

Anti-Toxin Flown For Treatment of Botulism Victims

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. (UPI)—Supplies of a scarce anti-toxin were flown from Canada and Denmark today to combat a suspected outbreak of botulism, apparently stemming from packaged smoked fish, that already has claimed six lives.

All of the known supply in the United States of the anti-toxin for the rare "E" type of food poisoning has been brought into use and appeared to be effective in helping eight patients here and in Nashville. The anti-toxin was flown here Tuesday by military jet plane from Bethesda, Md.

A special commercial airline flight arrived early today with five pounds of the antidote from the Connaught Medical Center in Toronto, Ont.

Intracard Diagnosis Lacking

Doctors still have been unable to make an intracard diagnosis in the death here Monday of David Cohen, 35, and his 10-year-old daughter, Amy Beth. The same is true in the death in Nashville Sunday of Mrs. Anna Belle Phelps, 51, and on

Sept. 30 of F. W. Pruter, 36. Mr. and Mrs. Chester Mitchell died last Thursday in Kalamazoo, Mich.

The victims all had one thing in common. They had eaten smoked fish from Michigan.

Vanderbilt Hospital officials in Nashville said Tuesday night that Eric Charles Dalton, 5, of Huntsville, Ala., had been admitted to the hospital with apparent symptoms of botulism.

Dr. Richard Cannon, hospital director, quoted the child's mother as saying that Eric had eaten some of the suspected smoked whitefish last Friday.

Cannon said the mother said some of the symptoms had shown up Saturday and had grown progressively worse before he was brought to Vanderbilt.

In Respirator

He said Eric was in a respirator to help fight the paralyzing effect of the poison. Cannon said the boy's condition was listed as critical.

The Tennessee victims ate smoked whitefish purchased from Kroger supermarkets and packed by the Dornbos Bros. Fisheries of Grand Haven, Mich. Investigators have been unable to find out where the Mitchells bought the fish they ate.

It was impossible to tell to how many stores the infected fish may have been sent. H. J. Dornbos, president of the fishery, appealed to anyone who may have bought it to return it to the store where it was purchased. A Kroger company spokesman said only three packages have been returned to one Knoxville store.

NAMED MANAGER

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Dr. Joseph F. Shea, 37-year-old deputy director of the space agency's office of manned space flight, has been named program manager for development of the Apollo spacecraft.

DAIEN, Conn. (UPI)—S. Bayard Colgate, 65, president of the Colgate-Palmolive Co. from 1933 to 1938, died Tuesday at his home on Contentment Island.



A FATAL CRASH—E. J. Marshall of Winston-Salem, N.C., displays a chicken hawk which lost its life when it crashed through the storm door of Marshall's home. (UPI)

System of Trade Controls With Soviet May Be Altered

By JEANNE KUEBLER
Editorial Research Reports

WASHINGTON — Agreement by the Kennedy administration to sanction shipment of wheat to the Soviet Union may well foreshadow early review of the whole system of controls now governing American trade with Communist countries. The possibility of modifying the restrictions, which have held commercial interchanges with Soviet Russia and its satellites to minimal amounts, has received growing attention since signature of the limited test-treaty began to ease cold war tensions.

Modification of the restrictions became a matter of immediate interest in mid-September when Canada announced that it had agreed to sell \$500 million worth of wheat to the Russians. The Canadian-Russian transaction, largest ever negotiated for shipments of wheat within the space of one year, came on the heels of a big Canadian wheat sale to Communist China in August. Moreover, British trade delegations traveled to Moscow and Peking in September in search of additional business.

All these negotiations with the Communists by two of this country's closest economic and political partners pointed up the profound difference of policy between them and the United States on East-West trade. The United States, held back by legal restrictions as well as by strong opposition in Congress and the country, has carried on little trade with Communist countries other than Poland and Yugoslavia.

Assistant Senate Majority Leader Humphrey (D-Minn.) recently asserted that this restrictive policy was "not in the best interests of the country." Humphrey's view has found strong support in business and financial circles. The First National City Bank of New York, for example, said in its monthly economic letter on Oct. 1 that "All economic considerations favor normalization of East-West trade, with understandable exceptions." The bank asserted that the American policy of attempting to check Russia's economic growth by officially discouraging trade was driving this country into "a position of economic isolation."

Commercial exchanges by the United States with the Soviet Union and the Eastern European countries in 1962 amounted to \$415.7 million by value. More than half of the over-all trade was carried on with two countries: Poland, considered to have a degree of independence from Moscow despite its continued satellite status, and Yugoslavia, which has followed an independent course since 1948. These two nations have enjoyed preferred tariff status in United States markets and have occupied a favored position under the system for controlling exports to Communist countries.

Of \$279 million in American exports to Communist nations in 1962, \$154.2 million worth was shipped to Yugoslavia and \$94.5 million worth to Poland; the other satellites together took about \$15 million, the same amount received by the Soviet Union. Exports to Communist China, North Korea and North Viet Nam are under total embargo. Imports into the United States from Communist countries likewise come predominantly from Yugoslavia and Poland. Of a total \$136 million in American imports from the Communists in 1962, Yugoslavia supplied goods valued at \$54 million and Poland shipped \$46 million worth.

These totals contrast sharply with the flourishing trade carried on by other free world nations with the Communists. Value of exports to Communist countries by all countries of the free world aggregated almost \$5 billion in 1961, and this figure has increased since that year. Exports to the Sino-Soviet bloc by the Western European nations, Canada, and Japan — countries which, with the United States, restrict shipments of war materials to the Communists — had a total value of \$2.5 billion in 1962. Setting the export pace were West Germany, Great Britain, and France.

Try and Stop Me

By BENNETT CERF

"RABBIT" MARANVILLE, old Boston Braves shortstop whose "basket" catches delighted fans as much as those of Willie Mays, was a constant thorn in the sides of the umpires. One day he jumped out of the batter's box and lined himself back of the catcher and Umpire Bill Klem. "I just wanted to see," he explained to Klem, "where you had to stand to call that last pitch a strike." An unappreciative Klem banished him from the field.

Once in a Boston get-together sponsored by a local newspaper, Maranville needed the famous Indian athlete, Jim Thorpe, to a point where Thorpe chased the diminutive shortstop up an apple tree. Maranville stayed there three hours until Thorpe, waiting at the base of the tree, fell asleep. Thorpe was so angry when he awoke and found his tormentor gone that he uprooted the tree.

The music critic of the San Francisco Examiner once asked a columnist at an adjoining desk why he kept humming the same song day after day. "Because it haunts me," explained the columnist. "Small wonder," grumbled the critic. "You keep murdering it!"

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Air Base Trucks Said Used as Taxis

WASHINGTON (UPI)—For a bunch of wild blue yonder types, the fellows at Tachikawa Air Force base in Japan did seem to require an unseemly number of trucks.

According to a report made public Tuesday by the General Accounting Office, some of the boys were using 1/2 and 3/4 ton trucks for taxis, in the advancement of their personal and cultural status.

The upshot is that Tachikawa Air Force base now is making do with 117 fewer government vehicles, and the 24-hour commercial taxi service available for both on-base and off-base traffic presumably is booming again.

Appeal Issued by Corps For 9,000 Volunteers

The Peace Corps has issued an appeal for volunteers to meet the requests of host country governments in 1964. The Corps estimates that it will require at least 9,000 persons to meet this need.

Teachers continue to be in the highest demand. There is a need for 5,000 of this number, 3,000 are needed for secondary schools; 1,000 for elementary schools; 500 for colleges and universities, and 500 in the fields of physical, vocational and adult education.

There is a call for 2,000 community development workers, 700 health workers, 600 agricultural technicians and 700 skilled tradesmen, technicians and professional personnel.

In the field of health, 500 nurses of all kinds are needed. Another 200 persons will fill posts as medical, laboratory and x-ray technicians, doctors, dentists and sanitarians.

The demand for agricultural skills covers a wide range of subjects but those most frequently called for are: agricultural extension, irrigation, farm mechanics, animal husbandry, agricultural engineering, poultry, dairying and soil conservation.

Applicants are advised to submit an early application if they want to be considered for either February or June appointments. Application forms are available from the Peace Corps, Division of Recruiting, Washington, D.C. 20525.

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