

Children's Cases In 1956 Total 688

Children's cases handled by juvenile court during 1956 totaled 688 according to the annual report of the juvenile department.

Of the total 271 were classed as official cases or children who were held by authorities while 417 were not retained by officials and recorded as unofficial cases.

The total cases disposed of included 496 delinquency, 70 dependency, and 122 cases that required special proceedings.

The official case figures show the largest number of children involved were 16-year-old which accounted for 67 of the 271 cases. This group was followed by 46 14-year-olds and 44 15-year-olds.

Of the official children's cases which totaled 271, 92 were for running away, 30 were classed as being ungovernable, and 25 for theft other than robbery, burglary, or automobile theft.

In the unofficial category 17-year-olds accounted for the largest group of children involved with 89 of the 417 cases. In the latter category theft other than automobile, burglary, or robbery accounted for 93 cases with acts of carelessness or mischief accounting for 44 cases.

The children involved in official cases are held either in the jail or police station, or in a boarding home.



WHERE 20 DIED—Only a charred skeleton remains of a once mighty Northeast Airlines DC-6 airliner that crashed on Riker's Island in New York's East River after taking off from La Guardia Airport. Twenty passengers were killed and 75 others were treated at hospitals. All five crew members survived. There were 101 persons aboard the big ship that took off in a blinding snow storm.

Klamath Welfare Charges Baseless

Klamath Falls — (UP) — A spokesman for the State Public Welfare Department said today that little evidence to substantiate charges leveled against the Klamath County Welfare Commission had been brought to light thus far in an investigation.

William R. Smythe, field director for the department, said some 60 Klamath county citizens have called at the office to make sworn statements regarding the local situation.

"Thus far," Smythe said, "Very little evidence to support the charges contained in the petition has been brought to light in the interviews."

The state representatives are conducting a probe after a petition signed by 76 persons was sent to the governor charging "shameful and unequal" treatment of welfare recipients.

The petition followed the shooting of Welfare Commission Chairman Fred Peterson and the serious wounding of two other officials by a disgruntled pensioner at a welfare hearing.

Detroit Mystery Sniper Confesses

Detroit — (UP) — A young factory worker who terrorized four suburbs with wild rifle fire Thursday night told police today he was Detroit's long sought mystery sniper.

Gary A. Taylor, 21, wounded two young women with .22 caliber fire and shot at seven other girls during a three-hour spree before police captured him in nearby Royal Oak.

Taylor was unable to explain his actions.

"I don't know what it was," Taylor said. "I just had an urge to shoot at women."

Oakland County Assistant Prosecutor William Lang said Taylor told him he was the mysterious sniper police had been seeking since Dec. 22 when a young woman was shot in the back while walking home with a friend. She recovered.

Since the Dec. 22 shooting, the sniper has fired at women standing at bus stops and at walking women. Until Thursday night, however, he had struck nobody again.

Lorraine should try to put the poisonous suspicions about her husband out of her mind and recognize the significant facts that Harold points out—that he asked her to marry him before he knew about the dowry and that he has not absconded with her money but invested it in a business which will probably benefit their children. It was natural for him to react by treating her "coldly" when she showed him the suspicions on her mind.

Harold and Lorraine owe each other apologies—and forgiveness. (Copyright 1957, General Features Corp.)

Caracas, principal city of Venezuela, was founded in about 1567.

Madrid Riot Squads Readied for Students

Madrid, Spain — (UP) — Police officials readied riot squads today to meet a reported attempt by students to organize a rally in support of a faltering two-day public transportation boycott.

Madrid university students were reported preparing to stage another demonstration despite the rough treatment they got from police Thursday.

Nearly 1,000 students massed in the center, and there were some incidents of stone-throwing, but police broke up the mob before its feelings could gain momentum.

Reliable sources said 10 persons, including five student ring-leaders, were arrested. Four of the 10 were women.

Legislature Group Ponders Fuel Prices

Salem — (UP) — Echoes of the Suez incident resounded in the Oregon Legislature yesterday after the first meeting of the Senate Committee on Commerce and Utilities, discussed prices of fuel oil in Oregon late yesterday.

Sen. Monroe Sweetland, Milwaukie Democrat and a member of the committee, proposed that the committee itself initiate a study of "what action could be taken to curb the rapid increases in fuel oil prices."

The committee declined at this time to initiate any formal inquiry, but agreed to leave the matter open for further testimony or proposals by Sen. Sweetland or others.

At the present time the public utilities commissioner has jurisdiction over electric and gas supplies, but not fuel oil.

The Family Council

Editor's note: The Family Council consists of a judge, a psychiatrist, three clergymen, a newspaper editor, a women's editor and two writers. Each article is a summary of an actual report. The Family Council does not give advice; it merely reports on problems that have been dealt with by responsible agencies and counselors.

Lorraine B. — I suspect he married me for money.

Harold G. — I thought the money was "ours."

Lorraine G. — I was married three years ago and was very much in love with my husband until recently. Then I started to suspect what my friends and family had told me before our marriage—that Harold wanted to marry me for my money.

Actually, I didn't have a great deal of money, but my parents were great savers and managed to save enough to give me a substantial dowry. I had thought this would be for our home and children, but Harold wanted to go into business and had nothing of his own. We invested the whole thing in his business. Now he wants to expand his activities and wants me to ask my parents for more money.

I wouldn't dream of doing this because my parents need the money for their old age. But Harold has been harping on the subject day and night. He has treated me very coldly since I refused to do as he asks, so how can I believe any longer that he loves me for myself?

Harold G. — I fell in love with Lorraine and asked her to marry me before I had any knowledge of her dowry. I know that neither her friends nor her family liked me from the start, but I never suspected the real reason until Lorraine told me. I felt sick that they should think such a thing about me—but even worse when Lorraine threw the

whole thing up to me.

The fact is that once we were married I thought the money was "ours." After all, I am not running away with Lorraine's money. It is for us and our children. It is the future of our family I am thinking about when I ask Lorraine to get a little more from her parents. I feel they can well afford to help out their only daughter in this way.

I am so disgusted with the whole thing that I feel like selling the business and giving Lorraine back "her" money to do with as she likes.

The Council: Lorraine was very wrong to tell Harold what her family and friends said about him. Evidently, she felt it was not true since she went ahead and married him. She probably does not feel it is true now, but is using it as a weapon against him to stop his nagging for more money.

On the other hand, Harold was wrong to make an issue of the money when he saw that his wife did not wish to ask for it. Most married persons feel as Lorraine does, and do not like to come to their parents for money unless it is absolutely necessary.

Harold is also wrong to set himself up as judge of what his in-laws can "well afford." It is unlikely that he has full knowledge of their resources and their plans for the future. He is assuming a certain right over their income which his marriage to

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