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Hundreds of rangers and volunteers rushed by plane to fight eight major fires raging uncontrolled through 11,500 acres of western woodlands.

More than 2,200 firefighters were on the firelines in three states, and forest service officials said "the worst is yet to come." One unidentified fire fighter was injured. He was treated with supplies parachuted in by rescue plane.

All of today's blazes, rangers said, were believed to have been started by lightning striking in forests parched from high temperatures with low humidity and little rain.

vote conducted by the state permits a legal strike any time before Sept. 13.

### Isabella Cattle Modified TB-Free

LANSING — (UP) — Ottawa, Isabella, and Ontonagon counties were ruled modified tuberculosis-free areas by the Agriculture Department's veterinary division.

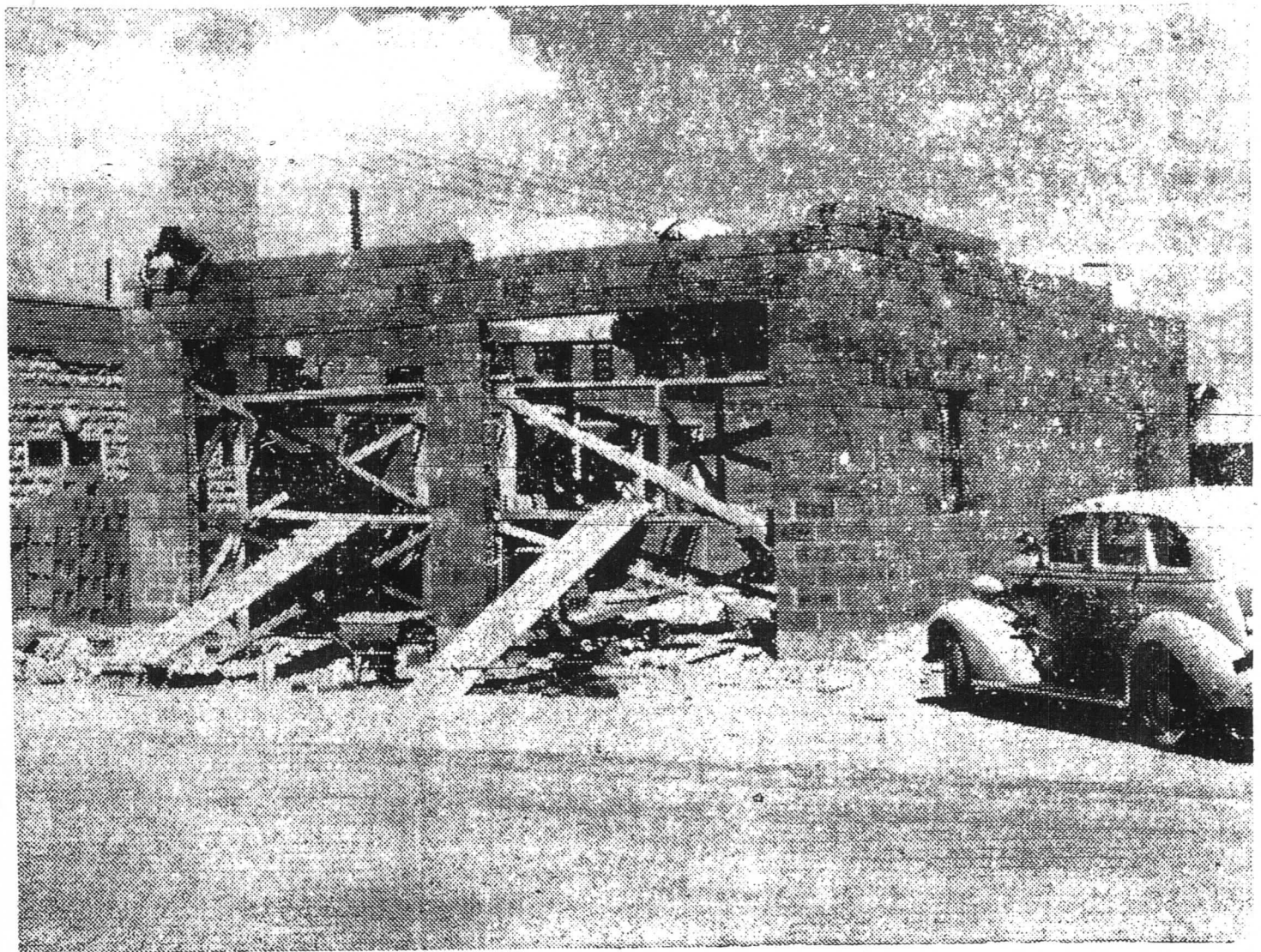
Infection was found to be less than one half of one per cent among cattle tested in the three counties, according to Dr. Lee Davission, acting state veterinarian.

A 33-year-old Mrs. Pleasant mother, Mrs. Phoebe Gabrylsack, wife of D. W. Gabrylsack, 214 South Pancher, contracted the disease Sunday and was immediately taken to the Starnow county contagious hospital for treatment. Her condition was described as serious.

The Gabrylsacks have one child, 7-year-old Mr. Gabrylsack is in the insurance business.

Most of the previous cases in Isabella county have been comparatively young children. Mrs. Gabrylsack is well known in the city. She is a registered nurse and formerly runs an office nurse with the Davis clinic here.

## Weidman Builds Fire Hall



**CONSTRUCTION** is under way at Weidman on a new cinder-block building to house the new township fire trucks. The building will house two units.

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