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4 Die In Fire

VAUDREUIL, Que. (AP)—Four children died early today in a fire that destroyed their home on the outskirts of this town 15 miles west of Montreal.

Work And Play

GETTYSBURG, Pa. (AP)—President Eisenhower arranged a schedule mixing work with relaxation at his farm home today — on the last weekend before Congress reconvenes.

Release Promised

LONDON (AP)—Albania has promised to release today a British cargo plane with its jet fighters forced down Tuesday on a charge of violating the Communist nation's air space.

Red Boss Fired

HONG KONG (AP)—Red China boss Mao Tse-Tung has carried out a purge in his native Hunan Province, firing the vice-governor and removing a noted woman legislator from the National Parliament.

Defiance Heard

JAKARTA, Indonesia (AP)—Radio reports from the north Celebes said today the area will be declared a separate province in defiance of the central Indonesian government here.

Visit To West

SAIGON, Viet Nam (AP)—Prince Souvanna Phouma, Prime Minister of Laos, said today he plans to visit friendly western countries, including the United States, to explain his policy of taking the Red-tipped Pathet Lao into the government.

Milady's Fashions All At Sea

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—LITTLEJOHN PREDICTS RECOVERY—

Who Beat Police To The Cash?

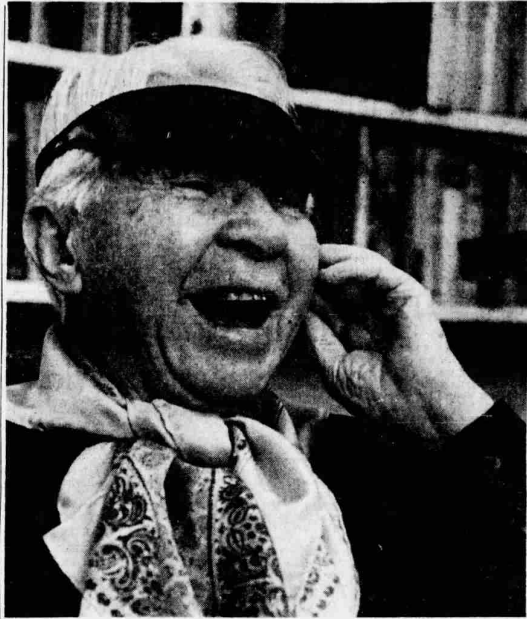
Police Chief Frank N. Littlejohn said today it appears someone beat officers to the \$10,000 that convict Robert James Pitts said was buried under a house off Potters Rd. eight years ago.

Pitts said the money, part of the loot in a 1949 robbery, was placed in a gallon-thermos jug and buried under his sister-in-law's house located in an alley just off Potters Rd.

Chief Littlejohn and Capt. of Detective W. A. McCall spent the day yesterday leading a group of policemen in search of the \$10,000, but the loot was never uncovered.

TWO OTHERS

"Not but two other people besides Pitts knew where that mon-



Carl Sandburg: "There's Health In Nonsense of a Certain Kind."

'Evangelist' Carl Sandburg Keeps Singing Old Hymn

By JULIAN SCHEER
News Staff Writer

FLAT ROCK — The antebellum home of Carl Sandburg sits here on the top of the world.

From its buttressed, heavy front porch a road winds like a cat's tail down a hill, past a small pond, and out onto the highways of America.

It is from here that America's literary evangelist has trumpeted his hymn to a nation for the past 12 years and it is here that he will celebrate his 80th birthday Monday.

It is here he sits in a vast front room, a quiet about his legs, on a cold afternoon and talks in a low, throaty voice of life and death and youth and poets and men — and, most of all, America.

He sits here letting a photographer gently part the white strands of hair "if you want it parted, part it," and obligingly puts on a green eye shade ("I feel like an adviser in a visor") and talks.

RACE FOR SPACE

Around him are book manuscripts of friends, yesterday's newspapers, photography magazines, the new "The Sandburg Range" and a paperback called "The Race For Space."

Today the Sandburg of Chicago and Galesburg and Flat Rock is concerned with the race for space.

He turns his head, looks into a light globe, says nothing for a while, then, crisply, almost indignantly, "It's a helluva note that Russia is setting the pace in scientific achievements."

"What does this country need?" he says. "Awareness—a break with traditions — and dedication."

It is found, he says, in men like physicist Edward Teller. "I only have love and admiration for the physicist Teller for

the intense solemnity with which he tries to arouse the people to the gravity of the crisis."

Will it be the men of science who lead us out of the wilderness?

Only the men of science will equal Russian missiles and planes and submarines. Only men of science are discoverers and inventors."

And youth?

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Congress Session Faces New Crises

Scientific Needs Top Importance

WASHINGTON (AP)—A returning Congress will begin grappling on Tuesday with problems which have loomed menacingly since it adjourned last summer.

Russia's Sputniks, with their grave implication of breakthroughs in the science of rocket and missile warfare are certain to influence greatly the course of the 1958 session.

What the United States must do — and how much it can afford to pay — to match the Soviet scientific strides will be the No. 1 topic on Capitol Hill.

IKES MESSAGE
President Eisenhower will deliver a 30-minute State of the Union message to a joint session of the House and Senate on Thursday.

It will deal primarily with the condition of the nation's defenses and the improvement needed.

On Jan. 13, Eisenhower will present his budget proposals, reportedly mulling 74 billion dollars for another peacetime record, for the fiscal year starting July 1.

Administration officials say the budget will be a balanced one, perhaps just barely, with military and other defense needs expected to push domestic projects into the background.

Defense spending apparently will hover around 40 billion dollars next year, compared to a current spending level of 38½ billion.

The administration also will seek another billion dollars for defense for the current fiscal year ending June 30.

Congress will be asked to approve a four-year, billion dollar aid-to-education program stressing science and mathematics.

It's an election year. With seats of all 435 House members and 32 senators at stake, political infighting is not likely to diminish. Few members are expected to give up domestic projects without a fight.

The pressure for hauling ahead of Russia has all but eliminated any talk of a tax cut this year, however politically desirable such a move might be.

Civil rights and presidential disability, two prime topics last session, probably will get short shrift this year.

Evening Prayer
Our Father, Thou knowest our sinful, crooked, rough lives. We ask the guidance of the Holy Spirit in smoothing and straightening them, so that we can carry on the work of Thy kingdom. We ask in Jesus' name, Amen.

LITTLE HELP
SANTA MONICA, Calif. (AP)—There isn't any physical benefit in golf, bowling, volleyball or social dancing, a University of Illinois professor says.

Dr. James H. Dues, who is not developing a higher strength unless they are two thirds or more overloaded or worked long and hard to the point of real stress and fatigue," Thomas A. Cureton told the College Physical Education Assn.

—WOMAN FORMER CHARLOTTEAN—
Ex-Red Writer Kills Wife And Self



MRS. RUSHMORE



Cocooned Jerry Ball "Swings" While Swinging High Above Independence Square.

Real Cool Stuff

Jerry Does Freeze For Sweet Charity

By ANN SAWYER
News Staff Writer

They hung Jerry Ball today. First in a sitting position. Then by his heels.

And all for the March of Dimes.

With the temperature on Independence Square hovering in the 20s, Jerry took to the air with nothing but a borrowed piano and a 600-pound platform.

"The only thing I'm worried about is my hands," said the wrapping piano player and Esso public relations man.

"Other than that the cold won't bother me much."

DRESSED FOR IT
Jerry spoke with the confidence of a man dressed for the North Pole — his daughter's red toboggan, another cap with ear flaps, regular undershirt, a knitted jersey with a fur hood, a hunting shirt, another jacket, a pair of work gloves, regular trousers, a Navy jumper — all topped by a liam skin coat he hasn't worn in years.

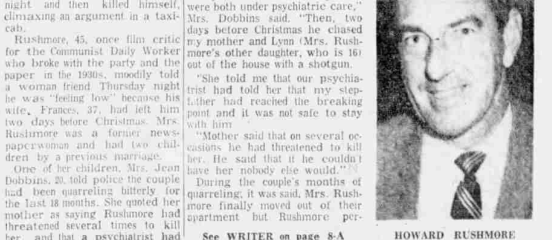
Added to his equipment for his day-long piano-playing spree were a small heater, heating pad and pillow.

Sitting over downtown Charlotte is nothing new for Charlotte's Jerry.

He first was lifted by crane in 1950, the year after he started his pianoforte for piano victims.

LOTS OF HELP
Jerry likes to give credit where it's due. "All these people gave their time for today," he said, leaning off a list of names that included Parker-Gardner Co., Central Lumber Co., Starnes Sign Co., Hancorn Radio and Sound Service, Ballard Leather Co., Carolina Transfer & Storage Co. and city policemen.

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