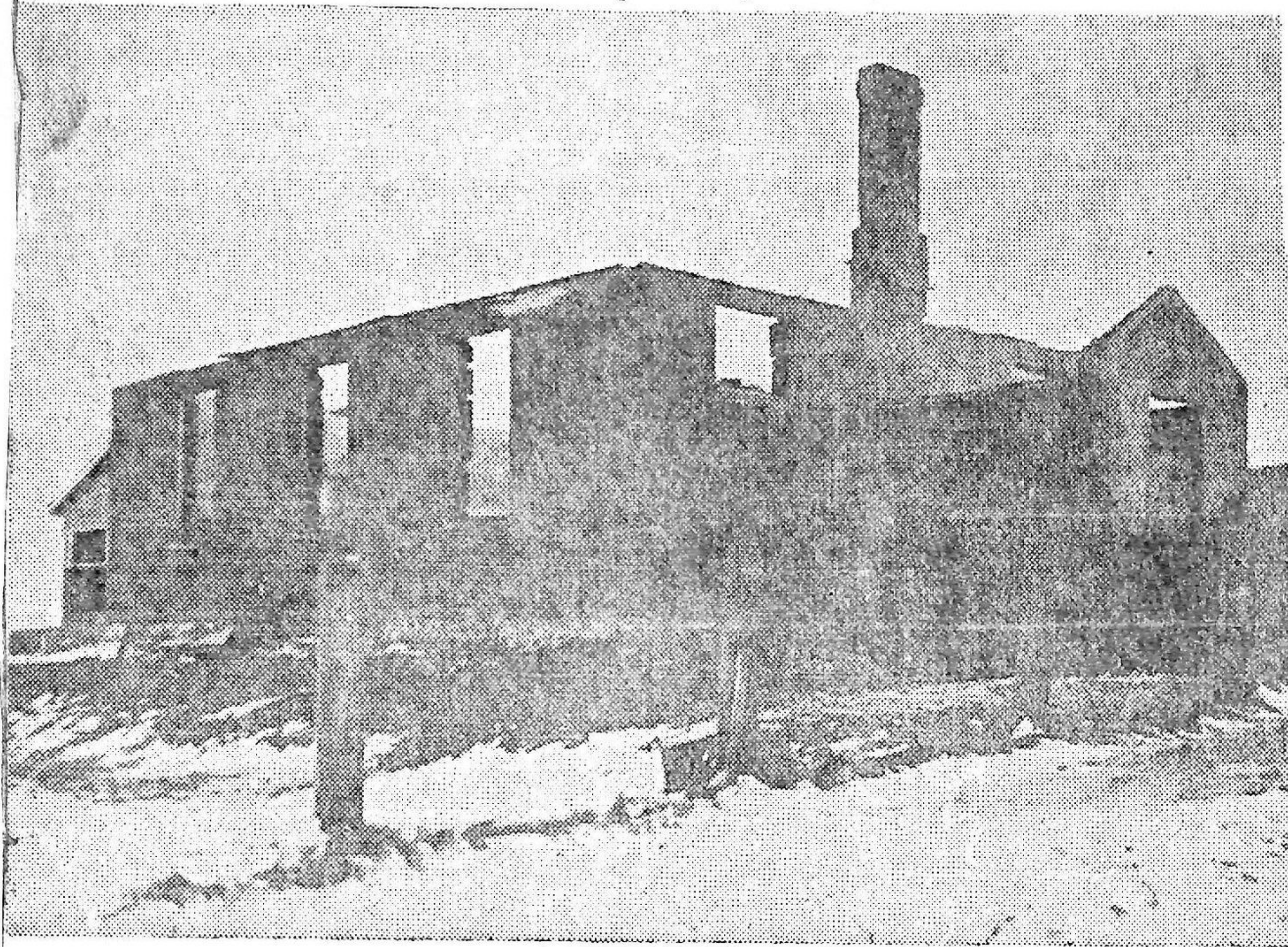


## School At Bailieboro Destroyed By Fire



As a result of a fire mid-afternoon Tuesday at Bailieboro, this was all that was left of the school after it had burned for an hour. The blaze, of undetermined origin, seemed to have been in a partition between two rooms of the school when it was detect-

ed. Five tons of coal in the cellar were a smouldering mass after the roof and interior had been gutted. Lack of water of any kind made attempts futile to save the building. Children were evacuated in order.

(Examiner Staff Photo.)

## Fire Destroyed School House At Bailieboro - 1941-

*Dec. 9th*

BAILIEBORO, Dec. 10.—(ENS). —Pupils of S. S. No. 1, Bailieboro, were given an unscheduled leave of absence from school yesterday when flames, originating in a wall between two rooms of the building, bursted it down in less than an hour and volunteers were unable to do anything because of the lack of water. Brick walls of the 25 by 50 foot building were all that was left standing of the school from which some 46 pupils filed out in an orderly manner about an hour before. Mary Staples, teacher of the senior grades, detected the odor of smoke and after she left her room to go into the junior room taught by Miss Dorothy Anderson, flames broke through the partition and began to fill the classrooms

with smoke.

Both teachers paraded the children outdoors without panic but some of the younger ones attempted to get back into the building and were turned back by dense smoke. Believing there was still time to salvage the piano, Miss Staples and some of the older pupils went into the school but they were unable to see one another and were forced outdoors by smoke, he said one of the pupils gave her cause for concern when he did not come out with the rest and it was only after she had called several times that he appeared unharmed.

An alarm was spread throughout the area and volunteers came from as far as six miles but their efforts to save the building were fruitless owing to the lack of water. How-

ever, with the use of snow a reached containing two cords of wood was kept from burning. The fire started about 2.20 P.M. and at 3.30 it was in ruins.

Harry Campbell, school trustee, and member of South Monaghan council, said a new furnace had been placed in the building last fall and that five tons of coal were in the cellar. All the children's text and work books were lost, with some of their outer clothing hanging up in addition to modern school furniture which was a recent installation. Miss Staples said \$20 worth of the pupils' war savings stamps were lost. Mr. Campbell said the school was insured for \$1,500 but loss would considerably exceed that amount.