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On his way to another assignment, Pathé's San Francisco cameraman hears an explosion - runs to the scene ahead of the firemen - and snatches spectacular exclusive pictures of the city's worst fire in years. Slowly at first, the blaze begins in a big paint factory - then rages on to a lumber yard and car-wrecking plant, roaring utterly out of control and injuring nine people. Firefighters can do no more than protect nearby property. Damage is estimated at a million dollars.

Still held up at Coniston is Blushbird the Second, waiting for a change in the weather before attempting a new speed record. The Campbells, (Daphne and Donald,) son of the late Sir Malcolm are standing by hourly for the chance to come. Blushbird, first a car - then a boat with a jet engine - and now a boat with a car engine - has successfully passed her tests. Good luck to her, and the Campbells of Coniston.

In Canada, Major Lloyd Hill prepares to join the daredevils who have made bold to shoot Niagara's turbulent rapids. Youngest member of the Hill family, which has time and again attempted to outwit Niagara, he is swept along inside his metal barrel through the seething waters. There he is, centre screen, tossed and twisting, his barrel hammered by rocks which threaten to split it open. After negotiating the main whirlpool, Hill is caught in an eddy, and is towed ashore. There, ironically, he breaks his leg while stepping from the barrel. A stretcher is lowered to lift the injured man. A freak accident ends the latest attempt to conquer Niagara's rapids.
