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## • LETTERS •

### Disastrous Fire Averted

AMERICAN DISTRICT TELEGRAPH Co.:

What might have been a very disastrous fire was averted Saturday night because of our A.D.T. hook-up and the quick action of your men and the prompt response of the Flint Fire Department. Within ten minutes from the time the alarm was given, the Fire Department had the fire under control, and within the hour our sprinkler system was back in operation.

We appreciate your quick action. And a happening such as this makes one realize the value of the A.D.T. sprinkler supervision.

E. L. KRAMER,  
Plant Manager

Beecher, Peck & Lewis,  
Flint, Mich.

### Heavy Damage Prevented

AMERICAN DISTRICT TELEGRAPH Co.:

We have to acknowledge receipt of your . . . written record of the "fire call" from your automatic fire alarm system in the Miller Building at 9:01 p.m., April 8, 1937, which call resulted in your transmission to the Fire Department and Salvage Corps of an alarm and also giving telephone notice to Mr. Miller and the writer.

Your handling of the situation was entirely satisfactory. It is believed that had we not had the benefit of this system, the fire might not have been discovered in its incipient stage, in which case much damage would have resulted.

C. M. SCHROEDER,  
Secy.-Treas.

J. Henry Miller, Inc.,  
Baltimore, Md.

### Relieved of Worries

AMERICAN DISTRICT TELEGRAPH Co.:

Your service has been very satisfactory at all times and it is indeed a pleasure to be relieved of worries through the A.D.T. System.

I. N. OPPENHEIMER

I. N. Oppenheimer, Jewelry,  
Washington, D. C.

## A NATION-WIDE ORGANIZATION

The American District Telegraph Company (A.D.T. System) is the only nationwide organization specializing exclusively in supplying Central Station electrical fire and burglary protection services. Established in 1873, A.D.T. Services have acquired an unequalled reputation in safeguarding lives and property against the hazards of fire and theft.

A.D.T. Services protect property values in excess of twenty billions of dollars, not including cash and securities in principal banks in all parts of the United States, in the thirty-two Federal Reserve Bank buildings, and in the United States Treasury and Mints, all of which are A.D.T. Protected.

The A.D.T. Organization includes more than 3,000 specially trained employees who serve upward of 27,000 subscribers. A.D.T. Central Stations are located in all principal cities of the United States. Listed below are the A.D.T. Central Station Services.

**A.D.T. SPRINKLER SUPERVISORY AND WATERFLOW ALARM SERVICE:** Automatically summons fire department in case of fire or dangerous leaks. Electrically detects and reports conditions affecting normal functioning of sprinkler system.

**A.D.T. "AERO" AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SERVICE:** Automatically detects fire and reports exact location to fire department.

**A.D.T. WATCHMAN SUPERVISORY AND MANUAL FIRE ALARM SERVICE:** Any deviation from watchman's routine instantly and automatically reported to the Central Station. In emergency, an armed and bonded A.D.T. patrol immediately investigates. Also provides Manual Fire Alarm Boxes which summon fire department direct to premises.

**A.D.T. BURGLAR ALARM SERVICE:** Reports unlawful entry—an armed and bonded A.D.T. patrol immediately investigates, with police cooperation when necessary.

**A.D.T. HOLDUP ALARM SERVICE:** Instantly summons armed assistance in case of attack by bandits or other emergency.

## • EDITORIAL •

### Doubly Tragic

A recent newspaper account of a watchman who hung helplessly head down before a furnace for two hours graphically illustrates the necessity for A.D.T. Watchman's Security Service to safeguard watchmen against needless suffering, or worse, in cases of accident, illness and other emergencies.

Attempting to turn a four foot wheel which operates the furnaces at the flour plant where he is employed, a watchman was lifted from the floor when his foot was caught. There he remained hanging, head down, his cries unheeded, until the plant fireman arrived at the premises two hours later, and summoned a police emergency squad, who were forced to use acetylene torches to extricate him.

At the hospital, it was said that because of the long time during which the man had been pinned in his excruciating position, his right foot might have to be amputated. This case seems doubly tragic when it is considered that, had A.D.T. supervision been present, guards would have been dispatched to the scene immediately the watchman's signal became overdue, and the serious consequences of his accident might have been prevented.

### On the Cover

Our cover illustration, photographed in the A.D.T. Central Station at 29 South LaSalle Street, Chicago, shows three members of the uniformed force which responds to burglar alarms, investigates watchmen's delinquencies and assists in other emergencies.

Typical of A.D.T. guards, these men are highly trained and adequately equipped to meet any emergency. Their selection is a matter of vital importance and only men of good record, mature age and rugged physique can meet the requirements. All are bonded.

These are the men who come in daily contact with A.D.T. subscribers and help to protect their property and profits. On them and their co-workers in the A.D.T. rest the security and peace of mind of owners and officials of more than 30,000 industrial and commercial establishments in the United States.

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## SAVE WATCHMAN FROM DEATH

*Quick Response by A.D.T. Brings Aid in Time After Mysterious Shooting by Nighttime Intruder*

When watchman W. J. Reilly at the Memphis Machine Works, Memphis, Tenn., failed to send in his 2:00 a.m. signal on the morning of April 23, the promptness with which A.D.T. investigated the delinquency was credited with saving the man's life.

Guards dispatched to the plant found Reilly sitting on the floor in a dazed condition, his shirt saturated with blood. His gun, fully loaded, was on the desk. Examining his injuries, the guard found that the man had been shot. He immediately called an ambulance to take the watchman to a hospital, in the meantime rendering emergency first aid.

At the hospital it was found that the bullet had entered Reilly's chest, passed through his body and lodged against the skin on his back. The following day when Reilly had recovered sufficiently to talk, he explained that an unknown intruder had entered the plant and shot him before he had any chance to get at his own gun or to summon help. For several days Reilly was in a critical condition, but thanks to the prompt discovery of his plight by A.D.T., he received medical attention soon enough to assure his recovery.



*THANKFUL TO A.D.T.—After being shot by an unknown intruder, Watchman W. J. Reilly received prompt aid from A.D.T., and is now on the road to recovery*

a badly cut face after tripping over a guywire in the dark.

Accompanied by his brother, the youth climbed to the roof of the wholesale grocery establishment of the M. O'Connor Co. They attempted to enter through a protected scuttle, and were still struggling with the trapdoor when the resulting alarm brought A.D.T. guards and two squads of police to the scene. "The Ace" made a mad dash to escape, but tripped over a guywire and fell five feet to a lower roof level. His brother attempted to hide, but was found lying on the roof some distance away.

Taken to a hospital in police custody, the young burglar confessed that several nights previously, he and his brother

had broken into an electrical supply house, but found that they were not strong enough to carry away the heavy appliances. Before leaving, he sat down at a typewriter in the office, wrote a note saying that he would be back, and signed it "The Ace." On that occasion he had stolen some pencils and keys. When asked why they had selected crime as their career, the pair replied: "We wanted some spending money."

### "ELECTRIC EARS" GET TEST

On April 20, the official opening of the baseball season in Memphis, Tenn., the Mayor declared a half-holiday for city employees, and closed all municipal buildings, including the City Treasury.

At 5:45 p.m., the A.D.T. Central Station received an alarm from the Phonet-alarm System protecting the Treasury. Instantly the alarm was transmitted to the police and broadcast over the short-wave radio. In a matter of seconds, more than twenty police officers and a squad of A.D.T. guards were at the scene.

An investigation revealed that the alarm had been set off by workmen who were tearing down a wall in an office below the Treasury premises. Their pounding with hammers had caused sufficient noise to be detected by the sensitive "electric ears" of the Phonetalarm System.

### FORGOT FLATIRON

An employee of the George Muse Clothing Company, Atlanta, Ga., who forgot to disconnect a flatiron at the close of the day's work on April 28, caused a fire which was reported to the fire department by the A.D.T. Water-flow Alarm System. Firemen found water pouring from a sprinkler head over a partially burned table. The quick response prevented serious water damage.

### "THE ACE" LOSES

*Youths Set Out on Career of Crime But Soon Encounter Difficulties*

"The Ace," a youthful burglar, is "in the hole." He found the cards stacked against him when he tried to break into an A.D.T. protected warehouse at Indianapolis on the night of April 12. He not only fell into the hands of the police, but also suffered a broken arm and

## BURGLARY

### BOASTS CAREER OF CRIME

#### *Criminal Captured After Series of Breaks in Syracuse Tells Sensational Story of Past Exploits*

After a meteoric career in crime involving sensational police episodes in many parts of the country, Julian R. Moraski, specialist in "skylight breaks," finally landed in a Syracuse jail cell on April 15, when he foolishly attempted a "job" on an A.D.T. protected store. With Moraski's arrest and his subsequent statement at headquarters, police announced the solution of a series of mysterious skylight breaks and other burglaries which had puzzled them for the preceding week.

Moraski's capture was the climax of a busy night. Earlier in the evening he had made successful raids at five different stores in the neighborhood. For his sixth attempt, he picked the Howard Clothes Store, gaining access to the roof from an adjacent building. He betrayed himself when he forced entry through the skylight, which is A.D.T. protected.

Responding to the alarm, which came in at 5 a.m., police and A.D.T. guards surrounded the building. A systematic search of the premises was made, and Moraski was found hiding behind a full length mirror at the rear of the third floor.

Taken to the police station, the young burglar did not seem at all worried by his plight, but grinned unconcernedly as he boastfully related the story of his past exploits.

In addition to his series of burglaries in Syracuse, the captive had been arrested on burglary and other charges in various other sections of the country including New York and California. The most sensational episode in his career was a remarkable escape from Randall's Island Prison in New York. After being paroled from this institution in 1932, he was sent back the following year on a charge of petit larceny. On this occasion he broke free from the officers who had him in custody, leaped



*Wide World*

#### APPEARANCES ARE DECEPTIVE

*—This smiling young man seems very pleased with himself. Actually, this photograph was taken at the police station, after his capture in a Syracuse burglary. Records revealed that he had a long and spectacular police history*

from the ferry, swam the swirling waters of the East River and escaped.

Following his statement, Moraski was arraigned on a charge of third degree burglary. Pleading not guilty, he waived examination and was ordered held for the grand jury.

### FOIL BIG-TIME BREAK

#### *Clothing Store Burglar Caught While Loading Loot Into Car*

When A.D.T. guards and police arrived at the Max Levine clothing store, Los Angeles, in response to a burglar alarm at 2:06 a.m. on April 10, they found the glass broken in the entrance door, and the door standing wide open. An automobile was parked at the curb, with a stack of suits on the rear seat. Near the doorway was another stack of suits ready to be taken to the car.

As the officers were surveying the scene, they saw a man dash out of a nearby doorway. He refused to halt, but was captured after a short chase. At first the captive denied all knowledge of the burglary attempt, but a search of his person brought forth documents which

identified him as the driver of the car. Apparently the burglar's plan had been to fill the tonneau of the car with as much merchandise as it would hold, and then drive off.

The man was taken to the police station, where it was also found that the automobile he was driving was listed as a stolen car. All the merchandise which had been removed from the store was recovered.

### RAY TRAPS METAL THIEVES

An A.D.T. Invisible Ray burglar alarm resulted in the capture of one burglar and prevented what otherwise would almost certainly have been a successful burglary at the Schmandt Foundry Co., Detroit, Mich., on Sunday, April 4.

Guards and police responding to the alarm at 6:04 p.m., found a pane of glass broken in an unprotected window at the rear. The two accomplices of the burglar who was captured succeeded in making their getaway.

The burglars had taken a quantity of metal and copper from the premises and piled it in an alley preparatory to removing it. An investigation revealed that the two men who escaped had not had time to take anything with them.

### BURGLARY BRIEFS

CHICAGO, ILL., April 27: Burglars who attacked the Rose Dress Shop were frightened away by the arrival of A.D.T. guards responding to a burglar alarm.

DES MOINES, IOWA, May 2: A fifty-one year old "Fagin" and his seventeen year old nephew-accomplice, armed with three saws, a pinch bar, a steel knife and flashlights were captured by A.D.T. guards and police in the basement of the E. S. Hurwich grocery. The intruders had cut a hole in a door, setting off the burglar alarm.

HARTFORD, CONN., April 30: After a prolonged search by A.D.T. guards and police answering a burglar alarm, three youths were captured at Wachtel's Department Store. All of the intruders were wanted by police on previous charges.

LINCOLN, NEB., April 6: After successfully burglarizing a store which had no Burglar Alarm System, two youths came to grief when they attempted to enter the A.D.T. protected liquor store of C. Mozer & Bros.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 25: A burglar identified as a customer of the Sloan Credit Co. was caught by an A.D.T. guard in the act of crawling into a basement window on the premises. The intruder cut through the iron protection bars and then broke an A.D.T. Burglar Alarm screen.

WORCESTER, MASS., April 30: A hungry man who tossed a brick through the A.D.T. protected window at the Whalen Jewelry Co. presented himself at police headquarters for arrest. His request was granted.

DETROIT, MICH., April 3: A.D.T. Burglar Alarm protection resulted in the capture of three youths stealing metal at the premises of Philip G. Smith, dealer in scrap high speed tools. The culprits were turned over to the police.

CLEVELAND, OHIO, April 15: Held up at the point of a gun after closing hours, an employee at the Prospect Department Store actuated an A.D.T. Emergency Police Call device. Frightened, the bandit fled, and had escaped in a taxi when A.D.T. guards and police arrived.

**FORTY-ONE BURGLARS WERE CAPTURED DURING APRIL AS THE RESULT OF A.D.T. BURGLAR ALARMS**

## FIRE

### LOSSES KEPT LOW

**Watchmen With "Help at Fingertips" Get Quick Aid When Fires Start**

In Buffalo on April 27, a watchman at the Hecker H-O Co., Inc., discovered a fire on the fifth floor while making his 8:30 p.m. round. He immediately pulled one of the A.D.T. Manual Fire Alarm Boxes on that floor, with the result that the fire department was able to put out the blaze with a hand extinguisher. Damages were placed at only forty dollars.

At the Ralston-Purina Co., Buffalo, on April 21, a fire in a grain conveyor in the basement was reported by the watchman at 12:51 a.m. It was extinguished by the city fire department with a loss of only twenty-five dollars.

At the Glidden Co., Refiners, Chicago, on April 25, a fire started from some undetermined cause in a pile of ground soy beans on the first floor. The fire department, summoned by the watchman through an A.D.T. Manual Fire Alarm Box, quickly extinguished the blaze. No loss was reported.

### LUCKY STARS

"You can thank your luck stars that you have A.D.T. protection," said a fire department official following a fire caused by spontaneous ignition of an oily mop at the C. E. Brandt & Co., paper, Flint, Mich., on April 25.



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**ALL MODERN CONVENIENCES—** Fire Commissioner John J. McElligott and Captain Hermann F. Kuch stand on rear of one of New York City's new fire engines. Firemen will have strap handles, like those in use on subways, to hang on to, and will be protected from wintry winds by a shatterproof windshield

The firemen were summoned to the building at 12:01 a.m. by an A.D.T. Waterflow Alarm. The fire burned through the floor, opening sprinkler heads in the basement below. It was stated that the prompt alarm prevented a serious loss. The building was the scene of a bad fire several years ago.



Wide World

**THE PRICE OF INADEQUATE PROTECTION—**Two firemen seriously injured, and a material loss of \$125,000, was the cost of this general-alarm fire which swept through the Milford High School at Milford, Mass., on the morning of March 31

### 1937 TEXAS EXPOSITION

**Buildings and Exhibits Valued at \$25,000,000 Are Protected Against Fire**

The Pan American Exposition at Dallas, Texas, like its predecessor, the Texas Centennial, celebrated in the same city last year, will be protected against fire and burglary by A.D.T. protection services.

According to a statement made by officials of the exposition, such protection service "is considered imperative, not only from the standpoint of the value of the structures, but the millions of dollars invested in exhibits to be assembled." It is estimated that the total values represented will exceed \$25,000,000.

The exposition is scheduled to last from June 12 to October 31, and Dallas is prepared to entertain ten million visitors during that period.

### BAD BLAZE AVERTED

Sparks from a gas fired torch used for heating soldering irons are believed to have caused a fire which broke out at 5:40 a.m. on April 24 in the dairy equipment building of the Crane Company, St. Paul, Minn.

The first knowledge of the fire was an alarm from the Aero Automatic Fire Alarm which summoned the fire apparatus to the premises. It was discov-

ered that a wallboard partition had ignited causing the Aero System to operate.

Although the interior of the building was of wood and fibre board construction and extremely dry, the blaze was confined to an area adjacent to its origin. Fire department officials were pleased with the prompt detection and reporting of the fire by the Aero System.

#### PROMPT ACTION PRAISED

"Your service was so excellent that the fire department arrived, even before our watchman discovered we had a fire."

This statement by M. H. Sanger, Secretary of E. M. Kahn & Company, apparel store, Dallas, Texas, expresses the management's satisfaction with the prompt action which took place when fire broke out at 4:01 a.m. on May 5.

The blaze started in the window trimming department where a paint spray motor overheated and set fire to a box of paint brushes. One sprinkler head operated and put out the fire. The water continued to flow but was soon turned off by the fire department which arrived before extensive damage resulted.

Although the contents of the building are particularly susceptible to water damage the loss amounted to only twenty-five dollars.

#### FIRE BRIEFS

CHICAGO, ILL., May 4: The mysterious origin of smoke at the real estate office of Frederick H. Bartlett & Co. was finally traced to a vault by A.D.T. guards who responded to a fire alarm. Someone had left a cigarette burning on a rubber-covered counter.

DAYTON, OHIO, April 16: When a watchman at the Rike Kumler Co. department store was greeted by a cloud of smoke while making his rounds he immediately sent an alarm by means of an A.D.T. Manual Fire Alarm Box. The fire was confined to a storage room.

ST. LOUIS, MO., April 1: Heat from molten glass used at the Falstaff Brewery to coat beer tanks ignited blankets which covered the tanks. The alarm was turned in by means of an A.D.T. Manual Fire Alarm Box.

April 7: A condensed report of the operations of the St. Louis Fire Department covering the four year period, 1933 to 1937, as compared with the years 1929 to 1933, has been issued by Chief John J. O'Boyle. Among other enviable records, the report shows a reduction of over 36% in fire losses and a saving of \$548,000 in operating expenses.

## WATCHMEN

#### GET MEDICAL AID

#### *Injured Watchmen Escape Fatal Consequences After Serious Accidents*

When the watchman at the plant of La France Industries, Philadelphia, failed to report, on the morning of April 21, A.D.T. guards found him lying unconscious on the floor after a fall down a flight of stairs. The injured man was immediately taken to a hospital, where it was found that he had suffered a fractured skull. Doctors gave him a good chance of recovery.

When the watchman at Oshkosh Trunks, Inc., Oshkosh, Wis., smashed a finger in a pump engine on the morning of March 30, he immediately called the A.D.T. Central Station. A guard dispatched to the plant took the injured man to a doctor, who found it necessary to perform an emergency amputation of the crushed finger behind the first joint in order to prevent more dangerous complications.

In each of these emergencies, any delay in obtaining medical attention for the injured men might have resulted in far more serious consequences.

#### THIEF CAUGHT AFTER CHASE

When Frank Price, watchman at The Sims Co., boiler manufacturers, Erie, Pa., discovered three intruders in the foundry on the afternoon of April 19, he immediately put in an emergency call to the A.D.T. Central Station.

The alarm was transmitted to police headquarters and broadcast over the police short-wave radio. Within a few minutes a police radio cruiser car arrived on the scene, and after a short chase one of the burglars was captured.

The trio were in the process of removing quantities of copper, which they were compelled to drop when the police arrived. At the police station, the captive was questioned, and it was expected that information provided by him would result in the prompt apprehension of his two accomplices.

#### WATCHMAN BRIEFS

BALTIMORE, MD., April 26: At 2:19 a.m., a watchman at the Walters Art Gallery fell down stairs and broke his leg. An A.D.T. guard took him to a hospital, and later to his home. Another guard remained on the premises.

PATERSON, N. J., April 17: When a watchman at the Crane Dye Works spotted an intruder he sent in an A.D.T. emergency call alarm. Guards and police responded but the intruder had fled.



*NO WORRIES ABOUT FIRE need beset either the tenants or the owners of this modern apartment building recently opened in Maplewood, Mo. The basement, public halls, and similar hazardous areas throughout the building are protected by an Aero Automatic Fire Alarm System*

## THE ROSTRUM

*Devoted to Open Discussion of Protection Problems*

# DON'T INVITE THE BURGLAR

## *Insurance Underwriters Demand Practical Safeguards to Match the Skill and Cunning of Modern Criminals*

By R. E. Citroen

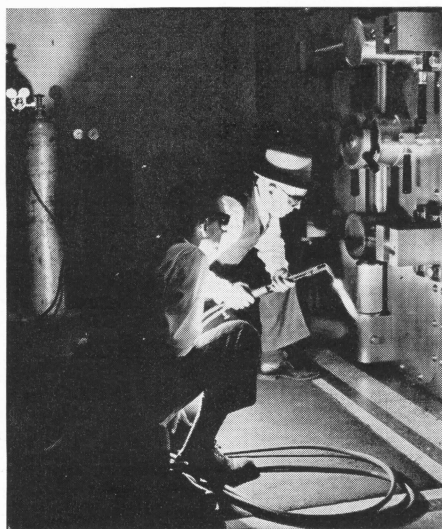
*National Bureau of Casualty and Surety Underwriters*

Some people seem to think that an insurance underwriter is a gambler. He is not. He is a business man with a service to render, an investment to protect, and the need to make a profit. The reason I say that the underwriter is regarded as a gambler is because of the hazardous risks he sometimes is asked to assume. Here is a typical case:

One morning the employees of a large wholesale silk house found their night watchman bound and gagged. Ten thousand dollars worth of bolt silk had been stolen. And the firm had no burglary insurance!

Immediately, of course, they were in the market for insurance. A good prospect, you say? But they were not—at the moment. Burglary insurance is not carelessly issued to any firm that will pay the premium. In this case the house was a poor risk, even at a triple premium. No insurance company would assume such a risk until the premises had been made reasonably secure.

Part of the underwriter's service to clients lies in recommending efficient physical protection for the property to be insured. In the case cited, the owners of the silk had woefully underestimated the skill and prowess of modern burglars. The plant was, in underworld terms, "a push-over." The underwriter who knows his business realizes that burglary today frequently is undertaken by technical experts. Their intelligence often is amazing and their equipment is scientific. Many are engineers of real ability, understanding electricity, chemistry, mechanics and building construction. No premises are absolutely impregnable to their planned attack—and because of this insurance companies insist upon every practicable safeguard.



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### UP-TO-DATE BURGLAR TOOLS—

*The modern cracksmen is a scientific workman. Photo shows employees at Underwriters' Laboratories testing the effect of an oxy-acetylene torch on a steel vault door*

The intelligent burglar is an organizer of no mean ability. Often weeks are spent in a preliminary survey before "pulling a job." Plans of the premises are drawn. Habits of employees are studied. The strategy of attack is rehearsed. Proper timing is essential to a successful burglary. Crooks must be certain that the loot will be worth while and that their work will be undisturbed. A favorite time for their work is over a week-end or when a holiday affords an extra twenty-four hours.

Ingenuous methods are used both to secure entry and to transport the goods. A scout for a ring of thieves poses as a dress buyer. He calls on a manufacturer, timing his visit so that the office force is out to lunch. Perhaps only the switchboard girl is there. If opportunity permits, he quickly removes the wood

screws from the lock on the front door. For these he substitutes small, thin sticks and then plugs up the holes with the gum he chews for that purpose. Now the stage is set for a quick "job."

About an hour before regular opening time, two boys appear with a hand truck at the freight elevator and ask to be taken up to the proper floor. On the way up they grumble at bosses who expect rush deliveries at such an hour. The boys make two or three trips with the truck well loaded. Later, the elevator man learns that he has aided burglars.

Time, as was pointed out before, is essential to the burglar. He must work undisturbed for as long as his operations require. Therefore the insurance underwriter, advising protection, looks with favor on alarm systems—particularly those connected to outside central stations. The central station alarm system does not warn the burglar. He remains at work, unaware that by the act of breaking in he has tipped off his legal enemies. Secondly, these enemies of crime—an armed, organized force of guards—speedily respond to the alarm, ready to apprehend the criminal.

Let's return to the story of the watchman in the silk house. When the gag was taken from his mouth he said that just before 2:00 a.m. he heard a noise at the delivery entrance. He tried to phone the police, but the wire was cut. Now thoroughly alarmed, he rushed to the front door. Hearing no noise outside, he opened the door. As he stepped into the hall he was slugged. And the thieves worked at leisure, undisturbed.

Now, suppose those premises are equipped with central station protection service. Since closing time, headquarters has been receiving signals from the watchman at the proper hours. The 2:00 a.m. signal is due—but it doesn't come in. This alone is cause for investigation. But when the watchman opens the door to the hall, an alarm sounds at the protection headquarters. Guards and police are rushed to investigate. The burglar's chance of having a profitable night is remote.

Insurance, as you realize, is but part of the service offered by the underwriter to his clients. It is for his own protection as well as that of his clients that he gives sound, practical advice on modern means of safeguarding property.

# A.D.T. AUTOMATIC ELECTRIC PROTECTION SYSTEMS GUARD GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS

THESE governmental buildings at the Nation's Capital, with their records and treasures of incalculable value—many of them irreplaceable—deserve and have the most modern and dependable defences against fire and theft. Authorities have taken no unnecessary chance in safeguarding these tremendous concentrations of wealth.

Among the A.D.T. AUTOMATIC ELECTRIC PROTECTION SYSTEMS which safeguard these buildings and their priceless contents against the hazards of fire and theft, are the following:

**Watchman Supervisory and Manual Fire Alarm Systems**, by which any deviation from the watchman's routine is instantly and automatically reported. Manual Fire Alarm boxes permit watchmen to summon the fire department direct to the scene of any fire.

**Sprinkler Supervisory and Waterflow Alarm Systems**, which automatically summon the fire department in case of fire or dangerous leak. Electrically detect and report conditions affecting

the normal functioning of the sprinkler systems.

**"Aero" Automatic Fire Alarm Systems**, which automatically detect fire and automatically summon the fire department.

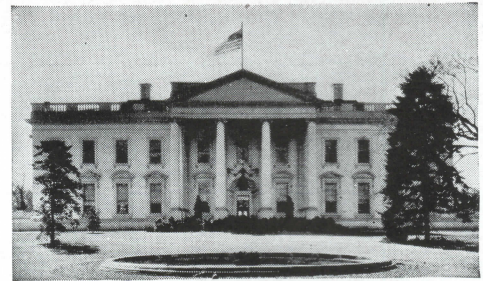
**Burglar Alarm Systems**, which automatically detect and report any unauthorized entry.

**Holdup Alarm Systems**, which automatically summon armed forces in case of holdup or other emergencies.

In addition to the buildings here pictured, other Federal buildings in Washington protected by A. D. T. include: TREASURY BUILDING • BUREAU OF PRINTING AND ENGRAVING • SENATE OFFICE BUILDING • BUREAU OF STANDARDS • GENERAL ACCOUNTING OFFICE • ARLINGTON BUILDING • APEX BUILDING • NEW POST OFFICE • INTERNAL REVENUE BUILDING • AGRICULTURAL BUILDING (SOUTH)

Federal buildings outside of Washington include: FORT KNOX BULLION DEPOSITORY • U. S. MINT AT SAN FRANCISCO • U. S. MINT AT PHILADELPHIA • U. S. MINT AT DENVER • NUMEROUS POST OFFICE BUILDINGS

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FEDERAL WAREHOUSE  
*Sprinkler Supervisory and Waterflow Alarm, Watchman Supervision, Manual Fire Alarm*

**A NATION-WIDE PROTECTION SERVICE  
AGAINST FIRE, BURGLARY AND HOLDUP**

