

### Juveniles Using Midget Racers on Streets Illegal

Salem—(UPI)—Director James F. Johnson of the State Motor Vehicles Department said today that parents are apt to be in trouble if they let their children operate home-made or commercially-made quarter-midget racers on public streets.

Johnson said he had received reports of children as young as 11 operating such vehicles on streets or sidewalks without a motor vehicle registration, operator's license, lights or brakes.

The director said parents allowing their youngsters to operate such vehicles are doing so in violation of the law and may be endangering the lives of the children. He pointed out that no driver's license is issued to anyone younger than 16.

**Cases in Court**  
The Portland juvenile court of Judge Virgil Langtry has had a half dozen cases involving the midget vehicles, most of them involving 12 and 13-year-old youngsters. Cases have involved youngsters operating on the wrong side of the street, cutting corners or driving on sidewalks.

Judge Langtry said "The problem is more extensive than indicated by the number of cases that come before the juvenile court."

### Hubbard Girl Killed by Truck

Portland—(UPI)—Suzanne Marie Cacka, 14, Hubbard, died in a Portland hospital Thursday night after being struck by a pickup truck as she walked homeward from a school bus. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Cacka of Hubbard.

Driver of the pickup was Frank Michael Shank, 68, Hubbard. He told state police that the girl, walking ahead of him on his side of the road, appeared to turn sharply in front of his vehicle when he was only about 10 feet away. Shank said just before the girl turned in front of him, another car had passed him going in the same direction. He said the girl might have thought the only car behind her had passed and started to cross the road.

### Parkrose To Abandon School

Portland—(UPI)—Directors of the Parkrose School District No. 3, heeding the lesson of last week's tragic school fire in Chicago, Thursday night voted to close the third floor of the Wygant grade school at once and to abandon the entire structure by the end of the school year.

The action followed a recommendation by John F. Pickett, state fire marshal, and Kenneth Hickey, chief of the Parkrose fire department.

They inspected the school during the past week and appeared before the school board Thursday night to recommend that the top floor of the wooden structure be abandoned at once.

They said the floors of the wooden structure, built in 1919, are made of wood without any fire-resistant covering and have been soaked with varnish and oil from cleaning compounds for nearly 40 years.

### Friendly Jailer Placed in Jail

Riverside, Calif.—(UPI)—Herbert Clark Card, 43-year-old jailer at the county jail, was jailed today for helping un-jail two prisoners.

Card confessed Thursday that he had become friendly with Richard C. Skinner, serving a term for burglary, and gave him a hacksaw blade which Skinner used last Saturday. Skinner escaped with James E. Holloway, 26, who was serving a sentence for failure to provide.

Skinner was captured the next day in San Diego, Calif., and returned here where questioning led to Card's arrest. Card said he didn't get any money for helping the men—he just did it for friendship. Holloway is still at large.

**POPULATION INCREASES**  
Washington—(UPI)—The Census Bureau Thursday estimated the nation's population at 175,136,000 as of Nov. 1—an increase of 2,854,000 or 1.7 per cent, compared to Nov. 1, 1957.

Today's "City" of London—the business and financial section of the British capital—still lies largely between boundaries set by an old Roman wall.

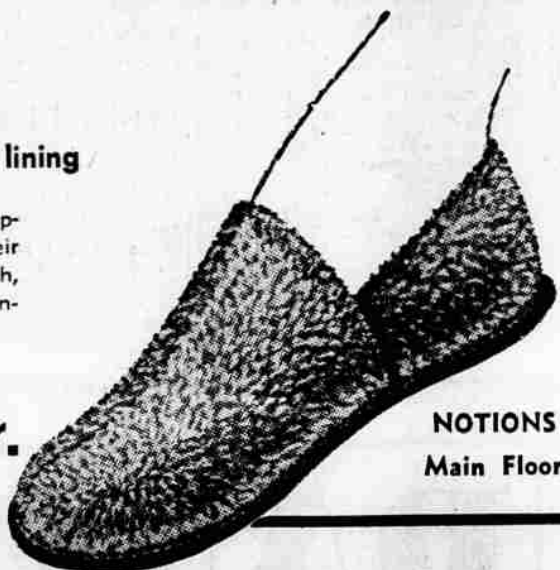
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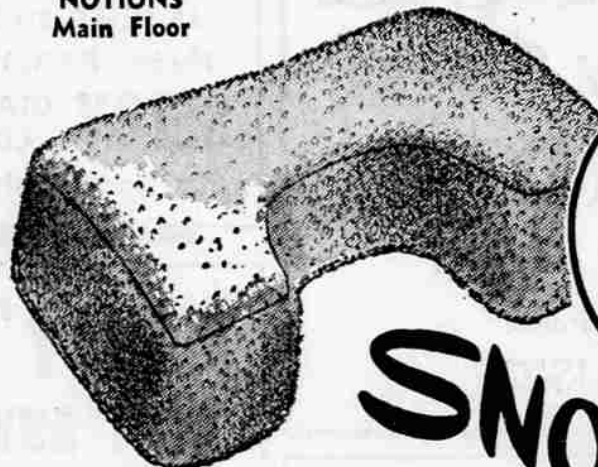
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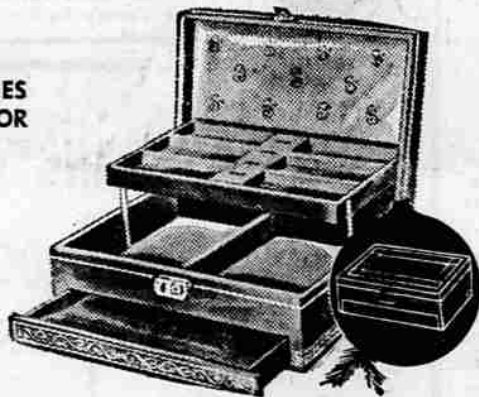


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