

# The Atlantic's Fire Dept. Wins First Prize For Having Best Apparatus In State

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Altogether Local Vamps Bring Home 6 Trophies From State Gathering

MARK HOME-COMING WITH PARADE FRIDAY

Won 4 Prizes at Tournament —Broke State Record— Also Had Best Band

On top of coming home last Thursday evening with four prizes to their credit in the annual Tournament of the New York State Volunteer Firemen's Association held at Flushing, the Port Washington Fire Department came home Friday evening with two handsome parade prizes from the Grand National Parade held at the same place that day. Altogether there are six very handsome trophies in the window of the Water District Office at 163 Main Street as the result of the attractiveness and skill exhibited by the local Department in the big firemen's event held at Flushing, the site of the New York World's Fair.

Port Washington people should feel very proud over the fact that the local vamps won the prize for the best appearing fire apparatus in the big parade Friday in which over 10,000 firemen paraded. The second prize they won on Friday was a cup for the second place in points scored during the tournament.

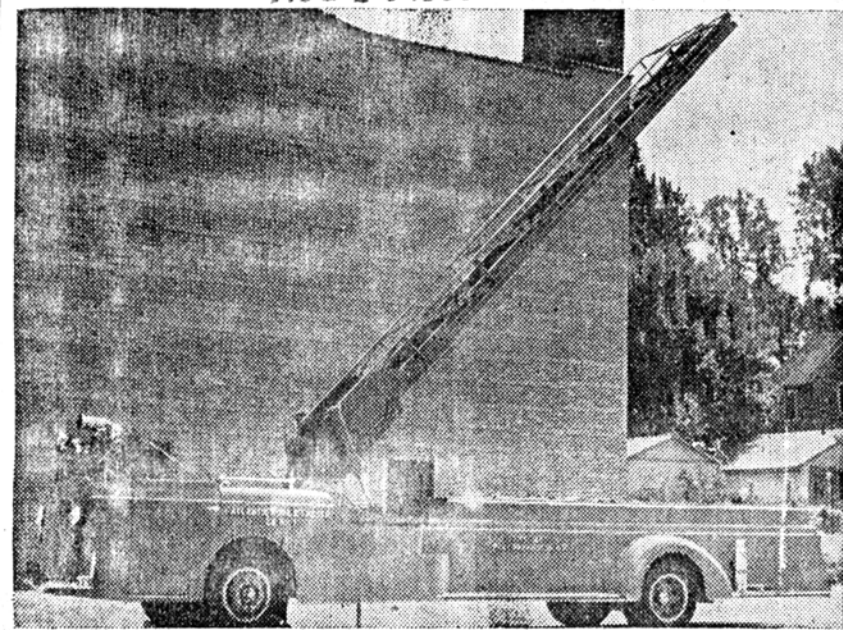


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Feature attraction in the big Firemen's parade at Flushing last week was the new aerial ladder truck of the Atlantic Hook and Ladder Company of the Port Washington Fire Department. It is an American-LaFrance product and cost over \$16,000. It can raise a ladder 75 feet high through hydraulic pumps. It also carries many smaller size ladders.

This splendid addition to the already high standard equipment of the local Fire Department weighs 12 tons.

The day before, and as announced in last weeks News, the local Department won prizes for the following accomplishments in the tournament; 1st place, Motor Hose Class A, State record; 1st place, Efficiency Contest, setting a new State record; 2nd place in Motor Pump Contest Class B; and 5th place in Motor Hook and Ladder Contest.

So elated were the local vamps over their exhibition in the State event that they staged a parade down Main St. last Friday night brandishing the cups and other trophies they acquired in the parade and tournament, to the acclaim of many who were on the streets at the time.

It was the first tournament in which the local fire companies entered their teams as a Department team. Heretofore each of the three companies had their own company teams. Fire Chief Horace A. Cowley is very proud of his men over their showing in the big event and naturally the firemen themselves are very happy over the manner in which the Department acquitted itself in the Big State gathering.

The Fire Department also had the best appearing band in the parade - the Locust Valley Fire Department Band. A prize was awarded for this also and the Fire Department gave this prize to the band.