

“KEEPING PACE” -#24

AIR TANK RUPTURE:

The photograph below shows two holes in the roof of a building in Lorain, Ohio. A six foot tall steel air tank's bottom ruptured and shot the tank upward through the roof. It arched through the air and then back through the roof to land on the concrete floor. This air holding tank for the compressor, much like the one you see in a gasoline service station, had separated from its bottom while there was about 120 p.s.i. inside the tank. Its owner had just walked away from this area to answer a telephone a few feet away. He told me that he does not need to go to a physician to get his heart checked now, because if there were anything wrong with his heart, he would have expired from fright.



Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Fred F. Franklin". The signature is stylized and cursive.

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