

Fires destroy motor home, shed

There were no injuries reported last week when members of the Bay Roberts Volunteer Fire Department were called to two fires in that area.

A shed and a motor home were totally destroyed in one blaze Saturday, April 3 after a resident of Shearstown reported what appeared to be a woods fire or a house fire on Goose Pond Hill at about 6:40 p.m.

Assistant Chief Doug Mercer could see the smoke and flames while en route to the fire, prompting him to call for a second pumper and seven more members.

Flames from the fire engulfed the shed had spread to a motor home parked next to the structure. Both were a total loss and two homes in the area sustained damage to siding.

The fire department said insurance was car-

ried on the shed but it was unknown if the motor home was insured.

Meanwhile the department received a call from Nelson Bussey, April 8, advising of another shed fire at Back Cove Road, Port de Grave. The department said when firefighters arrived at the scene they could see "smoke venting from all sides of the shed."

Dave Lear, owner of the twine shed, directed firefighters to the basement entrance, where they entered and quickly knocked down the fire.

Workers had been cutting metal and had left for lunch a short time before the fire broke out. It is believed the fire may have been caused by a spark from a saw landing undetected around the workbench.

The fire department did not say whether insurance was carried on the building.

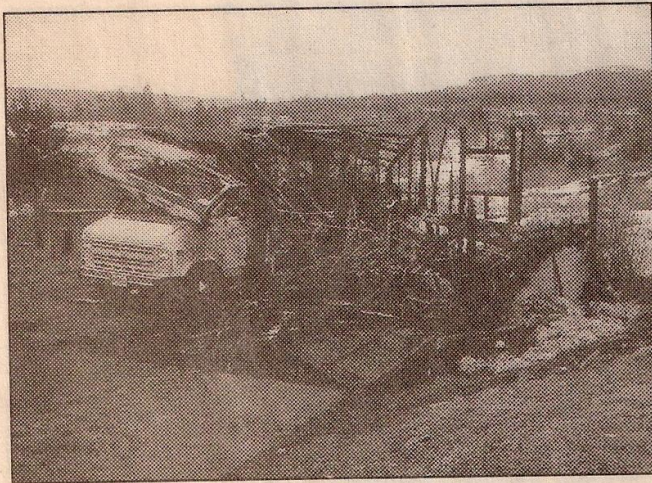


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TOTAL LOSS - A shed and motor home on Goose Pond Hill, Shearstown were both destroyed in a fire April 3.



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UNDETECTED - A spark from a saw appears to have caused this April 8 fire in a twine shed at Back Cove Road, Port de Grave.