

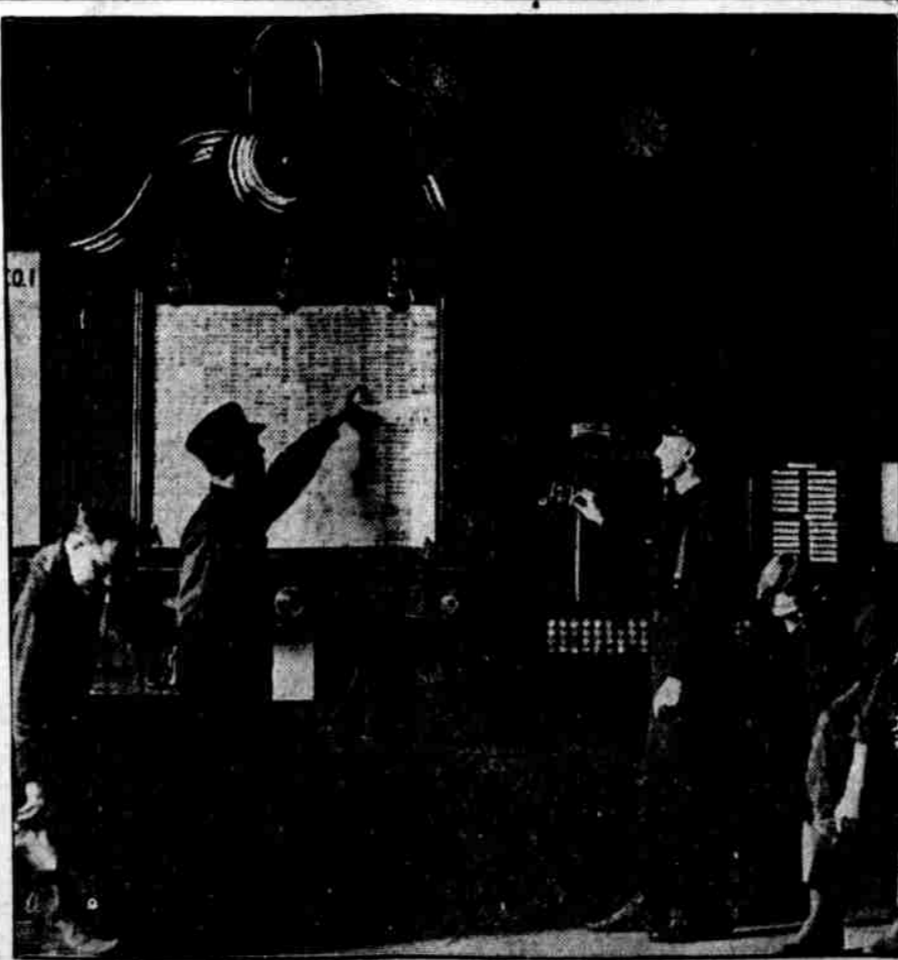
ALWAYS READY, EVER VALIANT, CONSISTENTLY DEVOTED TO DUTY—THE PHILADELPHIA FIREMEN



LIKE THE LADS IN THE TRENCHES, the firemen are wont to "see things through," no matter where they are called or when. Fire and smoke, heat, wet or cold fail to deter them.



TO REACH THE HEART of the blaze, whether by ax or by perilous climb, is the mission of the fireman, the thought of personal safety never arising in his mind. No feat of daring is too great when precious lives and valuable property are endangered.



AFTER THE THREATENING BLAZE has been conquered comes the period of recreation—and the proverbial game of checkers.

THEN AGAIN THE ALARM sounds and men locate the blaze while their comrades make ready for the run.

THEY CLIMB THEIR LADDERS to dizzy heights, bearing the hose or bent on a mission of rescue.