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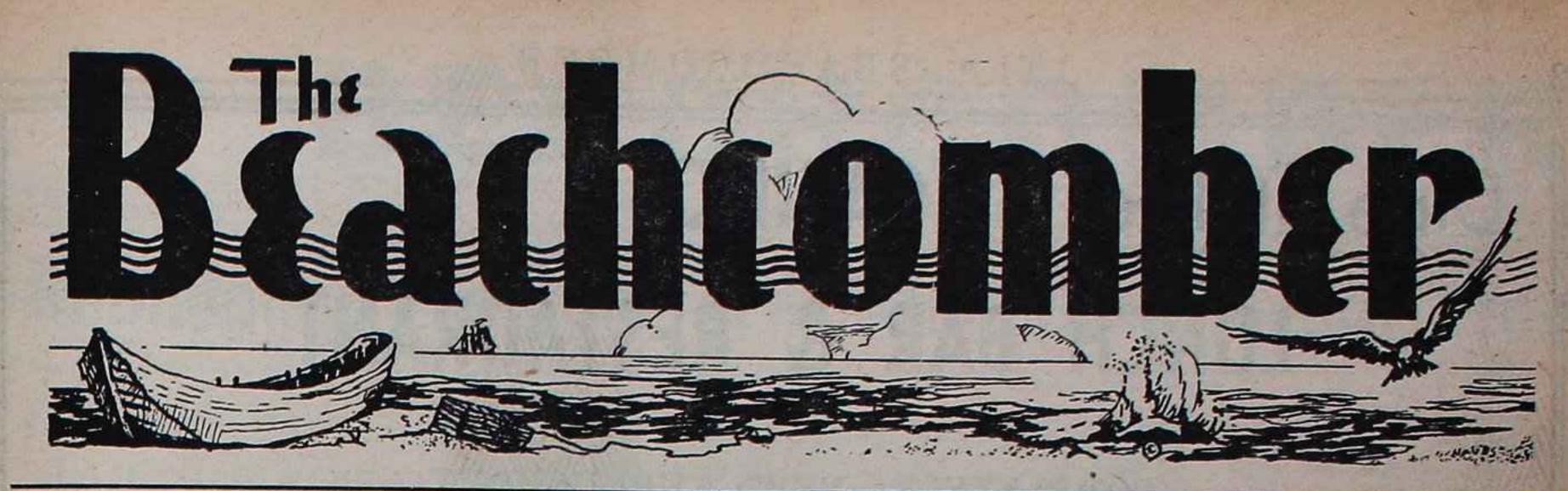
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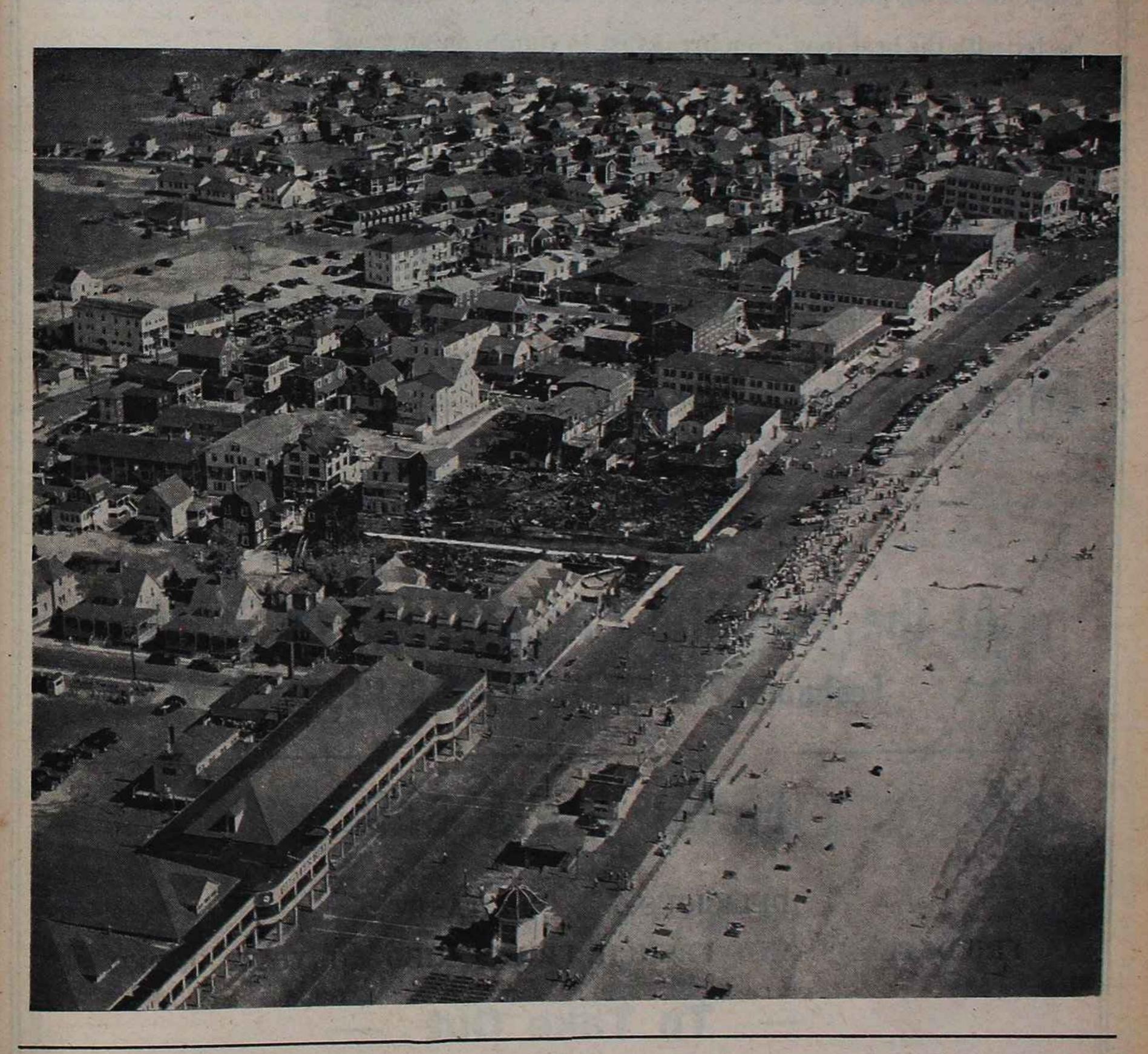
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Rebuilding Program Will Modernize Beach Front

Children's Day To Be Held Friday

Chamber of Commerce secretary Charles F. Butler announced that final arrangements are nearly com plete for the annual Children's Day to be held Friday afternoon.

In addition to the Forge Village (Mass.) Band and the 62 piece St Patrick's Drum, Bugle and Majorette Corps from Lynn, Mass., the program, will include the "sailor" duo, Patas and Folsom and talented Artie Johnston, the pantomine ar-

Two hundred Lawrence, Mass., orphans will be here for Children's Day as guests of the Bus Drivers' Union of Lawrence.

Following the 12:30 luncheon at the Hotel Ashworth for the invited guests, the parade will start there at 2 o'clock and proceed along the boulevard to the south end of the

celebrated on the birthday of Col. George Ashworth, popularly known by the children as "Daddy" Ash-



beach and return to the bandstand. DEDICATION CEREMONY for the new modern business block to be John W. Hopley of Portsmouth built on the southerly corner of C street and Ocean Boulevard was will again be master of ceremonies presided over by Secretary Charles F. Butler of the Chamber of for the occasion which is annually Commerce, left, Mr. Edwin L. Batchelder of the Hampton Beach Improvement company, center, and President Ray L. Goding of the Chamber of Commerce. Present plans call for work to be started on Photo by Marston the new building next Monday.

The indomitable spirit which is in the heart of every Hampton Beach business man was clearly in evidence this week as property owners and proprietors of businesses, wiped out in the \$350,-000 fire which ravaged the heart of the shopping district Friday, prepared to rebuild "bigger and better than ever."

Monday afternoon a cornerstone laying ceremony was held at the corner of C street and Ocean boulevard to indicate that work will get underway immediately on a new

FIRE (Continued on Page Fourteen)

Call Mass Meeting

An open meeting to discuss the water supply situation in the beach area will be held next Monday evening, July 24, in the Hampton Beach Fire Station at 8 p. m.

All property owners, business men, town and precinct officials have been invited to attend this open meeting sponsored by the Chamber of

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The winning song in the Junior Division was "Lovely Bunch of Coconuts." which won third prize for Peter Graham, 8, of Winchester, Mass. An 11-year-old dancer, Joy Corbett of New York City, was awarded second prize. Her song was "Slow Boat to China."

The winner in the Junior division was accordionist Mary Ellen Gately, of Waterbury, Mass., who played "Lady of Spain."

In the Senior group Charles Loncroft, 15, of Lowell, Mass., sang "My Foolish Heart" for the first prize while Michael McDermott, 19, also of Lowell took second place with "You Made Me Love You."

The novelty song, "The Preacher and the Bear," was the choice of the third prize winner. He was Chester A. Whitcher, 38 of Marl- | SEA FOOD SHORT ORDER boro, Mass.

Cash awards are given every Monday night for the six best performances. Anyone who is interested in competing should file an application at the Chamber of Commerce office.

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There she sat like a queen. And I pianist, Ted Shapiro, who's been guess she is a queen. She's been with her for 29 years. reigning as "the last of the Red Hot Mammas" for a good many years, now and when she was in-Frolics Saturday night, you could see from the crowd's reaction that caution signs placed at the Greenthere's only one Sophie Tucker.

children from traffic. When I discovered she was sitting near me I went over to her table and asked-cautiously, not gested area where umpteen childknowing what my reception would ren run around all day and after be - if I could see her some time | dark. Mr. and Mrs. Albert Fanning, this week for a small story for the proprietors of the colony, can't Beachcomber. She surprised me understand - and I don't know then when she said in a voice about | who can - why anyone would en-10 feet below sea level, "What's danger the children's lives by rethe matter with right now?"

Sophie to spend the week with her; arrest of the thief. the Frolics' publicity agent, Harry Paul; the master of ceremonies, Marc Bolero, who came along, introduced himself to the star, and practically sat on my knee while he held Sophie's hand and discussed rehearsals. There were some others, including a very shy attractive girl who was afraid to ask for an autograph but got it eventually.

And all the while Sophie Tucker was settling rehearsal times, etc., her sister, Mrs. Jules Aronson, was sitting there very calmly with only a smile for everything.

So in the few seconds' talkin' time I had, Miss Tucker told me she's staying at the Farragut in Rye with her family, which includes her brother, Moe McAbuza, and that she's going back to the ! West Coast after her week's engagement at Salisbury. She's quite pleased with this part of the country, this being her first trip north ! of Revere even though she was born in Boston's North End.

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Of course, with Sophie is her

* * * It may seem trivial, but actually, troduced from the floor at the the only small thing about it is the action of the person who stole the

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The Greenlands is a very con moving the two signs. They aren't So, I perched on a chair and a- worth any money (they're the kind bout that time lots of people start- you seen in school zones) but the ed coming up to speak to her. There Fannings are offering a \$5 rewas a perfect stranger who invited ward for information leading to the NORTON'S Seafood Market

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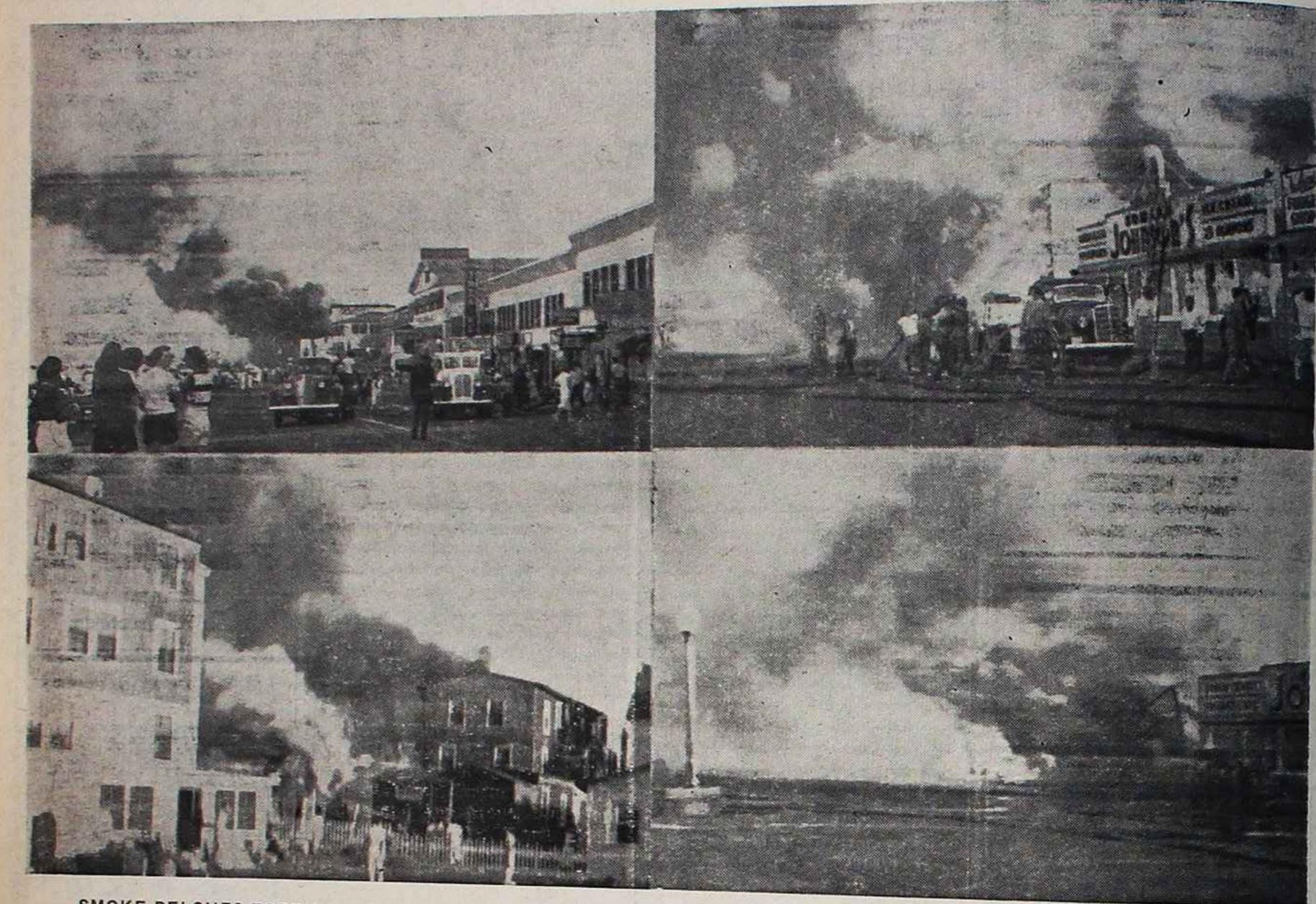
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SMOKE BELCHES FORTH from the center of the business district at Hampton Beach (top left) as thousands of vacationists jam Ocean Boulevard to view the conflagration. Top right, firemen seek shelter behind doors to pour water into the Playland which was turned into an

inferno. Lower right, flames and intense heat spread across the boulevard as the Playland building collapses, driving firemen back. Lower left picture shows the raging flames as they spread down C street to engulf the Wesley and gut out the rear of the Avon Hotel on B street.

(Staff Photo)

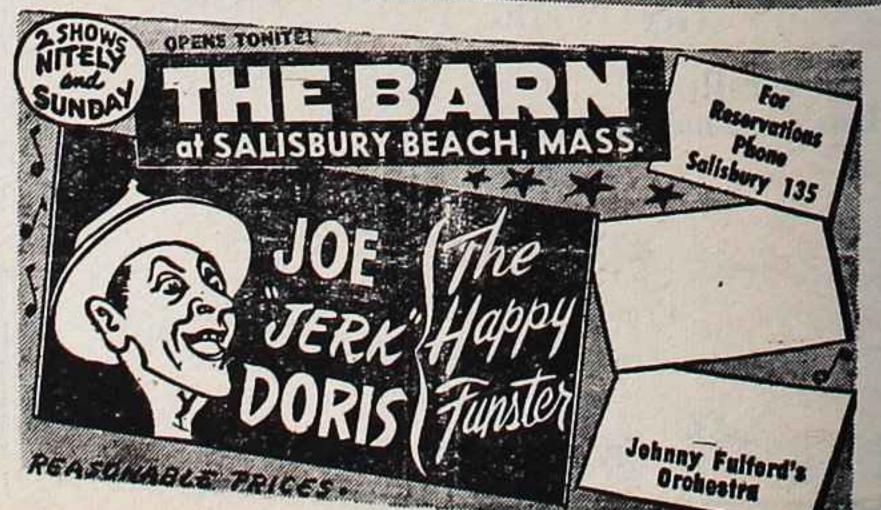


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> ue, including 1,000 feet of the ocean | sale Wednesday, July 26, 2:00 p. m. front and extending back 500 feet at the church. to Marsh avenue, St. Patrick's church, a theatre, Ashworth hotel and numerous other hotels, rooming houses and cottages were de- good looking pair? stroyed at a loss of \$250,000.

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The Cover

The blackened hole in the beach front was as apparent from the air as it was to the estimated 100,000 persons who flocked to the beach over the weekend to view the ruins.

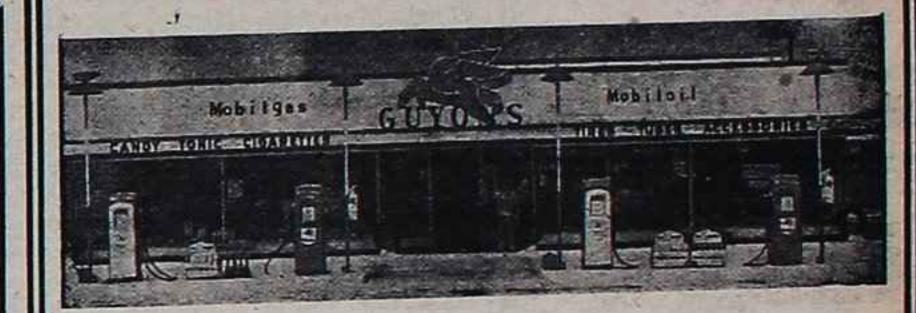
Clearly visible is the gap between the Casino building and Ocean House where the fire was stopped on the south, to the Howard Johnson los cream stand 200 feet north.

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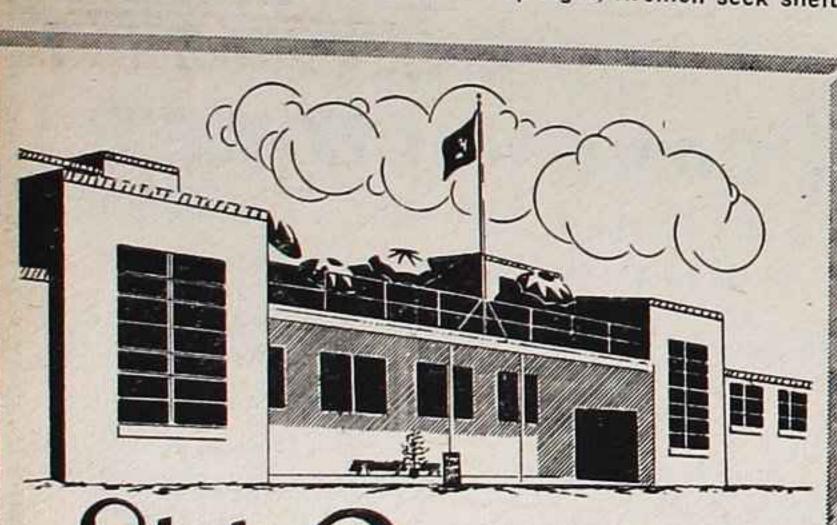
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dale, John O'Connor, John P. Good- are spending the summer at the win, Michael Kane and Thomas B. "Shelburne" on K street. Sheehy, Holyoke, Mass., Mrs. Hope

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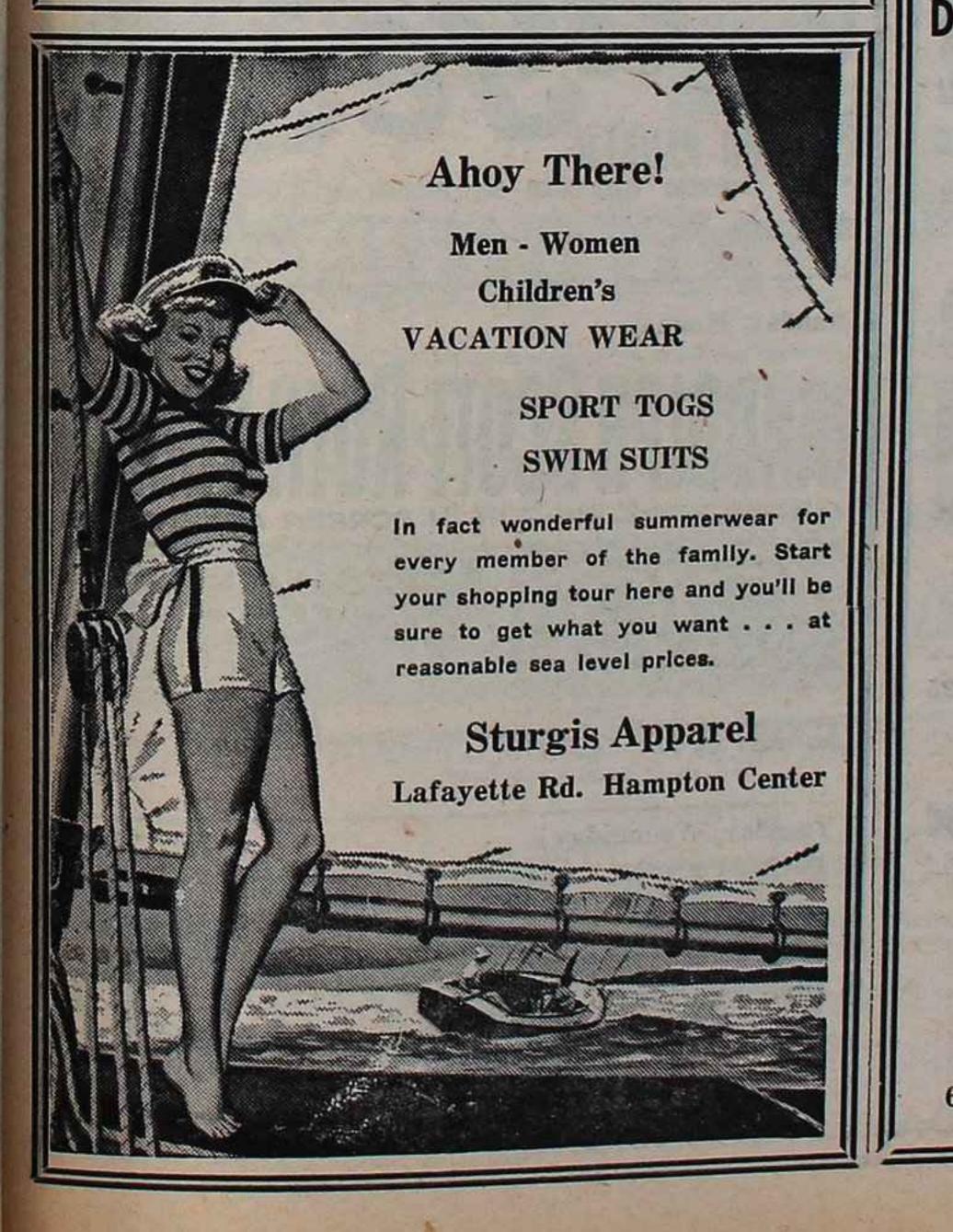
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Other guests at the Lord guest | McEachern, Newmarket and Leon Watertown, Mass., Irene Klins Worcester, Mass., Beverly Mass., Peggy McCafferty, Belmont, Other guests at Rice Lodge are Thea McCann, Lowell, Mass., M.

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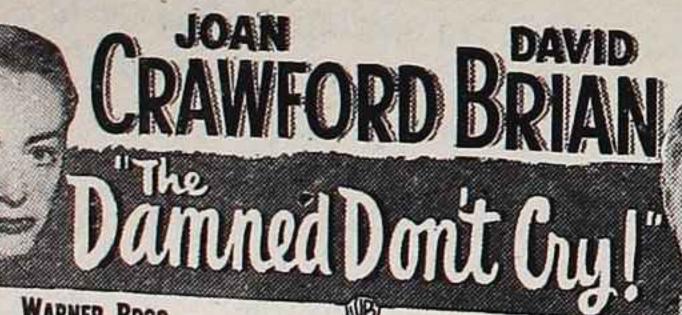
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Youth Injured As Car Rams Fire Truck At Beach

A 12-year-old boy was hospital-July 19-22 | ized as the result of a freak accident Friday night during the fire.

Charles Brindamour, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles P. Brindamour, I street, suffered serious injuries to his right leg when a car ran into the Rye Fire Truck onto which he | Tues., - Thurs. had jumped as the engine was traveling along Marsh avenue.

After receiving preliminary treatment by Dr. R. N. Blake, the accident victim was taken to Anna Jacques hospital in Newburyport where it was at first doubtful the torn leg could be saved.

According to a member of the family the boy will remain in the hospital for some time.

Terrace Group Plans Excursion | Sun., Mon.

With thirty members present, the regular meeting of the Nudd Terrace associates was held Thursday evening at the home of Chubber Spillane.

After a brief business meeting during which plans were made for a deep sea fishing trip, a delightful entertainment was presented. Members who took part in the program were Paul M. Gaunn, Bob Dunfey, Marty Sefre, Eleanor Dunfey and Ann Hurrell.

Next meeting at the home of Mrs. Sarah Latta at which time Marty Sefre will show two films of colored

movies which he took on a recent

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ith a blanket?

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That Barbara W. looks very lonesome since Bill left for Springfield?

What Brad and Jim were doing down by the State Bath House the Where Betsey went Sunday nite other day? Those two Brookline boys are doing all right this year. What are they teaching them at Bobby gave Adeline, the set-up B. H. S.?

rl at Munsey's, the brush-off? That Claire and Mac are the lone HOTEL STANDISH

Why Mark of Bradford was so keen about the little nurse from New York?

That Joyce and No. 4 on the string are very well known?

Why purple and yellow and blue and white are sharp colors?

Why did the three girls leave the dance hall so early Thursday night? It was an awful blow to one of the girls who traveled a long way to come here for her va-

That Lowell High stands behind the band stand?

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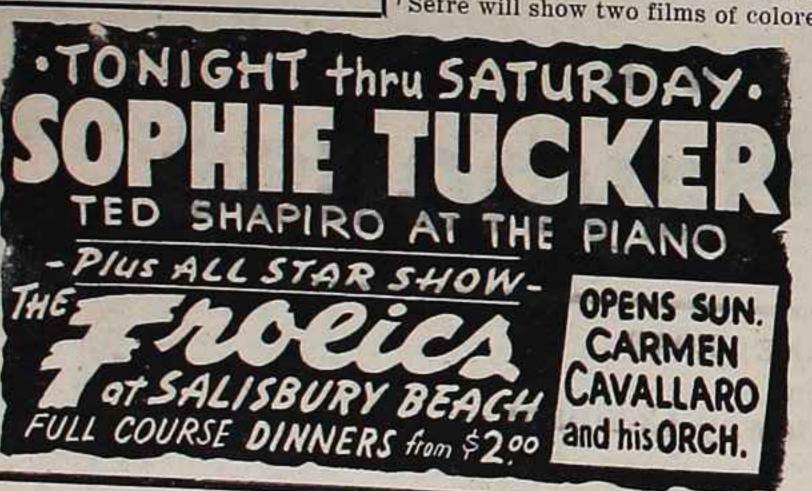
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FIRE —

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building, which was occupied by age. Kelly's Grill, Henry's Real Estate In all 19 businesses were wiped

representing the Hampton Beach avenue. Improvement company, and Ray L. Goding, president of the Chamber of Commerce and Charles F. Tel. 911 | Butler, secretary.

> The Hampton Beach Improvement company has a 99-year lease from the Town of Hampton on all the land from the Ocean House property north to the Ashworth Hotel and in turn leases the land

> > New Fireproof Block

Mr. Hobbs indicated Monday that the new block will be of cement, steel, and brick fireproof construction, and will extend for 50 feet on C street. All three tenants in the old building leveled by the fire have indicated that they will oc- water for fire fighting purposes.

Other property owners to consider rebuilding as soon as in-

SULLIVAN'S MARKET

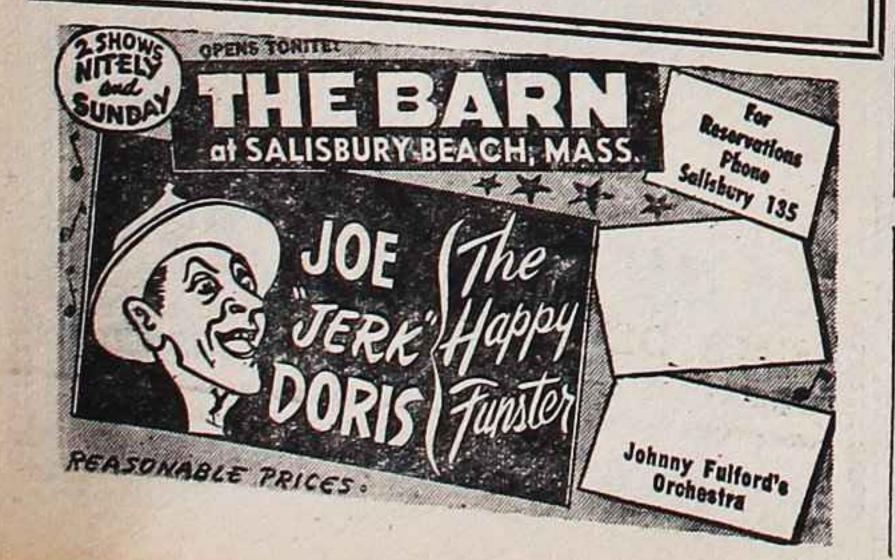
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rance adjustments can be made are John Walsh and John Hines, popularly known as "The two Jacks", owners of The Playland which was completely destroyed and the Howard Johnson building. block for that area. The razed which sustained considerable dam-

office and Gendron's Ice Cream out by the fire which at one time parlor, was owned by the Joseph threatened to spread through the O. Hobbs estate of North Hampton. entire business section of the beach at 10:30 a. m. Two sons of the deceased owner, due to the lack of water pressure Paul W. Hobbs of North Hampton in the hydrant system. It is genand Leon Hobbs of Somerville, erally conceded that the only thing Mass., were present Monday at that saved the center of the beach the ceremony which was conduct- was the emergency use of the new ed by Mr. Edwin L. Batchelder, salt water hydrants along Marsh

Pump Salt Water

Although the new salt water system is not yet in operation, fire department officials were able to station a pumper in the town parking lot and fill the salt water mains. An adequate water supply was then available from two hydrants at the foot of B and C on a 10-year basis to the property streets to halt the spread of the

Beach officials, although acutely aware of the lack of adequate water pressure in the fresh water mains, Every Wednesday - 9:30 P. M. hastened this week to assure all vacationists that the emergency hook up of the salt water hydrant system will be kept in use, thereby assuring an adequate supply of Office Hours:

Fire Chief George H. Lamott declared that if the new \$60,000 Hours: 8 A. M. - 6 P. M. Daily. salt water fire main along Marsh avenue had been completed on schedule, the beach front "fire

Launch Investigations Chief Lamott pointed out that the AMESBURY Country Club, Ame salt water fire system was nearly bury, Mass., - 15 miles, 9 M

tors were unable to deliver on 11 miles, 9 Hole course. Open This main would supply 2,000 PORTSMOUTH Country

sary to extinguish the fire in its first stages. Investigations of the costly fire were launched Saturday by state

State Fire Marshall Aubrey Rob-inson and L. E. Pendleton of the ment: George Lamott. inson and L. E. Pendleton of the National Board of Fire Underwriters, joined Fire Chief Lamott, Police Chief John J. Malek and Dep-

probe of the disastrous fire. \$350,000 Loss Estimated Although there were several Chamber of Commerce: Pre

theories rumored about the beach dent, Raymond L. Goding; Vie as to the cause of the blaze, Chief President, John Walsh; Treasure Lamott stated Tuesday that it was Ralph T. Harris; Secretary, Charle apparent that the fire started in a F. Butler. storage shed in the rear of Dudley's Hotel and Gift Shop, but that so far it has been impossible to learn the

The fire chief also stated that it was next to impossible to esti-ue, Wednesday.

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CHURCH SERVICES

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10:45, 11:30. Confessions heard on Satu night beginning at 7:30 P ST. TERESA'S - RYE Mass 6:30, 8:30, 10:00 and 1

BAND CONCERTS 4 Daily - 2-3, 4-5, 7-8, 8:30-9:30.

FIREWORKS

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> MUNICIPAL Town Officers

and local fire officials as well as representatives of the National Board of Fire Underwriters to des George H. Sumner. Town Clerk Board of Fire Underwriters to de-termine the starting point of Po' termine the starting point and 2-5, Monday - Friday. Chief of Pollo

Beach Officers uty Sheriff Floyd I. Gale in a George Ashworth, Chairman, James W. Tucker, Jr., Charles F. Bull

RUBBISH COLLECTION From Mile Bridge to F street Tuesday and Friday. North Shore Hotel to Nudd av

Have rubbish out and in cont

FIRE -(Continued from Page Fourteen)

mate the amount of damage, but that the fire loss would probably higher."

> fore six o'clock and soon mush- tion. roomed up through the wooden frame structures. Although the beach fire department included halation; Robert DeGraff, actual fire was contained in the those from Portsmouth, Exeter, Hampton Beach, smoke inhalation buildings on the north side of C North Hampton, Hampton Falls. and exhaustion; Lt. Howard Heath,

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structures across the street broke paratus. out in flames soon afterwards from to an inferno.

Outside Towns Respond

Aid was summoned from twelve reach \$350,000 and "might go even surrounding towns and cities as the fire threatened to spread firemen were injured, but The blaze broke out shortly be- throughout the entire business sec- seriously. Treated at Exeter hos-

Departments which assisted the Salisbury Beach, Mass., smoke Rye Beach, Seabrook, Newington, 40, Lawrence, Mass., Fire Deprt-Portsmouth Naval Base, Salisbury, ment, smoke inhalation. Newburyport, Amesbury and Lawrence, Mass.

The North Hampton Fire Depart-Marsh Avenue Hampton Beach ocean. A wrecker stood by gradual- and suffered a broken nose. ly pulling the pumper onto higher ground as the tide rose.

> Another pumper was placed in from the marshes.

Call Out National Guard

The flames were finally brough under control when they reached the building housing Margaret M. Junkins Candy Shop. A concrete wall between it and the Ocean House hotel stopped the progress of the flames which would have enveloped the Casino block had they broken through the Ocean

On C street the flames were halted at the Southview Manor rooming house which was partially destroyed. The Edgewater cottage next to the manor was soaked with garden hose and was untouched by fire.

The Portsmouth National Guard unit, Headquarters Co., First Bat-Mill Road, Hampton Tel. 908 talion, 195th Infantry, was called out shortly after midnight and posted as a guard at the fire damaged area to avoid looting, several owners having reported that large sums of money were contained in safes among the rubble.

Scarcely before the ruins had stopped smouldering Saturday morning workmen were on the scene to erect a fence around the blackened area. The National Guard units patrolled the area throughout Saturday.

Firemen Injured An estimated 50,000 persons flocked to the scene. Parked cars 702 extending for about four miles l along Route 1A and left only a

Beach Office

Marsh Avenue

Servel Refrigerators

the intense heat of the burning teer first aid stations at the police hill, Mass. buildings which turned C street in- and fire stations. They treated about 25 persons for cuts and New York; Bar-X Barbque, Mrs. None was seriously hurt.

Several firemen and vountee pital were Delbert Sawyer, Jr., 19,

Two local call men were injured by flying glass, Eugene Parker received cuts on the hand and Prement pumper was driven onto the cinct Commissioner James W. beach and pumped water from the Tucker, Jr., was also cut by glass

Businesses Lost

In all nineteen businesses were the municipal parking lot at the completely destroyed or badly gutend of G street and pumped water ted including Dudley's Gift Shop and Hotel owned by Arne Autio, Hampton Beach; Eileen's Sandwich Shop, Charles Bradford, Portland Maine., Junkins Candy Shop, Margaret M. Junkins, Hampton Beach: Exeter and Hampton Electric Light office: Playland, Walsh and Hines, Lynn, Mass.; Lea's Tea Room, Lea and George Downer, Hampton; Kelly's Grill, Paul Kelly, Hampton: Henry's Real Estate. Henry Dupuis. Hampton; Wesley Rooming House, Miss Hel-

treet at the onset, the wooden narrow lane for arriving fire ap- ena Thurlow and Mrs. Ruth Davis. Newburyport, Mass., Gandreau's Doctors and nurses set up volun- Barber-Shop, Art Gandreau, Haver-

> Color Spot, Arthur Van DerKar, bruises, and smoke inhalation. Roberta Winkler, Exeter; Marguerite's lunchroom, Helen M. Hupper, Lynn; John's Barber Shop, John Gregory, Hampton Beach; Hamel Dry Cleaners, Henry J. Hamel, Nashua; Gendron's Ice Cream parlor, Fred and Arthur Gendron, Connecticut; Crew Hats concession, Robert M. Crapo; popcorn stand. Francis Murphy; and the Burnham Guest House.

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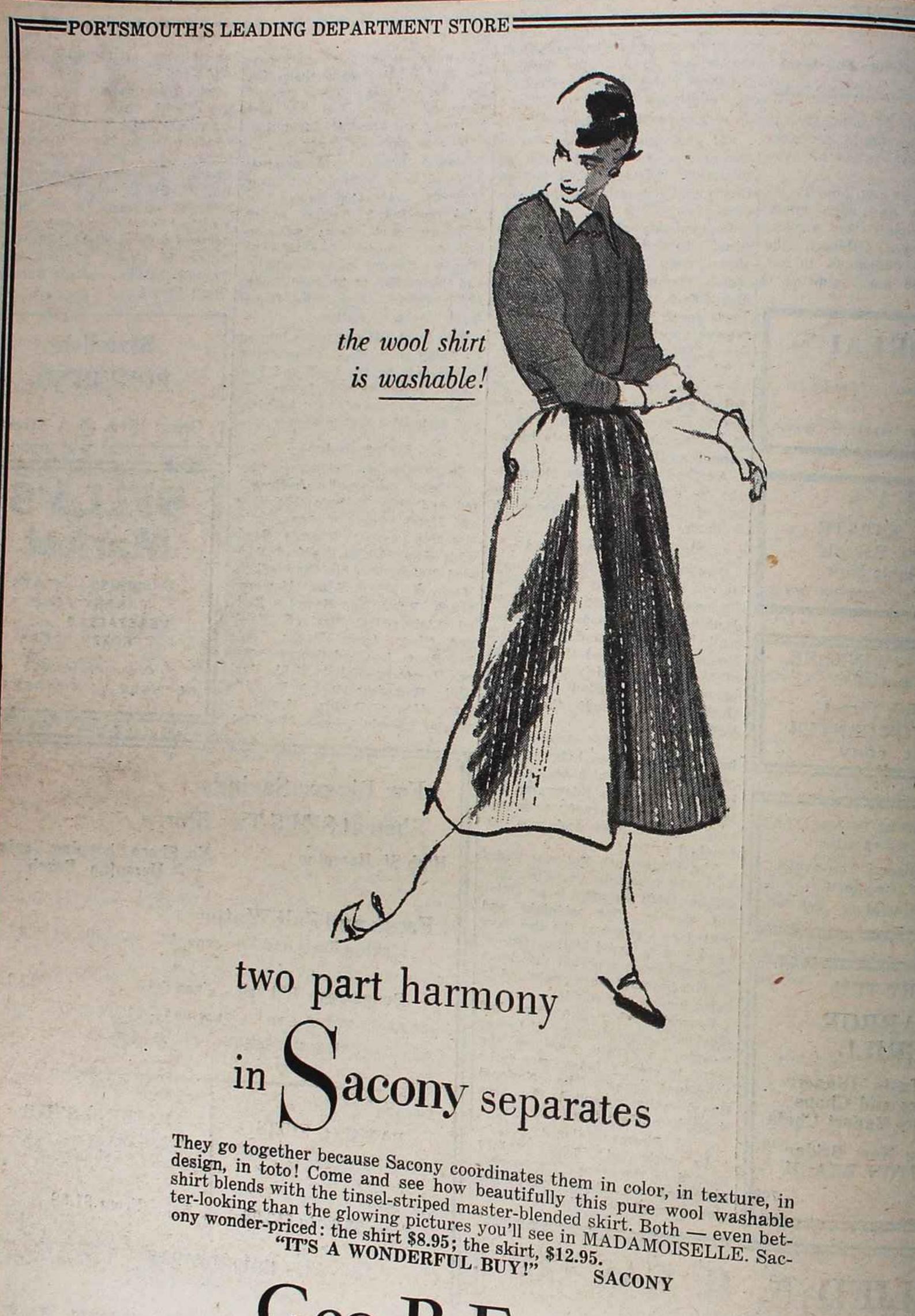
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