LIGHTNING SHREDS GIRL'S OVERALLS

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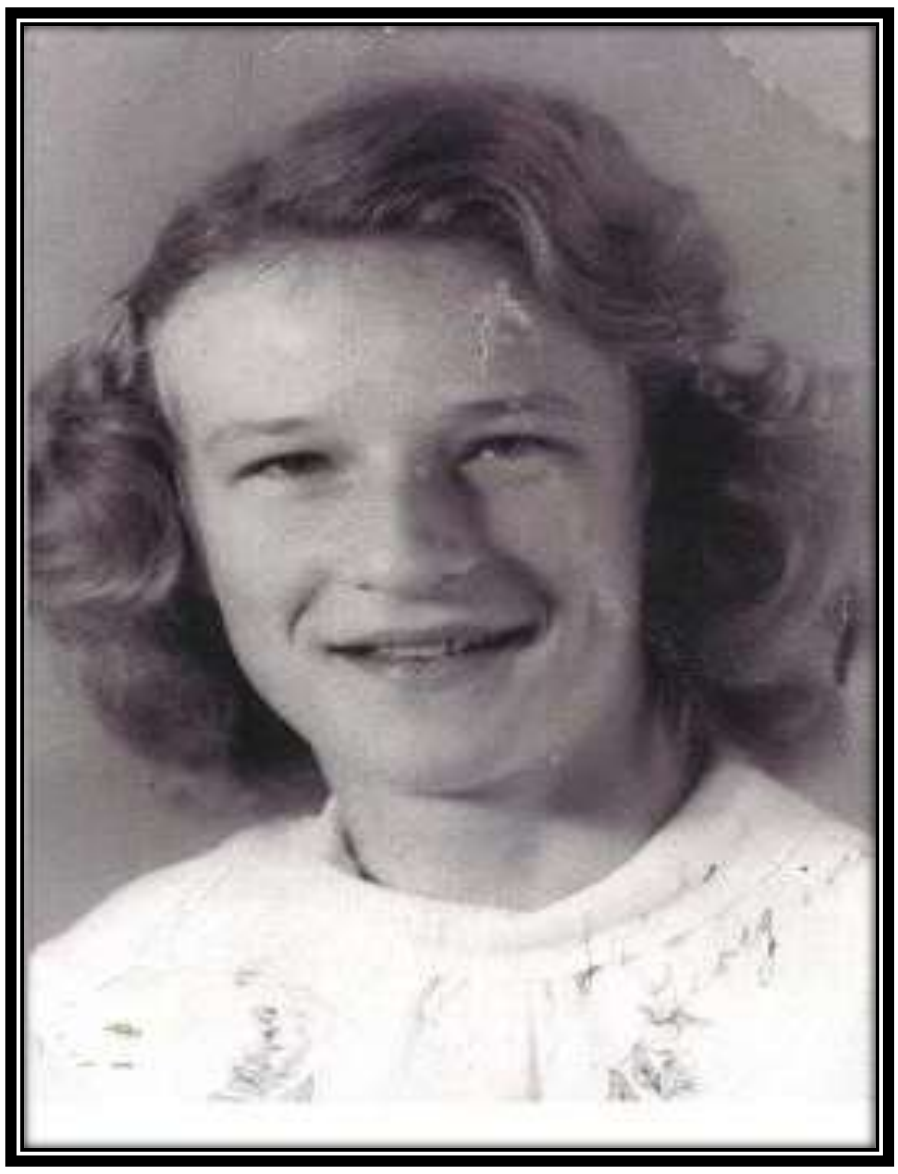

Georgine Stanislawski of Polonia Had Narrow Escape from Being Killed Saturday Afternoon.

Georgine, 11-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Stanislawski, of Polonia Township, had as narrow escape from death as she will ever care on Saturday afternoon at 5 o'clock. She was hit by lightning and knocked down by not out.

She was wearing a pair of new overalls. The bolt of lightning played ned* with it. The bolt hit her at the hips and ripped the overalls off of her. The piece of clothing looked like ragged ribbons.

The girl received burns about her hips, groin, and on her legs. While very painful they are not serious.

The family had gathered in the kitchen of their farm home when the storm struck. The bolt's entrance into the house was hard to find but it made its exit by way of the kitchen pump. Another daughter, Alice, eight years old, was not hit but received a severe shock.

A number of the kitchen utensils were damaged by the bolt and some damage was done to the house. It did not burn.

Mr. Stanislawski, who with Mrs. Stanislawski, Georgine, Helen, and John Efta, were Roseau visitors Monday, stated that one of the pockets of the overalls was torn off by the bolt and thrown on the kitchen table. He said he picked up his daughter after she was knocked down and happy to find she was alive.

*when looking up the word "ned" it appears that it mean devil(ish).