Katherine Neitzey

(-8 Mar 1923)

Neitzey. Suddenly, on March 8, 1923, Catherine, beloved wife of the late August Neitzey. Funeral from her late residence, 649 Morton place n.e., on Saturday, March 10, at 8:30 a.m., thence to Holy Name Church, where mass will be said at 9 a.m. for the repose of her soul. Interment Congressional cemetery.

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Woman May Die, Result Of Burns
Son and Daughter Painfully Hurt Trying to Save Mother,
Ablaze Runs, Sets House Afire
Practically No Hope Held Out for Mrs. Catherine Neitzey

Mrs. Catherine Neitzey, fifty-nine years old, 649 Morton street northeast, was burned seriously and probably fatally today when her clothing ignited from a fire she had started in the rear of her home to destroy trash.

Miss Margaret Neitzey, her daughter, twenty-one years old, and William Neitzey, her son, thirty years old, received painful burns while trying to save their mother's lie, and fire was started on two floors of the house, where the mother ran in a frantic effort to get assistance.

Ran in House Ablaze

As soon as Mrs. Neitzey's dress ignited, it is stated, she started toward the house, entering a rear basement door and running to the dining room on the first floor, where the tablecloth ignited and set fire to the oil-cloth floor covering.

Breaking away from her daughter, who was doing her best to save the mother's life, Mrs. Neitzey ran to the upper floor, where bedding caught fire. Outcries in the house attracted the attention of the neighbors. An alarm was sounded from box 665, and several companies of firemen soon appeared at the Neitzey home.

Work on extinguishing the two fires was completed quickly, and while firemen were preventing the flames from destroying the home Acting Battalion Chief Hubert McConnell of the fire department was speeding to Providence Hospital with Mrs. Neitzey and her son, while Capt. L.J. Stoll of the ninth police precinct took the daughter to Casualty Hospital.

No Hope for Mother

Miss Neitzey was treated at Casualty Hospital for burns to her arms. She left the hospital as soon as her burns had been dressed, and hurried to Providence Hospital, where she visited her mother and brother. Dr. Richmond A. Brooks, who took charge of Mrs. Neitzey at Providence Hospital, said there was practically no hope for the patient's recovery. Mrs. Neitzey had been burned about her body, legs, arms and head, but had not lost consciousness when she reached the hospital.

William Neitzey received severe burns on his face and hands, but his condition was not critical. Mrs. Neitzey's husband was in the employ of the Washington Railway and Electric Company on the Columbia line for many years. He was retired several years ago, and later died.

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Mrs. Neitzey Dies

Son and Daughter Recovering From Effects of Their Burns

Mrs. Catherine Neitzey, fifty-nine years old, widow of August Neitzey, who was severely burned yesterday as a result of her clothing igniting from a trash fire in the yard in rear of her home, 649 Morton street northeast, died at Providence Hospital last night. Coroner Nevitt gave a certificate of accidental death. Miss Margaret Neitzey and William Neitzey, daughter and son of the deceased, are recovering from the effects of burns they received while trying to save their mother's life.