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This question has been raised by Mrs. J. O. Garrison, mother of Ruth, in the first interview which she has given to any newspaper since her daughter's arrest. Coincidentally with the mother's revelation that Ruth underwent a cauterizing operation two years ago, in the course of which a considerable amount of paraffin was injected into her forehead just between the eyes, Dr. Copeland Plummer, who performed the operation, arrived with base hospital unit 50 yesterday afternoon from France and confirmed the mother's story.

Doctor Tells of Operation. He performed such an operation, Dr. Plummer said, about two years ago upon the Garrison girl. The method is an unusual but not necessary dangerous one, he said, and the case of Ruth Garrison was apparently performed with complete success.

Mrs. Garrison maintains that Ruth has never been the same since the operation. Her school grades showed an immediate decline, she said, and Ruth's attitude toward everything seemed changed. The girl carries a slight scar between the eyes as a result of the operation. Ruth Garrison will be placed on trial tomorrow on a charge of first degree murder in the King county superior court. The young woman will face the tribunal in whose hands will rest the question of whether she must pay a penalty for the murder of Mrs. Grace Elizabeth Storr, 28, wife of Douglas Storr, and the one person who apparently stood behind her and what she deemed her life's happiness.

Police to Guard Chamber. Preliminary arrangements for handling the huge crowd expected to attempt to gain entrance into the court room have been made at the county-city building. The corridor leading to the court room in which the trial will be held will be closed and two deputy sheriffs will be stationed at the entrance to the court room to keep back the overflow of persons unable to gain accommodation.

Anticipating a large crowd around the entrance to Department No. 1, where the case for the murder of Mrs. Storr is to be heard, Judge Boyd Tallman has ordered that no one will be allowed in his court save the members of the jury which convenes Monday, lawyers and others having legal business in the court room.

Case Not Yet Assigned.

Two policemen will stand guard at the entrance to Department No. 1. The stationing of guards resulted from Judge Tallman's anticipation that unmanageable crowds would storm his court room in the belief that Ruth Garrison will be present when court opens. As a matter of fact, Miss Garrison will not be present when the case is assigned in Judge Tallman's court. It will not be known until announcement is made by Judge Tallman what department it will be tried. Ruth Garrison will be taken directly from the automobile which will bring her to the detention home to the department to which the case is assigned for trial.

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Ruth Garrison on March 18 last, invited Mrs. Grace Glatz Storr, 28 years old, to luncheon with her in the tea room of a department store and, according to the confession the Garrison girl is said to have made, placed poison in a cocktail designed for her guest before the latter's arrival. Death came to Mrs. Storr in the emergency hospital of the store.

Douglas M. Storr, the dead woman's husband, an automobile mechanic of Okanogan, Wash., surrendered soon after, claiming he knew nothing of the case, being in Okanogan at the time. He was arrested on a felony charge. Miss Garrison is said to have confessed that she visited him in Okanogan, where she registered as Mrs. Storr.

Miss Garrison's attorneys, Thomas M. Askren and A. R. Hillen, entered the girl's plea, a "not guilty." They asserted the girl was insane when she poisoned Mrs. Storr but later, they claimed, regained her sanity. "What's the matter? Are you ill?" witnesses said Miss Garrison asked Mrs. Storr as the latter sat across the table from her dying from the effects of the fatal cocktail. Although the police thought possibly Mrs. Storr took her own life, they held Miss Garrison for a few hours after the death of Mrs. Storr but later released her. After the autopsy disclosed the manner of death, Miss Garrison again was taken into custody at 1:30 o'clock on the morning of March 19 at the home of her uncle, J. D. Esary, president of the Island Transportation company.

Miss Garrison at first denied she knew anything about the cause of Mrs. Storr's death. All day of the nineteenth she held to the point but later took the poison to the drug store where she had purchased the poison and told them in detail of her actions on the day of the death. "I was crazy," she is reported to have said. "I acted on an impulse that came to me the morning before I lunched with Mrs. Storr." The girl shed no tears. "It is too late for that now," she stated as she said. Miss Garrison's

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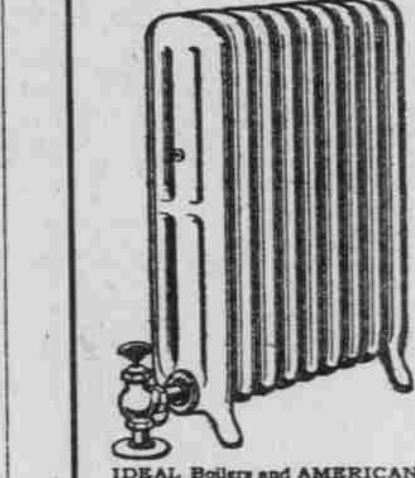
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