

Americans Accused of Huge Swindles Find Brazil Provides Haven

Rio de Janeiro — (AP) — Brazil, the wealthy tropical country, is currently harboring at least three Americans accused of multimillion-dollar swindles. Carl Belle of Pittsburgh, Lowell Birrell of New York and Ben J. Cage of Dallas are now living high in this country for years because Brazil does not have an extradition treaty with the United States.

All three men say they were framed, and all three say they will return to the United States some day to clear their names.

Brazilians violently oppose capital punishment, and this country has consistently refused to conclude an extradition treaty with any nation which executes criminals.

U.S. negotiators succeeded recently in breaking down this attitude to extent of persuading the Brazilian government to agree to extradite fugitives who do not face capital charges, but so far that has not been ratified by Brazil's congress and it is not certain how soon it will be — if ever.

In any case, the treaty is unlikely to affect the Americans already here since its provisions probably will not be retroactive.

Fathers' Child

Belle certainly has no cause to worry. He has made himself extradition-proof by fathering a child born in Brazil. Under Brazilian law, no one who is providing for a native-born citizen can be expelled from the country.

The Pittsburgher, who has been indicted on 31 federal counts of embezzlement from three banks, came here with his first wife, Norma. She bore two children in Brazil before they separated and she dropped out of the picture.

The whereabouts of the first child are uncertain, and some sources say it died. However, the second child is living with Belle and his second wife in their comfortable home here.

Belle has talked at various times of sugar interests in Rio and describes himself as a "business consultant." He speaks of activities in oil, farming and diamonds, but like Belle he gives no details.

He has a reputation as a good tipper and gets preferred treatment in Rio's night clubs and restaurants, but so far as is known he has not gained entry to the private club where Brazil's high society gathers.

Cage, a dapper, graying Texan who looks more like an ambassador than an embezzler, set the pattern for the modern version of "flying down to Rio."

He came to Brazil when his financial operations began to run into trouble, returned to the United States against his attorney's advice to stand trial, then jumped bail and returned to Brazil after he had been convicted of embezzlement and sentenced to serve 10 years in prison.

He wears, almost as a uniform, a black suit, black shoes, black socks and a black tie.

The two men use aliases for reasons that are not fully clear. Cage calling himself "Sullivan" while Belle uses the name "Costa."

Cage and Belle explain their reluctance to talk to newsmen by saying they have sold their "literary rights" to a New York firm. They say their contract requires them to charge \$400 for an interview — a price that no newspaper is known to have met.

"We did it because we need the money," Cage says.

There is no indication, however, that the Texan is feeling the pinch of poverty. He spends \$8,820 a year just for rent — \$250 a month for his apartment in Sao Paulo and \$460 a month for his wife's apartment in Rio.

Although his Brazilian base is the southern industrial city of Sao Paulo, Cage makes frequent trips to Rio and his wife spends most of her time here.

Belle and Cage work together to further their "mutual interests." Friends in Sao Paulo say Cage looks after Belle's interests there while Belle keeps an eye on Cage's interests in Rio.

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His financial operations, which at one time included a one-month option on the services of actress Anita Ekberg, ranged from Texas to New York and even to Tangier.

But Cage soared too high and drew too heavily on his far-flung businesses, taking out as much as \$250,000 a year for personal expenses.

He was found guilty in October, 1957, of embezzling \$100,000 from one of his companies.

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Car Choice May Show Type of Personality

New York — (AP) — A survey by Northwestern university graduate students concludes that to some degree you can judge a man's personality by the car he drives.

Convertible owners tend to be "more active, more vigorous, more impulsive, more dominant and more sociable than either standard or compact car owners," the students found.

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Saskatchewan Slates Institution Of Continent's First Medical Plan

(Editor's Note: While the controversy over Medical Care for the Aged under Social Security intensifies in the United States, another heated dispute involving government-financed medical care is under way in Canada. The government of the province of Saskatchewan plans to put into effect July 1 the first program of Socialized Medicine in North America. The plan, patterned after England's National Health Service, is drawing bitter opposition, especially from the medical profession.)

Regina Sask. — (AP) — The Socialist Province of Saskatchewan plans to institute North America's first "Socialized Medicine" plan July 1, with or without the cooperation of the province's 900 doctors.

The doctors, members of the Provincial College of Physicians and Surgeons, are bitterly opposed to the \$21 million plan and have adamantly refused to practice under it. The government has offered and made some concessions but also refuses to budge from the basis of its prepaid medical care for everyone program.

In Canada, health care, like education, is strictly a provincial responsibility. There are no pending plans for nationwide Socialization of medicine in Canada and the federal government is not directly involved in the Saskatchewan controversy.

The Administration Provincial Premier, Woodrow Lloyd, passed the necessary legislation last November and began collecting increased income, corporate and sales taxes to finance the medicare plan in January. The April 1 starting date was put back to July 1 in an effort to persuade the doctors to "give the program a fair trial."

If anything, the members of the Saskatchewan College of Physicians and Surgeons have become more unbending than ever, but Premier Lloyd has restated frequently the government's intention of putting the program into operation July 1 regardless.

The protesting physicians have threatened to take their case to the courts. They also have threatened to move out of the province and a few have, though the number of defecting doctors appears not to be great.

One Regina doctor went so far as to forecast, "there will be fighting in the streets before this thing is finished."

The College of Physicians and Surgeons has urged all its members to remain "during this difficult period when we are trying to resolve the problems that confront the profession."

While the physicians flatly state they will not work under the plan, they do say that they will provide essential emergency services. How do they plan to do this is yet to be worked out.

The Saskatchewan version of Socialized medicine, modeled after Britain's 18-year-old National Health Service, covers everything but hospitalization, dentistry, eye glasses and drugs. The government already sponsors a hospitalization plan. The patient can go to any doctor of his choice, receive any form of treatment — including surgery — that the physician deems necessary, and go back as often as he likes, provided the doctor agrees.

Indigent and chronically ill patients are guaranteed permanent treatment. The plan also includes fees for specialists. If the patient's family goes on his own, the patient must pay the difference between the set fees of the general practitioner and the specialist.

The government-set rates are 85 per cent of the 1959 scale of fees set by the College of Physicians and Surgeons. Private medical plans now in operation in Saskatchewan now pay 85 per cent of the fee with the patient paying the other 15 per cent. Under the new plan, the doctor receives 85 per cent of what he normally would charge.

To finance its medicare plan, the government will charge annual premiums of \$12 and \$24 for single persons and families respectively. It is estimated this would be raised through an increase in the sales tax from three to five per cent, plus increased income and corporate taxes. Payments on personal premiums have been delayed until November.

Under Fire

The medical plan came under fire from Canadian Prime Minister John Diefenbaker's Royal Commission on Health Services as well as the medical profession. Last month during its sittings in Regina, one of the commission members, Toronto Industrialist M. W. McCutcheon, accused the Saskatchewan administration of taking control of the medical profession.

"Can you describe a more effective way to control a group than by controlling its income? I suggest you have the most effective control of the medical profession," McCutcheon said.

Saskatchewan Health Minister W. G. Davies, the object of McCutcheon's attack, admitted that any change in a doctor's fees would have to be approved by the Provincial Cabinet.

The doctors have voiced several objections to government-controlled medical care, but have avoided discussion of their fees and incomes. They have complained that the medical care plan would kill the so-called doctor-patient relationship, force the doctor to surrender his integrity and freedom and "make him a second class citizen." None of the doctors have said in plain language what most people realize — that it would limit and in some cases, reduce their earnings.

Doctors have proposed alternate plans which they insist would cost only a fraction of the government plan. But the Lloyd Administration is in a position of already collecting taxes for a plan that hasn't gotten off the ground and they could hardly rescind them.

Washington — (AP) — The Foreign Agricultural Service reports Japan's "big imports" in 1961 set a record and for the first time exceeded \$1 billion.

The "big 7" imports are wheat, barley, corn, soybeans, cotton, hides and skins and tallow. The total imports cost Japan \$1,012,900,000. Of this, \$524,400,000 was paid to U.S. exporters.

Imports of the "big 7" crops as a group were up 19 per cent from 1960, the previous record year when they totaled \$852,100,000. Only barley failed to gain.

Increased cotton purchases accounted for more than half of the total gain, and corn sales accounted for another 17 per cent. Large cotton purchases reflected a good year for the Japanese cotton textile industry and a generally booming economy. Increased corn purchases stemmed from the rapid growth in the Japanese poultry and livestock industry with increasing need for poultry and livestock feed.

Purchases of soybeans, hides and skins, and tallow also went up.

Japan's imports from the United States increased by one-fifth, U. S. wheat sales however, took a fairly sharp drop as Japan turned increasingly to Canada and Australia to purchase wheat. The United States made strong gains as a supplier of corn, hides and skins, soybeans, and cotton.

New York — (AP) — The New York Central Railroad has started a campaign to eliminate the "clickety-clack" noise made by trains rolling along its tracks.

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