

# Fire in Marlow Heights

## Destroys Toy Warehouse

Marlow Heights toy warehouse and all its contents were destroyed yesterday in a fire that took 75 fire fighters and 20 engines more than an hour to subdue, the Prince George's County fire department reported. Cause of the blaze because of the severe structural damage to the building. Although the warehouse was in a row of buildings, fire officials said no other structures in the vicinity were damaged.

The fire at L & H Sales, a toy distributor at 4810 Stamp Rd., began shortly before 9 a.m. Arriving fire fighters were met with heavy smoke from burning plastic from the stockpiled toys, including model airplane paint sets and airplane glue, fire officials said.

The fire quickly spread through the roof of the concrete block and masonry building, they said, causing partial collapse of one wall. The 21 employees in the building were evacuated without injuries.

Total damage to the contents of the warehouse has not yet been determined. Damage to the building was estimated at between \$400,000 and \$500,000.

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