

Fire guts apartments on city's west side

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WINTER PARK—A blaze caused by a candle left burning in an apartment which had no electricity and another fire of unknown origin caused extensive damage to two apartments on the city's west side this week.

There were no injuries in the blazes, and fire officials do not believe the two incidents are related. One has already been ruled an accident, and the second one, which occurred Monday, was still under investigation at press time Tuesday.

The first incident occurred Tuesday evening at a two-story apartment

house at 311 N. Pennsylvania Ave. The fire department received the call at about 11:39 p.m. and when firemen arrived at the scene a few minutes later they discovered a fire in the living room of a second-floor apartment.

There was no one in the apartment, which had no electricity, but the tenant had apparently left a burning candle unattended on the arm of the sofa. Firefighters were able to extinguish the fire by 11:51 p.m. Heat and smoke damage is estimated to be about \$12,500.

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Another fire Monday did considerable damage to an apartment building at 535 W. New England Ave. Firefighters arriving on the scene at about 5:23 p.m. at first believed a person was trapped on the second floor the burning building. Upon entering the building, however, they discovered that no one was there.

Firefighters extinguished the fire, which was confined to a second-story apartment and the attic area of the building. Fire officials are still investigating the fire to determine its cause and estimated amount of damage.