

State Plans 'Ranch' for Delinquents

By LYLE BURT
OLYMPIA (AP) — Plans were disclosed Saturday for establishment of a 2,000-acre state-owned ranch in Eastern Washington for teen-aged delinquent boys.
Dr. Thomas A. Harris, state director of institutions said such an operation is badly needed to take care of youngsters with behavior problems but who do not require the confinement of the state training school at Chehalis.
The director said plans call for utilizing two adjacent farms at Eastern State Hospital and Lakeland Village at Medical Lake.
Cost of setting up the ranch and running it for the remainder of the present biennium would be about \$130,000, Dr. Harris estimated. He said he may ask Gov. Langlie to provide the money from his emergency fund as the Department of Institutions has no money available for the project.
The farms already have buildings for housing 40 to 50 youngsters and are equipped so that programs of dairy farming, grazing, cattle raising, wheat and vegetable farming could be carried out.
"Officials of Eastern State Hospital and Lakeland Village feel that the farms have declined in usefulness for their programs," Dr. Harris stated. "They agree with me that there is a need for a place, such as a ranch for the rehabilitation of these youngsters."

COOL BUSES ORDERED
NEW YORK (AP) — Comes soon the weary straphanger's dream, an air conditioned bus. One hundred of them have been ordered, one New York bus line has announced, and should go into operation beginning next September. Some already are in use in San Antonio, Tex., and one or two other places.

French Vote Campaign Ends



PARIS—Here is a sidelight to the political campaigning in France for Monday's national elections. Premier Edgar Faure gestures during speech Monday in the French capital. (AP Wirephoto)

Warehouse Blaze Fatal to Fireman

SELMA, Ala. (AP) — One fireman was killed and two others injured by falling walls Saturday as fire swept through three large buildings in the warehouse district causing damage estimated unofficially at \$500,000.
The fire swept along an entire block of Water Avenue which runs along the Alabama River in the older section of Selma, once a thriving center for river shipping.

COP ENDS CAREER

NEW YORK (AP) — Police Inspector Walter Kuntzmann, 57, is retiring from the force next month after a 33-year career. He started out in 1923 as a traffic cop mounted on a bicycle.

Birth of 1956 Finds Infant Left All Alone

NEW YORK (AP) — The old year was fast fading Saturday when Martin Belanich, 21, a waiter, boarded a subway on his way to work to serve newcomers of baby 1956.
As he entered what he thought was the empty last car of a north-bound IRT Lexington Avenue subway, he spied a bundle on a seat.
Wrapped in a pink and white blanket was a baby boy, his eyes closed tight in slumber. Beside the infant, in a paper bag, were four bottles of a baby's formula, a smaller bag containing a nipple and the penciled name "Bryan" on the bag.
As the train reached the next station Belanich realized the infant was alone. Taking the baby he stepped off the train and told a change booth attendant the situation.
A doctor and nurse came from Beekman downtown hospital. The baby was two weeks old, they said, and healthy. They all went to a nearby police station. The infant stirred. One of the bottles of formula was heated and he drank four ounces hungrily.
Whoever had left him was gone, a part of the past. So was 1955. "Bryan," brand new, was left in the care of the founding hospital at the birth of 1956.

SLEEPER SERVICE DUE

GENEVA, Switzerland (AP) — The U. N. Economic Commission for Europe says a through sleeping car service between Moscow and Vienna will be inaugurated in May. Service will be provided three times a week each way and the trip will take about 48 hours. At the Polish - Russian border, the standard gauge cars will be readjusted to the broad gauge Russian rail system.

Congress to Resume on Tuesday With Farm Policy, Foreign Aid in Top Spots

WASHINGTON (AP) — Foreign policy and farm aid legislation took top billing Saturday as congressional leaders returned to Washington for the opening of the 1956 legislative session Tuesday.
Sen. Wiley of Wisconsin, top Republican on the Foreign Relations Committee, said recent statements by Russian leaders Nikolai Bulganin and Nikita Khrushchev will spur a strengthening of "our overall military-diplomatic position."
Suggesting that congressional leaders adopt a New Year's resolution to "try to keep partisan politics out of our international relations," Wiley predicted the Red leaders' comments will prompt Senate and House committee to "give the armed forces the benefit of the doubt on proposed increases" in appropriations.
"If anything, we should be intensifying our guided missile, nuclear and related programs," Wiley said.

To Seek Aid Increase
Wiley predicted nevertheless that administration plans to seek an increase in foreign aid funds will face a fight in Congress.
Another big battle is shaping up over farm legislation, which Sen. Lyndon B. Johnson of Texas, the Democratic floor leader, said will get early attention.
Johnson, back in Washington after what his doctors called "a most satisfactory recovery" from a heart attack last July, said the Senate will meet briefly Tuesday and then recess until Thursday, when President Eisenhower's State of the Union Message will be read by clerks in both houses.

Demo Program
When the President's recommendations have been heard, Johnson said he will confer with the committee chairmen, all Democrats, and then call the Senate Democratic Policy Committee together to map a legislative program.
"There is no priority on any bill right now," Johnson told reporters. He indicated that farm legislation and disaster relief bills inspired by flood damage at both ends of the country this year will get early consideration.
Tax cut proposals appeared relegated to the background for the time being.
Air of Good Will
There was an air of sweetness and good will among the lawmakers as they streamed back to Washington to take their places in the opening firing line. This may have been due to the holiday season as well as to the absence of any immediate crisis.
House Republican leader Martin of Massachusetts said for example that he doesn't think the coming session is going to be "as stormy as some people think."

Uneasy World Welcomes New Year With Hopes for Peace, Prosperity

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
An uneasy world hopefully welcomed the New Year Sunday with sincere wishes for peace, prosperity and good health among all peoples.

After celebrating the arrival of 1956 with merrymaking, the devout of many lands turned to church for renewal of faith and resolution to work for mankind's betterment.
Family gatherings and feasting were the rule. In many lands New Year's is the Christmas Day for rejoicing and exchanging gifts. The Russians, for example, made a big day of it, putting up gaily decorated green trees and welcoming a bearded ancient named Grandfather Frost.
President Eisenhower planned a quiet observance at his vacation retreat at the Key West, Fla., naval base. Mrs. Eisenhower, accompanied by her mother, Mrs. John W. Doud of Denver, flew from Washington to join him.

Hopes for Peace
Hopes that 1956 will bring the world a more stable peace were voiced in New Year's Eve statements by several European leaders.
From Soviet Premier Nikolai Bulganin came a declaration the spirit of Geneva will not be "buried" and that another summit conference might be fruitful provided some big ifs are overcome.
He said the fact that both the East and West have the H-bomb is no sure guarantee there will be no war, but he seemed to reflect a Soviet feeling of security, growing out of last summer's Geneva meeting, against the actual possibility of atomic warfare.
Greetings Sent
Bulganin closed with greetings and good wishes to the American people on the new year. U.S. Secretary of State John Foster Dulles declined comment on the Russian statements except to subscribe to the hope for peace in 1956.
Dutch Prime Minister Willem Drees expressed a view held by a number of world leaders: "Fears for a new world war... have been reduced since people realize that application of modern means of destruction no longer offers a prospect of victory but merely destruction of the battling parties."
New Year's eve celebrations in the United States, Europe and in many far off places were noisy and lavish, reflecting prosperous conditions and hopeful attitudes. But with the fun came tragedy in highway accidents, fires and other mishaps.

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