

Blaze Kills 3 Firemen

Smoke Overcomes 8 in Louisville

Louisville, Ky.—(AP)—Searchers Sunday found the decapitated body of a fireman missing after a 2-million-dollar recreation center blaze that also killed a fire captain and his aide.

The body of Fireman Riley Pryor, 35, was found in the rubble of the Parkmoor recreation center's burned-out kitchen.

Pryor's body lay across the fire hose he had carried to the center of the flaming structure. The end of the hose still was under his arm.

Two Others Die

Also killed in the Saturday night blaze were Capt. Joseph Kenneth Buren, 50, and Sgt. Jesse P. Wilson, 46.

Buren, overcome by smoke, died en route to a hospital. Wilson's body was found inside, lying in a foot of water 15 feet from a door.

Six other firemen and two waitresses were overcome by smoke, but were not injured seriously. About 185 other persons fled unharmed when the freak blaze began.

It started when steaks cooking on a charcoal grill flared up, setting fire to a coffee shop. Within an hour the sprawling stone building was a shell, although 110 firemen fought the blaze.