

# Scrutiny Given Each Batch of Polio Vaccine Slowing Output

What's the slowdown on the new polio vaccine? Is production and distribution going as planned? How long may it be before the supply meets the demand?

In an effort to get the answers to these and other pertinent questions on the new vaccine the United Press surveyed all the drug companies that are in production. The results are included in the following dispatch.

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NEW YORK (UP)—A survey of the six drug companies producing the Salk polio vaccine showed Wednesday that only a trickle of the fluid would be available for commercial channels until the "no charge" program of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis is completed.

Even the foundation's program was lagging, but primarily it was a case of distribution — not production. The chief reason was the intensive scrutiny which each batch of the vaccine must be given by government scientists to decide if it is safe for public use.

The survey of drug company officials showed that unless a child is between the ages of 6 and 10—the ages generally covered by the foundation program—his chances of getting the anti-polio vaccine through commercial channels in the next eight weeks are rather slim.

Officials said they felt sure that vaccine for first shots for the rest of the 9 million children and for second shots for all of them would be available by the original target date, June 1. It depends on the speed with which the government certified the product as to safety, purity and potency.

Infinitesimal Amount  
It was disclosed that to date only an infinitesimal amount of the vaccine had gone into commercial channels — not enough, drug firm officials said, to form the basis for any profitable "black market."

## Slide Buries Over 60



**SASEBO, Japan**—More than 60 persons were buried in this avalanche of coal mine waste which slid down a hill at Sasebo on the Japanese island of Kyushu on April 16. Those caught in the avalanche were living in houses and the company barracks completely covered by the slide. (AP Wirephoto)

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## Ex-Wife Charges Mickey Rooney Lags in Alimony

HOLLYWOOD (UP) — Actor Mickey Rooney's second wife, the former Betty Jane Rase, has charged that the pint-sized comedy star is \$6695 behind in alimony and child support payments.

Mrs. Rooney accused her ex-husband with being in contempt of court in an affidavit filed Tuesday before Superior Judge Elmer Doyle. She said Rooney was to pay her \$520 a month alimony and \$416 child support for their two children Mickey Jr., 9, and Timothy, 8.

The actor has paid her only \$700 this year and still owes \$3645 from last year, she said. Judge Doyle set May 16 for a hearing. The couple was divorced in 1948 after four years of marriage.

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## Gas Question Vote Planned at Baker

BAKER (UP) — Residents will vote here June 3 on whether to put the city in the natural gas distribution business or to give the franchise to a private company.

Seeking the franchises are California-Pacific Utilities Co., Baker, and Cascade Natural Gas Co., Seattle.

### STAR GAZER

By CLAY R. POLLAN

Your Daily Activity Guide According to the Stars.

To develop message for Thursday, read words corresponding to numbers of your Zodiac birth sign.

ARIES	31 Any	61 Affections
Taurus	32 Good	62 You
33 With	63 Hurt	
34 A	64 Contracting	
35 Personality	65 Shore	
36 Mix	66 Uninspiring	
37 Pleasure	67 Tolerant	
38 Unfriendly	68 To	
39 Can	69 Money	
40 Family	70 Ride	
41 Will	71 And	
42 Doings	72 Safety	
43 Day	73 Later	
44 Things	74 Fulfills	
45 And	75 People	
46 Good	76 Your	
47 Friendship	77 Hopes	
48 Gain	78 You	
49 People	79 Optimistic	
50 From	80 Your	
51 Plug	81 Money	
52 That	82 Year	
53 For	83 Views	
54 Who	84 Reputation	
55 Hours	85 Outlook	
56 Creative	86 Looks	
57 Period	87 Personal	
58 With	88 Curtail	
59 And	89 Satisfaction	
60 Up	90 Expenses	

Good Adverse Neutral

## Smog Particles Cause Cancer

PASADENA, Calif. (UP) — A longed accumulative cancer-causing effects.

Dr. Kotin, who has been conducting smog research on animals for five years, said this is the first time that hydrocarbons have been labeled definitely as a producer of cancer.

## Catholic Bishop Puts Out Blaze At Pendleton

PENDLETON (UP) — The Most Rev. Francis P. Leipzig, Catholic bishop of Baker, took it seriously when the Oregon Assn. of Fire Chiefs made him an honorary chaplain.

A brush fire broke out Wednesday afternoon near an auditorium into which 410 delegates were filing for a youth rally. Bishop Leipzig grabbed a garden hose, and had the blaze in check when firemen got there.

The bishop was speaking to delegates minutes later when a fire alarm sounded for an adjoining high school auditorium. He and the delegates were forced outside. The alarm turned out to have been for a school fire drill.

## Quake Rocks Greek City

ATHENS, Greece (UP) — An earthquake rocked Volos, a port city of 51,000 population, Tuesday. The Interior Ministry said one person was killed and 35 were injured.

Police said damage was very great, with many houses and buildings partially or badly wrecked.

Athens Observatory said the shocks were so intense its seismographic equipment was damaged. No structural damage was reported in Athens but scores of persons said furniture and light fixtures trembled.

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