

# 6 Brothers, Cousin Trapped By Blaze In Indian Reserve

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SIX NATIONS RESERVE, Brantford, March 20—  
The bodies of seven Indian children, one a tiny baby,  
were removed this afternoon from the ashes of their  
home in which they were burned to death late yesterday.

Six were children of Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Henry  
and the seventh a nephew visiting from Buffalo.

Sole survivor is stocky, 14-year-old Marvin Henry  
who aroused the sleeping youngsters, leaped from an  
upstairs window in the two-storey frame home, and  
clothed only in shorts ran barefoot through the snow to  
summon help.

Dead are Catherine Henry,  
14 months; Delano Henry,  
three years; Mary Louise  
Henry, nine, and Alvin  
Henry, 11. Their cousin who  
died with them huddled at  
the foot of the stairs was  
Arthur Crawford, 15, a par-  
tial cripple.

#### Mother Tells Story

The dazed 39-year-old mother  
rested on a couch in the neigh-  
oring home of Jake Bomberry this  
afternoon and sobbed out her story  
of last night's harrowing experi-  
ence.

She had been visiting the Bom-  
berry's about 10.30 p.m., when fire  
ripped through her home and in 25  
minutes took the lives of six of  
her eight children and all her pos-  
sessions. Her other surviving child  
is Irma, 18, who was in Buffalo.  
Her husband is in Toronto.

"I saw the blaze from this win-  
dow (in the Bomberry home) and  
ran up the road," she said. "But  
I couldn't run very well in the  
mud, although I tried and tried."

#### Roads Mud-Blocked

The reserve roads were paths of  
mud and slush and Brantford fire  
engines could not have got in if a  
call had been made. The nearest  
telephone was two miles away.

"Mr. Harris caught me as I  
reached my house and said 'don't  
go near, it's all over. They have  
stopped hollering,'" Mrs. Henry  
continued.

The surviving boy, Marvin, ran  
to the home of Lawrence Harris,  
900 yards down the road and  
shouted outside for help. The tem-  
perature was 18 degrees and a  
strong wind was blowing.

#### Suffers Burns, Shock

He was suffering from burns,  
cuts to his arms and shock.

"All he could say when I ar-  
rived," the mother continued, "was  
I tried to save the baby, I tried to  
save the baby, but I couldn't."

Marvin was wrapped in a blan-  
ket by Harris' two sons, Cecil and  
Albert, and Jake Bomberry, and  
carried a mile to the home of  
Frances Bomberry. He was taken  
to Lady Willingdon Hospital in  
Ohsweken. Their arrival at the  
hospital was the first outside news.

#### Whole House Ablaze

"I ran to the burning house but  
there was nothing I could do," Mr.  
Harris said. "The whole house was

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