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Liberal, Seward County Firefighters Battle Several Blazes

At 9:00 pm Saturday evening the Liberal Fire Department responded to a reported camper trailer fire at 418 George St. First arriving units at 9:02 pm found a camper trailer with the front half fully engulfed and flame impinging on a commercial storage building immediately to the west. The camper fire was declared under control at 9:12 pm. The camper and contents were a total loss. Damage to the storage building was limited to burning on the exterior siding & trim. No injuries were reported from this incident. Firefighters remained on scene extinguishing smoldering material and investigating the cause of the fire until 10:00 pm. Due to the extreme fire damage the area of origin was located, but the exact cause of ignition remains undetermined. This fire has been ruled accidental in nature. Fire units were back in service at 10:29 pm. The LFD response included two engines and fourteen personnel. Also assisting at the scene were Liberal Police Department and Liberal American Red Cross. The Seward County Fire department was also kept busy with different grass fires. The first call was a mutual aid call to Clark County on July 6th. Tha call came in at 1:42pm on the reports of a large grass fire at Hwy 160 and Hwy 283. Seward County responded with a brush truck, a command vehicle, and 3 firefighters. Seward County Firefighters helped several other departments in extinguishing this fire and were back in service by 6:01pm. The second fire had the SCFD dispatched to grass fire in the 10000 block of Road 20. The fire was in CRP grass and burned approximately 20 acres and was believed to have been started by a bird in the power lines. SCFD responded with 2 pumpers, 3 brush trucks, 2 command vehicles and 9 firefighters.

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