

# Sunshine Advocate

## Fire in wrecker's yard adds hazards for fighters

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### **FIRE IN WRECKER'S YARD ADDS HAZARDS FOR FIGHTERS**

*Exploding petrol tanks in a car wrecker's yard at North Sunshine on Friday afternoon last were additional hazards for a large turn-out of brigades which fought the blaze.*

The fire started near Berkshire Rd. and Northumberland Rd. and swept through about 150 acres of grass and scrub up to the Glenroy loop railway bridge.

In a wrecker's yard it cleaned out a number of partly dismantled "bombs", which acted true to name when their fume-filled petrol tanks blew up under heat.

Five hose carriages and two

1100-gallon water tanks were on the scene and the largest number of firemen at Sunshine for many a day had to cope with torrid conditions.

January's total of 99 calls to noon yesterday is peak activity for the local brigade. The maximum for one day to date is 15 calls and 11 fires.

The pre-Christmas tally of 205 calls from October to December will doubtless be surpassed in the first three months of this year.