

# RUTH GARRISON TRIAL STARTED

EIGHTEEN YEAR OLD GIRL WHO POISONED WIFE OF HER RIVAL TO FACE CHARGE OF MURDER. WIFE INTEREST STUNNED.

SEATTLE, Wash., May 5.—Lara for the husband of another woman, and her determination to possess that man which resulted in the deliberate poisoning and death of the wife, is the charge against Ruth Garrison, eighteen year old Seattle girl, who now will battle for her own life in the courts. Her case is said to be one of the most remarkable in the crime annals of the state for, according to the confession the police say she calculated the doom of her rival with all the care and cold bloodedness of any of the famous poisoners known to history.

Ruth Garrison, on March 18 last, invited Mrs. Grace Glatz Storrs, 28 years old, to luncheon with her in the tea room of a department store and, according to the confession she made, this slip of a girl arranged and calculated the doom of her rival with all the care and cold bloodedness of any of the famous poisoners known to history.

Douglas M. Storrs, the dead woman's husband, an automobile mechanic of Okanogan, Wn., 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 she visited him in Okanogan where she registered as Mrs. Storrs.

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. Storrs but later, they claimed, regained her sanity.

"What's the matter? Are you ill?" witnesses said Miss Garrison asked Mrs. Storrs as the latter sat across the table from her dying from the effects of the fatal cocktail. Although the police thought possibly Mrs. Storrs took her own life, they held Miss Garrison for a few hours after the death of Mrs. Storrs 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. Storrs' death. All day of the nineteenth she held to the point but later took the police to the drug store where she 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. Storrs." The girl shed no tears. "It is too late for that now," she is stated to have said. Miss Garrison's one expressed hope was to be permitted to see Storrs.

"I love him with all my heart and soul," she said, "Will they let me see him? Will he still care for me?" were her constant questions.

Storrs was not allowed to see Miss Garrison. He stated however, that he intended to do all he could to help her. He did not appear anxious to see the girl nor did he express any desire to attend his wife's funeral.

Scores of sympathetic letters have been received by Miss Garrison while friends have sent her candy and flowers during her detention.

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The Government claims that it has decreased train robbery; there are those who insist that every train-ride is a robbery now.—Venango Herald.

Among the chief troubles of a proud father in some of those South Sea Islands these days is trying to figure out whether the new heir ought to be christened Woodrow or George.—Mantia Bulletin.

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## PERSONAL MENTION

LITTLE HIGHLIGHTS ON LOCAL HAPPENINGS AMONG THE PEOPLE OF THIS CITY AND VICINITY. GOINGS AND COMINGS OF LOCAL FOLK.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Drew were week end visitors in Klamath Falls from their ranch in the Klamath Basin.

Grace Brown, Minnie Eiberger and Sylvia Uhren came in Saturday from Algoma for a short visit in Klamath Falls. They stayed at the White Pelican Hotel.

Ben and George Kern were in the county seat Saturday afternoon from their homes in the Keno district.

F. S. Hoffman is a recent arrival in Klamath Falls from Prineville.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Roberts, who have been residing in Southern California for a number of months, are glad to see them home again for a short visit. They expect to be here for about a week.

Mrs. H. G. McCarthy came in Saturday night for a short visit with her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Foster of Alameda Street and left on the train this morning for her home at Dunsmuir.

J. H. Perkins, E. S. Henry and F. H. Hutto are in town from the Klamath Agency for a short time. They are guests at the Hall Hotel.

W. T. Elliott was in town on Saturday getting supplies for his ranch at Pine Grove.

Charles Riley of the Chelsea Lumber and Box Company has returned from an extended absence in California.

K. Sugarman is confined to his home at 824 Washington with La Grippe.

R. E. Bradbury was in the city Saturday afternoon from his ranch in the Olene district looking after business interests.

G. W. Harrington is here on matters of business for a short time from Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. C. G. McNary arrived on the train Saturday night from Anderson, California. They are guests at the White Pelican.

Dan Ryan, an extensive rancher from the Fort Klamath district was in town Saturday. He reports prosperous conditions in the Wood River Valley.

H. N. Rodisch and Tom Burns are business visitors in the city from Chiloquin. They are stopping at the Hall Hotel.

Thelma C. Marka came in Saturday afternoon from Merrill for a short visit at the County seat.

Robert Clay bought supplies for his ranch near the city from the Klamath Falls merchants Saturday afternoon.

M. Rosenberg, who is identified with big financial interests in San Francisco, left this morning after a brief visit in this city. Mr. Rosenberg had a chance to see a little of the Klamath Country while here and was astonished at the possibilities. He was especially taken with the big tule marsh lands of the lower Klamath Lake and predicted a big value for these tracts when once they have been developed.

Mrs. G. W. McDowell left for Dunsmuir this morning where she will make a brief visit with friends.

James Demuth, who has been here for a short time on business from Stockton, California, left for that point this morning.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Bartik came in on the train last evening from Portland. They are staying at the Hotel Hall.

G. M. Wimberly was among last night's train arrivals from Roseburg.

Mrs. Earl E. Walker is among the recent arrivals in the city from Bly.

J. S. Griffith is in town for a brief time from Eagle Ridge Tavern on the west side of the Upper Lake.

F. W. Loosley is among the Wood River valley folk who are visiting at the County seat today.

T. L. Williams of Salem, Oregon is a business visitor in Klamath Falls.

Abe Linebaugh is down from Chiloquin on matters of business.

Merle S. Kilgore, a stockman of Upper Langell Valley is here for a short time looking after business interests.

L. M. Holt of Yakima, Washington was among the train arrivals last night.

Mr. and Mrs. D. M. McEmore are here from San Francisco for a few days. Mr. McEmore is a cattle buyer who operates here extensively.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Dixon, Nettie Vose, F. Muller, James Gordon, Mrs. R. S. Gordon and Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Loosley are guests at the White Pelican today from Fort Klamath.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Garrett are here from Bly for a few days on matters of business.

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## Klamath County News

### BONANZA LOCALS.

Messrs. Morris and Slack are tearing down the Slack sawmill and Mr. Morris is hauling the machinery about three miles east of Dairy. Mr. Slack is intending to build a new sawmill.

County School Superintendent, Edna Wells has granted exemptions on the merits of good work and filling all the requirements of this state to the following: From the Eighth Grade, Joy Burkhart, Elsie Rueck.

From the 7th grade in Geography, Birdie Hamaker.

From the 8th grade in Physiology, Lois Heuston, Frank Crasper, James Paddock, Milburn Burk.

There will be a Masquerade Ball at the Bonanza Hall May 16. The supper will be served at the Danier Hotel. Everybody cordially invited and everybody mask.

Fred Rueck has been taking Charlie Flackus, Adam Weldman and S. Brown, who are working for the Farmers' Loan, around the country.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mahoney and children have moved from Bonanza out to their ranch.

The High School domestic art class and he cooking class will exhibit their work Thursday at 2:30 p. m. Everyone is invited to come.

Anna Rueck, the High School senior will graduate this week. She will receive her diploma Thursday, at which time she will give her graduating address.

Next Saturday morning several cars will leave here for the Lava beds and caves. Everyone is invited to get a car and come with the party.

The High School play "The Rainbow Kimoa," was a great success. Everyone declared it was good. Birdie Hamaker, who represented the colored maid was especially praised. The characters in the play were, Anna Rueck, Hilda Hamaker, Fannie Heuston, Leola Ferris, Myrtle Bunn, Gladys Kilgore, Lois Heuston, Margaret Rueck and Birdie Hamaker. Music between acts was furnished by Mr. Dayton and Elsie Rueck.

Marie Hamaker and friends visited here Sunday from Klamath Falls.

School will close here Friday and on that day the school has planned a big picnic on the island, ice cream and lots of fun is planned.

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FIRST ANNUAL Public Dance at Moose Hall given by Boxmakers' and Mill Men's Union No. 764, Thursday, May 8, 1919. Admission 50c. 2-6t

The Weak and the Strong. "There are some strong features in this advertisement of Mrs. Faker's boarding house."  
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