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House & contents lost in fire, Phoenix Street

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House and Contents Lost in Fire

The sudden flare-up of a kerosene heater is believed to have caused a fire which destroyed the home of a young couple in Phoenix Street, Sunshine, last Thursday.

In addition to losing their home the couple, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Andrews, lost all their furniture, their wedding presents, most of their clothes and all the 21st birthday gifts which Mrs. Andrews received a few weeks ago.

Even Mrs. Andrews' engagement ring was lost in the flames.

The fire started when Mrs. Andrews was bathing the children. She snatched Wayne, 15 months, from the tub and three-months-old Linda from the cot, and ran from the house.

Prompt arrival of Sunshine Fire Brigade failed to metch the swiftness with which the flames took charge.

It is believed that neighbours, led by Mrs. E. Gardner, of Garnet Street, have started ar appeal. Assistance is also being given by Sunshine Ladies' Benevolent Society.