

## TO EASE RACIAL TENSION

# Negro to Head Pasco Advisory Committee

PASCO, Wash. (AP)—A young Negro has been placed on the city payroll to help bridge what city officials say is a communications gap between Negro residents and the rest of the community.

Andrew Groce will head an advisory committee being formed to provide communication between the city manager's office and Pasco's 2,000 Negro residents. The city's population is 16,000.

Groce was appointed Tuesday night after a heated three-hour City Council meeting at which Negroes accused police of "treating them like dogs."

The Negroes said police attitudes contributed to an incident last Saturday in which four policemen were injured when they attempted to make arrests during a rock-throwing disturbance. Fourteen buildings were damaged in the disturbance.

City Manager Horace Menasco

warned the council the city is facing "a potentially explosive and dangerous situation." He called for moderation and a careful choice of words.

## Fire Levels Lumberyard at Moscow

MOSCOW, Idaho (AP) — An early morning fire Wednesday destroyed a lumberyard near the downtown district and threatened neighboring building before it was controlled.

Damage at the old Madison Lumber Co. yards owned by Gallup Yards, Inc., was estimated by Manager Robert Lightfield at between \$150,000 and \$200,000.