

TWO ENTIRE BUSINESS BLOCKS AND PARTS OF TWO OTHERS ARE PRACTICALLY LEVELED BY FIRE

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Emmett Oravitz, Shenandoah's fire chief, lacerations of the left thumb; Kenneth Capper, Shenandoah, lacerations of the middle finger of the right hand; Harold Bradbury, of town, bruises of the right middle finger; Ralph Blackwell, town, contusions of the right foot; Martin Hanrahan, a puncture wound of the left foot, also Henry Fisher, of town, burns and John Kern, also of Mahanoy City, bruises of the neck. Marshall Govers also was treated by Dr. Holland for a contusion of the right ankle.

Dr. Cyril Whalen rendered treatment to approximately ten firemen at the scene of the fire. Their identities were not determined.

Others known to have suffered injuries were Patrolman Charles Stern, who turned in the alarm, who suffered a lacerated finger; Herbert Thompson, of town, who suffered a hand injury; Thomas Connor, of Shenandoah, who suffered a chest injury when he was struck by a piece of falling timber; John Koch and Soldier Merkle, both of Tamaqua, who received treatment at the office of Tamaqua physicians for burns of the eyes.

Among the heaviest losers were the Guinan family whose store was one of the outstanding department houses in this section of the state. The breaking of a hydrant in front of the building in the early stages of the fire was an important contributing factor in the loss of the structure.

Saddest among the losses was that of Mr. and Mrs. L. Arthur Lutz, whose son, Aviation Ordnance Man William Henry Lutz, was reported killed in action in a telegram received less than twenty-four hours previously.

Despite his great tragedy, Mr. Lutz was among the first to express his appreciation at the efforts of the firemen to save his building and to the many friends who have offered condolence in his bereavement and property loss.

When the description of the terror and fury of the fire which gave rise in many minds to a picture of what the incendiary bombing of a city must be like.

A calm and subdued attitude marked the thousands of spectators as the flames leaped across streets to wreck their great havoc.

Alarm at 3:10
Discovery of the fire by John Coyle, of Frackville, night man at the local Reading station, resulted in the turning in the alarm of fire from Box 2-1, Catawissa and Centre streets, by Patrolman Charles Stern, of the local police force, at 3:10 o'clock.

Mr. Coyle, seeing the outbreak of flames, phoned the telephone operators at the local Bell office, requesting them to have the police turn in the alarm.

As soon as the first firemen arrived on the scene, the magnitude of the blaze was realized and within five minutes of the sounding of the first alarm, four blasts of the siren summoned the full department.

With incredible speed the fire gained headway defeating the efforts of the firemen in combating the flames which soon reached the proportions of a conflagration.

Fanned by high winds, the fire, which apparently had its origin in a garage in the rear of the Cut Rate Wall Paper and Paint store, spread east and west along the roofs, burning rapidly toward the ground.

Occupants Flee in Panic
So rapid was the spread of the flames, that many of the apartment dwellers were compelled to flee in wraps hastily flung over their night clothing.

While several of the store proprietors managed to save their records, others were unable to do so, and lost them in addition to their valuable stock. All of the apartment dwellers suffered losses that might be regarded as practically total. A little of value being removed from the ill-fated premises.

With the spread of the fire to the surrounding buildings, it was realized that the efforts of the local firemen would be insufficient and calls were sent to adjacent communities for aid, and fire companies in the area from Centralia to Tamaqua responded, including companies and apparatus from Ashland, Frackville (Altamont), Shenandoah, Polish-American and Columbia, Gordon, Gilberton and Ryan Township, in addition to the two boroughs previously mentioned.

Fire Hydrant Breaks
Misfortune seemed to mark the early efforts of the firemen as they fought the blaze. In attaching the hose to the hydrant in front of the Guinan store at Linden and Centre streets, it broke off near the base, and a heavy surge of water, pouring from it for some time, created a pressure problem.

Within twenty minutes of the sounding of the initial alarm the flames had burned their way to the first floor of the paper and paint store the roof of which caved in at 3:55 o'clock. As the fire spread over the block the heat generated by the flames began to scorch the roofs of buildings and flying embers were carried in a southeasterly direction over the community and environs. That some travelers as far as the Protestant cemetery was evidenced by fragments found on graves by persons making Memorial Day visits later in the morning.

Fire Crosses Centre Street
Despite the fact that the firemen played streams of water upon the scorched buildings on the south side of Centre street at 3:55 o'clock the fronts of the Sidel and Rubens stores burst into flame.

At 4:05 o'clock, the north side of Railroad street with its row of garages and warehouses was a blazing inferno moving rapidly westward demanding attention from the firemen on both sides of Centre and Railroad streets.

At 4:05 o'clock, cars parked along Linden street, were pushed along the thoroughfare by firemen assisted by

A Double Tragedy
A double loss in less than 24 hours was suffered by L. A. Lutz, local contractor, and his wife, who on Tuesday morning received a telegram from the Navy Department announcing that his son, William Harry, Aviation Ordnance Man Second Class, had been killed in action. No details were contained in the message as to the manner in which the young seaman had met his death, but it was stated that he had been buried at sea.

The families made homeless by the disaster were given shelter by relatives and friends while immediate steps were taken by various agencies and individuals to render aid. Robert Fobbs, manager of the Mansion Hotel offered a contribution of \$100 to an emergency relief committee, the first donation reported to the Record-American.

Since some of the apartment dwellers lost all personal possessions, including their valuables and even their personal clothing, the need for aid is of paramount importance and an appeal could be made with a generous response.

Dr. A. T. Lachowicz, disaster relief chairman of the local Red Cross Chapter, and members of his committee were active during the period that the fire raged and since.

Miss Cecile Kennedy and Miss Lillian Brockmorton, representatives of National Red Cross arrived in the community last evening to administer aid.

While the fire raged, a canteen was established with Mrs. Paul Georges, of the Georges' restaurant, furnishing sandwiches and coffee for the firemen and those made homeless. Volunteer workers, including Scouts, distributed the viands and coffee.

Medication was afforded for those persons needing it, both among the firemen and those victimized by the fire. Drs. Mark Holland and Cyril Whalen furnished the medical aid required.

Mrs. Maude B. Wren, executive secretary of the local chapter and her secretary, Miss Nancy Durkin, opened the chapter office immediately and remained on duty continuously throughout the day to minister all aid possible to those desiring the same.

A survey of the disaster area was made, and members of the committee, including Miss Mary M. Thomas, Joseph E. Boyle, Sydney Shanfield, Daniel P. Guinan and Mrs. Adolph Timm assisted chairman Lachowicz in details.

Set Second Fire
Chief of Police A. P. McLaughlin are investigating the actions of a man who set fire to the premises occupied by Patrick O'Brien, 212 West Centre street.

When the flames from the burning buildings across the street were threatening to spread in that direction, a group of volunteers began removing furnishings from the premises. A man put in an appearance and asked if he could help, and on being told he could he went into the building.

A short time later, a member of the family went to the second floor of the house and found that paper and a shirt had been set on fire and was blazing. No trace of the man could be found but his description has been reported to the authorities for their investigation.

During the afternoon, fire broke out again in the ruins of the Fried building and firemen extinguished it.

Until dusk thousands of visitors from all sections of the region visited the scene of the conflagration and all agreed that it was the most disastrous ever to occur in the region.

Saves Are Salvaged
Removed from the ruins of the fire, several safes have been restored to their owners.

With the aid of the P. P. and L. Co., and the Carey, Baxter and Kennedy firm, who supplied winches, and under the direction of Chief of Police A. P. McLaughlin, the safes of the Guinan store, the Friedberg store, the Guinsky store, the Ruben store, and the Lutz Lumber Co., were removed from the ruins.

Three filing cases of the A. P. Adam office were also removed. Chief McLaughlin stated today that arrangements were being concluded for the removing of the wreckage from the fire area, where firemen today still sprayed streams of water on the smoking debris.

Firemen Were Handicapped
Mahanoy City's volunteer fire-fighters again performed yeoman service and the entire community are indebted to them. Fighting against insurmountable odds, the firemen risked life and limb time and time again as the blaze destroyed building after building in less time that it takes in the telling.

Affected by serious handicaps, such as the breaking of the hydrant at Centre and Linden streets at the outbreak of the fire, the firemen did their utmost, and more, in combating the flames and trying to prevent their spread.

Able assistance was given the local firemen by the volunteer fire-fighters from the other communities in this section, who responded to the appeal for aid in the spirit of friendly cooperation that has long been associated with volunteer fire departments.

At least twenty-five firemen received treatment by physicians for injuries received while fighting the fire. Scores of others were affected by smoke to a lesser degree and did not receive medical attention.

Attracted Thousands
Among the thousands of visitors attracted to the region by the fire from all sections of the eastern part of the state were representatives of regional and metropolitan newspapers, covering the disaster for their papers. Details furnished the various news services were broadcast over metropolitan stations.

Newsman sought interviews with businessmen and families who suffered losses in the disaster. While deeply affected by the tragedy none displayed the spirit of defeat, and several of the business houses indicated that they would rebuild as soon as possible.

Representatives of the National Red Cross, who arrived in the community yesterday to assist the local disaster relief committee in administering aid to the fire sufferers, disclosed that through the



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Red Cross certain types of priorities may be secured. Assisted by a local committee, an immediate survey was instituted so that aid can be furnished at the earliest possible moment.

Sufferers Housed
All of the fire sufferers secured temporary shelter proffered immediately by relatives and friends. A few of the businessmen, having summer homes in the region, have taken up residence there.

Express Gratitude
The firms and families suffering from the fire, without exception, express gratitude to the firemen for their heroic work and to volunteers befriending them.

Among those expressing appreciation were folks who have been made completely destitute by the flames. The rapidity with which the fire gained headway necessitated in many of the apartment dwellers to flee with few articles of clothing. Several were unable to save even shoes.

Among those rendering assistance during the fighting of the fire was John Fallon, manager of the local A. & P. Supermarket, who provided sandwiches of cold meats from the store stock.

In addition to the Red Cross canteen established at Georges, a number of nearby residents made coffee which they furnished to the firemen and other volunteers.

Memorial Day Program Here Was Cancelled

In no mood for holiday observance, no matter how significant the occasion, the community yesterday dispensed with its annual Memorial Day celebration, long held in the community in tribute to its hero dead of all wars.

The committee of local veterans organizations, Blakeslee Camp, No. 26, United Spanish-American War Veterans; Mahanoy City Post No. 74, American Legion and Hall-Resse Post No. 1420, Veterans of Foreign Wars, cancelled its plan for the observance early in the day, when the imminence of the blow to the community became evident.

As in former years, the observance was to have commenced with a parade, at 8:30 o'clock, over local thoroughfare, to be followed by a memorial program at the G. A. R. monument in the Protestant cemetery. Lieutenant Jefferson Noakes, brother of County Prothonotary Herbert C. Noakes, one of the local servicemen of World War II who was wounded in the war in the South Pacific was to be the orator of the day.

It is possible that exercises of a patriotic nature may be held in the near future.

The local cemeteries, always filled with visitors each Memorial Day, many from out-of-town, were visited as usual yesterday but the crowds did not remain around to renew acquaintances as in former years and at no time during the day was there a group of the sizable proportions of those of other years.

However, the graves were as beautifully decorated as in other years, an indication that relatives and friends had visited the graves of their departed loved ones.

Found on many of the graves were charred fragments of wood and other burned out embers which had been carried that distance by the heavy winds.

BLOCKS EXPENSE ACTION
Washington, May 31 (U.P.)—Rep. Tom Murray, D. Tenn., today temporarily blocked final House action on the disputed \$2,500 tax exempt expense allowance for House members.

Chairman Emmett O'Neal of the House legislative appropriation subcommittee asked House acceptance of Senate amendments on the legislative appropriation bill. His request was made under procedure requiring unanimous consent. Murray objected.

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Wagner and the apartments of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Golin and Mr. Fried. Mrs. Joseph Noonan, East Stroudsburg, is the owner.

129: First floor, the Helen and Connie Beauty Shop with Mr. and Mrs. William Gablin occupying the apartment above. They were not at home at the time of the fire.

131: First floor, the Economy Store, who also owned the Gablin premises, A. Galant, proprietor. Mr. and Mrs. Galant occupied the apartment above and their daughter, Mrs. Irving Liner and infant daughter, occupied the third floor.

133: First floor: Oberon's Department Store with Mr. and Mrs. I. Oberon, the owners, residing on the premises. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Edwards and family also occupied an apartment in the building.

135: Unoccupied store and apartment occupied by Mrs. Leah Shanfield and son, Bernard. The building was part of the Oberon property.

137-139: First floor: McLaren Bros. Auto Supply Store with apartments occupied by Mr. and Mrs. John McCormick, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Nitchum, and Mr. and Mrs. George Smith.

In the rear of these premises were other apartments occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Karaszky, proprietors of the group of buildings; Miss Marge Flaherty, member of the Mahanoy Township High School faculty and the Michael Dixon family.

In the 200 block, on the same side of the street, the following properties were razed:

201-207: R. Guinan & Co. Department Store. Mrs. Richard Guinan resided in the family home at the rear of the premises. Mrs. Stasia Wosicki and son, John, also resided in the rear of the Guinan property.

The adjacent Kapo family properties, 209 and 211 were gutted with the east wall being destroyed. Both the Guinan and Kapo properties were three story frame buildings.

The Nepowoda Cafe, at 215, and the Keuscher Jewelry Store, 217, two story brick buildings received smoke and water damage.

The properties destroyed or badly damaged on the south side of the 100 block on Centre street, mostly two story buildings included:

104-106: First floor, vacant store-room, formerly occupied by the Kirchner and Martin clothing firm. Second floor occupied by Dr. John A. Bonavich, local dentist and the Ceylon Richeldefers and their three young children. I. Refowich, of Freeland, is the proprietor.

108: First floor, Tulin's Men's Furnishings Store, the John Tulin family, the owners, residing on the premises.

110: First floor, Galant's Fur Shop, Mrs. A. Galant, operator. The Walter Blackwell family resided in the apartment in the rear extending to Market street. From the corner, 100-102, the J. V. O'Connor property, the buildings to the end of the Galant store were of brick construction, which saved them from utter demolition.

112-114: First floor, the Triangle Shoe Store with the Arthur Coombes and Charles Leisley families occupying the apartments in the second floor.

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Red Cross Offers Aid To The Local Fire Sufferers

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TENDER—CRISP
PASCAL CELERY Large Bunch 33c
FULL PODDED—SWEET
GREEN PEAS 2 Lbs. 33c
FANCY HOT HOUSE
CUCUMBERS lb. 22c
Extra Fancy—Round
GREEN BEANS 2 lbs. 23c
LARGE LEMONS Doz. 39c
SPINACH home-grown 2 lbs. 17c

MUSSELMAN'S OR
WHITE HOUSE
Apple Butter Big 17c No 28-oz. Jar Points
The New Way to Drink Your Vitamins and Like 'Em
BORDEN'S
HEMO 1-Lb. 59c Jar

FANCY FLORIDA (20 POINTS)
GRAPEFRUIT JUICE Big 46-Oz. 29c Can
FANCY FLORIDA
ORANGE JUICE NO POINTS Big 46-Oz. 45c Can
AGP PASTEURIZED—CONCORD
GRAPE JUICE 30 POINTS Pint Bot. 18c
CAMPBELL'S
PORK & BEANS NO POINTS 1-Lb. 9c Can
AGP
SEEDLESS RAISINS 15-Oz. 12c Pkg.

ENRICHED—DATED MARVEL
BREAD REGULAR SLICE Jumbo 26-oz. Loaf 11c
NEW LOW PRICE! JANE PARKER DATED
DONUTS Plain 15c Sugar 16c Doz. Doz.
Half-and-Half Layer Cake Jumbo 49c
Pecan Nut Coffee Cake 21c
Fudge Bar Cake 25c
Marvel Seeded Rye Bread 11c
Marvel Raisin Bread 11c

A NATIONAL FAVORITE
NECTAR TEA 1-lb. 19c 1-lb. 34c Pkg. Pkg.
VITAMIN D
WHITE HOUSE MILK 2 Tall Cans 19c
ANN PAGE
SPAGHETTI MACARONI or ELBOWS 3-Lb. 30c Pkg.

Points 6
Armour's Treet . . . 34c
Madonna Tomato Paste . . . 11c
Pickled Beets . . . 14c
Butter Kernel Corn . . . 14c
Ritter's Asparagus . . . 30c
Cooked Spaghetti Dinner . . . 16c
Daily Kennel Meal . . . 5 32c
Quaker Maid Syrup . . . 15c
Cheerlows Cereal . . . 12c
Kellogg's Rice Krispies . . . 12c
Sunnyfield Wheat Puffs .