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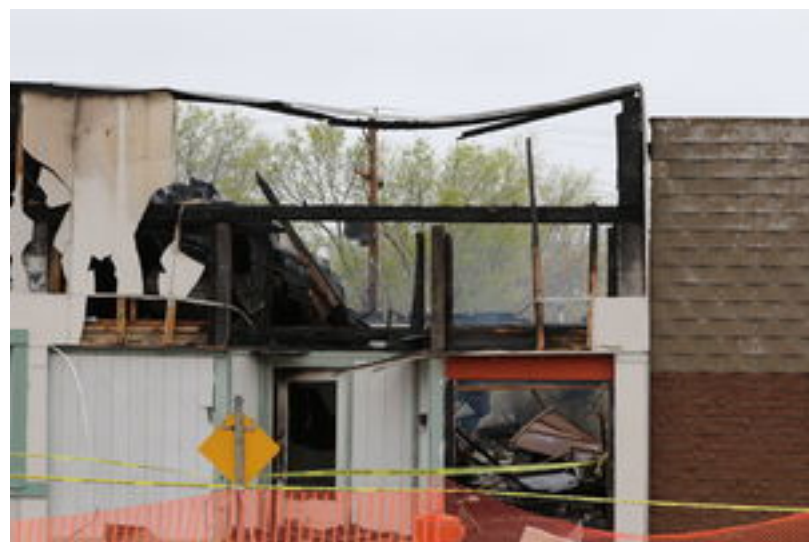
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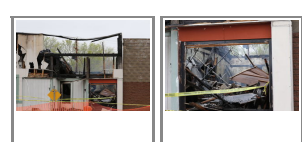
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The building that housed the Frontier County Enterprise smolders on April 17. A passerby reported the structure fire just after 3 a.m. on April 17. The building was declared a total loss.



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An unoccupied building North of the enterprise office was damaged. A mechanic shop and lumber storage building south of the Enterprise office were saved, but sustained smoke damage.

Once the sun came up on Sunday morning, Willis got her first look at the building and she was hit with another wave of reality.

"I looked through there and I saw sky," Willis said. "I saw all of the damage. That was another moment when I realized that this is really happening and it's not a nightmare."

The family took a trip to North Platte on Sunday to load up on office supplies including pens, printers and computer monitors so they could get this week's paper put together. Willis said she's in shock, but they're focusing on getting the next issue into the hands of readers.

"To remain a legal newspaper we have to print 52 issues a year," Willis said, as she sat on the floor of a temporary space in the Curtis Mall.

The publication usually prints on Tuesdays, but Willis said they're going to shoot for Thursday this week.

The cause of the fire is unknown and is currently under investigation by the State Fire Marshal, Rupp said in the release.

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Chris Carr

Oh, no. I am so sorry to hear this. I spent hours in that office bantering and learning from former Editor Chas Greenlee ("Sass by Chas") when I attended high school at MVHS. My prayers to the current owners. The archive loss is also heartbreaking. Good lord. 130 years of archives gone, even if some saved on microfilm. So many good memories of that place.

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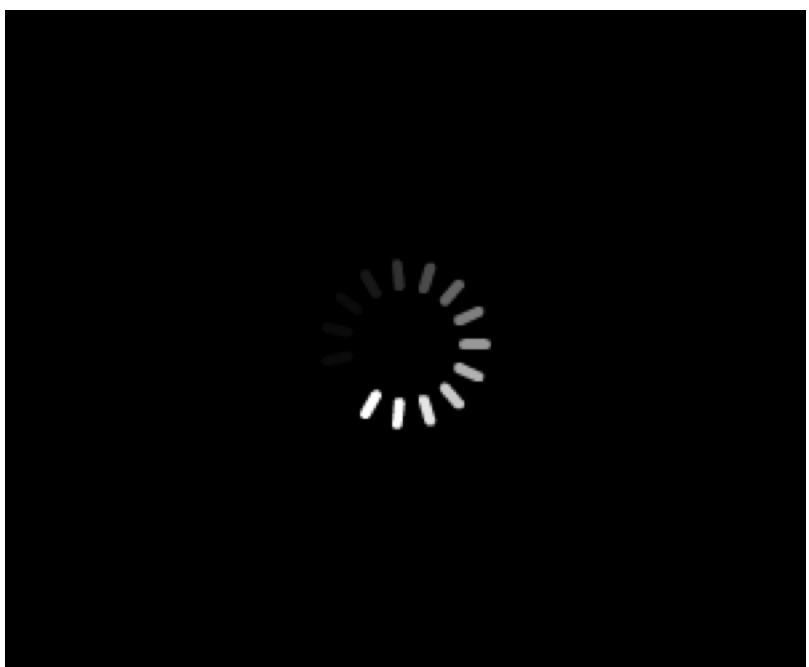
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