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North M. E. Church Is Wrecked by Sunday Fire

Memorial Windows Destroyed—Loss Estimated at \$40,000—Two Firemen Escape Injury as Roof Falls—Lumber Co. Property Also Menaced.

Fire caused by an overheated furnace broke through the floor and wall of the North M. E. church 48 East Tompkins street, Sunday afternoon, partially destroying the building, causing loss estimated at \$40,000. The blaze was discovered at 1:30 p. m. by Bernard Hecker, aged 15, of 119 East Hudson street. He summoned the janitor, Jesse Wilson. The fire threatened the Zinn Lumber Co., 30 feet to the north. Firemen, however, played water upon

these buildings and stacked lumber, and prevented the flames from spreading.

MEMORIAL WINDOWS BROKEN.

Damage to the church resulted mostly from broken memorial and art glass windows, water and smoke. Three pinnas and some furniture was destroyed.

Flames burned through the roof over the school rooms, built in 1906. The church room proper was built in 1882.

Two firemen, William Boso, No. 4 engine house, and William Casey, No. 8, narrowly escaped injury when the roof over the church rooms crashed. Boso straddled a wall, losing his ax and Casey reached a ladder as the roof caved in.

Dr. John C. Bickel, pastor of the church, said the odor of smoke had been detected during the morning service. He said the building was valued at \$75,000 and the loss was partially covered by \$36,000 insurance.

TRUSTEES TO MEET.

The board of trustees will meet Tuesday to decide where service will be held next Sunday.

Dr. Bickel has been offered the rooms of the Crestview Lodge of Knights of Pythias and also the North Congregational church and other North end churches.

Meeting of 75 young people of the church was held at the Crestview lodge, Sunday evening.

At a meeting in the home of Rev. Mr. Bickel immediately following the fire it was decided to rebuild the part of the church damaged by the blaze.

DR. WAITIN TO HAVE

Animal Crackers Help Solve Zoo Contest

Young Contestant Discloses Secret Aid in Assembling Animals.

Here's a hint for players in The Dispatch Scrambled Zoo contest. Just buy a box of animal crackers.

This helpful advice came unsolicited from a grinning young contestant, Monday morning, whose enthusiasm for the Scrambled Zoo game is equalled only by the manner in which he munched handful after handful of the odd-shaped "goodies" while telling his story.

"I always forget what a lot of animals look like," he said, "and I wasn't sure whether I was matching them right or not. I don't have an animal