

11.15 and 11.30. They had been to Sunday School, and went up to the orchard to see if there were any apples left. They thought they could go as the apple packing had been completed. They did not notice any fire, but subsequently noticed flames coming from the building as they were in the orchard. None of them knew the actual time.

Another group of boys, K. McLean, Moe Krassner, and Jack and Joe Harrison, had gone up earlier to the orchard, and had gone into the stable on the way. They state that two of the horses were loose at the time. They saw no evidence of fire, and subsequently saw the flames coming from the roof of the building whilst they were in the orchard.

PROFESSOR SUMMERBY:-

Professor Summerby stated that general regulations were that there should be no smoking; that during threshing fire pails were always kept nearby, and debris and everything else was kept away. The building was kept closed. The agronomy foreman, and the horticulture foreman, had even gone round on the 30th September and nailed up a number of windows in order to prevent anyone getting in to the apples.

Professor Summerby was at Lachute at the time of the fire.

PROFESSOR BUNTING:-

Professor Bunting stated that there is a regulation with regard to smoking which is strictly observed, although occasionally there was some smoking in the stable. On Sunday no feed hay or oats were in the passage, but thinks the fire started