

III. HIGH COMMENDATION

1. At 7:50 A. M., January 31, 1945 the Department responded to a still alarm for a fire in the building at 73 Lucerne Street, Dorchester. Upon arrival, the Department found fire in the kitchen, bedroom and bathroom on the first floor.
2. Hoseman Leo S. Manning of Engine Co. 52 had run a hose line to the rear of the building when he was informed that there was a woman trapped on the second floor. He dropped the line and made his way by a rear stairway to the kitchen on the second floor from whence he crawled to a side room from which moans were issuing. In this room he found a woman under a bed and he removed her to the street.
3. In effecting the rescue, Hoseman Manning was subjected to considerable smoke and heat and his act was performed under trying conditions. Because of the risk to which Hoseman Manning exposed himself, the Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend him highly, and his case is referred to the Board of Merit for further consideration.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER WILLIAM ARTHUR REILLY: