

Inside Of Home Gutted By Fire

Easter Seal Appeal

Mrs. Carl Sandburg, widow of the beloved poet-biographer, has accepted the chairmanship of the 1970 Easter Seal Appeal in Western North Carolina, it was announced today.

Miss Julia Nevercel, president of the Blue Ridge Easter Seal Society, said, "Mrs. Sandburg will lead regional volunteers in the annual appeal for funds conducted by the Blue Ridge Chapter of the Easter Seal Society for Crippled Children and Adults of North Carolina."

Serving as Treasurer and accepting contributions for the Appeal in Yancey County is Roger McKinney, The North-Western Bank, Burnsville. Mrs.

Ruby Smith is Yancey County representative on the Society Board of Directors.

The Appeal was begun on February 23, and will continue through March 29, Easter Sunday.

"I am most pleased to take this responsible position for the second consecutive year", stated Mrs. Sandburg. "The Easter Seal Society is a voluntary agency which has taken leadership in providing assistance to the handicapped for over 50 years. With the cost of rehabilitation services continually rising, I personally ask the residents of our region to open their hearts and become involved in the Easter Seal Appeal."

Fire Hits Local Home

By Carolyn Yuziuk

A fire destroyed the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Jones last Friday in the Double Is - land Section of Yancey County. The frame home was a total loss, according to Fire Chief, Bob Hilliard.

The blaze occurred at 10:30 a.m. when both Mr. and Mrs. Jones happened to be away, Mr. Jones at his place of business in Burnsville, City Motor Co. and Mrs. Jones having gone shopping.

According to Chief Hilliari, the fire probably started from a defective floor furnace. It was estimated that the fire may have been smouldering and burning inside the closed house for 3 or 4 hours before the Jones' son, who happened to be passing the house, saw the smoke and called Burnsville Fire Department.

By the time the Fire Department arrived, the inside of the house was already gutted and they were unable to salvage anything.

Mr. Jones had recently purchased a new piano which was destroyed in the fire, and reportedly had a valuable gum collection in addition to his household furnishings lost in the blaze.



Burnsville Fire Dept. Fights Blaze

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