

Governor Brown Given Protection Because Of Caryl Chessman Furor

BRASILIA, Brazil (UPI) — California Gov. Edmund G. Brown is being protected by five Brazilian secret servicemen everywhere he goes in this country because of the furor raised here by the Caryl Chessman case, it was disclosed Thursday.

Brown and 27 other U.S. state chief executives arrived in Brazil Thursday on a tour of South America. None of the other governors is being given the protection afforded Brown.

The California governor said he had not requested special protection and did not know about it beforehand. He said there had been no incidents during the group's two-day stay in Rio De Janeiro before his arrival here.

Drug Probe Continuing

SAN FRANCISCO (UPI) — A federal grand jury investigation into price fixing of prescription drugs continued here today with several pharmacists from Northern California counties expected to testify.

Earlier testimony in the investigation has concerned allegations that prices in many cases were set by the "Hedgepeth Chart," which was devised by Donald K. Hedgepeth, former president of the San Francisco Pharmaceutical Society.

It was also reported that drug prices in San Francisco and Northern California are among the highest in the nation. Price fixing of drugs could be considered a violation of the Sherman Anti-Trust Law, with violators subject to fines up to \$50,000 and a year in jail, attorneys said.

Witness May Return

LOS ANGELES (UPI) — Dist. Atty. William B. McKesson today was confident one of the two key witnesses in the Finch case would return from Sweden for the third trial.

Swedish maid Marie Anne Lidholm, 20, left here Wednesday by plane for Germany and her home in Gothenburg, Sweden, to visit her parents for the holidays.

In two record long trials, Miss Lidholm, a maid in the West Covina, Calif., home of slain Barbara Jean Finch, testified for the state against Dr. R. Bernard Finch, 42, and his mistress, Carole Tregoff, 23.

Finch and the red-haired former model, his onetime reformationist, faced a third trial Jan. 3, 1961, on charges they shot to death Mrs. Finch July 18, 1959, in the driveway of her \$65,000 home so they would be free to marry and so Finch would not have to divide his wealth with her.

"I'm not trying to be mean or selfish," a copyright story in the Los Angeles Examiner quoted Miss Lidholm as saying. "I had to leave to preserve my sanity."

"I'm fed up with these trials and I don't plan to waste my life working as a maid...just because someone else is in trouble. If they (the prosecution) want me back in January they'll have to pay my fare both ways, and that includes my daily living expenses as well," said the blonde maid.

McKesson said that precisely what he hoped would happen. But should Miss Lidholm not return to testify, he said, the prosecution would proceed with plans for the joint trial using transcripts of her testimony at the two earlier trials.

"We would rather have her in person," McKesson said. "She makes a very good witness."

Miss Lidholm testified she confronted Finch in the family garage after hearing Mrs. Finch scream. She said Finch, who had been struggling with his wife, banged her head against the garage wall, knocking her unconscious.

The maid has a \$100,000 civil suit pending against the surgeon as a result of the alleged assault. "I'm only 20, but I feel twice that age," the Examiner interview continued. "My life is not my own. I can't make any plans, not even for my marriage. I had to postpone that four times already and now we won't go through with it until everything is worked out."

Al Nieger, 26, Alhambra, Calif., whom Miss Lidholm once described as her boyfriend, said, "she will be more than happy to come back and assist in the trial, but her parents might prevent her from doing so."

Etna Hosts High Bands

ETNA — Etna Union High School Band students and their instructor, Conrad Morgan, hosted members of all high schools in Siskiyou County here on a recent weekend.

The combined bands practiced an entire day, then joined for a public concert that evening in the high school auditorium.

LaMar K. Jensen, director of Instrumental music for Klamath Falls schools, was guest director. Morgan introduced band leaders from other schools. They came from Happy Camp, Dunsmuir, Tulelake, McCloud, Yreka, Fort Jones and Weed high schools.

Women of the Church of Jesus Christ, Latter Day Saints, served lunch and dinner to students and instructors.

SCIENTIST PREDICTS SUCCESS — NEW YORK (UPI) — Dr. Werner von Braun, director of the U.S. space flight center in Huntsville, Ala., said Wednesday he felt the planned orbiting of an astronaut will be successful in 1961.

Von Braun, at a news conference, said the failure of a Project Mercury capsule launching at Wallops Island, Va., last Monday was a "slippage of a few weeks only" in the program to put a man in orbital flight.



A. L. "JACK" ROBERTS, Mount Shasta, is fond of cigars and pinocchle during his retirement after 31 years of law enforcement work in the area. — Photo by J. O. McKinney.

Former Officer Content To "Let World Go By"

MOUNT SHASTA — A. L. (Jack) Roberts, longtime resident of Mount Shasta, has finally laid aside his star and other articles used in law enforcement work. During his 31 years as a constable, deputy sheriff, and a one-man police department for Mount Shasta, Roberts' experiences were many and varied.

During most of this time Mount Shasta was the center of off-work activities of loggers from Weed, Mount Shasta, McCloud, Castella and Dunsmuir. Things were sometimes lively.

Now the old lawman is content to play pinocchle with cronies, smoke his inevitable cigar, and, as he says, "let the world go by."

Back in the mid '30s, the Mount Shasta police force was called on to help put down the John Dillinger reign of terror. One of Dillinger's ace gunmen, John Paul Chase, had once been a resident of this town, and in an effort to escape capture, returned. Roberts, with Beckey Long, took him into custody without firing a shot.

During the resultant trial of the gangsters, the Mount Shasta officer was called back to Chicago as a witness for the prosecution. And during recent years he was again called in for consultation by federal officers when Chase, now a resident of Alcatraz prison, tried for a parole. He didn't get it, and is still an inmate of "The Rock."

During his law enforcement years Roberts was always a student of cause and effect. He still studies crimes, and applies reason to learn why a crime was committed. His deductions are often so accurate that it appears he has a crystal ball.

He has another philosophy, too. If he can help an unfortunate who isn't a criminal but a victim of circumstances, he will do so.

Pension Claim Needs Noted — YREKA — Veterans Service Officer Lynn E. Roberts, Yreka, announced today that a statement from a private doctor is acceptable to establish veterans' pension claims in certain cases, and can greatly speed processing of a veteran's claim.

A veteran not less than 65 years of age may submit a private physician's statement at his own expense for consideration by a rating board in support of his pension claim. If the report is adequate for rating purposes, the board will act on it.

In the past, the board evaluated private statements, then scheduled the veteran for a VA examination if the statement indicated the veteran's condition would meet the schedular requirements.

If the doctor's statement does not prove adequate for rating purposes, the VA will schedule an examination just as if the veteran had not submitted a private statement.

To be adequate, the statement should include information on the veteran's complaint, his medical history, the diagnosis, and the clinical and/or X-ray findings supporting the diagnosis.

Such a statement will be acceptable for veterans under 65 when it is also includes a prognosis in cases of severe illness where recovery is doubtful, and when it shows permanent and total disability precluding travel and requiring bedside examination.

When a veteran under 65 is rated by the board on such a private statement, reexamination by the VA will be requested within one year.

Additional benefits for aid and attendance or blindness also may be granted on basis of a private physician's adequate report. If the statement indicates only reasonable probability of entitlement to aid and attendance benefits, a rating will be made together with a request for immediate VA examination to determine aid and attendance entitlement.

4-H NEWS — FORT JONES — On Nov. 17 the Scott Valley 4-Hers were invited to Scott Valley Farm Bureau meeting at Etna High School. Bill Ruddiman gave a talk on 4-H and used some 4-Hers to illustrate.

Four boys from Etna gave a round-table discussion on how you should feed your beef. From the Fort Jones Club was Mike Banning, who gave a talk on livestock.

California Tops Nation In Highway Traffic Toll

By United Press International — California led the nation early Friday in traffic deaths during the Thanksgiving holiday with 13 fatalities recorded on the highways of the state.

Three other persons have died in miscellaneous tragedies. Eight of the 13 deaths occurred in Northern California. The latest was Mrs. Ida O. Larranzi, 57, of Thornton, who was killed Thursday night when her car stalled at an intersection and was struck broadside by another five miles west of Lodi.

Other California deaths included: Mrs. Frances Harrington, 23, Mill Valley, whose car collided with another on a two-lane construction detour on Highway 99 near Tulare Thursday.

Jesse Allen, 14, San Jose, killed when the car in which he was riding plunged over a 75-foot embankment near Watsonville.

Jay Cupples, 79, Oakland, killed in a two-car crash on U.S. Highway 99 near Sacramento Thursday.

John Allen Morgan, 48, Vallejo, killed when his truck went out of control and struck three parked cars on U.S. Highway 40 near Richmond Wednesday night.

Willie Maurice Tannyswill, 20, killed when he was struck by a truck on Highway 99 near Sacramento Thursday.

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Band Leader Lists Dates

MOUNT SHASTA — John P. Day, Mount Shasta High School band leader, has announced the following dates for concerts:

Dec. 9 — fall concert in the high school auditorium.

Dec. 17 — concert during the county basketball tournament in the gym.

March 10 and 11 — participation in the annual spring concert for Northern California schools.

March 14 — concert during the county music festival in Yreka.

March 17 — annual spring concert here.

April 29 — participation in the Northern California District festival in Chico.

Engineers Finish Plan

YREKA — Soil Conservation Service engineers have completed topographic surveys and developed leveling plans for 216 acres of farmland in Shasta Valley.

Bud Handley, Carl Hen, Jiggs Kuck, James Osterberg, Cyril Cook and Steffenson Ranch personnel were among men assisted with planning and leveling operations by the SCS.

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