

FIRE DOES HEAVY DAMAGE IN SANBORN LAST WEEK

FLAMES DESTROY SIX BUILDINGS—FIRE ENGINE BREAKS—APPARATUS SENT FROM JAMESTOWN

Six buildings, covering half a block and comprising a large part of the business district of Sanborn, are in ruins as a result of a fire which raged practically all day last Saturday, causing estimated loss of \$32,000.

Calls for help from Valley City and Jamestown started the fire engine of Valley City to Sanborn overland, but it was stuck in the snow heaped roads and unable to get there before the fire had burned out. The fire department from the Northern Pacific yards at Jamestown was also shipped there on a special train but arrived too late to be of material aid.

The fire started in the First National bank, and the Sanborn fire department had the fire well under control when a bearing broke in the fire engine. This was repaired and the increasing flames again put under control when the engine again broke and could not be repaired.

The fire destroyed the last of the original business buildings in Sanborn, all others having been destroyed by fire previously.

The blaze is believed to have started in an overheated furnace in the bank building, as the first flames were noticed in the cold air flue.

The buildings burned are: First National bank, Linn Hardware store, N. C. Clarence pool hall, George Moe barber shop, Gundy pool hall, Derey building. The entire stock of the Linn Hardware company, valued at \$15,000 was destroyed with the fixtures and building. A few small office fixtures were saved from the bank. All stocks were saved from other buildings.

The bank building will be rebuilt in the spring, and the hardware company also plans to rebuild.

The estimated loss of the bank building is \$9,000, insured for \$5,000. The Linn Hardware loss is estimated at \$15,000, insured for \$10,000. The hardware store was a part of the bank building. Other losses are Clarence, \$2,500, insurance \$1,500; Gundy pool hall, loss \$2,000 insured for \$1,000; Moe barber shop \$700, insured for \$350 and Derey building, \$2,000 insured for \$1,000.