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Deer Park Store Destroyed by Fire

Sunshine Fire Brigade answered a call to Ballarat Road, near Station Road, Deer Park, at 6.44 p.m. on Tuesday last, to find a store with four-roomed dwelling attached, enveloped in flames.

The premises were owned by Mrs. Cann, of Drummartin Street, Sunshine, and were occupied by Mr. W. Urand, who was conducting a general store there. The building, which was of wood, and the contents, including furniture for a five-roomed house, which had been stored there by Mrs. C. Carrick, were completely destroyed, with the exception of a few articles of furniture rescued from the rear of the building.

The fire had a very strong hold prior to the arrival of the brigade, who were faced with a very poor water pressure, which was insufficient even when the pumps were applied. Soon after the arrival of Sunshine Brigade, they were joined by firemen from Footscray. A washhouse and other buildings at the rear of the premises were saved.

The fire apparently started in the store, though the origin is unknown. The building, which is next to the Deer Park State school, and contents were insured.

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