

French Agents Plan Wholesale Vaccinations

By JEAN FERRIGAUDT (United Press Staff Correspondent) DAKAR (Special), April 6, (U.P.)—An army of French agents of the colonial hygiene service have gone into the bush to vaccinate as many of the 2,000,000 blacks in the Senegalese swamps and forests as possible. The invasion is an effort to stamp out the plague for four years.

At the same time, officials increased the scale of the government's war on rats which has already resulted in the extermination of 2,500,000 in four years. The rats were proved responsible for the spread of the plague.

Medical General Audibert, director of the department of health of French West Africa, expressed the opinion that the preventive measures taken will be sufficient to curb the epidemic this year and stamp it out entirely within another three years.

"In the four years since 1927, the plague has appeared annually around March 15, generally showing first in the vicinity of Dakar, but this March we are hopeful that results will show efforts we have already taken to restrict the epidemic," General Audibert said.

The natives are suspicious of vaccination and many agreed only half-heartedly to allow one inoculation, whereas the vaccine should be administered annually for several years. Many of the natives flee into the bush and hide as soon as they see their first inoculation and do not appear again for several years.

So the government has organized vaccination teams and has sent them into the forests and swamps to hunt out the natives and, wherever possible, convince the chiefs to allow the inoculation of the tribes.

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INDUSTRY WATCHES CALIFORNIA EXPERIMENT IN 'COMMUNITY CONTROL' OF OIL PRODUCTION



This desolate-looking country, the Kettleman Hills oil field of California, is a center of interest in the oil industry as the well-owners unite in a plan for community operation of the field to avoid demoralization of the market by over-production. Map shows location of the field.

BETTLEMANN HILLS, Calif. (AP)—California's oil industry, seeking some way of controlling itself, is preparing to embark upon a momentous experiment in co-operative oil production which the whole oil industry will watch closely.

Beginning April 1, owners of 11-039 acres of oil land in the northern dome of the Kettleman Hills field will begin operating the field as a "community enterprise."

The individual owners on that date will pool all their interests, surrendering control of their properties to the Kettleman North Dome association, which will attempt to operate the wells in such a way as to avoid disturbing the oil market, assuring better prices.

This unique experiment in the voluntary subjection of individual exploitation for the common good has for its scene a dreary, forsaken-looking stretch of barren hillland, as formless as it is forlorn.

Yet beneath its drab surface lie such vast quantities of high-grade petroleum that unless its output is held in leash, owners within the area believe it is hopeless to try to stabilize prices.

The estimated potential production of this field requires the use of figures of astronomical size. More-practical terms are those used by William Reinhardt, manager of the association, in telling of the objectives of the concerted effort.

In brief, wells having a potential production of around 100,000 barrels a day will be held to 50,000 barrels.

The association is composed of 22 individual interests, including several major oil companies and many royalty interests.

Reinhardt sees in the experiment the "dawn of a new era for the oil industry," and says its purpose is "to develop the field in an orderly manner, preventing upsets in the market situation, economic waste and 'haywire' production, and cutting down on costs."

"In such a field previously," he said, "individual owners were compelled to drill in order to prevent other drillers on adjoining property from sapping all the oil beneath them. They had to drill in self-defense, whether they wanted to or not. Thus production ran wild."

"With property owners grouped as in the North Dome association, such drilling will not be necessary," Reinhardt, who resigned as vice-president of the Shell Oil company to handle the new job, also points out that the membership will share in the saving of thousands of dollars in drilling costs, costs of exploration, and duplicated administrative costs.

Supporters of the movement expect the "unit plan of development" to be adopted soon in most of the oil-producing sections of the world.

Natives Peeved Because Shoals Measures 'Flop'

MUSCLE SHOALS, April 6. (AP)—On the banks of Muscle Shoals 30-000 people sit and wait.

For more than a dozen years they have heard scotchy thunder thru the halls of congress on the present and future grandeur of the great power and nitrate plants erected as a war measure.

Time after time they have been lifted from their drowse by promises of an awakening of activities at the shoals, only to be hurried back into despair by adverse congressional action or the stroke of a presidential veto pen.

Hopes dashed by Veto Within the month these people have run this gamut. Congress once pressed the Muscle Shoals bill to operate the gigantic machinery that would bring in thousands of new inhabitants.

Those on the ground pulled out their leashes from the pigeon-holes, polished the louder on the values of lots and got ready for the promised boom in a great hubbub of activity.

But the scratch of a pen from the White House brought a dead-like hush for miles up and down the shoals. President Hoover had vetoed the bill.

So once more Muscle Shoals has rolled back into a state of suspended animation to assume its role of a football of politics.

People Bitter Now But the people of Muscle Shoals are bitter. They have been exhilarated and deflated one too often. Their job-like patience has cracked. They are prepared to blame any and everybody for the standstill operations and the community dullness. They are bored and weary of the talk-talk of prosperity.

"Where is Muscle Shoals?" a native of Florence was asked.

"There ain't no such thing," replied the native as he shuffled away.

"What do people here think of the prospects for Muscle Shoals?" a Tusculum druggist was asked.

"I don't know what people think, but I tell you I think the quicker the people forget that damned dam down yonder and think about something else the better off they will be."

So Florence, Sheffield, Tusculum, Muscle Shoals City and the small settlements all of which make up what is commonly called Muscle Shoals, are peeved.

They are peeved with the Republicans and they are peeved with the Democrats. They are peeved with the power companies and the whole lot of politicians.

Northwestern university plans to start work this spring on a new \$1,000,000 Dearing Memorial library. Funds were donated by the family of the late Charles Dearing, who built a fortune in farm equipment.

friends and private companies for air transportation, but now the state plans to give his excellency a brand-new airplane.

Governor Rolph to Pilot Own Plane Keeping Pace With His Flying Family



Governor Rolph of California is learning to fly, and is shown (right) leaving his pilot after a in-law, Mr. and Mrs. James Rolph III (inset), already are fliers.

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP)—California's governor, James Rolph, Jr., believes the pilot of the ship of state should be an airplane pilot.

So he has obtained a student's license, and is going to learn to fly his own plane. He will take lessons at Mills field, San Francisco's municipal airport.

Governor Rolph hopes thus to remain his position as the head of a flying family. He already counts scores of hours in the air as a passenger, but his son, James Rolph III, stole a march on him by obtaining a private license to fly his own plane.

And Mrs. James Rolph III has been flying for weeks as a student pilot at Mills field.

sought state office after nearly 20 years as mayor of San Francisco. He wanted to shake hands with as many voters as possible. He took to the air, and visited the 58 county seats and attended numerous municipal affairs, often flying several hundred miles to keep an appointment.

Since his elevation to the governor's chair, the invitations are more numerous than ever before, and he has made the airplane the carriage of state.

The flying governor, immaculately dressed in picturesque frock coat, gray striped trousers and the inevitable gardenia, appears in southern California one day to open a county fair and early the next morning is up in the northern part of the state, several hundred miles away, attending the dedication of a new building. That afternoon he is back here at his desk.

Heretofore he has depended upon

Largest Prison Will Practice Latest Methods

LEWISBURG, Pa., April 6. (AP)—The world's largest prison, the new federal penitentiary for the northeastern United States, now under construction here, is planned for the practice of modern methods of penology.

The design and arrangements of the prison is based on the premise that men are not wild beasts to be removed from all contact with their fellows and locked up in isolated steel cages.

The depressing tiers of cells with in a single big house will be missing; the Auburn type of prison with its large interior cell block and its congested shops; the old Pennsylvania type of county prison with its series of cells opening on small courts for the prisoners' exercise—these have been dismissed as inhuman in the planning of the new penitentiary.

Direct sunlight and an abundance of fresh air will be provided in the plans arranged by Alfred Hopkins, New York architect.

There will be a small inside cell block for hardened or habitual offenders; strong outside rooms for prisoners whose records show some measure of trust; can be placed in them; barracks for prisoners who show they can live peacefully with other prisoners; small dormitories subdivided into small wards for those prisoners who express the greatest improvement in character while imprisoned; and finally rooms approximating the comfort and conveniences of the living quarters of normal persons for those who are most advanced.

On admission, the prisoner will be housed in a receiving building where he will undergo physical and mental examination. Should he prove normal physically and mentally, his first home will be the outside rooms. From that confinement he can advance by his own actions to the barracks, the dormitories and finally to the living quarters for the highest type prisoners.

The construction of the first unit will require a two-year period. It will accommodate 1,500 inmates and will cost approximately \$3,500,000.

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English Women Win Dress War

LONDON, April 6. (U.P.)—English women have apparently won their first with the dress designers who wanted to force angle-length skirts for day wear.

English designers were strong for long, trailing dresses for both day and evening wear, but fashionable women decided that long frocks were excellent only for dress wear.

For the daylight hours, they insisted on dresses just below calf-length were the smartest while those dipping to the ground were dowdy and easily dragged when worn out of doors.

At a recent dress show in London, fashionable women commented favorably on the fact that for once there were no full-length afternoon frocks paraded.

Generally, nine inches below the knee was the limit of the day dresses and suits. Among the evening clothes however, was a sensational model with a wide skirt and black georgette, a moulded corsage of contrasting green tulle and a most daring V back cut to the waist and supported by a vertical strapping of diamonds.

Large hats were shown in considerable number, but the women still favor the back-of-the-head turbans, many of which weigh only one ounce.

Slayer of Boy Scout in Pen

EL PASO, Tex., April 6. (U.P.)—Jose Pena finally has given up his long fight for an acquittal on charges of slaying Alfredo Acuna, 10, a Boy Scout. Pena is in Huntsville, Tex., serving a life term.

Pena had gone through five trials in an attempt to win his freedom. He heard the death penalty pronounced three times, in one trial the jury disagreed and in the last he was sentenced to life imprisonment.

"I am glad to get to prison and settle into the routine that will be the rest of my life," Pena said. "My only regret is that I will not have a hand in the raising of my baby that was born last year."

Pena was married in jail. His child was born last year. Mrs. Pena and the baby are constant visitors to his cell.

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By MRS. AGNES LYNE HIS IMAGINATION
It is believed by certain modern educators that children need only be left to themselves to blossom forth in beauty and originality of expression.

They feel that the influence of gifted grown-ups and the literary and artistic achievements of the past should play no very great part in the child's education.

Margaret Mead, writing of the education of the Manus children who live off the coast of New Guinea, suggests how closely the development of the child's imagination and all its artistic fruits depend upon the cultural influences to which he is exposed.

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If a child's imagination is to develop, it must, apparently have something to feed on. The stimulation of gifted teachers, the rich suggestions of songs and legends, of stories and poetry are needed to awaken his own fantasy.

There is, of course, a difference between enriching the child's experience through familiarity with what we consider at once worthy and suitable, and forcing upon him a particular kind of expression.

The first gives him the material with the help of which, if he is gifted, he will develop his gifts. The second hampers his originality through enforcing the use of stereotyped patterns.

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