

REPORT DENIES ENEMIES SET SCOTT-BATHGATE FIRE

Reports that the fire which destroyed the Scott-Bathgate warehouse last Thursday night, with a loss of \$200,000, was set by alien enemies seeking to destroy the plant of the Owl Metal company, munitions makers, are branded as unfounded in a report submitted today by G. B. Malloy and Harry O'Connor, inspectors, to A. E. Ham, provincial insurance commissioner.

The fire, according to the inspectors, was caused by sparks from the motor of a freight elevator falling into a pile of rubbish in the basement. The motor, the inspectors assert, threw off large sparks when the elevator was overloaded. Overloading, they assert, was a common practice and no attention was paid to the sparks.

The inspectors submitted a lengthy report on the blaze, after examining a dozen witnesses.