

## GAS MAIN BLAST IN TIMES SQUARE!

53 New York City, in the grip of a record snowfall for early December, witnesses a gas-main explosion. In the Times Square area at 40th and Broadway, a spectacular billowing fire is battled for ninety minutes. Firemen work cautiously lest too much gas escape should they suddenly douse the flames before a leak can be turned off.

Workmen were repairing a corroded 24-inch gas main when a passerby carelessly tossed a lighted cigarette into the excavation, causing this wintry geyser of flame.