Mex Disease Break Danger To US Herds

The presence of foot-and-mouth disease in Mexican cattle is probably the most important problem confronting the livestock industry today, according to the American National Live Stock association.

The Mexican outbreak of the disease started near Vera Cruz. It was traced to the importation of Brahma bulls from Brazil. Fortunately the disease chose to spread toward the west more than toward the north, and still is concentrated some 300 miles south of the border.

A Mexican delegation headed by Oscar Flores, assistant secretary of agriculture of Mexico, is coming to the United States to work out a battle line with this government against disease. Flores will have dictatorial powers in the foot-and-mouth fight in Mexico. Despite the economy drive of this country's republican congress, observers do not see any opposition to an appropriation for the foot-and-mouth prevention project.

Ranchers and livestock men realize that it is better to spend som money now to try to stamp the disease out of Mexico rather than to allow it to become permanently saddled on that country and forever be a threat to the cattle industry in the United States.

Boundary Fence

In the meantime, border patrols, both federal and state, in California, Arizona, New Mexico and Texas have been strengthened, and there is a bill pending before congress to rect a 1905-mile fence along the international boundary.

Most common means of spreading the disease is by cntact with infected animals by undiseased animals, but foot-and-mouth may also be carried by persons, transport vehicles, birds and animals of any kind moving from the infected area to "clean" territory.

If the disease should get into northern Mexico, cattlemen believe a 1905-mile border fence would be imperative.

Program agreed upon tentatively by the United States and Mexico is for the establishment of an iron-ribbed quarantine around the infected area, immediate destruction of animals outside the quarantine which break out with the disease, and gradual elimination of all livestock in the infected area.

In the meantime the Mexican border remains absolutely closed to all animals subject to the disease, or products from such animals. No vaccine now available will control the disease.

Britons To Get Australian Land

LONDON, March 13 (AP)—The Australian high commissioner's office said today an official announcement would be made in Canberra "in a few days" on negotiations to charter the 44,786-ton liner Aquitania to carry British emigrants to the dominion.

Upwards of 200,000 Britons have registered for new homes down under in a special plan scheduled to go into operation March 31, a spokesman said, and a vanguard of about 400 building workers already has made the journey.

Portland Poultry Plant Picketed

PORTLAND, March 13 (AP)—All pickets appeared Tuesday at the first of six Northwest Poultry and Dairy Products company plants they threatened to shut down in Oregon.

The pickets were in front of the Portland plant. S. W. Barker, secretary of the AFL Egg and Poultry Workers union, said the McMinnville plant would be picketed tomorrow, and those in Salem, Albany, Eugene, Roseburg and Redmond later.

KUHS Helps Ag Training

Klamath Union high school becomes the sponsoring agent for Klamath county of the cooperative operation of institutional on-farm training in agriculture for veterans, it was decided at a meeting of school districts 1 and 2 Monday night at KUHS. Lee S. McMullen was named chairman of the advisory committee.

Superintendent Arnold Gralapp advised the boards that one of the big buses ordered some time ago, was to be delivered within a short time.

The elementary board, No. 1, will meet next Monday night to study the 1947-48 budget and has also completed surveys of the buildings. On Thursday at 2 p. m., board No. 2 will make a survey of the KUHS building and is also slated to meet Monday night for budgetary study.

Store Milk Bill Loses

SALEM, March 13 (AP)—The senate agriculture committee Wednesday refused to introduce the proposed milk control bill sponsored by the affiliated milk committee of Portland.

The action leaves it up to the senate's rules committee to decide if it wants to sponsor the controversial measure, which, in effect, would bring about the reduction of the price of milk bought in stores.

The price of store milk now is the same as home-delivered milk, and Portland women's clubs and consumer organizations have demanded that the store price be lowered because it is not subject to the delivery costs.

President Delays Army Execution

HONOLULU, March 13 (AP)—President Truman has ordered a third and indefinite stay of execution for PFC. Garlon Mickles, 19-year-old St. Louis negro, who was sentenced by a military court to hang for the rape of a war department civilian employe on Guam, the army public relations office announced today.

Mickles was sentenced to hang January 20 but the execution was postponed twice previously at the request of the national association for the advancement of colored people.

Truman Address Drew Loud Applause At Three Points

WASHINGTON, March 13 (AP) President Truman's address to congress on foreign policy was broken only three times by applause.

The first break when he said: "It is of the utmost importance that we supervise the use of any funds made available to Greece, in such a manner that each dollar spent will count toward making Greece self-supporting. . ."

The second:

"We shall not realize our objectives, however, unless we are willing to help free peoples to maintain their free institutions and their national integrity that seek to impose upon them totalitarian regimes."

The third:

"I would not recommend it except that the alternative is much more serious."

Mr. Truman's arrival in the house chamber and the conclusion of his address were loudly applauded by congressmen regardless of party.

Lincoln Urges Cooperation

PORTLAND, March 13 (AP)—James F. Lincoln, president of a company which has gained prominence for peaceful labor relations, said today that laws "can't make industrial harmony."

The Cleveland, Ohio, president of Lincoln Electric company said that industrial peace "has to come from within the hearts of labor and management."

He urged labor to give operators more of a chance. "It's getting so in many places that the employer can't talk to his employes without consulting a union chieftain," he said. "Now does that produce industrial harmony? . . . It's got to be half-and-half on the part of management and labor."

PROTEST

SACRAMENTO, Calif., March 12 (AP)—It struck home today when California legislators got their hotel bills with rates hiked as much as 40 per cent.

There was a flurry of excitement as legislative bills were prepared freezing California hotel rents at OPA levels.

And one senator proposed the legislature appropriate $1,500,000 to build a capital hotel.

Light Plane Breaks Power Line

TACOMA, March 13 (AP)—An airplane pilot, swooping a light plane over his house Wednesday, dipped too low and clipped a low voltage city power line with one wing, cutting off light service for a few hours to 100 homes in the Salishan housing project.

Police Capt. Larry Amundsen said the pilot, Donald E. Lynch, whose plane was little damaged, reported immediately to police headquarters and agreed to reimburse the city for the damage.

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