

Two Burned by Gasoline Explosion.

McHenry Tribune: An explosion and fire resulting which might have proven fatal to one life and caused a serious conflagration, was extinguished very quickly owing to the presence of mind of Mrs. N. O. Hougen last Thursday evening. The members of the family were ready to retire and Myrtle, the little 10 year old daughter, was told to turn out the gasoline lamp. Instead of turning it off she turned on more gasoline and an explosion resulted. The little one was all afire when her mother, grabbing a rug, smothered the flames and taking the blazing lamp in her hands threw it outside.

Mrs. Hougen's hands were quite badly burned and the little girl's arms and hands were terribly burned. Dr. LeBien was immediately called and dressed the burns.

Little Myrtle, who is a favorite with young and old, suffers severely at times and it will be some time before the healing process begins as the arms are a mass of seared flesh. Mrs. Hougen is getting along nicely. Their many friends hope there will be no serious results from the burns.