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LATE NEWS

Our historic Western Pacific Hospital, built starting in 1912 and the subject of a project to retrofit and restore it as exhibit, library and archive space, was destroyed in a fire of suspicious origin. Thanks to the quick and skillful actions of the local firefighters, the fire was confined to the Hospital structure and did not spread to surrounding homes. Investigations are currently underway due to suspected arson.

The WP Hospital was recently featured in a *Headlight* article and was identified as one of the crown jewels of the FRRS holdings. Many in the community, including the Portola City government, have expressed sadness and dismay at this tragic loss. A full report and updates will appear in the next issue.