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## Baby's Incurable Cancer Appears Cured By X-Ray In Medical Feat

NEW YORK, April 19. — Harold Holt, Jr., of Monongahela, Pa., 2½ years old, is a new question mark in medicine's fight on one of the inscrutable forms of cancer.

The question is whether, he will be an example of hope for conquering one of cancer's incurable forms, known as Wilms' tumor.

Hardly more than a month ago he had this cancer in lungs, liver and his one remaining kidney. He was discharged from a Pittsburgh hospital with the probability of living two weeks.

### CANCEROUS GROWTH ENTIRELY ERADICATED

Today there is no cancer to be found in any of his organs, and he has been discharged from another hospital, apparently with years to live.

But how many years is not known. Whether the cancer will come back is not known. There are chances it may not recur, and then medicine hopes it

will know better what to do in other cases.

In both hospitals Harold received the same treatment, X-rays. In the second institution, the New Rochelle Hospital near here, he received virtually the same kind of X-rays as before.

But a different technique was used. This means mainly a difference in the sharp-shooting with the rays. They destroy any tissue, and the problem is to destroy cancer without damaging too much healthy tissue. The X-rays are slow bullets, their effects are not immediate, and consequently medical experts are constantly developing more skill in "shooting" them.

Wilms' tumor, named for a German who first described this form of cancer has its origin in a growth known as teratoma, which is in the body at birth.

### LESS THAN DOZEN CASES CURED

Sooner or later this cancerous tissue begins to grow. In medical history there are less than a dozen cases reported as cured. X-rays have frequently reduced the growth. But almost invariably it has struck again, sometimes after appearing to wait five years. The cures were made by surgery after X-rays had reduced the cancer to operable limits.

The New Rochelle hospital is hoping that X-rays alone will cure. Its technique has some good results.

The best one is another baby who was discharged in June three years ago, after the rays had removed all signs of Wilms' tumor. This child still is apparently free from recurrence. In two years more the case can be rated as a "five-year-cure." After that comes 10-year and 15-year cures and so on.

When enough 5, 10 and 15-year cures are on record medicine will accept this form as curable. By the same tedious process numerous other forms of cancer already have been put on the curable list.

## JUDGE ADVISES OLD FASHIONED WOODSHED TRIP

MONTREAL, Quebec, April 19. — Two boys who are brothers escaped today with a sentence of "time in jail" on a charge of breaking and entering a shed and theft of goods valued at \$15, but they are due for a good spanking from their father some time today if their father follows Chief Justice Proulx's suggestion.

The accused gave their names and addresses as Benoit Duchesne, 16, and Henri Paul Duchesne, 17, 3431 Bourbonniere street. They had pleaded guilty to the charge of breaking into a shed on April 15 and stealing tools and other articles owned by S. Pearson, 1812 Leclaire street.

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### HORIZONTAL

- 1 Scottish land owner
- 6 Walk on
- 21 Fasten up with wax
- 22 Out of meat
- 24 Man's nickname
- 25 Wine cup
- 26 Worm
- 27 Business organization (abbr.)
- 28 Bovine of Asia
- 29 Eating raw flesh
- 23 That is (abbr.)
- 25 Sun god
- 26 Variety of sweet potato
- 27 Fundamental element
- 32 Black, viscous liquid
- 34 Printer's measure
- 35 Guido's high note
- 36 Command to horse
- 38 Preposition
- 39 A slate-ax
- 41 Restowed
- 44 To beat (coll.)

### VERTICAL

- 1 Web-like membrane
- 2 Exclamation
- 3 Southern state (abbr.)
- 4 Man's name
- 5 Kind of cheese
- 6 Sea-slugs
- 7 Haggy
- 8 Literary composition
- 9 Exclamation
- 10 Destroy a large proportion of

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- 11 Utter
- 13 Fabulous bird
- 19 Relatives
- 21 Native metal
- 22 Ship channel
- 24 Town in Netherlands
- 27 Persian cap
- 28 Unexpectedly
- 29 High mountain
- 30 Prepare with stuffing
- 31 Golf mound
- 32 Measure of distance
- 37 Finish
- 40 Indian memorial post
- 42 Jewish priest
- 43 Bushy clump
- 45 More genuine
- 48 Melancholy
- 49 Circle
- 50 Part of face
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### BARRON'S INDEX

For the week ended April 8th, the physical volume of production and trade declined to 60.2 of normal from 73.4 in the preceding week, according to Barron's business index. This sharp drop of 13.2 points was caused almost entirely by the closing of all bituminous coal mines the Appalachian area. If adjustment is made for the local situation, the estimated index for the week would approximate 71.4 or normal, a decline of only 2 points from the previous week.

### ECONOMIC INDEX

For the week ended April 8th, the Dominion Bureau of Statistics economic index stood at 108.8 vs 108.1 in the preceding week, and 106.8 a year ago.

of 5½% from 1943 maturity. Exten-

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