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Were Burned at a Loss  
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Second Outbreak of Flames  
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Panic in the City.

MILITIA ARE STILL  
GUARDING THE RUINS

FOUR ACRES BEST BUSINESS PART  
OF THE CITY BURNED OVER-  
COMPARATIVELY FEW RENDERS-  
ED HOMELESS.

Waterbury Conn., Feb. 3.—The fire that raged in this city last night and this morning has caused a loss of more than \$2,500,000, burning over four acres of buildings. The best business portion of the city, including very many of the most prominent business houses, forming a triangle, bounded on the north by S. Exchange place, on the west by Bank street and on the east by South Main street, was almost wiped out.

The first fire which started in the big store of the Reid & Hughes Dry Goods company on Bank street, was not considered under control until about \$2,000,000 worth of property had been destroyed.

About the time the firemen supposed they had the flames under control, a second fire broke out in the Scoville House, the city's leading hotel, remodelled by the late Judge E. C. Lewis, a few years ago, at an expense of about \$25,000, and the establishment was completely wrecked. The occupants of the hotel were forced to seek the street in their night clothes.

With the ringing of a second alarm, the entire city was thrown into a panic. There was a fierce gale blowing and sparks from the burning hotel were driven in showers over a great area. The occupants of buildings located in the path of the wind prepared to leave. Although the Waterbury fire department was reinforced from nearby cities it was for a time impossible to stay the progress of the flames.

The wind was blowing a gale and the cold was intense. It seemed at one time as though every structure in the heart of the city would be destroyed.

In some instances the work of the firemen proved of no avail. The Waterbury bank building, at the corner of Bank and Grand streets was saved although the New England Engineering company's \$70,000 building, but a few feet away, and the Masonic Temple, on the north side of the bank building, were wiped out of existence. During the night the mayor was in communication with Governor McLean and the militia was called out. Companies A and G, numbering about 120 men, were detailed about the fire district and are still on duty. The city is now practically under martial law. The armory, the city hall, the churches and other public places have been turned into temporary shelters, hundreds being rendered homeless.

The fire broke out almost simultaneously on the third and fifth floors of the Reid and Hughes' store. The burning building was located in the heart of the city and within view of many residences, which flank the city park commons. The firemen soon abandoned any attempt to save the burning structure and turned their attention to adjacent property. It was of no avail, however. Within fifteen minutes the Salvation Army barracks, to the rear, were burning. From there the flames leapt across Bank street and wiped out three places of business. A few moments later the fire again crossed Bank street and destroyed the Masonic Temple. After forty-five minutes of time,

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It became evident that Waterbury was to experience an unparalleled conflagration. The wind was of almost hurricane force. Appeals for help were wired to New Haven, Hartford, Bridgeport, Naugatuck and Winsted. Within an hour special trains from these cities were speeding toward Waterbury with apparatus.

The arrival of help served to inspire courage among Waterburians, but still the fire continued its work of destruction. Meanwhile, thieves took advantage of deserted houses and it became necessary to order out the militia and two companies of the Second regiment, A and G, were placed on duty. Before midnight more than a whole city block had been laid in ruins and there seemed to be no end to the work of havoc. Just as the firemen seemed about to stamp out the fire, it would break out again in another place.

At 2:30 a. m. twenty handsome blocks, occupied on lower floors by stores and on upper floors by tenements and offices, were in ruins.

At 3 a. m. the firemen seemed to be gaining control of the fire. An hour later many citizens had withdrawn to their homes, only to be thrown into renewed panic by another outbreak, this time in the Scoville House, adjacent to the city hall.

This fire, it is stated, originated in the billiard room, and is surrounded with mystery.

Flames thirty feet high leapt from the roof of the Scoville House. The guests of the house and the Exchange hotel fled in their night clothes. The second fire lit the city in a panic. The Hodgson billiard parlors and cafe, W. J. Rether's meat market, Cong's drug store, Descher & Kie's, safe, Albin O. Spalek's barber shop and the Scoville billiard hall were at the mercy of the flames in the second fire. The Scoville House was located nearly 600 feet from the store of the Reid & Hughes Dry Goods company, where the first fire originated. The origin of the last blaze is a mystery. The city hall was threatened. The Exchange hotel burned like tinder.

M. D. Erwin, a well-known professional ball player and a member of the Protection Hose company, was found partly frozen on the roof of a block adjoining Conlon's store. He is unconscious and his condition is serious. Within two hours the hotel, with many other nearby buildings, had been gutted. The firemen continued their work, and at 6:30 had begun to again secure the upper hand.

It was not until ten o'clock, however, that it was definitely felt that the fire had been conquered. The Scoville House and the Franklin House ruins were still blazing and in the ruined district volumes of smoke arose from the debris.

When the flames broke out early in the evening, rain was falling. Afterwards a heavy snowstorm set in, and the wind became a mild hurricane. In the fire district thousands of people packed the flooded streets. Many of them fell on the icy pavement and many were injured by being trampled upon by the surging crowds.

The engines are still throwing streams on the ruins of the great fire at a late hour tonight. All told thirty-three buildings were burned. Comparatively few were rendered homeless. With the exception of the two hotels every building burned was devoted to business. So far as known not a single life was lost and nobody was seriously injured. Militia are still guarding the burned district.

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## STILL WARRING IN THE SENATE

Carmack Leads in the Affray  
Involving Philippine  
Policy.

Beveridge and Tillman Clash  
Once More in Wordy Con-  
flict.

SENATE VOTES AGAINST  
INCREASING SALARIES

CONSIDERABLE OPPOSITION TO  
AMENDMENT TO INCREASE PAY  
OF JUDGES IN PORTO RICO AND  
HAWAII—OLEOMARGERINE BILL  
DISCUSSED.

Washington, Feb. 3.—Carmack in his speech in the senate on the Philippines revenue bill today riled the republicans by declaring that neither he nor they nor any senator had studied the elaborate system of rates of duties contained in the bill. This he said by the way of explanation why he was not prepared to discuss the bill as a revenue measure. His remarks were repeated later on by several republicans who asserted that they had fully studied the revenue features of the measure. Beveridge was especially vehement in repeating Carmack's remarks and he and Tillman clashed over the conduct of the war in the Philippines.

Tillman said there were plenty of officers who declared themselves ashamed of the war. Carmack denouncing the bill as a waste of money and a lynchpin in the purpose of making the islands a prey to carpet baggers. The democrats opposed the whole policy of "colonial empire." He accused the republicans of being their hands in holy horror if a negro was lynched in the south and being now engaged in lynchings ten millions people who were their allies and brothers for no crime except the crime on which this republic was founded.

In the course of his peroration Carmack exclaimed: "Of whom was it that the old prophecies were fulfilled, he said, they built up Zion with blood and Jerusalem with iniquity. I believe he was talking of the republican party." (Laughter).

Washington, Feb. 3.—The house today was almost wholly occupied in the discussion of the oleomargarine bill. Mr. Hale gave notice he would call up the urgent deficiency bill tomorrow.

Consideration of the bill to increase the salaries of judges of the United States courts then was resumed. The pending amendment was that offered by Mr. Stewart, increasing the salaries of representatives to \$7500 annually, beginning March 4, 1903. After brief discussion the amendment was rejected 15 to 44. An amendment was then offered by Mr. Foraker extending the

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## PRESIDENT INQUIRING INTO SCHLEY'S CONDUIT

Personally Investigating Matters That Were in D  
Before Court of Inquiry.

Washington, Feb. 3.—President Roosevelt has determined that rendering final decision in the appeal of Admiral Schley he will personally inquire into the movements of the Brooklyn during the battle of San Juan. In carrying out this determination he today conferred with Admirals of the Iowa, Taylor of the Indiana, Captain Clark of the Oregon and Commander Wainwright of the Gloucester. He questioned these lengthily in regard to the Brooklyn's loop, her proximity to the Texas and the spilling of the Brooklyn during the battle.

proposed increase of the salaries of circuit judges to the circuit judge of Porto Rico. Mr. Clark (Wyo.) moved to amend the amendment by extending the proposed increase in salary to the district judge of Hawaii. Mr. Tillman inquired of Mr. Foraker whether Porto Rico was in the United States or not.

"I will say to the senator," replied Mr. Foraker, "that Porto Rico belongs to the United States."  
"The matter of 'belonging to' and 'being in' is entirely different," suggested Mr. Tillman.  
Mr. Foraker said he would content himself now with saying simply that Porto Rico belongs to the United States. "The relation of the island to the United States," said he, "has been established by congress and approved by the United States supreme court." Considerable opposition was developed to the amendment and Mr. Foraker withdrew it rather than jeopardize the bill.

Mr. Clark (Wyo.) insisted upon his amendment and reoffered it at once. The amendment was laid on the table with division.  
At 2 o'clock the Philippines tariff bill was taken up.

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