

# Wouldn't Hurt Children, Accused Mother Claims

PORTLAND (AP) — An inflammable liquid figured prominently today in the first-degree murder trial of Mrs. Joseph Garrett, 33, Portland.

The state accused Mrs. Garrett of spreading the liquid about the living room of her home and deliberately setting a fire in pipe at her husband for leaving home.

The fire killed three of Mrs. Garrett's four children and their governess Oct. 6. The death of only one child is involved in this trial.

The defense asserted Mrs. Garrett, a former Dallas, Texas, socialite, had used cleaning fluid on several pieces of furniture that night, and later had placed a lighted candle on a table as a signal of welcome to her husband in case he should return.

Defense Attorney Earl F. Bernard said Mrs. Garrett would never dream of hurting her children or husband, but that she also was a victim of psychomotor epilepsy.

"This form of mental disturbance takes frequently the form that a person becomes hostile for those who they have the greatest admiration and affection," Bernard said.

The defense has entered a two-prong plea: innocent of the charge and innocent because of insanity.

Oscar W. Howlett, deputy district attorney, told the jury in an opening statement:

"I trust she didn't have the idea of killing her children... but Mrs. Garrett without a question of doubt set fire to that room. And she made a mistake because four people died, and three of them were her children."

Mrs. Garrett broke into sobs and at one point covered her ears.

Howlett said Mrs. Garrett quarreled with her husband, screamed in the front yard, and then fled back inside when he called an ambulance for her. After she refused to get in the ambulance, he left to spend the night at a motel, Howlett said.

He added that Mrs. Garrett later complained to police that her husband had left home, and wanted them to do something about it. She also talked a half-hour by telephone to her brother in Houston, Texas, he said.

An hour later neighbors heard her shouting for help, and saw her house in flames. Neighbors rescued her and one child.

Her husband, her brother Alvin Jr., and her father, Alvin M. Owsley, retired Dallas, Texas, attorney, were in the state circuit court room with her. Her father formerly was U.S. minister to Ireland, Denmark and Romania.

# Community Calendar

**LADIES AUXILIARY** affiliated with Encampment 42 will meet in the Odd Fellows Hall here Friday, Jan. 13, at 8 p.m. Anna Erickson, chief matron, requests that all members be present for installation of new officers. A potluck dinner will be served after the meeting.

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION** Circle meetings will be held Thursday, Jan. 12, at the following rooms: Naomi, 10 a.m., fireside room; Mary, 12:30 p.m., luncheon in the dining room; Martha, 1:30 p.m., fireside room; Miriam, 1:30 p.m., dining room; Deborah will entertain Hannah Circle in the fireside room at 7:30 p.m.

**LADIES AUXILIARY** of Canton Crater No. 7 will meet Thursday, Jan. 12, at 8 p.m. at the IOOF Hall. Installation of officers will be held. Members are asked to attend in uniform.

**MILLS - PONDEROSA PTA** will hold its regular meeting Wednesday, Jan. 11, at 7:30 p.m. in Mills Auditorium. Pelican Players will present a one-act comedy.

**FREMONT PTA** will meet Thursday, Jan. 12, at 2:30 p.m. Guest speaker will be an exchange student from Italy. There will be an executive board meeting at 1:30 p.m.

**MIDLAND HOME EXTENSION UNIT** will meet Thursday, Jan. 12, at 10:30 a.m. at the fairgrounds kitchen. Project will be on fabric identification. A nursery will be provided.

**COUNT FERNANDEZ BOYS MORRISTOWN, N.J. (UPI)** — The county jailers are using their fingers to count off the Fernandez boys — one, two, three... Counting noses doesn't work, as they all look alike.

Two of the 20-year-old triplets are waiting trial on breaking and entering charges. Their third was jailed Tuesday for parole violation.

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# Reds Call Holt Slave Dealer For Capitalists

TOKYO (AP) — A charge that Creswell, Ore. farmer Harry Holt takes South Korean orphans to the United States where they are "resold to plantation owners and capitalists as child slaves" was heard over Red North Korea's Pyongyang radio Tuesday.

Holt since 1956 has been operating an adoption program in South Korea. He and another planeload of Korean orphans numbered 107 left Seoul Tuesday. The children are adopted by American families.

The latest group increased to 2,300 the number of orphans for whom Holt has found homes.

The North Korean broadcast monitored here said:

"These orphans now are undergoing all sorts of humiliation and maltreatment after being resold to plantation owners and capitalists as child slaves. The same lot is in store for the orphans who are being carried away to Oregon."

Pyongyang radio charged that the South Korean "puppet Ministry of Health sold the orphans to American slave dealers Holt."

**GOOD REASON**

FLORENCE, Colo. (AP) — W. P. Miller, 97-year-old bachelor, has his own idea as to why he's lived so long. Says Miller: "I just keep on living and don't die."

# Bills Introduced In House, Senate Are Listed

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Bills introduced in the Senate

SBI—Gissberg, D. Maryland; Rasmussen, D. Tacoma — Requires appointment of special prosecutor in grand jury investigations of public elective officials, with attorney general to prosecute indictments.

HB1—Gorton, R. Seattle; Brink, D. Seattle; Ackley, D. Seattle — Enacts agriculture and marketing code of Revised Code of Washington into law.

HB2—Brink, D. Seattle; Ackley, D. Seattle; Ackley, D. Seattle — Enacts public highways code of Revised Code of Washington into law.

HB3—Gorton, R. Seattle; Brink, D. Seattle; Ackley, D. Seattle — Enacts public highways code of Revised Code of Washington, providing for construction, acquisition, maintenance and operation, into law.

HB4—Ackley, D. Seattle; Gorton, R. Seattle; Brink, D. Seattle — Enacts industrial insurance code of Revised Code of Washington into law.

HB5—Ackley, D. Seattle; Gorton, R. Seattle; Brink, D. Seattle — Enacts public utilities and transportation code of Revised Code of Washington into law.

FACE SHORTAGE

ROME (AP) — The U.N. Food and Agriculture Organization said Tuesday a severe shortage of food in the Congo's south Kasai Province.

FAO began a program to provide food and seeds to relieve the famine, caused by tribal fighting, unfavorable rains and a large influx of refugees from other parts of the Congo.

HB6—Brink, D. Seattle; Ackley, D. Seattle; Gorton, R. Seattle — Enacts excise taxes code of Revised Code of Washington into law.

HB7—Brink, D. Seattle; Gorton, R. Seattle; Ackley, D. Seattle — Cures deficiencies in laws relating to diking, drainage and sewerage improvement districts.

HB8—Brink, D. Seattle; Gorton, R. Seattle; Ackley, D. Seattle — Establishes session law background for title in Revised Code of Washington which provides for establishment of soil conservation districts.

HB9—Ackley, D. Seattle; Brink, D. Seattle; Gorton, R. Seattle — Codifies basic irrigation act of 1889-90.

HB10—Ackley, D. Seattle; Gorton, R. Seattle; Brink, D. Seattle — Repeals and corrects obsolete and conflicting provisions relating to water and water rights in Revised Code of Washington.

HB11—Ackley, D. Seattle.

Brink, D. Seattle; Gorton, R. Seattle — Corrects provisions of Revised Code of Washington relating to banks and trust companies to read as originally enacted and amended in session laws.

HB12—Litchman, D. Seattle; Bergh, D. Seattle; Pritchard, R. Seattle — Makes parents liable for damages up to \$300 for willful destruction of property by minor child under age of 18.

HB13—Testu, D. Seattle; Gorton, R. Seattle; Goldmark, D. Okanogan — Clarifies Securities Act; removes ceiling on registration fees for securities; establishes fees for transferring licenses.

HB14—Gorton, R. Seattle; Brink, D. Seattle; Ackley, D. Seattle — Re-enacts certain sections of Revised Code of Washington relating to intoxicating liquor and deletes certain language.

Resolutions introduced in the House Tuesday

HJR1—Leland, R. Kirkland; Gorton, R. Seattle; Schaefer, D. Vancouver — Amends constitution to reduce state residential requirements to vote for president of United States from one year to 90 days.

# Doomed Boy Is Cheered By Get Well Mail, Visits

PRINEVILLE, Ore. (AP) — A mother hopes the get-well mail keeps coming to her 10-year-old son who, doctors say, has only a few weeks to live.

Mrs. Vester Cooper says the spirits of young Larry Cooper have been greatly lifted by a letter from a U. S. Army unit in France.

She says Larry, suffering and in great pain much of the time from bone cancer, also was overjoyed when a brother, Norman Cooper, came home by plane from Paris, where he was with the 313th Signal Corps. In addition the corps in France sent a letter of encouragement with a \$60 money order.

There also have been other letters, most of them from Prineville residents. Mrs. Cooper has received word that the Air Force Military Amateur Radio Service had requested listeners to send cheering cards although none of these yet have arrived.

"I hope with all my heart," says Mrs. Cooper, "that he gets a large number of these encourag-

ing cards because they mean so much to him."

Young Larry has been ailing more than a year. One of his legs was amputated in the fall of 1959 and he returned then to school, attending until a few weeks ago.

The Coopers have five other children. The father is a timber faller.

**Seeks Center For Northwest**

WASHINGTON (AP) — A bill introduced in Congress by Sen. Wayne Morse, D-Ore., would establish a center for research on water pollution control in the Pacific Northwest.

Co-sponsors are Sens. Maurice Neuberger, D-Ore., and Warren Magnuson, D-Wash.

The measure asks for \$4 million to build and equip the center and \$1.5 million a year to operate it.

Morse called the installation a "much-needed laboratory in the Pacific Northwest."

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