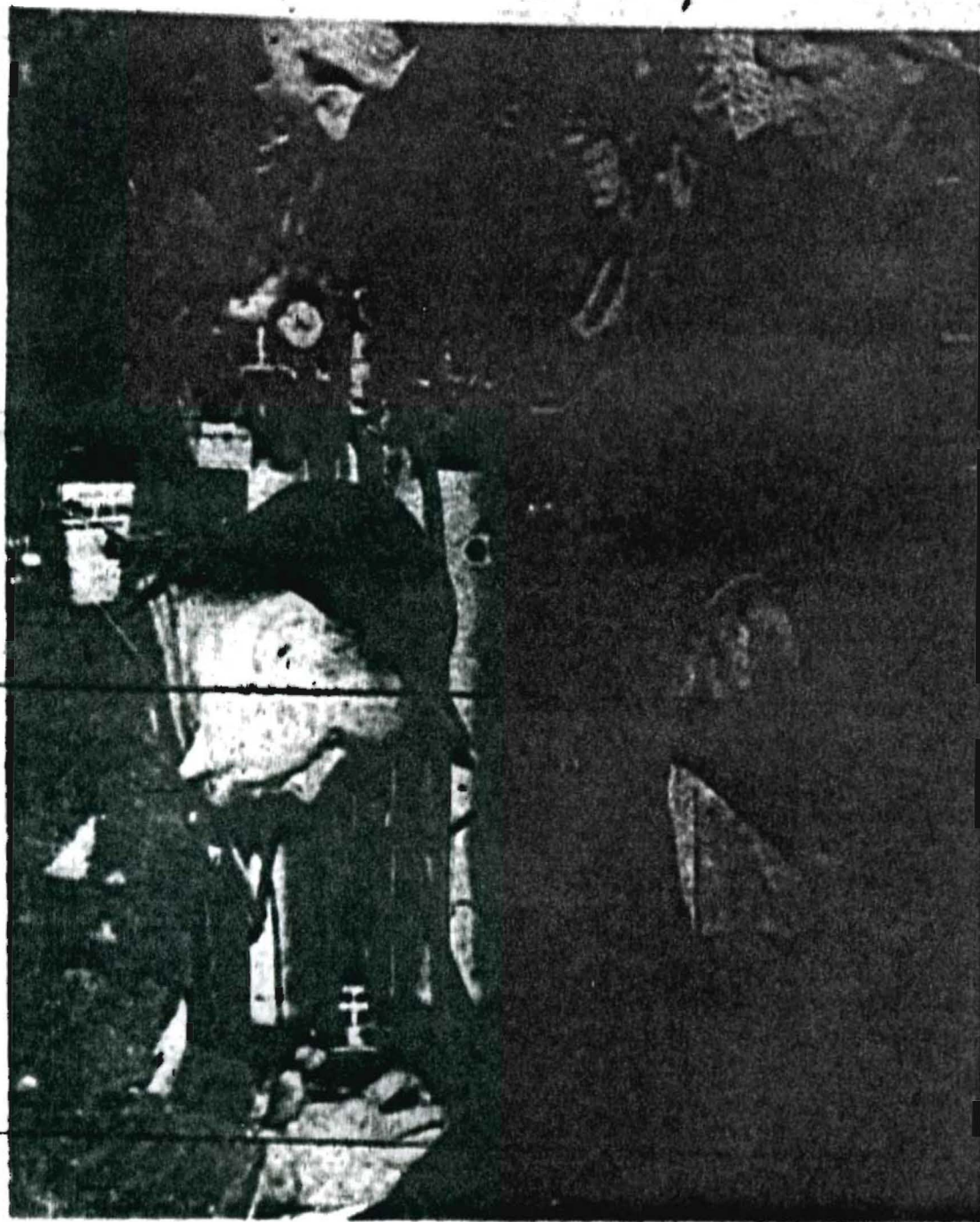


Port Fireman Dies of Heart Attack As He Answers Alarm



—Photo by Everett Mehn
Firemen shown making attempts to resuscitate James Doyle who was fatally stricken shortly after he jumped from a fire truck at Shore Road blaze Monday afternoon.

The Fort Washington Fire Department suffered a major tragedy Monday afternoon when James Doyle, 23 year-old-son of Mrs. James Doyle, of Maple Street, and the late James Doyle, former Truant Officer of the Fort Washington School District, was fatally stricken with a heart attack while answering an alarm of fire at the Lewis home, 41 Shore Road.

Doyle a member of the Protection Engine Company, responded to the alarm and boarded one of the trucks just before it rolled out of the fire house. As the truck came to a stop before the building, Doyle jumped to the ground with the hose in his hand to attach to the fire hydrant. As he took his first step toward the hydrant, Doyle slumped to the ground. Former Chief Tony Muro who rode on the truck with Doyle, rushed to Doyle's side and immediately made attempts at resuscitation. Other firemen soon arrived to lend their aid as the fire department inhalator was brought up.

Dr. David Pittman rushed to the scene to do what he could for the young man. The firemen

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worked sometime over the stricken lad and finally found that their efforts were in vain. Dr. Pittman pronounced Doyle dead. Rev. Father John Toole of St. Peter's Church, administered the final rites of the Church. Detective William Sheridan of the 6th Nassau County Precinct was called to the scene.

In the meantime the fire which was located on the second floor and attic was brought under control. The loss was said to be in the neighborhood of \$2500.

Chief William McCarthy put through a request to the County Fire Marshall for an investigation of the cause of the fire which is said to have started in an upstairs clothes closet.

Doyle was born in Port Washington and was very popular with the younger set of the community. He is survived by his mother; two brothers, Francis and John, and a sister, Mrs. Catherine Klein.

Officers and members of the Holy Name Society held memorial services at the Dooley and Son Funeral Parlors last night, and Mass will be offered at St. Peter's Church this morning, Friday. Interment will take place in Mt. St. Mary's Cemetery, Flushing.