

# Confesses Fatal Blow

## Soldier Admits Hitting Leo W. Hoke, 29

Owen Carvill, 21-year-old army sergeant stationed at Fort Riley, Kan., admitted to local police officers while being returned here Friday on a manslaughter warrant he engaged in a scuffle Nov. 6 with Leo W. Hoke, 29, of 4461 Clyde Park av., SW, in Home Acres in which Hoke suffered brain injuries which proved fatal Wednesday afternoon, police reported.

Detective John VanderBand of Wyoming township and County Deputy Richard Wiersma said Carvill readily admitted striking Hoke with his fist but denied that anyone else held Hoke at the time, as Hoke had reported after he was hospitalized Nov. 7.

### Gets Into Argument.

Carvill, arrested at his Manhattan, Kan., home by Kansas officers, waived extradition and was returned here by plane late Friday night. He was questioned by Deputy Prosecutor Henry J. Milanowski.

Milanowski said Carvill told him he and his wife, a former local girl, had been drinking in a Home Acres bar on Division av., S, the evening of Nov. 6 and got into an argument when they stepped outside. Hoke, said Carvill and two witnesses, also had been drinking at the bar and came outside, Milanowski stated.

Overhearing the quarrel, Hoke advised Carvill's wife to leave the soldier alone, Milanowski quoted Carvill. The sergeant admitted, Milanowski said, he became incensed at Hoke's interference and struck Hoke.

Hoke died at Blodgett Memorial hospital Wednesday afternoon of a brain hemorrhage suffered from a blow or fall, reported Dr. G. A. Mulder, medical examiner, who conducted a postmortem examination.

# Man Killed; Three Held

## Leo W. Hoke, 29, Dies of Skull Wound

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His friend didn't come, and, as he started for his car, the two men grabbed him.

When her husband returned home, Mrs. Hoke recounted, the left side of his face was swollen, but he played with his children until about 10:30, when he complained of a severe headache.

Hoke then called his mother, Mrs. Henry Pietila of the Cutlerville Trailer camp, and she came to the Hoke residence and took him to Burton Heights Osteopathic hospital. Mrs. Pietila recalled that her son became very dazed en route to the hospital, where it was determined he had a skull fracture.

### Born Near Nashville.

Mr. Hoke was a native of Sunfield township, near Nashville. He served three and a half years in the navy in World war II. Until about two weeks before the mishap he was an employe of General Motors corporation diesel equipment division, then he became a salesman for Capitol Lumber & Wrecking Co.

In addition to his wife and mother, he is survived by two daughters, Ruth Anne, 8, and Jill Arthea, 2; two sons, Wayne E., 6, and Jack A., 2; a sister, Mrs. Alton Faust of Vermontville; a half brother, Sfc. Mahlon Frisbie, serving with the army in Korea, and two half sisters, Mrs. Edward Heiss and Mrs. Ralph TenHave of Grand Rapids.

The body was taken to the Otto funeral home in Nashville.

# Leo W. Hoke, Salesman, Hurt Nov. 6

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