

# Ohio House Fire Claims Lives Of Infant Children

A flash fire in a two-room with the U. S. Army in Panahouse Friday near Ravenna, Ohio, snuffed out the lives of portedly abandoned his family two infant boys belonging to last Christmas.

former residents of Franklin  
Killed by suffocation in the fire were Verle Dean Vines, nine months old son of Mrs. Virginia Vines, and Curtis Lyle O'Shields, 16-months old child of Mrs. Ethel O'Shields.

The bodies of the children have been brought here for burial.

Father of the O'Shields child, Richard O'Shields, is stationed

Newspaper reports from Ravenna say seven other children, including five from one family, escaped injury in the fire. A five-year-old twin girl was responsible for saving the lives of five of the children by pulling and carrying them to safety from the blazing structure. She is Donnie Ann Jones, a cousin of the Vines children. It is re-

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ported that Donnie also directed her twin brother, Ronnie, in carrying out one of the children who perished in the blaze. Ronnie attempted to save the O'Shields child, but could not get him through the door of the burning house and dropped him.

It is understood that Mrs. Vines was baby sitting for Mrs. O'Shields, her sister, while she was in Ravenna looking for work. She also was watching five children of her brother, Verion Jones, who lives in Ravenna.

Mrs. Vines went to the home of her landlady nearby and when she returned the two-

room house in which she had left the nine children was in flames.

A faulty stove is believed responsible for the fire.

Firemen found the O'Shields baby on the floor near the door. The Vines baby's body was on a bed.

Funeral services for the two children are set for today (Wednesday) at the Black Mountain Baptist Church at 2 p. m. The Rev. James Sanders

will officiate and burial will be in the church cemetery.