

Fire, Blasts Rouse People Of Park City

Fire in a one-story brick building behind the Highland Park Pharmacy, Knox and Travis, at 12:30 on Wednesday, set off a series of explosions that aroused people of that North Dallas and Highland Park section and caused nearly fifty phone calls to The News asking the cause of the blasts.

Firemen attributed the explosions to overheated concrete buckling in the alley separating the building from the rear of the stores facing on Knox. The detonations were like pistol shots, about a dozen of them, causing about 1,500 people, many in night clothes, robes and slippers, to come to the scene.

The building, owned by Mrs. Neli DeLoach, is a storage structure containing four stalls supplying needs of the Knox Street Hardware Company, a cleaning shop, the post office and a grocery store. The flames swept the structure and the heat was concentrated on the concrete in the alley.

Trolley service was interrupted a half hour.

Two alarms were sounded, but the fire was quickly brought under control. There was little glare, but the explosions attracted the throng.

Estimates of damage were not immediately available.