

HOLSOPPLE'S LOSS BY FIRE ABOUT \$20,000

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BUILDINGS DAMAGED

Johnstown and Windber
Fire Companies Respond
to Calls for Aid

Special to The Tribune.

Holsopple, July 12.—Holsopple's loss in a fire of unknow origin last night was estimated today at \$20,000, including damage to buildings that did not burn down. That more property is not in ashes is due, it is said, to the good work of the Windber Fire Company and the Johnstown Fire Company, which responded to calls for assistance, making the trip in short order with automobile trucks.

As a result of the fire, Holsopple is without a railroad depot, passenger or freight, the Baltimore & Ohio having been burned out entirely. The only remaining indications of the Baltimore & Ohio here are the cinder platform and the tracks.

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Mrs. H. Woods' restaurant, windows broken and front scorched; loss, \$25.

H. Weinstein's store, windows broken and front scorched; loss, \$100.

Holsopple Postoffice, windows broken and front scorched; loss, \$25.

Italian barber shop, windows broken and building scorched; loss, \$25.

The Paden livery and a barn used by the mill people were in danger of destruction, but were saved. Several of these buildings were on fire a number of times.

The fire was first noticed by Dr. H. A. Zimmerman and a number of other men who were standing at the Zimmerman drug store, only a few steps from the mill. The fire, which had started on the second floor from some unknown cause, then seemed to have a good start. There was a slight explosion from an unknown cause during the fire. The mill was a three-story frame building and burned rapidly. Considerable flour and grain were consumed.

The fire was first discovered about 9:45 o'clock and within a short time it was beyond the control of the local fire fighters. Flames shot many feet into the air, making in the sky a glow that could be seen for miles.

The Johnstown firemen made the run of ten miles in 26 minutes, and said they could have made it in even less time had the roads been in good condition. The chemical was used with good effect in extinguishing fires on numerous buildings near the mill.

The Baltimore & Ohio freight and passenger depots were on the eastern side of the railroad, while the mill and all other buildings were on the western side.

Looters got busy during the fire, carrying off considerable clothing—that had been taken from the Weinstein store and one-quarter of a beef from the Kurtz meat market.

Holsopple has quite a pressure on its water mains because of the fact that the water is taken from the main line from the Quemahoning Reservoir. The Windber firemen were handicapped after their arrival when it was learned that their hose connections

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JUDGE E. H. GARY

San Francisco, July 12.—Judge Elbert Gary, of New York, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the United States Steel Corporation, speaking at a banquet given in his honor, predicted the quick ending of the war, and unprecedented prosperity in this country. Judge Gary's words have much weight, owing to his reputation for wise judgment. At the beginning of the war he predicted with startling ac-

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There was a marked number of births in the Mr. Edwards' District, just 19 more. Many coming from the city to summer residences, and the total has been increased in Johnstown environs.

The general health reported good. Sixty-four contagious disease were the month, divided as follows: 12, tuberculosis;

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