

PREST-O-LITE CO AGAIN

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Flame, accompanied by many loud explosions, burst from the factory at 10:30 p.m.

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While it seems to be uncertain as to the exact origin of the fire, which started about 10:30 o'clock, the fact that it spread so rapidly and caused such great damage was due to the presence of gas manufactured by the plant for automobile lights.

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Following Jessup on the street was John Van Garder, another employee, who was being helped by Jessup toward Washington street.

A general alarm of fire, sent in shortly after the first alarm, took most of the firemen to the city hospital.

The arrival of the first firemen a cylinder of gas exploded, causing a loud explosion, which was heard by the firemen.

But for the fact that only a small number of men were at work in the Prest-O-Lite plant, and that the manufacturing was being carried on in the first floor, the disaster would have been a very serious one.

Building Was Crowded. The general alarm for the fire was given by Carl Fisher of the Fisher Automobile Company and member of the Prest-O-Lite Company.

While the fire started on the first floor of the Prest-O-Lite plant, the upper stories of the building and streams of water were kept playing on the fire.

Dooley on Bob Evans and the trip to the Pacific. Philanthropy thanks all recipients during 1907.

"My Christmas Burglary," a story of good-choir by "Q." Jap Miller tells of his first and only break into politics.

Christmas time and you'll find The Sunday Star bringing you all of Christmas cheer. Order today.

Prophecy of Weather Man. Fair to clear. For Indiana fair to clear. For the rest of the country fair to clear.

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Secretary of War Taft, back from his round-the-world trip, laughs at talk of possible war with Japan and refuses to talk politics.

Manila, denied further credit in stock market, falls sharply. New York broker and little himself.

Strong labor organization proclaims congressional record of James H. Watson and says he is true blue.

Italy seeks compensation for tobacco destroyed by fire in Kentucky.

President Roosevelt's order withdrawing troops from Oldfield, Nev., causes fear among residents and mine owners, who are apprehensive of violence.

Central American peace conference closes at Washington with speech by Secretary Root.

FOREIGN. Kaiser sends emissary to Harbin to report story of scandal in Russian star chamber session.

Defense in Bradley murder case uses Dr. Jameson of Indianapolis as expert to testify that defendant was insane when he killed his wife.

T. P. A. Post at Lafayette sends letters to Indiana leaders in Congress urging them to oppose the peace pact.

Mr. Frances Cooper, in jail for drowning her child, talks in her southwest through the bars.

Attorney General Bingham has taken charge of the prosecution in the case against the alleged whitepapers to open Monday at Columbus.

Employer of American Steel Company at Anderson is to receive generous bonus of \$100,000 through profit-sharing plan.

LOCAL. Fire and explosion wreck Prest-O-Lite plant second time within six months.

President John Mitchell prepares for death call by the state of Indiana. He is not critical and recovery is expected.

State Land Department had no record of treaty giving descendant of Indian chief title in valuable land in Allen County.

Customer and proprietor engage in fight and interior of restaurant is wrecked.

Negro charged with attempting to murder policeman turns from violence to religion in courtroom and prays for deliverance.

McClure defeats Cant in life city billiard tournament.

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MITCHELL READY FOR DEATH CALL

Believing Last Hour at Hand, Calls Priest to His Bedside and Is Baptized.

SENDS FAREWELL MESSAGE

Miners' President, Suddenly Stricken, Gratifies Wife and Becomes Catholic.

IN VALLEY OF WINE SHADOW. "I believe that my time is at hand, and I do not care—I am glad that it is at hand."

"I do not see the sun again, tell them for me that whatever I have done for them, whatever success I have brought to them, has not been for my own glory. It has been because I loved them."—President Mitchell's words when he believed death was near.

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BLOOMFIELD, Ind., Dec. 20.—Expert testimony was introduced into the Beasley trial for the first time at today's proceedings.

Dr. Henry Jameson of the Indiana Medical College of Indianapolis was called by the defense to testify that the defendant was of unsound mind at the time of the killing.

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EDITOR SAYS HE IS CHOICE

Vice President Named as Man Wanted by People as Roosevelt's Successor.

DEB MOINER, Jr., Dec. 20.—In a ringing address on "Republican Duty," Hon. W. D. Payne, editor of the Nevada-Berkeley, declared at a Grand Club banquet this evening that Vice President Charles W. Fairbanks was the man upon whom the Republicans of the country could unite as a presidential candidate with the surest prospect of success at the polls.

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WRITES FOR CHRISTMAS PRESENT AND EXPIRES

AGED WOMAN FOUND DEAD Near Unfinished Letter to Son in West—Aged for Final Gift.

MALIBU, Dec. 20.—Mrs. Lucinda Kimball, 85 years old, was found dead this afternoon in her room at the home of her son, William Kimball, on East Tenth street.

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PRIFYING WIFE FINDS 30 CENTS

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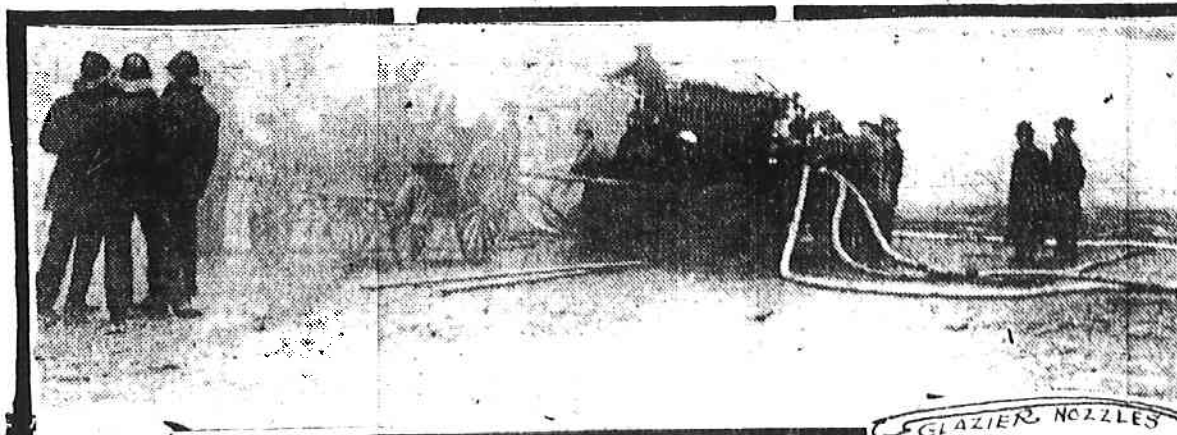
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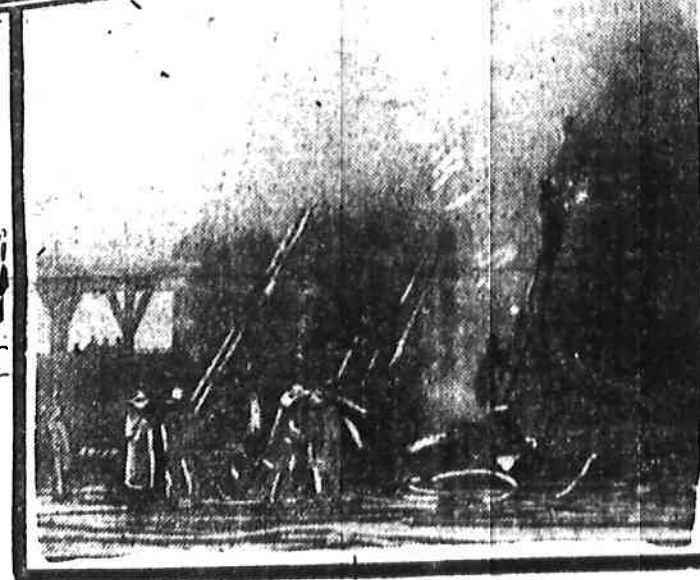
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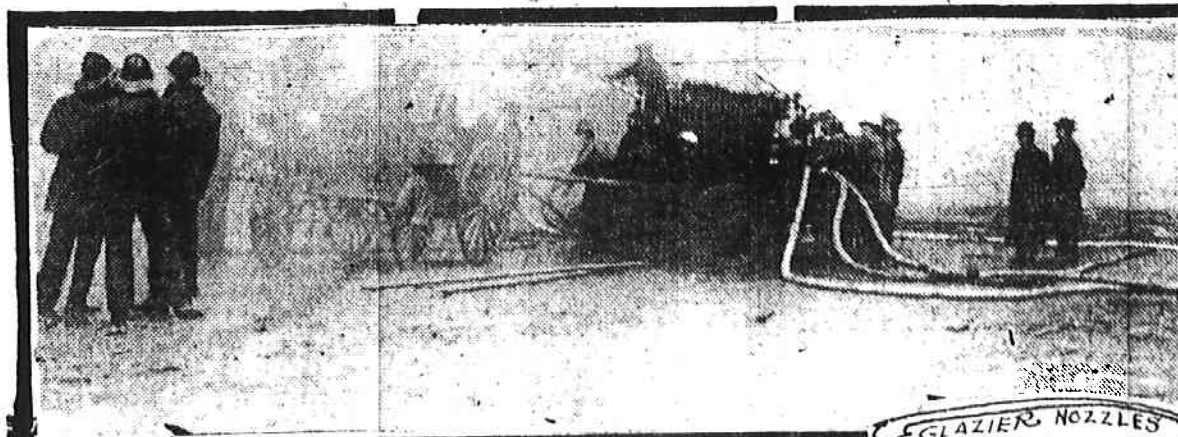


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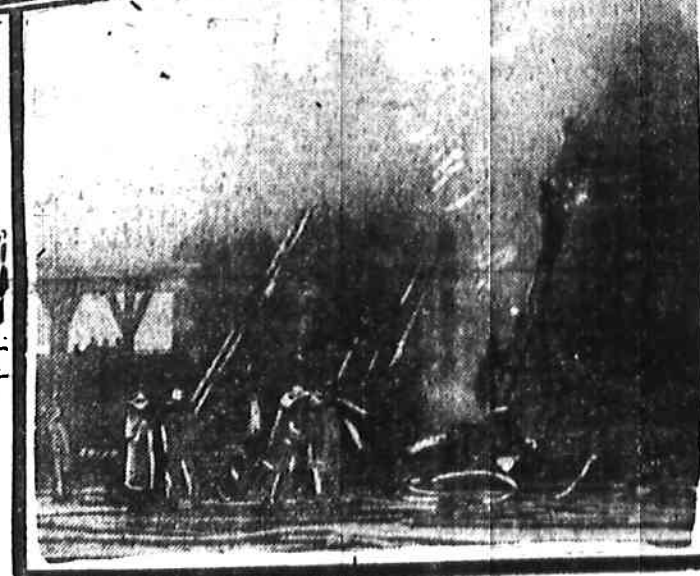
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For the second time fire and explosion wrecked the plant of the Prest-O-Lite Company at 211 South East street yesterday. The firemen worked in the face of great danger because of frequent explosions.



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INJURED.

JOHN VAN GARDER, 582 West Thirteenth street; burned about the face.

O. H. SKINNER, Market and East streets; slightly burned about face and hands; refused medical attention.

CHARLES HALL, hair singed and right hand hurt.

Fire, accompanied by many loud explosions, and of sudden and unknown origin, burned fiercely for fully two hours, gutting the Prest-O-Lite plant, East and Pearl streets, yesterday afternoon, burning one employe, Elmer Jessup, 323 South New Jersey street, so badly that he died afterward, and slightly burning three other

Prophecy of Weather

FAIR

Forecast

for Indiana
for Saturday and
Sunday:

Fair today and
Sunday; fresh west
winds.

Forecast for Indianapolis and vicinity for today:

Fair weather and
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Jessup suffered through the night at the City Hospital, where he was taken, and died at 3 o'clock this morning.

Two disasters similar in character having occurred at the plant, State Factory Inspector William E. Blakely will today begin an investigation. The plant had not been inspected by Mr. Blakely's men since the fire a few months ago. Prior to the first fire the plant was found to be in fair shape by the inspectors. A force of inspectors from Mr. Blakely's office will visit the scene of the fire today and endeavor to get at the exact cause of the fire and fix the blame.

While it seems to be uncertain as to the exact origin of the fire, which started about 2:20 o'clock, the fact that it spread so rapidly and caused such great damage was due to the presence of gas manufactured by the plant for automobile lights. Employees who were in the room at the time the fire started say that simultaneously with the first explosion flames waist deep spread over the floor. The burning gas rose toward the ceiling and it was through this flame that ten or a dozen employees ran for safety outside.

Elmer Jessup, the last of the employees to escape from the burning building, was working at the buffing machine polishing the brass cylinders, which had been filled with illuminating gas. He was farthest from any escape, and when he finally reached the East street door of the plant almost every piece of clothing was burned from his body.

Human Torch on Streets.

Frightened, dumb with pain, and not knowing where he was going, Jessup ran toward Washington street. A transfer man named Feasler sprang from his wagon, threw his blanket about Jessup and assisted Dr. E. H. Katterhenry in getting the burning man into Ferd A. Mueller's drug store.

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A general alarm of fire, sent in shortly after the first alarm, took most of the fire department to the scene. A dozen streams of water were soon on the burning building, from inside of which reports of exploding gas cylinders sounded similar to a bombardment. Just before the arrival of the first firemen a cylinder was blown probably from one of the windows of the plant across East street and struck a window on the second floor over Frank O'Brien's saloon.

But for the fact that only a small number of men were at work in the Prest-O-Lite plant and that the manufacturing work was being carried on in a small way it is believed that the result would have been much more serious. All of the men at work were on the first floor and their escape was a matter of running a comparatively short distance. The sudden spreading of the flames all over the first floor, however, put the employes in a dangerous position. Most of the men who have been working in the East street plant Wednesday went to work on the company's new plant on South street.

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The general cause for the fire as given by Carl Fisher of the Fisher Automobile Company and member of the Prest-O-Lite Company was the cramped and crowded condition in which the manufacturing work was being carried on. The work done on the three floors of the building before the fire in August has been carried on recently on the first floor of the building. This caused the gas generator, the filling machines, all materials, and in fact everything to become congested on the one floor. Work was to continue this way—barring accident—for two or three weeks until everything could be moved to the new plant. Much

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in which an attempt is being made to
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fore Judge W. C. Utz of Floyd County.

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While the fire started on the first floor of the Prest-O-Lite plant, the gas filled the upper stories of the building and streams of water were kept playing constantly through the windows of the second and third floors. In this way the fire was flooded out. The water in running out of the building plugged the only exits and the firemen were compelled to wait until they in the cold water to get at different sides of the building. For two hours there was a dense shower of water pouring in the building.

The exact number of men present at the time of the fire is not known.

DEFACED NOTE PERFECTION

Raises Delicate Technical Points Jeffersonville Lawsuit.

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While the fire started on the first floor of the Prest-O-Lite plant, the gas filled the upper stories of the building and streams of water were kept playing constantly through the windows of the second and third floors. In this way the fire was flooded out. The water in running out of the building plugged the only sewer and the firemen were compelled to wade knee-deep in the cold water to get at different sides of the building. For two hours there were a dozen streams of water playing on the building.

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DEFACED NOTE PERPLE

Raises Delicate Technical Points
 Personelle Law suit.

JEFFERSONVILLE, Ind., Dec. 1.—Action of Almir Taggart and Waggart against the estate of J. C. Taggart in which an attempt is being made to collect a note for \$250, is on trial before Judge W. C. Utz of Floyd Co.

The note in question, subsequent making, was defaced, and, on grounds, payment of it was refused by the administrator of J. C. Taggart. A feature of the case developed a number of unusual legal points from time, all of which have been passed and the case finally was put at rest.

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Prest-O-Lite Lets Go Again

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the building prior to the fire was variously estimated at from eight to twenty-five. W. A. Lucky, the foreman, said there were about fourteen men at work. John Van Garder, next to the last man to emerge from the building, said there were about eight. Carl Fisher said he thought there were about twenty men at work in the plant.

Dr. Katterhenry, who dressed Jessup's wounds before the man was hurried to the City Hospital, said the man had not one chance in 5,000 to recover.

"His feet are the only spots where he isn't seriously burned," said the doctor. "Most of the burns are second and third degree burns and there isn't the slightest hope for him."

The first thing Jessup asked for when he had reached the Mueller drug store was his wife. He gave her name and address and asked repeatedly that she be sent for. She went to the City Hospital to see him and while he was still conscious he was suffering such pain that he could not talk. On the way to the hospital in the City Dispensary ambulance Jessup asked again and again for his wife.

LUCKY AGAIN ESCAPES INJURY.

Passes Through Second Peril and Says He Has Had Enough.

W. A. Lucky does not belle his name. Lucky went through his second Prest-O-Lite fire yesterday and came out whole. He was working with the gas generator when the explosions started. He held the same position at the time of the last fire. On the former occasion his knee was slightly injured. He escaped yesterday without a scratch, but left a brand new overcoat hanging in the ill-fated building, and it, of course, was destroyed.

Once more, Lucky said, yesterday, that he believed he had enough of the business. He said the same a few minutes after he escaped from the former fire by a hair's breadth. But he was on hand when the old building was occupied temporarily ten days from the time when he was so sure he wanted to get out of the business.

NEW BUILDING FIREPROOF.

Mitchell Ready for Death Call

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yesterday afternoon after the unsuccessful adjournment of the conference, made it a last duty to inquire as to President Mitchell's condition.

MINERS' CONFERENCE ENDS.

May Meet Operators Again to Consider Wage Convention Call.

After two days of wrangling over technical conditions in the central competitive coal field, composed of western Pennsylvania, Ohio, Illinois and Indiana, the conference of operators and miners, called to fix a date for an interstate wage convention, adjourned yesterday without definite results being accomplished.

The operators and miners adjourned to meet in this city on Jan. 30, which will be shortly after the close of the national convention of miners to begin in Indianapolis about the middle of next month.

After adjournment yesterday both operators and miners expressed the feeling that "something would be done" at the next meeting.

The attitude of the Illinois operators, it is explained, stood in the way of a definite conclusion being reached yesterday. The operators of Pennsylvania, Ohio and Indiana were ready to fix a date for a wage convention. The miners of all the states in the district were clamoring for a convention.

"The miners and many of the operators," said one of the operators, "feel that the interstate movement ought to be restored so that the next wage scale can be arranged by an interstate agreement instead of by states and districts as we have done in the last two years."

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Prest-O-Lite Company Plans to Prevent Further Fire Disasters.

Carl G. Fisher, who was on the scene of yesterday's fire almost from the time it started, explained how in the new building which the company is to occupy on South street such a fire as occurred yesterday would be impossible. The new building is of steel and concrete. The gas tanks, after they have been charged, will be stored in a concrete vault and few of them will be in the filling room at one time, he says.

The permit for the erection of the new building was issued by Building Inspector T. A. Winterrowd some time ago despite the fact that the new building is within a stone's throw of St. Vincent's Hospital, the inspector explaining that there was no ordinance by which he could relieve himself from issuing the permit.

BUILDING TO BE ABANDONED.

Owners and occupants of the property in the neighborhood of the twice-destroyed Prest-O-Lite plant will see that the company is not allowed to equip the East street building again, they said yesterday, and they had things to say about the city officials for allowing the plant to be established again following the former fire and explosions.

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The conference adjourned with the understanding that Illinois operators and miners should try to get together before Jan. 30 and reach an agreement.

The miners and many of the operators regret that some understanding was not reached.

"The interests of the whole country demand that these questions be settled as soon as possible," said A. M. Ogle, president of the Vandalia Coal Company, last night. "Personally, I have always been in favor of peaceable settlements with the men and trust that an interstate convention will result from the next conference."

Questions as to the rate of wages for next year were not discussed in the conference yesterday. The men in the central district are at work according to the 1904 scale. The operators do not anticipate that a strong effort will be made by the miners to obtain an increase for next year.

MINERS TO GIVE RELIEF.

Executive Board Votes Aid to Families of Explosion Victims.

The executive board of the United Mine Workers of America, in session yesterday afternoon, voted to expend a considerable sum of money out of the miners' national treasury toward the relief of families afflicted by recent mining accidents.

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NO WOMEN IN THE BUILDING.

There were no women in the Prest-O-Life building yesterday and this was their reason for staying away from the place. They said that they were afraid of the fire and that they were not allowed to enter the building.

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Since the experience of that fire, when some of the company's books were destroyed, an effort has been maintained since then.

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OBJECTS TO CRAPS LESSONS.

Best Reader, aged 23, was arrested last evening charged with contributing to the delinquency of Charles Brown, a boy, by teaching him to shoot craps. Further, it is alleged by the father, Alonzo Brown, that Reader gave \$2 from the boy.

Don't forget those Red Cross & Cough Syrup in our box.

