

SISTER CANICE DIES IN FIRE

Former Sister Superior
of St. Mary's School
in Tragedy

NUNS HEROIC

One of the three Roman Catholic nuns who stayed behind to die with their charges in the blaze that swept Our Lady of Angels school Monday was former Sister Superior at St. Mary's Parochial School in DeKalb.

Sister Mary Canice, an eighth grade instructor at St. Mary's School for six years up until 1956 when she became a teacher at the Chicago school, died in the flames protecting her pupils.

The other two nuns, also members of the Order of Sisters of Charity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, were Sisters Mary Seraphica and Mary Clare Therese.

All three died in the flash fire that brought death to 53 girls and 34 boys, pupils at the school.

The tragedy brought stories of bewildering events that brought safety to those fortunate enough to escape. Heroism was everywhere, in life and in death.