

## GRIFFIN BUILDING DAMAGED BY FIRE

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elsewhere so that water could be thrown on the fire, Chief Hoskin said. The fire departments fought a hard battle until 7 o'clock, as the flames had penetrated into the attic and between partitions and was hard to get at. The firemen deserve much credit for preventing the flames from covering a greater area.

The building which is the property of Mr. Griffin of Oak Park, is badly damaged, the loss thereon being estimated at somewhere around \$30,000, covered by insurance.

### Several Suffer Losses

According to the fire chief the damage done in the Briggs upholstery shop, 366 Central, may reach \$3,000, with \$2,000 of insurance. M. Kessler's shoe repairing shop, 364 Central was practically ruined with an estimated loss of around \$200 and no insurance.

B. K. Martin, 821 Ridgewood drive, who conducted a shop in the rear of 364 Central, suffered a loss to equipment and stock in the neighborhood of \$2,000, it is estimated, and it is understood that he has insurance sufficient to cover the loss, if adjustments are satisfactory, the fire chief reported.

### Vault Proves Effective

Victor Bros., furriers, 368 Central, have an estimated loss of about \$2,000, with \$5,000 insurance. Fortunately most of their stock was in a fire and smoke proof vault. Their damage to exposed content is largely from water and smoke.

The loss on the contents of the Marguerite candy shop, operated by S. T. Jaconson of Chicago, was estimated by Chief Hoskin, at about \$500, but he had not learned what insurance was carried, he said.

Dr. E. C. Jordan, chiroprapist, who occupied one of the four upstairs apartments has an estimated loss of \$500 on contents from water and smoke, the chief reported, and this is covered by insurance. The three other apartments upstairs were vacant.

### Damage to Building

The damage to the building includes the destruction of the entire rear porch which was of wood. Several partitions and much of the lower floor were burned through in places and the fire, swirling up the partitions reached the attic and besides the fire damage there is much smoke and water damage to the upper part of the building. The fire was prevented from reaching the front portion of the structure by the efficient work of the firemen.

Adjusters were busy Tuesday endeavoring to estimate definitely the various losses, which may be more or less than these unofficial figures when a complete inspection and settlement is effected.

### War Hero Is Appointed


Bell, Cal.—Backed by the American Legion and other patriotic orders, Charles McGonegal, a wounded World war hero, won veteran preference specified in the law by getting the appointment as postmaster of Bell.

## Watchman Shot in Hand While on Duty, He Says


Ernest Peterson, gardener on the Schaffner estate and working as extra watchman for Mackie, Thompson &

Tamm at their breakwater construction equipment on the beach, reported to the police that he was shot in the hand last week-end by one of three men who came in a Ford roadster. He was in a tool box at the time he said, and had raised the lid to peer

at the intruders when one of them fired three shots at him. He was taken to the hospital where his hand was dressed. Patrolman Engdahl, who investigated the case, found a holster for a small pistol discarded on top of a septic tank.



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