

Two killed, one injured in Pt. Hope Blast

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An explosion at the National Guard Armory in Point Hope on October 24 killed Gilbert Howarth, Junior, and Ashley Long, and seriously injured a third man, Don Lane. Howarth and Lane were both members of Point Hope's Bravo Company of the Third Scout Battalion of the National Guard. Long was a civilian.

According to Scout headquarters in Kotzebue, the blast occurred as stove oil was being transferred from drums to a storage tank at the Armory.