

Say Heater Blast Caused Fire in Which Bride Died

Arson squad investigators announced today that the two-alarm fire at 9-11 Elm pl., Hyde Park, in which Mrs. Lucille Ravinski perished early today, had been caused by the explosion of a heater.

Mrs. Ravinski, bride of a week, was burned to death in a twin bed as her husband, William, fought to reach her.

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Two cruising car officers, patrolmen Roy D. Lamb and John E. Mitchell, dashed into the first-floor flat of the duplex house and rescued Charles Bionowski, 94, and his wife, Katherine, 86.

A 62-year-old amputee, Carl E. Blomquist, was carried to safety in the arms of his son,



FIRE HEROES—Patrolmen John E. Mitchell, left, and Roy D. Lamb, who rescued couple in Hyde Park fire.

Carl S. Blomquist, 30. Mrs. Blomquist, wife of Carl E., also escaped.

Blomquist, who lost both legs in an industrial accident three years ago, said that his stalwart son took him out "just in the nick of time."

Fireman Vincent Vitale, 33, of Engine 28, received a deep gash on the right hand from falling glass. Treated at the scene, he returned to duty.

A first-floor occupant, Mrs. Amelia Garmowski, 59, was rescued by a neighbor, Frank Stec, of 97 Business st.

The woman victim's husband, William Ravinski, was burned on the head and hands when he tried to drag his wife from the flaming bed.

Damage to the house was set at \$5000. The owner is David Kritzman of Mattapan.