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FIRE FIENDS AWFUL WORK

Ten Lives Lost in Holocaust Today

Tenement Dwellers in a New York Structure Hemmed in by Flames, With No Chance Whatever of Escaping Their Terrible Doom—Children Saved by Spectators, Who Caught Them When Thrown From Windows in Burning Building.

New York, Oct. 5.—Ten persons are dead, two are dying and six badly hurt in a fire early today, which destroyed a four story tenement in the heart of the Mulberry Bend Section. None of those who lost their lives had a chance to escape. They were penned in a rookery like building with a column of flames roaring up the stairway in front, and with fire escapes in the rear so cluttered with boards and rubbish as to bar progress of those fleeing for their lives. The fire was the work of an incendiary. The man was seen carrying barrels of oil soaked rubbish into the hall-way and the police have his description. Brave firemen saved the lives of more than twenty pe-

AFTER SON-IN-LAW NICK.

Congressman Longworth Leaves the Stump and Goes Back Home. Evansville, Ind., Oct. 5.—It is reported that President Roosevelt has ordered Nicholas Longworth off the stump, because of his speech at Rock Island, where he said that "I should serve eight years, then be succeeded by Roosevelt for eight years. Whether he was ordered to do so or not, he has left Representative Sherman, with whom he was campaigning, and has returned home.

TREMENDOUS FIRE

Is Raging Along the Water Front of San Francisco. San Francisco, Oct. 5.—A fire which started in a coal bunker of the Pacific Coal Company, is raging on the water front. Several warehouses have been destroyed and the loss already amounts to a half million dollars. The entire water front is threatened. The entire fighting force is at work to prevent the further spread of the flames.

PRESIDENT TEDDY

May Yet Take the Stump for His Protege. Washington, Oct. 5.—Secretary Lobb said this morning that the situation was unchanged as to the President's going on the stump. The impression is growing as explicit denials are not forthcoming that the president may yet make some campaign speeches.

SWELL BILL THIS WEEK.

Clever and Big Acts at the Crystal Palace at Small Prices. The Crystal Palace this week is offering an exceptionally clever bill. It is new and snappy and includes all well known artists. They are Earle Higley, noted blackface artist; the Great Grey, in a refined musical set; Farris and Blue, popular sketch comedy duo; and Percival and Shields. The latter are the celebrated juvenile artists. Mr. Frank Crombie, who is well remembered here, is now the musical director at the Palace.

YOM KIPPUR

The Day of Atonement Was Celebrated Today by Hebrews. The day of Yom Kippur, or the Day of Atonement, was started yesterday afternoon at 6 o'clock at the Temple of Israel. The service was conducted by Rabbi S. Mendelsohn, of the Temple, and there was a large attendance. Today from 10 till 6 o'clock without intermission, services will be held at the Temple. The Day of Atonement will end this afternoon at 6 o'clock.

REVIVAL STARTED

At Trinity Methodist Church Yesterday Morning. A revival service was started at Trinity Methodist Church yesterday morning with a large attendance. A fine sermon was delivered by the pastor, Rev. W. L. Rexford, on the subject, "Close Discipleship," and much interest was manifested. All ministers and their congregations are invited to participate in the meeting. Services will be held every evening during the week beginning at 8 o'clock. Rev. W. E. Hocutt, pastor of Bladen Street Methodist Church, will preach tonight.

THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Started the Fall Term Today With a Total Attendance of About 2,300—Indications Point to the Largest Attendance the Various Schools Have Ever Had—First Day's Session Was of Short Duration.

The fall term of the public schools of Wilmington started this morning, and the attendance upon the first day of the session was particularly gratifying to the school authorities. There were about 2,300 children who presented themselves this morning, and this figure is in excess of that for any previous year.

At the High School there were 240 pupils present, and this figure indicates the banner attendance of the institution. Previously, the best first day attendance here has been less than 225, and therefore it is probable that the total number of pupils at the High School during the ensuing term will go beyond 250.

At the Union School practically 1,000 pupils started the term in the right manner by attending the first day's session, and the Hemenway School nearly equaled this figure also.

The first day was featured with a short session only, and was consumed with the assignment of lessons for tomorrow, and the announcement of the text books to be used during the year.

FIVE CIRCUS ACTS

Have Been Secured for the Big Elk-fest. Arrangements were perfected yesterday by the Executive Committee of the Elkfest, which is to be held here Nov. 2nd to 7th, for the benefit of the Children's Playground Fund, to bring to Wilmington on that occasion, the largest tent spread in Wilmington in the past couple of years. Also for five big circus acts, such as the trained lion, ten trained ponies, trained elephants, several camels, etc.

Some three hundred people will take part in the Elk Society Circus, the dates of which have been set on Nov. 4th and 5th. The regular meeting of the executive committee, and all those interested in the circus, which was to have been held this Monday night, has been postponed on account of the circus, until Tuesday night. All sub-committees will hold meetings at once.

Manager Julius Taylor has organized his minstrel force for the minstrel and circus after the big show, and the first rehearsal will be given Tuesday night.

Chairman Bell of the committee on advertising has had made a beautiful engraved cut, illustrating the Elk's Circus and its features, for use on the backs of envelopes of the business men. A systematized plan for newspaper display advertising has been arranged for. Some ten thousand small folders will be placed in envelopes, to be distributed by salesmen while out on their trips in this section of the county.

The schedule of excursion rates to Wilmington during Elkfest week, will be announced later.

JOHN SHARP WILLIAMS.

Mr. J. Allen Taylor president of the Chamber of Commerce, and Mr. John J. Furr long, received a telegram yesterday afternoon from Congressman C. R. Thomas, at New Bern, which stated that Hon. John Sharp Williams had been ordered by the Democratic Campaign Committee to go to Iowa immediately, and therefore he could not come to Wilmington to deliver a political address. This information will be received with deep regret here.

"The Pawnbroker."

This is the feature and new film at the popular Bijou today. It deals with an interesting phase of life and the story told is a very dramatic one.

MRS. M. E. BARLOW

Passed Away at Her Late Home Yesterday Morning. Mrs. M. E. Barlow died early Sunday morning at her late residence, No. 1017 South Front street, after a lingering illness of three months. Mrs. Barlow was in the 53rd year of her age. The funeral over the remains of the deceased lady was held this morning at 10 o'clock, and the interment was made in Bellevue cemetery.

New Choir.

The new choir of the First Baptist Church began its fall and winter engagement yesterday at the morning service, and the high class music rendered was very pleasing to the members of the congregation. The members of the choir are Mrs. J. J. Loughlin, soprano; Mrs. J. D. Edwards, alto; Mr. C. V. Motte, tenor, and Mr. A. S. Holden, basso. Mr. E. H. Munson is organist and musical director.

CASE GOES OVER ONCE AGAIN

Waterworks Suit Continued to Next Term

Fortnight Term of Superior Court Convened This Morning—Practically Nothing Done Today and Number of Cases Continued, Including Suit Against Workmen of the World—Tomorrow's Docket.

A two weeks term of the Superior Court for the trial of civil cases convened this morning at 10 o'clock and Judge C. W. Lyon is presiding. The first case set and called for trial was the well known one of G. D. Phares & Co. vs. the Clarendon Waterworks Company, but the case was again continued. Previously it had gone over several times for the defendant, but this time it was continued for the plaintiff on account of the absence of a material witness, Martin Daniels, by whom the plaintiffs intend to contradict the defense that a gasoline tank exploded in a "dead alley" or in Braddy's store and which would have made the fire spread even had there been an insufficient water pressure.

Robert Ruark, Esq., of counsel for the plaintiffs, stated to the court that this witness had been in attendance at several terms and that they thought he would be present today, but he had failed to put in an appearance.

Counsel for the defense fought a continuance, unless the plaintiffs would pay their witnesses' fees for the term, and this his Honor started to do, but changed his mind upon statement by counsel for the plaintiffs that the case had been continued last time for the defendant company without the payment of any cost. So the case was merely continued.

The next case on the docket, that of J. E. Sellers vs. J. I. Adkins, was allowed to go over until tomorrow, when Hon. John D. Bellamy, counsel for the defendant, stated that he would be ready for trial.

Several cases were continued, and several others re-arranged for other days on the docket on account of Judge E. K. Bryan having to leave for Washington City tonight to be gone several days. The suits of the Murchison National Bank vs. Dunn Oil Mills Co. and J. D. Barnes, were continued.

Other cases continued were those of T. J. Kenan, et al., vs. the City of Wilmington, Gaston L. Myers vs. T. J. Kenan and wife, and J. L. Ferguson, Jr., vs. Jos. H. Hinton.

The interesting suit of Mary A. Lillycrop vs. the Sovereign Camp, Workmen of the World, was also continued and in its place was set the case of F. A. Burris vs. the City of Wilmington. Now the latter case instead of being called tomorrow will be called next Monday. The only other business transacted during the morning session was a trial of a divorce suit and in which Mary M. Hale was given a decree of divorce from John Hale.

Shortly past 11 o'clock court took a recess until 2:30 o'clock this afternoon, but very little further will be done today, as there are only two more suits on today's trial docket, those of Z. W. Whitehead vs. the Atlantic Coast Line and Oliver Smith Company vs. W. R. Griffin.

The trial docket for tomorrow consists of the following cases: Holmes Grocery Company vs. W. H. Stokley, Eliza Jane Rogers vs. the Seaboard Air Line, Thos. H. Wright, et al., John E. Platte and Wm. Waterall & Co. vs. the Monarch Paint Co.

One of the bank cases and the Burris actions against the city were originally on tomorrow's docket.

The one week term of the Superior Court for the trial of criminal cases ended about 6 o'clock Saturday afternoon and after the jury had returned a verdict of not guilty in the Furman Lee murder case. The verdict was considered a big victory for the defendant, and his counsel were heartily congratulated. The young white man was ably defended by L. Clayton Grant, Esq. and Messrs. Palt & Woody. Mr. Grant presented the closing argument in the case Saturday afternoon and made a splendid, logical, clear-cut speech, and upon which he was felicitated.

Port Arrivals.

There were a number of arrivals of vessels Saturday afternoon. Among these were the steamer Adelheid Menzell, loaded with kaitin consigned to Heide & Co., for the Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company, and the British steamers Dongola and Candleshoe, consigned to Sprunt & Son, to load cotton for foreign ports.

Ladies' White Sweater Coats at Redder's.

PAINFULLY WOUNDED

Mr. H. H. Rivenbark Alleged Today That Mr. T. J. Kenan Shot Him Twice, in the Head and Back Yesterday Morning at East Wilmington. Trial Was Held at Noon Today Before Magistrate John J. Furlong.

A sensational shooting affair occurred yesterday morning about 11 o'clock, a half mile from the city, near the Market street road, as a result of which Mr. H. H. Rivenbark, a young man about 21 years of age was very painfully wounded in the head and back. It was alleged that Mr. T. J. Kenan, a trucker in East Wilmington, was the party who inflicted the wounds. Mr. Rivenbark appeared at the trial, and he showed plainly the effects of the wounds he had received, as his head was completely awed in bandages, and his clothing was stained with the blood which had flowed from his wounds. It is strange that Mr. Rivenbark was not more seriously wounded than his appearance seemed to indicate, as a number of the shot took effect in the back part of his head, and in his back. After the shooting occurred, he went to the James Walker Memorial Hospital, where his wounds were dressed.

Mr. Rivenbark was interviewed on the street this morning by a Dispatch representative and he gave the following version of the affair, his statement at the trial being practically the same. Mr. Rivenbark said that he and his brother were in the woods, south of the Market street road, about a half mile from the city, gathering chinquapins, and were not aware that they were trespassing on any person's land. He stated that the first intimation he had of the presence of his assailant was when he heard a shot fired, presumably from a distance of forty or fifty yards. He declared that he then partially turned in the direction from which the shot seemed to come, and called out not to shoot again, as there were persons who might be hit by the shot.

Mr. Rivenbark stated that the first shot was momentarily followed by a second and a third, each taking effect in the back part of his head and in his back. A fourth shot was sent in his direction, according to W. J. Rivenbark's story, which, however, did not take effect, as he and his brother were then making haste to get out of range of the shots.

Mr. Rivenbark stated that he then became aware that Mr. Kenan had probably done the shooting, as the latter made his appearance a short distance away going in the direction of his home. The wounded man said he and his brother, Mr. H. H. Rivenbark then called to Mr. Kenan, and that he continued in the direction in which he was going, without coming back to their assistance. The wounded man said when they reached the road, Mr. Kenan called out to him never to trespass on his land again.

Mr. Kenan's Statement. The story of the affair as told by Mr. Kenan today differs materially as that outlined above, and from his point of view, the shooting was purely accidental. He said that he was seeking on his porch when he noticed a hawk swoop down and carry off one of his chickens. He then went in his house to get his gun and followed the hawk. He stated that he shot at the bird and missed it, whereupon someone called out to him not to shoot again. He said that he replied by telling them they had no business on his land, and that he then fired his gun in a direction directly opposite to that from which the voice seemed to come, merely with the idea in view of frightening off the trespassers. He said that absolutely no outcry followed the second shot, and that he then went to his home not being aware that he had shot the young man. He stated that he fired only two shots, and after he had gotten to his house, the young man called to him from the road to come out there as they wished to settle the matter. Mr. Kenan said that he replied by telling them to stay in the road, as they were already there, and that he would not come out. Mr. Kenan said that he was not aware that either of the two young men had been wounded, and that if he had known it, he would have assisted them in any way in his power. He said when he first heard the voices he presumed they came from people with whom he has had a great deal of trouble recently, and that his intention in firing the gun was simply to frighten off the trespassers, and most certainly not to wound anyone.

When the case was called for trial at noon, it was decided to postpone the investigation until ten o'clock tomorrow.

Steamer Labeled.

The British steamer Battersea Bridge, Captain Ballett, was labeled before departure Saturday afternoon by Joseph Bryant, a negro boy, who recently sustained injuries while engaged in loading the steamer. Damages in the sum of \$10,000 are asked. The libellant is represented by Ricard & Empe, and the ship owners' interests will be looked after by Rountree & Carr.

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STATEMENT OF

The Wilmington Savings and Trust Company

September 23rd, 1908.

(Condensed from Report to North Carolina Corporation Commission.)

RESOURCES	LIABILITIES
Loans and Discounts... \$1,394,213.09	Capital..... \$ 100,000.00
Bonds..... 1,500.00	Net Profits..... 123,439.41
Real Estate..... 45,000.00	Deposits..... 1,376,889.24
Furniture and Fixtures..... 1.00	
Invested Trust Funds..... 33,070.86	
Cash on hand and due from banks..... 66,336.70	
\$1,540,121.65	\$1,540,121.65

J. W. NORWOOD, President. C. E. TAYLOR, Jr., Cashier.
H. WALTERS, Vice President. J. L. WILLIAMS, Ass't Cashier.

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Southern National Bank

WILMINGTON, N. C.

Condensed Statement at the Close of Business, September 23rd, 1908.

RESOURCES	LIABILITIES
Loans and Discounts... \$1,125,876.36	Capital..... \$ 200,000.00
U. S. and other Bonds... 316,575.00	Surplus..... 100,000.00
Prem. on U. S. Bonds... 4,550.35	Undivided Profits, net... 29,537.68
Furniture and Fixtures... 5,000.00	Circulation..... 200,000.00
Overdrafts..... 4,656.80	Bills Payable..... 190,000.00
Cash in Vault... 130,074.39	Deposit..... 1,285,261.57
Due from Banks..... 418,126.05	
\$2,004,799.25	\$2,004,799.25