



NEW ADDITIONS — Hope Crandall (left) and Janet Bruseau (right) are the first women to be accepted as regular members of the Alton Fire Department, and are also the first women fire fighters in the three Charli towns. In a vote Sunday night, the company unanimously approved their membership. Both are wives of men already in the company; Hope's husband is Acting Cap-

tain Sheffield Crandall, and Janet's husband is the department's chief, Tim Bruseau. Some of the men may have to swallow a little pride with women in the unit, Bruseau admits, but, he adds, "An extra pair of hands always helps," especially in a small company like Alton's.

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