighting apparatus was at the scene. But even with 52 engine companies playing more than 100 lines of hose on the flames it was not until four hours later that the fire was brought under control.

Just across the street from the charred landscape of tottering walls and twisted, smoked steel, on which firemen expected to be working for the next three days, towered the massive skeleton of the "fireproof" Burlington Building tonight. The walls still stood intact, but its fifteen stories of windows stared like sightless eyes over the scene of desolation, for the contents had been destroyed by a heat so intense that glass from the windows had melted, and according to the firemen, "ran like water."

The structure housed the quarters of the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad, and all the records of the operating, engineering, legal and executive departments were destroyed.

Officials of the board of underwriters declared that the fire, the most disastrous since the great fire of 1871, revealed many problems which would have to be met by firemen before they could hope to cope successfully with fires in great modern skyscrapers. The effect of the fire on the Burlington Building was declared to show that no skyscraper is free from fire danger and that the modern fire department is practically helpless against a blaze that gets a full headway in the upper floors of a tall building.

**TUBERCULOSIS DISCUSSED.** OTTAWA, March 15.—The Ottawa conferences on tuberculosis are in full swing. Four sessions dealing with important phases of pension disability, right to free care, asthmatic conditions, change of residence, food and intricate methods of treatment have been discussed by doctors in attendance at the call of the department of soldiers' civil re-establishment. The speakers included Dr. Nichols and Dr. F. H. Prutton of London, Ont.

## WORLD NEWS CUT SHORT

MEXICO CITY, March 15.—Federal troops are guarding the power plants and street railway barns against strikers who threaten to cut off power and light owing to the refusal of the company to pay for the two days lost by the employees at the time of the last strike. The government is determined to permit no disorder, as it regards the claims of the strikers as unjust. The manager of the street car and lighting system refuses flatly to accede to the demands of the strikers.

ROME, March 15.—"Giuristi or disorder" is the dictum issued today by the Fascist of Rome to the Italian government following failure by the cabinet to endorse Deputy Giuristi's appointment to the governorship of that city.

Several conferences of members of the cabinet have been held, but no decision has yet been reached regarding his endorsement.

HONOLULU, K. H., March 15.—Fifteen Japanese, convicted of criminal conspiracy here last Saturday, today were under sentence of from four to ten years hard labor each. The charges were made in connection with the dynamiting of the house of J. Sakawaki, a Japanese of Oahu, island of Hawaii, in June, 1920, as the outgrowth of the strike of sugar plantation workers at that time, Sakawaki having opposed the strike.

MEXICO CITY, March 15.—Gen. Gerardo Reyes and six of his men were killed yesterday in the state of Vera Cruz during an encounter with the rebel leader Miguel Aleman, it was learned today.

Gen. Guardalupé Sanchez, commanding the federal troops at Vera Cruz, has taken the field in person against Aleman.

LONDON, March 15.—M. K. Gandhi, India's non-co-operationist leader, and a banker who financed his paper, "New India," have pleaded guilty to British charges of sedition. Their trial will take place before April 1, according to cables from Delhi today.

Slight disturbances in agricultural districts in the vicinity of Calcutta have been reported.

## FIX HAMILTON TAX RATE AT 35 MILLS

HAMILTON, March 15.—Hamilton's tax rate for this year will be 35 mills. The board of control was informed that nothing less would do and fixed it at this amount. The city to obtain about \$250,000 for relief purposes will ask permission to issue short term debentures instead of taking the money from current revenue and increasing the rate by two more mills. Last year's rate was 33½ mills.

**CONVICTED OF MURDER.** BRANDON, March 15.—W. F. Grover of Minnesota, Man., was found guilty of murder in connection with the death of a male infant found on a vacant lot in this city early in January, and was today sentenced to be hanged on June 1. Mr. Justice Dyson pronounced sentence.

At the trial Grover's fifteen-year-old daughter, who was the mother of the child, declared that Grover was the father.

## LAUNCHES NEW IRISH SOCIETY

De Valera Issues Manifesto Organizing Republican Association.

### ASKS FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Main Object To Maintain Sovereign Authority of Dail.

DUBLIN, March 15.—Eamonn de Valera issued a manifesto this evening launching a new Irish organization to be called the Cumann Na Poblachta, or Republican Association, and asked moral and financial support of it. According to the manifesto the new organization takes its stand on the proclamation of the Irish Republic in Easter week of 1916 and its ratification in the declaration of independence of January, 1919.

Mr. de Valera signed the manifesto on behalf of the republican members of the Dail Eireann and their standing committee.

The main objects of the organization, as stated in the manifesto, are to secure international recognition of the Irish Republic, to maintain the undiminished sovereign authority of the Dail and to repudiate the proposed agreement with Great Britain as humiliating to the nation and destructive to its status and rights.

Another object is stated to be to maintain respect for political pledges and the high standard of probity and honor of Irish public life.

The new organization will probably act as the Republican party machine since the old Sinn Féin organization, the Ard Fheis, will not be available for that purpose for either the Republicans or the Free State advocates, owing to the recent agreement reached at a meeting of that organization.

**BELFAST CHILD KILLED.** BELFAST, March 15.—After a quiet day in Belfast, a child 5 years old was shot dead this evening by a sniper in the Falls road district, and a man was shot and killed tonight at the corner of Chip street.

## St. Thomas Topics

**THOMAS HOLLAND** of this city who, for a long time has enjoyed more or less a squatter's right on M. C. R. property among a strange and varied collection of horses, pigs, chickens, ducks, geese and several cats, has taken up his abode in the county jail, where he expects to remain for the next nine months. Holland neglected to pay when arraigned in police court Tuesday fines amounting to \$300, which had been imposed upon him for operating a still and keeping liquor in a place other than a private residence, although he had been given a week in which to raise the money. He leaves to mourn his departure all his dumb friends.

**ST. PATRICK'S DAY** will be celebrated in a fitting manner in Holy Angels' Church of this city. At 9 a. m. high mass will be celebrated with a panegyric on the life of the illustrious saint. In the evening a concert and a play will be given by Holy Angels' Dramatic Club.

**GERTRUDE QUINLAN**, Mitchell street, fell while roller skating Tuesday afternoon and broke the wrist of her right arm.

**SEVERAL MORE** crippled cars were turned over to the city for distribution among the poor as fuel by the M. C. R. Wednesday. The company has given nearly 100 cars to the needy of the city since the first of the year.

**STEPS** to have prepared tentative plans for the proposed technical school for this city will be taken at a special meeting of the industrial advisory committee of the board of education Thursday night. Many members of the committee favor asking for competitive plans.

**THIRTY UNEMPLOYED MEN** were given work Wednesday when construction work on the Hiawatha sewer were started, Wednesday. The gang will work until Friday when 30 more men will start, giving each of the 60 men 3 days work each week.

**THE DIRECTORS** of the chamber of commerce has decided to call a monthly meeting of the members' forum when important questions and new plans for the platform of activities will be discussed.

**DONATIONS** to the fund established in this city by the Kiwanis Club for the relief of starving Russian children now totals \$132.25.

**IF THE PRESENT** rush of business on the Grand Trunk Wabash Railway keeps up there is a possibility that new Wabash shops will be erected in this city and the present yards of the railroad will be extended eastward, according to opinions expressed by H. W. Matthews, district superintendent of the Grand Trunk-Wabash Railway. In making the statement Mr. Matthews stated that he believed he was expressing the opinion of the head officials of the company. It has been apparent for years, he said, that the present shops were inadequate to handle the company's power equipment while the present yards were unable to cope efficiently with the rush of traffic. He favored a location east of the city for the shops.

**J. R. HARMER**, secretary for the St. Thomas and Elgin County Motor Club has opened a bureau of information in the city hall for tourists. The department will keep many road maps, give information as to routes, hotels, summer resorts, and suggested tours in all parts of Canada and the United States.

**LODGE'S RESOLUTION** ADOPTED. WASHINGTON, D. C., March 15.—The resolution of Senator Lodge, extending for twenty-five years the loan of \$50,000,000 made to Austria for famine relief, was adopted unanimously today by the Senate and sent to the house.

## URGES NEED OF LEGAL TRAINING

Ontario Bar President Says Many Magistrates Have Never Had It.

### FIND LAW COURSE EASIER

Would Have Students Give Whole Time To Study, Omitting Office Work.

Toronto, March 15.—"We have 200 police magistrates in Ontario, many of whom have never had any legal education," was the statement of R. J. MacLennan, K. C., president of the Ontario Bar Association, at the opening session of that body today. "Every magistrate should have been a lawyer," said the president, "and we would be well supplied in Ontario if the number did not exceed the number of county court judges."

"There is a great need of a legal education for all our legislators," added President MacLennan. He thought they would be well employed in taking a series of addresses on legal education.

**Waste Of Money.** During the last two years the Ontario Government had issued a public service bulletin, but the money would have been better spent in purchasing space in the daily press for the publication of selections from our statistics. To the press he would suggest that it might better compile legal news of this sort than record so much sordid police court news.

The question of whether a student attending a law school should give his undivided attention to his studies and then be prevented from serving in an office during the school term was another important consideration. The speaker expressed the opinion that the best work was done when the school took the whole time and attention of the student. It had been claimed that we were overstocked because the young men found it easier to get through a law course than to qualify for any of the other professions, and the fact that the fees were somewhat high did not seem to keep any away.

**Matter Of Regret.** On this point he said: "It is a matter of great regret that the legislature from year to year opens a breach and sends into the profession, and against the judgment of the benchers, men who seek to escape the full rigor of the curriculum. We must never forget the truth of the maxim 'There is no royal road to learning,' and that is applied to legal education."

It was as necessary for a judge (as well as for a lawyer) to continue to be a student; this was essential if the judges were to leave any of the "judgments which are models of literary style and logic, and which give us in simple and brief form a clear and immediate grasp of the principles discussed."

A well-edited bar journal was a necessity. It would keep lawyers in touch with what is going on in all parts of the legal world, and in a sense be an element in legal education. The Canadian Bar Association hoped to publish such a journal.

The law school should make full provision for post-graduate work and for granting degrees and scholarships either at Osgoode Hall or at some of the American and English universities.

## NORWOOD CLAIMS CRITICISM UNFAIR

Ottawa, March 15.—Canadian literature is not as it is portrayed in the stinging block of Canadian literary criticism. Canadian literature is alive and good; Canadian literary criticism that damns it is decayed and bad. But the makers of Canadian literature can surmount the obstacle. Canadian literature can be advanced to the place in which it rightfully belongs, and the fortunes of Canadian authors correspondingly improved through the development by Canadian authors themselves of criticism that will be just.

This practical advice was given Canadian authors at the monthly supper of the Ottawa branch of the Canadian Authors' Association here last evening, by one who claims to have suffered at the hands of Canadian critics, but who, nevertheless, has gone forward to distinction, Dr. Robert Norwood, Canadian writer of prose and poetry, lecturer and preacher, who is now rector of St. Paul's Memorial Church, Philadelphia, and was formerly rector at Crown Memorial Church, London, Ontario.

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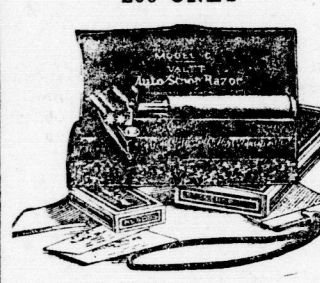
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