

Arson Is Blamed for Fire In Mrs. Nixon's Early Home

CERRITOS, Calif., Aug. 12 (UPI)—A fire that broke out yesterday morning at the home Mrs. Richard M. Nixon grew up in was caused by arson, the authorities said today.

The rear of the home, now a museum and the center of the Patricia Nixon Historical Park, was doused with gasoline and set afire, sheriff's deputies said. Both the inside and outside of the home in the rear were burned, causing an estimated \$2,000 in damage.

The former President's wife was born in Ely, Nev., in 1912, and her family moved here a year later when her father took up farming in neighboring Artesia.