

Weather Cited In Divorce Case

California Climate Rapped by Attorney

CHICAGO—(P)—An attorney in a suit to modify a divorce decree said Monday his client had been genuinely flim-flammed in the case ballyhoo about California's climate.

The attorney, Charles C. Cooley, told Judge Peter Schwab of Superior Court his client, Charles Chada, a railroad yardmaster, had agreed at the time the divorce was granted 11 years ago to allow his former wife, Lillian, 47, to take their daughter to Van Nuys, Calif., because the girl was suffering from asthma.

HE SAID he believed the child, Jacqueline, now 13, would be benefited by the change of climate.

"Because of the ballyhoo of the Chamber of Commerce," Cooley told the court, "my client and a lot of other Chicagoans were deceived into believing the California climate was much better than Chicago's."

Now he has discovered the climate in and around Los Angeles actually is harmful to the health of the child or anyone else suffering a respiratory ailment.

COOLEY said that in 1950, California had at least 33 days of heavy fog, compared with only 13 in Chicago. Over a 75-year period—he added, Los Angeles had at least 70 days of temperatures over 100 degrees, but that Chicago had only 20 such days.

William D. Sampson, attorney for Mrs. Chada, said Cooley's argument caught him with his defenses down. He said he was not prepared to cope with Cooley's argument but if the court would grant a continuance, he would gather some rebuttal information. Where? Why, the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce, if necessary, he said.

The judge continued the case to April 3.

CAB Alters Safety Rules

WASHINGTON—(P)—New safety standards for commercial airplanes, effective March 5, were issued Monday by the Civil Aeronautics Board following an annual review of air safety by its experts and interested parties.

Among the changes made in the CAB's regulations is a requirement for stronger seats and safety belts to protect passengers in the event of crash landings.

Others call for more hand fire extinguishers in transport planes, increased fireproofing of cargo compartments, and certain design changes in engine installations.

Other technical design changes call for modifications in the planes' electrical, hydraulic and ventilating systems and in instruments. Standards were set up also for turbine type engines.

The new regulations were issued in the wake of a number of recent commercial plane crashes, but there was no evidence that there was any direct connection.

\$40,000 Estate Left By 'Eternal Flapper'

NEW YORK—(P)—Actress Fannie Ward, the "eternal flapper" and "Fountain of Youth girl," left a \$40,000 estate, half of which was the remnant of fabulous million-dollar jewelry collection.

The public administrator, applying Monday in Surrogate's Court for letters of administration her estate, said about \$20,000 worth of jewels were found in a safe deposit box.

Miss Ward was at least 75 years old when she died Jan. 27.

Kefauver to Enter Nebraska Primary

OMAHA—(P)—Sen. Kefauver (D-Tenn.) "definitely will enter the Nebraska presidential preference primary," a spokesman for the Nebraska Kefauver-for-President Club said Tuesday.

The announcement came from Frank Morrison, an officer in the Nebraska Kefauver movement.

Bigger, Better Eggs Reported

Lane County chickens, apparently, are out to lay bigger and better eggs in 1952.

Two whopper eggs, one weighing 6 ounces, the other half a pound, have previously been reported. Monday, Charles Wyle, of Junction City, reported to the Onion Editor that one of his first-year New Hampshire Red pullets laid a 5 ounce egg, measuring 9 inches around the long way and 7 inches around the middle.

Vanport Flood Briefs Filed

PORTLAND—(P)—The Oregon State, Multnomah County, or Portland city government—not the federal government—had the responsibility of protecting Vanport, according to U.S. attorneys.

The attorneys filed a 165-page brief here Monday. That was the latest development in the trial of six million dollars in damage suits against the federal government growing out of the 1948 Memorial Day flood which wiped out the war housing project.

The trial of 20 suits, representative of more than 3000 filed, ended here last August.

The U.S. attorneys' brief also said the railroads should not be held accountable. It was through a railroad fill that the flood waters burst on to the city. The government was operating the railroads during 1948 because of a strike.

Attorneys for the suing Vanport residents now have 60 days to file a reply to the government's brief.

Survey Notes Discrimination

NEW YORK—(P)—Anti-Negro hiring policies are evident in the defense effort, the National Urban League said Monday after a 10-month nation-wide survey.

The League said a \$75,000 study of 30 key defense industry areas showed that Negroes generally are the last to be hired and usually are limited to menial jobs, such as janitors.

However, many local exceptions were noted in the league's report. Julius A. Thomas, national director, said at a news conference that some 75 full-time employees of the Urban League would try to improve the situation through talks with employment officers and of industries across the nation.

Thomas said that the anti-discrimination laws of such states as Massachusetts, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, New Mexico, Minnesota, Washington and Oregon had improved the situation somewhat in those states but had not removed the problem.

Bodies Found Near Eureka

EUREKA, Calif.—(P)—The bodies of two drowning victims Monday were reported found north and south of here.

A body identified as that of Seaman Elmo Whitmore of Tillamook, Ore., washed ashore near Crescent City, some 75 miles north of Eureka. He was believed the missing crew member of the lumber schooner M. V. Oceanside, which reported a man overboard Friday.

The body of James Stewart, 25, utilities company wire splicer, was found in a stream near Redway. Stewart, who resided at Phillipsville, was reported missing Jan. 27.

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Slug May Aid Former Convict

DALLAS—(P)—A pistol slug over the right eye may mean a new and entirely different life for Charles Green, 29-year-old Dallas ex-convict.

Green was shot in the brain Saturday night in a tavern brawl.

Doctors said Monday the bullet performed a lobotomy. It struck the part of the brain that controls the sense of right and wrong.

Lobotomy is the operation sometimes performed on homicidal maniacs and criminals. Frequently the operation changes them into persons who are able to take their place in society.

Protest Vatican Envoy

LOS ANGELES—(P)—The 29th annual world convention of the Church of the Four Square Gospel Monday sent a protest, signed by 312 lay delegates and ministers, to President Truman against appointment of United States ambassador to the Vatican.

Consistent Couple Have Third Child

IONIA, Mich.—(P)—Between 9 and 10 a.m. on Feb. 3, 1950, Mr. and Mrs. Merle Millard Jr. had their first child, Thomas James.

On Feb. 2 last year, also between 9 and 10, they had their second child, Mary Carole.

Well, Sunday was Feb. 3, 1952. At 9:57 a.m. Mrs. Millard bore their third child, Lee Ann.

Woman Killed, 5 Hurt In Traffic Collision

HILLSBORO—(P)—Five persons, two of them children, were critically injured and a woman was killed in a collision near here Monday.

Mrs. Ruth Helen Will, about 60, driver of one of the cars, died. Joe Thomas of Astoria was the driver of the other vehicle. The injured were Mr. and Mrs. Thomas, Mrs. Virginia Foshee and her daughter, Linda, of Long Beach, Calif., and another child, Jean Voelker.

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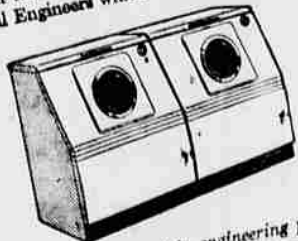
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