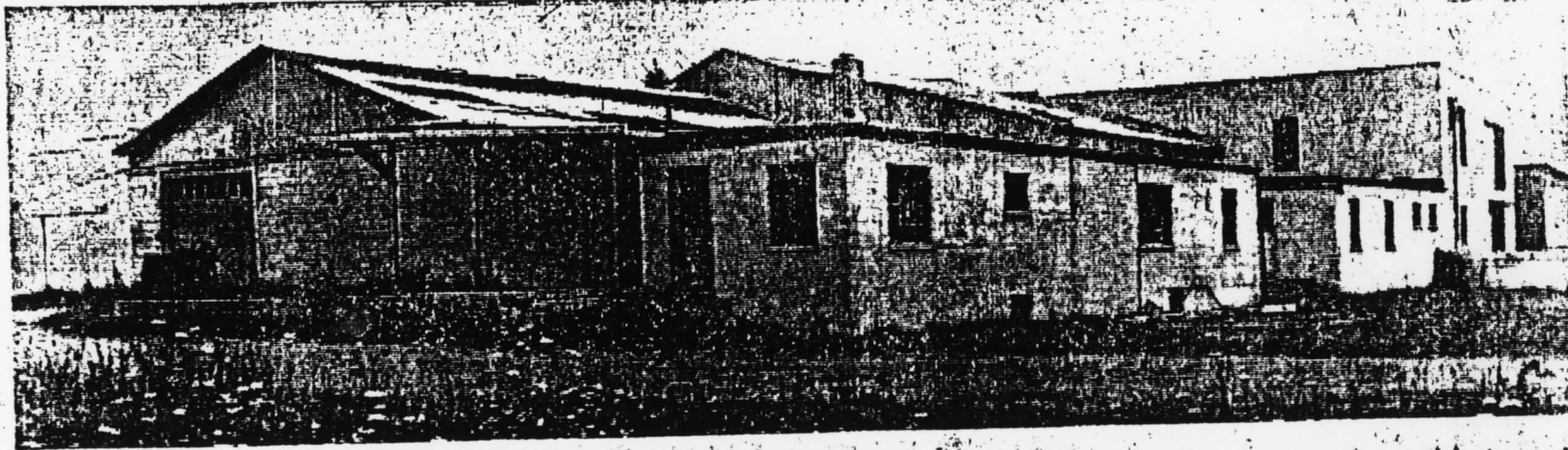


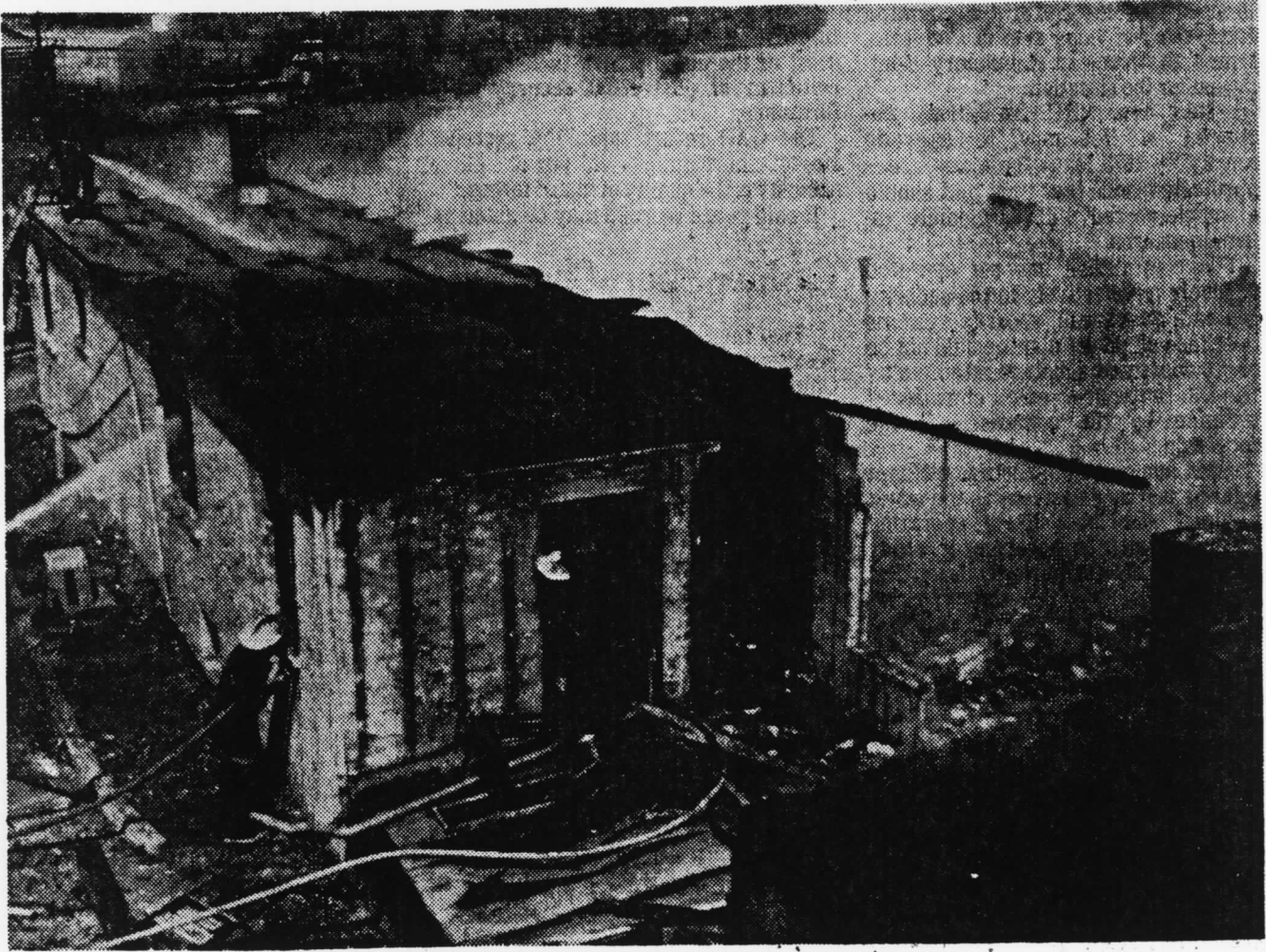
**NEW GRADE SCHOOL** — This new grade school is the fourth grade school in Daleville. Its predecessors include a white frame building, then a four room school with a graceful belfry where Daleville's children were introduced to academics by Carrie Rader, longtime teacher of the first grade. Manual training classes and home ec classes,

using kerosene stoves, were part of the curriculum when high school was introduced. Some Daleville residents, burdened with the costs of this new school, feel the present time is inopportune for incorporation and another increase in taxes.



**ABANDONED CANNERY** — Among the abandoned businesses of Daleville is the Calvert Canning Company. This abandoned building, located east of the glass factory and

just south of the railroad, is one of several businesses in Daleville which was unable to continue operation.



## Not Much Left of Old Cannery

A small corner was all that remained Thursday afternoon after a fire leveled much of the old Daleville Canning factory which was apparently

used only for storage by Independent Lighting Co. Damage was estimated at more than \$35,000. (Star Photo by Jerry Burney)

## Fire Fed by Paper, Wind Destroys Old Cannery

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DALEVILLE — A fire burned out of control for more than an hour and leveled an old canning factory on the northwest side of Daleville Thursday afternoon. One fireman was slightly injured.

Joe Batthauer, the fireman, received neck burns when a flaming piece of debris struck him. He was treated and released from the office of a Daleville doctor.

"The fire started when several people working in the building set a wastebasket full of paper on fire so they could see," said Jim Pugsley, fire chief at

Daleville. "The building hadn't been in use for a year and was without electricity."

The building was filled with "highly combustible material — packing crates, paper and cardboard boxes — and the fire just got away from them," he said.

Pugsley said a high wind fed the fire, which started at 12:30 p.m. and caused an estimated \$35,000 damage. Approximately 35 firemen from Daleville, Yorktown, Chesterfield and Middletown utilized five pumpers and five tankers to extinguish the blaze. Daleville has no water system.

Pugsley said the building had not been in use for over a year. It was last

occupied by the Independent Lighting Co., which still used the building for storage. The building contained several crates of lightbulbs which exploded during the fire.

Two attached cement block buildings, which were saved by a fire wall, were all that remained of the two-story structure. Most of the building was wooden.

The building, which formerly housed the Daleville Canning Factory, is owned by Gene Ingram of Yorktown. Pugsley estimated the size of the structure as 30,000 square feet. Firemen were there until 4:30 p.m.