

# BUILDING IS BURNED

## TWICE IN 3 MONTHS

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Was Under Repair, or Duplication of October Casualty Might Have Resulted.

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For the second time in little more than two months, fire gutted the building at 2914 West Third street last night, but unlike the last fire which swept the building there was no death toll and less destruction of property.

The alarm was turned in a little before midnight, which was about the time of the last fire on Oct. 7, when Frank Leary, a telephone operator at the Board of Trade building, and Bert Clark, a teamster, lost their lives and several others narrowly escaped death. Like the October fire, the origin of last night's blaze is unknown, except that it was discovered on the second floor of the building. Repairs were being made on the inside, and the building was not occupied or a repetition of the October disaster might have resulted. Fire Chief Randall and apparatus from Fire Hall No. 2 responded and fought the flames in below-zero weather for more than two hours. Nothing but a hulk of the frame is left standing. The loss is almost complete. The building is owned by Jacobson Brothers who sustained a \$5,000 loss in the October fire with but \$1,500 insurance. Chief Randall is making an investigation. During the last 20 years the building has been burned several times.

When the building was burned two months ago, Leary, Clark and Henry Larson with several others were attending a party in the flat over a bakery conducted by Harry Schapery in the same building. The Schaperys carrying their two children, were very nearly overcome by the fire and smoke as they made their way out of the burning building. Clark and Leary became confused and started toward the rear of the building where there was no exit. Their charred bodies were later recovered. Larson jumped from a second story window and was badly bruised.