

Firemen Hack Way to Television Shop Blaze



A fire officer with breathing apparatus gives a situation report to Assistant Chief Fire Officer Lambert.

Firemen wearing breathing apparatus hacked their way into the basement of Wigfall's radio and television shop in Fitzalan Square, Sheffield, last night, when a blaze broke out among cardboard packed stores.

Flames were shooting ceiling-high in the basement, and smoke was pouring from windows on all three storeys of the building.

The fire was quickly controlled, but large quantities of electrical and other goods were badly burnt.

It was discovered at the rear of the shop, and firemen broke in through the basement windows to hose water on the blaze.

A senior fire official said: "Cardboard packing round the goods caught fire, and it was this which was causing most of the blaze."