

Fire at Tolna.

In a blaze which threatened the entire village of Tolna for a time, the Halverson hardware store burned to the ground Saturday. The loss to the stock, which was total, estimated at \$10,000, and the building was valued at \$2,000. Both are covered by insurance.

The fire started about 9 o'clock in the morning and it was soon seen that the building was doomed. The entire block seemed in danger and the Pekin fire department was called and responded promptly. But for the fine work of the two departments the entire business section of the town would have been destroyed. Fire caught several times in adjoining buildings but was promptly put out with slight damage. It was the hardest fought fire in the history of the village.