

Working Fires and Multiple Alarms

1943

1/7	W/F-415	88-90 Pleasant St
1/7	2-631	115 High St
1/9	W/F-147	79 Codman St
1/12	W/F-92	30 Pitt St
1/12	4-443	9-15 Union ST
1/22	W/F-313	62 Anderson St
1/27	3-35	198 Oxford St
2/6	2-953	28 James St
2/11	W/F-36	70 Elm St
2/19	W/F-632	68 Winter St
2/19	2-841	34 West St
2/22	W/F-32	227-9 Cumberland Av
3/9	2-763	12 Weymouth St
3/15	2-42	123 Middle St lf
3/23	W/F-712	1191-3 Congress St
3/23	W/F-34	85 Myrtle st
3/25	W/F-716	42-4 Powsland St
3/25	W/F-6	1 Spring St
3/29	4-412	5-15 Union St 347 Fore St 225 Commercial
4/1	W/F-825	28 Summer St
4/3	W/F-314	56 Myrtle St
4/7	W/F-753	1144 Brighton Av
4/10	W/F-316	79 Cumberland Av
4/26	W/F-415 3-6	5-9 Spring st
4/27	W/F-27	10 Alder St
4/30	W/F-5	457 Congress St
5/1	W/F-5	21-3 Preble St
5/5	W/F-63	116 Spring St
5/6	W/F-76	43 Granite St
5/14	W/F-136	1757 Washington Av
5/17	W/F-914+	153 Glenwood Av
5/31	W/F-25	47 Monument St
6/7	W/F-911	52 Melrose St
6/22	W/F-242	58 Fore St
6/27	2-52	26 Parriss St
8/13	W/F- 232	68 Atlantic St
9/18	2-34	163 Lancaster St
9/25	W/F-155	221 Ocean Av
10/16	4-9	233 Forest Av
10/28	2-521	18 Casco St
11/7	2-621	584 Congress St
11/7	4-714	Thompson Pt
11/25	W/F-47	434 Congress St
11/28	2-621	190 High St
12/18	W/F-142	74 Illsley St
12/23	2-841	19 Lewis St
12/24	2-716	5-9 Davis St
12/24	W/F-512	7 Vernon Pl
12/25	W/F-62	101 Danforth St
12/26	W/F-531	59 Brown St

Portland Public Library

PORTLAND

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Fire Department

PORTLAND

Headquarters, Central Fire Station, 380 Congress

BOARD OF ENGINEERS

Oliver T. Sanborn, chief engineer; Fred C. Larson, dist. chief; Charles F. Feeney, deputy chief; Frank P. Carr, unattached capt.

FIRE ALARM—118 Federal, Fred W. Barnes, supt.

ENGINE 1—380 Congress. Laurence H. Murray, capt.

ENGINE 2—134 Congress. Harry W. Marr, capt.

ENGINE 3—176 Brackett. Carl A. Elfstrom, capt.

ENGINE 4—157 Spring. Thomas S. Murdock, capt.

ENGINE 5—380 Congress. Frank J. Mullins, capt.

ENGINE 6—205 Park av. Thomas A. Mulhern, capt.

ENGINE 7 (Fire Boat)—80 Portland Pier. Thomas A. Burgess, capt.

ENGINE 8—536 Deering av. Robert H. Flaherty, capt.

ENGINE 9—9-11 Arbor. George W. I. Stevens, Stephen A. Dow, capt.

CHEMICAL 1—380 Congress. Arthur J. Murdock, capt.

LADDER 1—380 Congress. Edward M. Hopkins, capt.

LADDER 3—163 Brackett. John H. Mullins, capt.

LADDER 4—9-11 Arbor.

LADDER 5—380 Congress.

LADDER 6—295 Park av. Elmer B. Freeman, capt.

ENGINE 11—579 Ocean av. Michael J. Carlson, capt.

ENGINE 12—Peaks Island. William S. Berry, capt.

Portland Fire Alarm Boxes

131 Wash av and Veranda
 132 Presumpscot near True
 133 Olympia and Veranda
 134 Wash and Ocean avs
 135 Wash av and Ray
 136 Wash av near Riverside school
 137 Wash and Allen avs
 138 Allen av near Col. Moore's
 139 Auburn near Lambert
 141 Veranda near GTR bridge
 142 Wash av and Presumpscot
 145 Ocean av and Codman
 146 Ocean av and Rosedale
 147 Codman and Clifton
 151 Ocean av and Walton
 152 Ocean av and Sawyer
 153 Wash av and Inverness
 154 Portland Rendering Co
 155 Ocean av and Read
 156 Ocean av near True
 157 Edgewood and Wash av
 158 Wash av and Fall Brook
 159 Presumpscot and St Charles
 161 Windsor and Kensington
 162 Huntington av and Van Yechten
 163 Ray and Idaho
 164 Maine av and Ray
 165 Allen av and Ray
 166 Jackson and Summit
 167 235 Auburn
 168 Wash and Highland avs
 171 Florida av at Perry School
 172 Summit near Allen av

31 Mayo and Oxford
 32 Wilmot and Cumb av
 33 No School
 34 Lancaster and Pearl
 35 Oxford and Chestnut
 36 Preble and Oxford
 37 Elm and Cumb av
 312 Lancaster and Franklin
 313 Anderson and Lancaster
 314 Cumb av and Myrtle
 315 Anderson and Cumb av
 316 Cumb av and Sheridan
 317 Wash av and Eastern prom
 318 Emerson and Melbourne
 321 Howard and Turner
 322 Merrill and Quebec
 323 North and Montreal
 324 Wash av and Oxford
 325 Fox and Hammond
 326 Franklin and Fox

4 Middle and Franklin
 41 Fore and Custom House
 42 Pearl opp Milk
 43 Market and Coml
 44 Middle and Plum
 45 Middle and Exchange
 46 Central Fire Station, Cong
 47 Federal and Temple
 48 Franklin and Cong
 412 Union and Fore
 413 Middle and Free
 414 Coml and Center
 415 Fore and Center
 421 Church and Newbury
 423 Market and Newbury
 424 Elec App Bldg, Federal
 425 Federal and Pearl
 441 Falmouth Hotel
 443 Coml and Plum
 451 Fore and Dana
 5 Cong opp Preble
 51 Kennebec and Preble
 52 Portland and Parris
 53 Cong near Oak
 54 Cumb and Forest avs
 55 Forest and Park avs
 56 Forest av and Kennebec
 57 High and Grant
 58 Deering and Henry
 59 Brown and Free
 512 Cong and Pine
 513 Cumb av and State
 514 Cong and Walker

515 Mellen and Sherman
 518 Park av and State
 519 Deering av and Grant
 521 Cumb av and Casco
 522 Hanover and Lancaster
 531 Cong and Brown

6 South and Spring
 61 York and Maple
 62 High and Danforth
 63 Engine 4 House, Spring near State
 64 Coml and Park
 65 Park and Pleasant
 67 York and Tyng
 68 State and Danforth
 621 High and Congress
 622 Congress and Park
 631 Spring and Oak
 632 Spring and Winter
 641 Freight shed foot State
 642 MCRR Coal Pocket, foot State

7 Deering av and Falmouth
 71 Park av and Weymouth
 72 St John and Washburn av
 73 Cong and Lowell
 74 St John and A
 75 Cong and Gliman
 76 Payson and Granite
 77 Washburn and Deering avs
 78 Park av and St James
 712 Douglass and Cong
 713 Brighton and Stevens avs
 714 Thompson's Pt, M C shops
 715 Capisic and Frost
 716 Cong opp Powsland
 717 Cong and Stevens av
 718 Brinley and Dirigo
 721 Brighton av and Noyes
 722 Brighton av and William
 723 Congress and Brewer
 724 Congress, Stroudwater
 7241 Westbrook, S of Cong
 7242 Cong, W of Westbrook
 7243 Westbrook, N of Cong
 725 Capisic and Riverview
 726 Capisic and Cobb
 731 Deering av & Dartmouth
 732 Brighton av and Orland
 733 Hollis and Prospect

21 Vesper and Eastern prom
 23 Wilson and Munjoy
 24 Fore and Waterville
 25 Engine house head North
 26 Adams and Mountfort
 27 India and Coml
 28 Cong and India
 29 Franklin and Coml
 211 Moody and Eastern prom
 212 Cong and Vesper
 213 Sheridan and Monument
 214 Newbury and India
 231 St Lawrence and Gilbert lane
 232 Monument and Atlantic
 241 Fore and Mountfort
 242 Portland Co (private)
 261 Cong and Mountfort

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Fire Department Still Needs 30 Men For 2-Platoon Quota

Sanborn Reports 1,711 Alarms
In 1943, Fire Loss Of \$141,462

Enrollment in the Portland Fire Department is only 88 men, exactly the same number as two months ago when the City Council voted approval of a two-platoon system. Fire Chief Oliver T. Sanborn revealed Tuesday in his annual report submitted to City Manager James E. Barlow.

With 78 regulars and 10 temporary men, the department was no nearer an alleviation of the manpower shortage Tuesday than during the heated controversy of last January, when the City was declared inadequately protected against fire.

Still 30 Men Short

Of the three provisionals whose appointment was confirmed by the City Council Monday night, one has been working as a temporary fireman, while the other two have not yet reported for duty, Sanborn said Tuesday night. Addition of these two will bring enrollment to 90, but departure of another fireman for the Army Saturday will bring the total down to 89, Sanborn said.

Thus the department is still 30 men short of the 120 necessary before the two-platoon system can be inaugurated.

"It is very doubtful if we will be able to fill many of the vacancies through the regular Civil Service channel until after the war," Sanborn declared in his report. "However, there is a possibility that enough spare men may be hired to bring the strength up to 120."

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Fire Department Still Needs 30 Men

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"Even with 120 men, no allowance is made for vacations, nor for putting in commission the two companies which were taken out of service. Not until we get 159 men will the department be able to function properly under the new working arrangements."

Urges Safety Improvements

Adoption of a proposed Fire Prevention and Explosive Ordinance and a definite plan for replacement of over-age apparatus, and construction of a new fire station for the Rosemont area as soon as conditions permit, were urged by Sanborn in his report. Efficient protection for the Rosemont section is impossible from the present fire stations, he said.

In his report as head of the City Electrical Department, Sanborn reiterated previous recommendations "regarding the necessity for employing additional fire alarm operators," declaring "it is a dangerous practice to rely on one operator. Should he become physically incapacitated to do his work it would be impossible to summon the Fire Department."

Alarms answered by the fire department in 1943 totaled 1,711, exceeded only by the 1941 total of 1,809. There were, however, only 145 actual building fires during the year. Chimney fires accounted for 191 calls; other than building fires, 862; no fire or needless, 358; false alarms, 87; emergency calls, 40. April was the busiest month, with 459 alarms, most of them for grass fires.

\$141,462 Year's Fire Loss

Fire loss for the year amounted to \$141,462, compared with \$109,532 during 1942, but it was less than the average yearly loss for the city, Sanborn reported.

In a tribute to the men of the Fire Department, Sanborn said, "I am greatly indebted to the men under my command who have so faithfully and loyally stayed on their jobs during these trying times. They have my hearty commendation and appreciation for the respect they have accorded me and for the faithful and efficient manner in which they have performed their duties."

Shortage of manpower caused cancellation of the usual drill school carried on at the drill tower and the officers' school. It also forced serious curtailment of fire prevention activities, he said.