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Ski Shack Destroyed In Fire

Fire destroyed a ski shack and its contents in the Town of New Hope at about 7:30 Sunday evening.

The owner of the shack, Emmons Thorske, 1917 College Ave., told firemen that he had a fire going in the fireplace and the flames started a fire going in a gap between the mantle and the wall of the shack, which was located in the Sunset Lake area.

Fire went up the wall and to the roof and was out of control when Forest Ranger William Peterson and Iola firefighters arrived on the scene. Thorske's efforts to control the blaze by dousing it with water were unsuccessful.

The cabin and its furnishings — two arm chairs and a davenport, were destroyed. No value estimate was reported.

Peterson and the Plover Volunteer Fire Department quelled a small grass fire along Green Bay & Western Railroad tracks in the Village of Plover at about 5 p.m. Sunday.

Peterson said the fire was started by children playing with matches just south of Tommy's Turnpike.

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