

Quarantine Station Requested

SACRAMENTO (UPI) — The California Board of Agriculture has urged Congress to provide funds to build and maintain an animal quarantine station to serve the Pacific area.

In a resolution adopted Monday, the board said that although the federal government has an animal quarantine station at Clifton, N. J., serving the Atlantic area, there are "no satisfactory federal quarantine facilities" on the West Coast.

State Agriculture Department officials said that a "far greater number of animals have been imported into California by ocean vessel and airplane during the past 18 months than arrived on the Eastern Seaboard during the past five years."

Officials said that for the first 11 months of this year, 78 million pounds of foreign cold storage meat were brought into California. They said over 76 million pounds originated in New Zealand and Australia.

In addition, officials said, during the past two years large shipments of livestock from New Zealand and Australia arrived in California.

Arthur G. Boyd, assistant director of agriculture, said that these shipments have brought about "new problems" in quarantine and disease control.

"Among these problems," Boyd said, "has been the finding that, after release from federal quarantine, many sheep from Australia were found infected with foot rot and sheath rot. This placed the responsibility on the state of California to prevent the movement of these sheep into other areas for feeding."

Crews Sent To OK Plane

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The Air Force sent two maintenance crews and a spare engine with President Eisenhower's luxurious jetliner to assure safe, smooth flights on his 23,000-mile good will tour.

Two military C-130 "Hercules" turbo-prop cargo planes carrying the eight-man crews and the 6,700-pound engine flew ahead of the President's craft. The C-130's "leap-frogged" each other so that one was on the ground waiting for Eisenhower's plane at each stop.

When the President's VC-137A — a special version of the civilian Boeing 707 transport — touched down in Asia, Africa and Europe, one of the maintenance crews went to work immediately servicing his plane.

In some cases this was a hurry up job. For instance, the Chief Executive spent only five hours in Kabul, Afghanistan, and scheduled only a 5 1/2 hour stop in Morocco.

Boy, 9, Saved By Woman, 82

SOUTH SAN GABRIEL, Calif. (UPI) — An 82-year-old woman saved a 9-year-old boy from being trampled Monday by a frightened horse.

Mrs. Irma Manchester grabbed the dangling reins of the rearing horse and held on, preventing it from stamping on Charles Root Jr. The boy had been riding the horse and was thrown off when it was frightened by an auto.

CLERGYMAN BURIED TEMPLE CITY, Calif. (AP) — The Rev. Nathaniel Edward Kelms, who held a pastorate for the Church of Christ at Eugene, Ore., was buried here today. He died Saturday at the age of 88.

Mediators Plow Ahead Sans Visible Progress

WASHINGTON (AP) — Federal mediators plowed ahead today without visible progress while plans sprouted for 93 separate bargaining sessions across the country next Sunday.

Seemingly to the surprise of some unionists, industry negotiators bowed quickly Monday to the demand of United Steelworkers President David J. McDonald for company-by-company negotiations.

This scrambled the bargaining picture. McDonald apparently hoped that by bringing the responsible executives of every big and little steel firm into direct talks, he could crack the industry front which has held almost completely solid for eight months against the union's wage and benefits demands.

There was no immediate sign, however, that any of the smaller companies were ready to offer their local union leaders any more than the industry's top negotiating team has offered McDonald.

Chessman Execution Set Feb. 19

LOS ANGELES (UPI) — The wheels of justice turn slowly but inevitably, moving each day to the extinction of Caryl Chessman's life.

For the eighth time in nearly 11 1/2 years, the notorious convict author was sentenced to death Monday during a brief court session carried on in the impersonal tones of justice.

"It appears to the court that there is an unexecuted penalty of death in this case," said Superior Judge Herbert V. Walker. There was no rancor or sympathy in his voice. He was performing only one of the numerous duties of his office.

"The court now fixes Feb. 19, 1960, as the date for execution," he said.

There was no emotion heard from the few spectators in the courtroom, no visible excitement — most of them were waiting around for other cases.

To Chessman, sitting in his cell in San Quentin's death row where he has been lodged since shortly after his conviction of 17 felonies May, 1948, the news had been expected.

"Thank you," he said simply when a guard told him the date.

The ruggedly handsome Chessman, now 38, was busy preparing new appeals. Such appeals in the past have forestalled his other execution dates, although none has yet earned him his hope of getting a new trial.

The eighth execution date was set because of the U. S. Supreme Court recently turned down his latest appeal.

A jury found Chessman guilty in the spring of 1948 of being the "red light bandit."

His conviction included two counts of kidnaping for purposes of robbing and sexually ravaging two young women, capital crimes in California.

STRIPPED OF COSTUMES BRAWLEY, Calif. (UPI) — Nightclub stripper Ann La Mont, 24, told sheriff's deputies today she expected doing her act would be "kind of inconvenient" for a while. She said her costumes were stolen from her dressing room.

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India Faces War Or Talks, Says Nehru

NEW DELHI (UPI) — Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru said today India must either negotiate with the Chinese Communists over the Sino-Indian border dispute or face up to the grim prospect of "indefinite war" between the two nations.

The Indian people have a right to be angry over Chinese incursions across the nation's borders, Nehru told the upper house of Parliament, but they would be better off translating their anger into building industrial and military strength and national morale.

The prime minister said international disputes such as the one India and China are engaged in now may be settled only through diplomacy or war but any Sino-Indian conflict would be "an indefinite war because we will never give in and they will never give in."

Nehru Monday rejected Chinese Premier Chou En-Lai's suggestion that the two men meet Saturday to discuss the border dispute. The suggestion came in a letter from Chou Dec. 18.

The Indian prime minister said today that although the Chinese note reiterated past charges India considered untenable, it still contained "certainly a strong desire to meet and discuss."

"I welcome it," Nehru added. "When the time is suitable I will avail myself of the opportunity" of meeting with Chou.

Ford Heiress Crowned Deb

DETROIT (UPI) — "Princess" Charlotte Ford, daughter of automobile king Henry Ford, II, was crowned Monday night at her debut before 2,000 of the social register's top names.

The 18-year-old blonde deb was radiant in her strapless white gown created for her by Yves St. Laurent, successor to Dior. She danced "a million miles" before the affair, said to cost her famous father more than \$100,000 ended around dawn at the Country Club of Detroit.

Charlotte, recently returned from Italy, is the granddaughter of Mrs. Edsel Ford, the great-granddaughter of Henry Ford, and heiress to the world's greatest automotive fortune.

She said she "loved every minute" of her bow into the adult social world.

Police from suburban Grosse Pointe Farms, Detroit, and the Ford security department in formal dress mingled with the guests keeping a worried eye on the millions of dollars in diamonds and other precious gems worn at the ball.

Deputy Leaves For Prisoner

Deputy Sheriff Delbert Summers left for South St. Paul, Minnesota, Sunday to return a prisoner wanted here on a bad check charge.

Summers was to return James A. Wilson, who was accused of obtaining money and property by false pretenses involving an \$8 check. Wilson was secretly indicted by the October grand jury.

Sheriff Red Britton said Summers' trip would require from eight to 10 days.

HAPPY NEWS FOR KIDS WASHINGTON (UPI) — The Commerce Department has come up with some happy Christmas statistics for the nation's youngsters. The department announced Monday that the sale of toys and games this year is up at least 8 per cent over 1958.

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