

Fire breaks out in Platte Co Jail

(KAIR)--A fire broke out in the Platte County, Missouri Jail Sunday afternoon.

According to a release from Platte County Sheriff Mark Owen, the fire, which was reported shortly after 4:00, was contained to the laundry room.

Owen said no inmates nor staff were injured, and the facility did not need to be evacuated.

Based on a preliminary investigation, he said the fire started in a dryer and is believed to be the result of a mechanical failure.

Sheriff Owen stated, "I am very proud of our staff. Their actions and quick response helped protect the rest of the facility and ensure the safety of our inmates."

The Central Platte Fire Protection District responded to the scene and extinguished the fire.

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