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THOUSANDS VIEW WELCOME PARADE

Three Hundred Overseas Heroes March Through City Streets Amid Continuous Ovation--Stepteau Makes Ringing Speech at Armory

Nearly three hundred men in uniform were in line in the Welcome Parade that marched thru the streets of the city on Tuesday.

The ovation of the citizens was doublebarreled. In the downtown streets the whites were packed in dense masses to cheer the heroes. In front of the City Hall, where the Mayor, Governor and the committee of welcome appointed by them stood on the upper portico, the colored and whites were about fifty-fifty. Uptown on Druid Hill Avenue, everything that had legs was there to see the boys.

Led by Mr. George M. Rafty, chief marshall, a squad of mounted police and an auto with Mr. Emmett Scott, assistant to the Secretary of War, Dr. Ernest Lyons, D. A. L. Claines, and Howard Gross, the returned heroes marched without arms, or other equipment, that had been turned in to the military authorities when they were mustered out. Two bands, a unit of the Red Cross, the old First Separate Company, more recently Company I of the 372nd in autos, and the boy scouts with their drum corps, made up the procession. A special car contained blind soldiers from Everson. Wounded men from Fort McHenry arrived too late to take any part in the march.

Sergeant Rufus Pinckney, decorated with two war crosses for bravery in action, led one of the bands. Pinckney, Sergeants Robert Terry and Crigler, decorated heroes received cheers along the line.

Everybody wanted to see Sergeant Lamb, Jazz leader of the 368th band. Lamb rode in a coach drawn by four white horses part of the time and part of the time walked ahead of his team, but he swung his baton and jazzed for his admirers just as if he had his whole regimental band behind him. Down the avenue from the Afro-American Building, an admirer threw him a bouquet of flowers, and Lamb's smile and Jazz were more pronounced than ever.

The parade started from Delphin and Eutaw streets at two o'clock, and made its way thru the uptown streets by way of Pennsylvania avenue. The route down Druid Hill avenue and McCulloh was so circuitous that several persons were badly crushed in rushes from one street to another. On Holliday street and on Baltimore street, the police were hard put to keep back the spectators from spilling in the parade and marching back upon again. One military policeman lost his temper in one of the crushes and used his club but order was soon restored.

About four o'clock the parade disbanded at the Druid Hill armory. Around the armory were gathered about four thousand persons thronged the hall to listen to speeches by Rev. J. H. Stepteau, William J. Brooding, Sergeant R. Pinckney, Rev. W. J. Winston and Governor Emerson Harrington. Mayor Preston was consequent by his absence. Rev. Ernest Lyons presided and Mr. H. M. Ross directed the singing. Senator Joseph I. France was seated on the platform.

The crowd was so dense, and noisy that the speakers could hardly be heard 50 feet away, yet all of them promised to give brief addresses. Governor Harrington said that he would name a day after all the soldiers had returned when he would welcome all soldiers and sailors, white and colored in the name of the state.

Rev. Charles H. Stepteau in his address remarked that the boys had gone "to democracy overseas, and they should expect democracy over here to be made safe for them. Referring to the organization of Ku Klux Klans in the South, he urged the Governor to send the word down the line to them for Maryland that this was not the kind of democracy our boys had fought for. Mr. Brooding was introduced as the "next Mayor of Baltimore."

The singing of several hundred school children and the singing to the huge audience at the unforling of the flags of the allies aroused a big piece of patriotic feeling.

For the city, O. M. Dennis, white, presented certificates to the following:

Levy Rasin, William Creigler, William Credit, Arthur Brown, Thomas H. Chapman, Alfred Lacey, Thomas P. Rasin, James L. Levine, William J. Hammond, Samuel Hawkins, Charles A. Jones, William A. Mason, Leo O. Mooney, Norman Finn, Clarence Tieling, Arthur Fulgham, Augustus Diggs, James R. Brown, William H. Butler, Louis L. Butler, Clarence Lewell, Hamilton Hayes, Harry C. Hopkins, Nicholas T. Rodgers, Rufus Lincoln, Bernard Barney, Harry Dorsey, Elbert H. Butler, William Ross, Edward Eustus Scott and Theodore L. James.

RIOT AT CAMP MEADE

Camp Meade, March 27—There was considerable excitement here on last Thursday night when about twenty men of the overseas division stormed the hall in which the 417th Labor Battalion was holding a dance.

The trouble started about eight o'clock when the overseas men were refused admission to the dance. Bricks and other missles were used to show their feeling over the rejection. The officer of the day, whose name was not made public, attempted to quiet the rioters and was injured with a brick. The military police and the provost guard were summoned to quell the riotous, which they succeeded after a time. When the overseas men learned their attack from the dance hall to the police and guard, but seeing they were outnumbered, gave up the fight and scattered in various directions. However they were soon rounded up and the entire organization disciplined.

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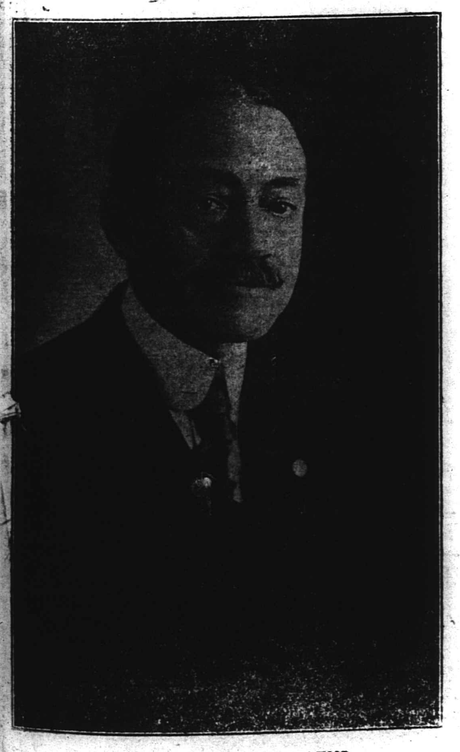

STUDENT OF CIVIC PROBLEMS
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The registered Republican vote of the Fourteenth Ward shows a ratio of seven colored voters to one white vote. This electorate represents a well-behaved, law-abiding, tax-paying and cultured class. The eyes of the country are focused upon this Ward in the present political fight. WHAT SHALL THE ANSWER BE NEXT TUESDAY?

Primary Election Day, Tuesday, April 1st, 1919.
Polls open from 6:00 A. M. to 5:00 P. M. VOTE EARLY.

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Voters Aroused Against McAllister

Voters in Annex After Candidate Who Fought Morgan College

The more than 200 colored voters in the new city annex are out gunning for William C. McAllister, white, candidate for the 1st Branch City Council from the 27th Ward.

McAllister is said to be head of the Baltimore County Civic League which went into the courts in an effort to keep Morgan College from occupying its present site. The organization is alleged to have introduced the bill in the legislature prohibiting Morgan College from building a church or school in that part of Baltimore County.

Since last year, the old part of Baltimore County, which was formerly the 9th District, is a part of the city and is known as the 27th Ward. Residens are making big efforts to keep McAllister from the nomination and are urging the selection of James J. Bartlett, his opponent.

Returning Heroes Get Glad Hand at Towson.

All Towson had on its Sunday-go-to-meeting clothes last Friday to welcome sixty or more returned soldiers from Baltimore County. Led by the Uncle Sam Red Cross Unit and carrying signs "No I. W. W." and "No Anarchist," "No Bolsheviki," "100 per cent American" soldiers, school children and citizens marched from Pennsylvania and Railroad avenues to the Court house.

Music was furnished by the Towson Cornet Band, George Preston, leader. Mr. Frank Aagins acted as marshal and Prof. Jesse Nichols was master of ceremonies.

A. M. E. MINISTERS ENTER PROTEST.

Nashville, Tenn., March 27.—At the last meeting of the A. M. E. Ministers' Alliance of this city a series of resolutions were drafted protesting against the proposal of placing a Soldier's Memorial in Centennial Park. Though there is no law forbidding the colored citizens of Nashville from using Central Park as a recreation place, yet they are barred from the park by the Board of Park Commissioners. The Alliance feels that the erection of a memorial in such a place would cause constant unpleasantness among the two races in Tennessee for the immediate families as well as the decendants of the soldiers would insist that it was their right to visit the sacred memorial.

MARRYING WHITES IS NOTHING NEW

Rev. Charles E. Stewart, who came into some prominence this week because he married a white runaway couple at the parsonage of Ebenezer A. M. E. Church, one early morning hour last week, belittles the incident as of nothing unusual.

Rev. Stewart says he has married so many white couples that he can't recall the number. Parents in South Baltimore know that he is colored, yet bring their children personally to him for marriage. Rev. Stewart adds that he has married couples of every race except the Indian.

EXTRA!!!!

CANDIDATES IN SECRET CONFERENCE

Three of Councilmanic Aspirants in Seventeenth Ward Plan Joint Action

Messrs. Alexander Williams, Lewis H. Davenport and Howard E. Young, candidates for the 1st Branch of the City Council from the 17th Ward, were in conference all morning Friday. It has become known that two of the above candidates will likely withdraw and throw their support to the one remaining in the field.

Rumors have been rife for several days that a conference of this kind was to be held and political wiseacres have been up in the air as to its probable import.

'GET THE NIGGER' IS HOPKINS' YELL

Rooters of Local University Deride Stars—Fritz Pollard Breaks Record Just the Same—No Local Runners Allowed to Enter.

How bitter and how ridiculous the spirit of race prejudice of certain white people is in this city was manifested at the Fifth Regiment Armory last Saturday night.

The occasion was the first annual indoor meet of the Second Regiment. Athletes from all over the middle Atlantic States competed, but local colored boys were barred. The out of town colored runners who participated listened to yells of the spectators of "get the nigger." The Baltimore Cross Country Club refused to run with the Meadowbrook Club of Philadelphia at all, unless they took out their colored entries.

In spite of all this opposition, the colored runners, who did compete, won a place in every race except one they entered, and in addition, Fritz Pollard, former Brown University star set a new world's record of 10 2-5 second for the 100 yard low hurdles.

Besides Pollard, Fred Motley, J. M. Rainey, and Lt. J. R. Williams, all of them wearing the colors of the Meadowbrook Club of Philadelphia competed. These colored boys won sixteen of the points of thirty-one points scored by their entire team. They were the individual stars and were the chief reasons why their club scored more points than any other.

A WORLD'S RECORD

Pollard not only clipped a fifth of a second off the fastest time ever made over the one hundred yard hurdle race, but he gave his nearest rival a start of 2 1-2 yards. In two preliminary heats and in the finals he came from behind with a speed that simply amazed. Derisive yells of the rooters (chiefly from Johns Hopkins) "to beat the nigger" were conspicuous in the silence that greeted his sterling performance.

In the same way little Fred Motley showed his heels in the 100 yard dash to the best runners from Hopkins, Georgetown University, Washington, Lafayette College, and Baltimore Cross Country Club. He was lpaced outside the course in the 220 dash and did not run. Rainey was second in the 100 and second in the 220 yard dash. Williams was pocketed in the century, and failed to place.

WHITE CLUB UNSPORTSMANLIKE

When the Baltimore Cross Country Club saw the record breaking runs of the colored fliers in the dashes, it refused to run in a special relay race with the Meadowbrook unless the colored boys were barred. The Baltimore whites did not know that Rainey was colored, so that this youngster was allowed to enter. He proved to be a deciding factor in beating the Cross Country Club anyhow.

Earl Johnson, boys' secretary at the Druid Hill avenue "Y," who started his athletic career as winner of the Afro-American marathons, and later carried off the Junior amateur championships in Chicago recently, applied to Director Burdick of the Public Athletic League for entry in the mile run last week. He was told that no colored athletes were expected or wanted.

COL. CHARLES YOUNG TO PRESIDE AT TRIAL OF COLORED SOLDIERS

Camp Grant, Ill., March 17.—Col. Charles Young, commanding the development unit at Camp Grant, will be the presiding officer at the trial of the eighteen soldiers connected with the 183rd brigade who have been granted a rehearing by the war department. The soldiers were recently sentenced to death for the alleged assault on Mrs. Louise Schneider (white) of Bloomington, Ill., when she was on a visit to the camp here last June.

Editor of The Afro-American

Dear Sir:

This being the last issue of your valuable paper before the casting of ballots April 1, I beg to say that the conditions which gave rise to my entering the contest in the 17th ward were and are such as to demand strong measures in the handling—and not pussyfooting—in order to fully awaken and to thoroughly crystalize the public conscience.

Any attempt at fighting fire with feathers is foolish in the extreme, and so I know of no word to retract nor of any apology to ask.

The contest is now up to the voters. If I am elected, I shall strive to be the people's friend and obedient servant. If I am not elected I shall persue my happy way conscious of duty done.

With thanks to all
HOWARD E. YOUNG.

Stage Set for Primaries Tuesday

The battle of ballots will take place on Tuesday next, after which staid old Baltimore will decide on the men who are to guide its destinies during the next four years.

The entrance of George Weems into the Democratic lists against Mayor Preston caused the fighting executive to not only defend his eight-year reign, but has caused many to believe that W. F. Browning, the unopposed Republican candidate, may be elected in May.

The biggest Republican fight is in the Seventeenth Ward, where five candidates are contending for the Republican nomination.

The friends of W. L. Fitzgerald have waged an especially active fight but Dr. Howard E. Young started them some-what by not only attacking Bob Smith for his alleged backing of Mr. Fitzgerald and the ward was flooded with literature containing that and additional allegations. Louis H. Davenport and Alexander Williams have also attacked the Fitzgerald candidacy and some of the speaking and circulars have been specially bitter. John W. Mertens has not been so strenuous.

Pro in the Fourteenth ward the prevalent opinion is that Warner T. McGuinn will easily defeat Dr. L. C. Johnson. Mr. McGuinn has attracted the best elements in the ward to his candidacy.

HOWARD PREFERS COLORED TEACHERS

Washington, D. C., March 27.—In an announcement today, the new head of Howard University gave it out that it is his "fixed policy to give colored applicants for teaching positions preference over white applicants, wherever the equipment is anything like equal."

President Durkee, says that there should be some white men on the roster of assistants in order to foster the proper spirit of racial cooperation, but that, "Howard University is primarily a colored institution—a nursery for race leaders—and colored men of superior ability should have every possible opportunity to reap whatever benefits it may have to bestow, as a stimulus to the best endeavors of the worthy members of the race."

HOWARD ALUMNI TO BE STIRRED TO GREATER ACTIVITY.

Under Dr. Durkee's plan, a sturdy effort is to be made to arouse a greater degree of interest in the University among its graduates and former students. Next month, Rev. Emory B. Smith president of the National Alumni Association of Howard University is to make a tour of thirty to fifty days throughout the country in the interest of a more active and extensive cooperation of the Alumni Associations of the University and to generate a more enthusiastic "Howard Spirit."

Other newly announced feature of the University include a gymnasium and athletic field, a University Press and a summer school.

CHICAGO HERO MADE COLONEL

Chicago, March 27—Oris B. Duncan, the hero of the 370th infantry, who as lieutenant-colonel had it said of him by his superior officer, Colonel Roberts: "He didn't have sense enough to know when to stop fighting," has been promoted. In an election of officers of the Eighth Regiment, Illinois National Guard, Duncan has been made colonel of the regiment.

The adjutant general of Illinois has directed that the beautiful armory building be turned over to the management of Colonel Duncan, and he will proceed to rebuild the regiment from the best material in the old regiment, and new recruits.

Colonel Duncan is a man of fine personality and a forceful speaker. He is about to make an extended lecture tour.

LOFTON ESTATE OVER $12.000

Washington, D. C., March 20.—The will of Dr. Wm. S. Lofton, one of the oldest dentists in the city, made disposition of an estate valued at more than $12,000. The first Mrs. Lofton, from whom the deceased was separated, is not mentioned.

The second wife, Mrs. Anna L. D. Lofton is bequeathed $1,000 and all household goods and furniture. Mr. Lofton's library is given to his four children and certain real estate is devised to the Nations Savings and Trust Company for the benefit of two daughters, Grace and Anna Lofton. The house, at 1523 M street, northwest, is left to a son, Joseph W. Lofton, and another daughter, Mrs. Martha E. Haynes.

The remainder of the estate is to be equally divided among the four children.

MASONS IN COURT

In Circuit Court No. 2, yesterday, Judge Dobler granted an injunction to the Most Worshipful United Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Maryland, Inc. against Rev. William E. Green and others. Rev. Green is said to be infringing upon the incorporated rights of the Masonic order.

SLEEPING SICKNESS CAUSES DEATH.

Washington, D. C., March 26—Mrs. Lucy Eaton, 1507 Que street died of sleeping sickness at Freedmen's Hospital, Wednesday. She had been asleep since March 12.

MINISTERS REJECT JIM CROW OFFER

"We Are One in Christ" Dr. Neal Tells White Secretary—Will not Encourage Church Segregation.

Plans of local white ministers to organize all colored churches into a colored Federation, so as to keep them from joining the City Federation of Christian Churches were frustrated by the plain talk and the courage of three men. Although the incident happened more than a month ago, the news is just made public.

Rev. Julius Carroll, of Centennial M. E. Church; Rev. P. Carter Neal of the First Baptist Church and Rev. Charles E. Stewart, pastor of Ebenezer A. M. E. Church were invited to meet in the Y. M. C. A. Saturday, February 1st at 4 p. m. Rev. James Mullan, secretary of the Federation. After outlining the plans, ideals and purposes of the meeting they were informed they were to have a separate organization and were asked what was thought of the probability of such an organization.

Rev. Neal stated that a new and separate organization would not appeal to the intelligent colored people of Baltimore; that a federated Christian democracy is the highest exponent of religious freedom; that it would be a travesty on Christianity and the teachings of Christ to encourage, even by agreement, a religious segregation on the basis of color and the decision of the superiority of one race and the inferiority of the other; that we did not want to be a party to an organization whose object is a veiled intention to further the Jim crow and segregation idea, which tends to humiliate and emasculate us; that we (all men) are one in Christ.

HARLEMITES MOB WHITE MOTORMAN FOLLOWING ASSAULT

New York, March 25.—An alleged assault upon a colored man, by a motorman of a Lenox avenue car resulted in a riot between several thousand colored and white persons in East Tuesday night.

The colored man boarded the car and during an argument with the motorman was struck with a controller handle. The number of the car was taken and witness of the return trip was stopped by several hundred colored persons. The motorman was dragged from the car and stamped. He broke away from the crowd and took refuge in a library. He was pursued and taken from a room on the second floor, in which he had locked himself and severely beaten by the crowd. The library was partly wrecked.

Things became so serious that the reserves from the West 135th, 123rd, and east 126th police stations were called out. When the rioters saw the police they turned their wrath on the blue coats and in the midst of the melee two patrolmen were badly injured. They along with the motorman, who had been rescued from the crowd by the police but not before he had been severely cut and bruised, were carried to the hospital. The riot lasted an hour.

DR. WARING TO PRACTICE

Former Principal of Baltimore High School to Settle In New England.

Boston, Mass., March 24—One of the successful physicians to pass the Massachusetts Medical Board was Dr. J. H. N. Waring, a Y. M. C. A. Secretary now serving at Camp Devons. After he is mustered out, Dr. Waring will practice in one of the cities of the State.

Another Bomb Outrage in Chicago

A. N. P. Service

Chicago, March 27.—Two more marks were made on the bomb record of Chicago this week when two bombs were thown on the night doing thousand dollars worth of damage. It is believed that both bombs were thrown by the same person, who rode rapidly through the streets in an automobile.

The first was exploded in the hall way of the branch offices of Jesse Binga, a Negro of considerable wealth and known throughout the country. The second was exploded in the residence of Alex. J. Robinson, on Camulet avenue.

This makes the third bomb exploded in the South Side district in the past three weeks, and more than a dozen in the past year. All of them were traced, more or less, to a class of whites who have become very much incensed because of the valuable properties colored people are getting in the exclusive sections of the South Side.

Indignation over the latest incidents runs high, and every effort is being made to run down the perpetrators. While resolutions have been adopted by the City Council introduced by Aldermen Jackson and Anderson, calling for a thorough investigation of both these crimes, they continue at uncertain intervals, and the general question asked is "where will it strike next?"

Twelve hundred casuals of the 367th and 368th Infantries arrived at Camp Meade the first part of the week. Many of the men were from Southern states and were rapidly mustered out or sent to other camps.

Wilmington, N. C., March 15.—A prisoner in the Pender county jail, at Burgaw, early today escaped, locked the white jailer in a cell and carried off the keys. The sheriff telephoned here for bloodhounds to pursue the escaped prisoner and got back the keys, in order to free the jailer, who remains incarcerated because the sheriff did not want to break down the bars to release him.

ARMY VETERANS FORM POST

New York, March 20.—Army and Navy veterans have formed a Post here to be named for Captain N. R. Marshall—severely wounded in France.

The principal aims of the post will be the closer union of all men who have at any time served in the Army, Navy or Marines, and the rendering of assistance to unfortunate members and their families.

RECEIVE APPOINTMENTS IN AGRICULTURAL DEPT.

Washington, D. C., March 29.—T. M. Campbell, J. B. Pierce, and E. L. Blackshear, are the three men who were recently appointed as Field Representatives of the United States of Agriculture. These appointments are an outgrowth of the idea of having special assistants in several of the departments at Washington. The appointment of Mr. Emmett J. Scott and Dr. George E. Haynes, brought the attention of the Department of Agriculture to the necessity of having a representative colored man in the same capacity.

ATLANTIC CITY PREPARES

Atlantic City, N. J., March 27.—Not only will Atlantic City be gay with summer visitors in August, but it will entertain two of the largest and most spectacular gatherings of the Negro ever held. The bi-ennial Grand Lodge and Encampment of the Knights of Pythias and the annual Grand Lodge of the Independent and Protective Order of Elks will both meet in Atlantic City.

More than 10,000 uniformed K. O. P. are expected at the former's sessions. Interest in the meeting of the Elks lies in the fact that George W. McMechen is among the four lawyers who are candidates to succeed Armond W. Scott Exalted Ruler.

CHURCH MUST OUTBID THEATRE

Miss Nannie Burroughs Says "Old-Time" Religion is Not Good Enough for Her Thinks Singers on Choirs Should Be Paid.

"Every white child in America is born at its own risk" declared Miss Nannie Burroughs last Sunday afternoon at Trinity Baptist Church. Miss Burroughs is president of the National Training School for girls at Lincoln, D. C., and is one of the most forceful speakers in the country.

Miss Burroughs' subject was the "Challenge of the New Day" in which she discussed post-war conditions in America. She departed from her subject, however, to answer a New York white woman, who in public meeting there declared;—"every Negro child in America is born at its own risk." She meant, Miss Burroughs said, "that the ignorance of the colored mother, the unsanitary homes and the general environment of the ordinary colored child, made the possibility of its growth to manhood and American citizenship problematical."

Miss Burroughs continued that, in reply she had said, "that dirt was only skin deep, but the race prejudice that is taught white children by their parents, until it becomes their nature, is in the blood. The result is lynchers and murderers."

"It is more definitely true of the white child than the colored child that it is born into the world at its own risk."

ADVOCATES PAID CHOIRS

Emphasizing the fact that the church must make a larger bid in the future for the services of young people, Miss Burroughs said, that a good many sopranos "started in in the church choir, but they got tired of an occasional $5 wages, when they found they could earn $40 a week with the same voice on the stage. The church has got to outbid the theatres," she said.

"The people who say that the old time religion is good enough for them, were remembered by the speaker, when she said, that religion was like material for a dress. To be most satisfactory it had to be cut, arranged and fitted to suit the latest styles. She added, "I don't blame Druid Hill Ave. because people like to walk up and down there all day on Sunday. I blame the churches that do not set up a sufficient counter attraction."

DAY DAY IN AMERICA

Referring to the present day as a challenge to the faith of every colored man, Miss Burroughs said "today is my day in America. America must pay off the boys who fought for democracy overseas. Colored people must reflect democracy back. They must believe America means it when it tells them and go about getting it like they knew what they wanted. The man who does not demand democracy in America is a coward."

Reference by Rev. J. R. L. Diggs to City Comptroller Thrift who said at the High School Commencement last year, that colored people should enjoy no more freedom after the war than before, brought from Miss Burroughs the reply that the voters should "knock him out," when he comes up for re-election.

SIX YEAR OLD BOY DIES FROM BURNS

Ferdinand Holmes, the six year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Holmes, of 1379 N. Carey St. died at the Maryland General Hospital as the result of burns received when he caught fire at his home on Monday of last week.

The child had been sent up stairs to take a nap and his mother thought he was asleep until she heard the fire engines in front of the house. Thaddeus Beckett, passing in front of the house saw flames and smoke coming from the third story window. He rushed into the house and on reaching the third floor found the boy running from room to room in a mass of flames. He wrapped his overcoat around the burning child and smothered the flames. The boy was taken to McNeil's drug store where he was given first aid treatment and then taken to the hospital where he died Saturday.

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