

## Doctors Strike In Canadian Province

REGINA, Sask. (UPI) — Saskatchewan's 900,000 residents were faced today with a medical crisis that could deplete the province of its finest doctors.

A strike by the physicians already has reduced medical service in the province to the level of "emergency cases only" and the bitter dispute threatens to take the form of a mass exodus by doctors who feel their professional freedom has been disrupted.

The doctors are rebelling against the first inroad made by socialized medicine in North America.

A new law, patterned after Great Britain's national health service program, assures Saskatchewan residents of free medical care. It went into effect at midnight on Saturday and almost immediately the doctors carried out the threat they made repeatedly during the past several months of controversy.

To prevent a full-scale crisis during the strike, about 240 of the province's 900 doctors are providing free emergency service at

34 of Saskatchewan's 121 hospitals.

### Infant Dies

Even though the emergency operation was being bolstered by volunteer workers, a combination of fatigue and financial hardship would make it impossible to sustain the emergency effort over a prolonged period of time.

The disadvantages of the fragmentary program became tragically significant Sunday when a 9-month-old baby, suffering from meningitis, was dead on arrival at a hospital in Yorktown.

The infant, Carl Derhousoss of Usherville, was driven 90 miles by his parents before medical attention could be found. Before reaching Yorktown, they stopped at hospitals in Canora and Preeceville but there were no doctors on duty.

Dr. Sam Landis of the Saskatchewan College of Physicians and Surgeons said Carl's death was an example of what doctors feared most when they called the strike. He emphasized, however, that there was no way to determine whether the infant would have

lived if a doctor had been more readily available.

### Plan To Leave

Long before the law went into effect, the doctors became embroiled in a battle over it with the socialist government of Saskatchewan Premier Woodrow Lloyd. The law, vigorously supported by Lloyd, was passed last fall as the Provincial Medical Insurance Act.

The greatest anxiety has been caused by the increasingly prevalent indications that scores of physicians were planning to pack their scalps and move their practices to other provinces.

Dr. M. S. Slobodzin of Askatoon said Sunday "most of the doctors feel that in a very short time they'll seek other opportunities." He said as many as three or four patients a day have been telling him they would move with him to Alberta or British Columbia if he decided to leave.

## Donald Neireiter On Orientation Cruise

SAN DIEGO, CALIF. (FHTNC) — Air Force Cadet Donald E. Neireiter, USAF, son of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Neireiter of Hoagland, Ind., recently participated in a six-day Air Force Academy orientation cruise aboard the attack aircraft carrier USS Kitty Hawk, operating out of San Diego, Calif.

Ninety cadets were introduced to the operation of the guided missile ship, the only one of its kind in the Navy. The annual summer cruise program is designed to provide cadets with a first-hand knowledge of the operation of other units of the armed forces.

## Ask Gas Service To Rural Allen County

INDIANAPOLIS (UPI) — The Northern Indiana Fuel & Light Company today petitioned the Indiana Public Service Commission for authority to provide natural gas in a rural area of Allen County.

The petition asked to serve Monroe Township and Monroeville. The utility now serves eight cities and towns in DeKalb, Noble and Allen Counties.

### Modern Etiquette

Q. What should engaged couples do when calling their engagement off?

A. Above all, keep their bitterness (if any) to themselves. The girl shouldn't discuss the matter except possibly with one or two best friends. And the man should accept the blame and not discuss it with anyone. This may seem a bit rigid nowadays, but the dictates of good taste still hold good.

Q. I live in a residence hotel, and wonder whether I am supposed to tip the elevator starter after I have been here for a few months.

A. A resident in a hotel usually tips the elevator man regularly, giving him a dollar a month, approximately, and remembers the starter, too, at regular intervals.

Q. When a man is walking along the street with two women, does he walk between them?

A. Not usually. He should walk on the curb side, to avoid turning his back on one of the women while talking with the other.

## 20 Years Ago Today

July 2, 1942 — The Decatur post office, along with all others throughout the country, will be open until noon July 4 for the sale of war bonds and stamps.

Paula David Schultz, 18, of Decatur, drowned in the Psi Iota Xi swimming pool at Bluffton, the first drowning victim of the season for Adams county.

Robert H. Heller has been appointed Decatur chairman for the USO fund campaign the week of July 13.

H. M. Reusser, Berne weather observer, reports that rain in June totaled only 2.09 inches, compared to the 30-year normal of 3.59 inches.

Prime Minister Winston Churchill won a decisive vote of confidence from the British parliament for his conduct of war.

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## The Static Quo

Communism is a feared and hated form of government in the world today. It is particularly detestable because it is a system that ignores the individual. It is a way of life that is shoved into the mold established by Marx, Engels, Trotsky and Lenin. There is no elasticity, no room for freedom of movement.

While most Americans will argue long into the night that such is not the case, it is apparent that this nation is coming increasingly under the influence of a self-imposed system that strongly resembles communism.

This system has not been imposed by a government, but is daily being forced upon us by those very people who, in their enlightenment, are so inclined to yell about too much government control. They cannot see the dangers of control by stagnant social mores and customs that are just as stifling, just as much lacking in elasticity, as communism.

Much of this is brought on by the age-old desire to feel that each age is the epitome for mankind. In a sense, each age is. What the inhabitants of each particular era of history forget is that regardless of how good their age might be, the years ahead for man will be better.

Such is the case right now. Granted, we live in the greatest age mankind has ever experienced. The greatest age, that is, as far as material things, mechanical things, scientific things are concerned. But, man will be better off 100 years from now, whether we like to think so or not.

The social mores that accompany each general era of man's existence are, through a process of revision, a product of that era. As such, they tend to glorify and perpetuate that era. In other words, they are stagnating by their very creation.

People seem to need the customs and mores to rule them. It is sad to note that people don't seem to be able to do large amounts of good for the sake of doing good, but must do the same for what people think. Also, much good is never done, because of what people might think.

In short, the professional do-gooders are those who do mediocre for the sake of what others will think,

and stifle the real good they and others might accomplish together because those things just aren't done.

It is not necessary to flaunt the existing customs and social mores of the times. Neither is it necessary to let our lives, our progress, our economy, and the tremendous possibilities of this nation be stifled by a set of stagnant habits that keep us pressed into a mold. The very essence of America is that the mold, whether it be the Constitution or the PTA, is a flexible thing.

Editorial Writer Today — John G. Heller

## Laos Parley Is Resumed

GENEVA (UPI) — Russia and the Laotian government expressed their willingness today to complete a peace settlement for Laos in the "shortest possible time."

They gave their views to the 14-nation Laos conference which resumed today after a five months recess.

Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister Georgi Pushkin, chairman of the conference today, said in an opening statement that the creation of a unified Laotian government "opens the road for successful and speedy completion of this conference."

Laotian Foreign Minister Quinim Philsena, leader of the unified Laotian delegation, echoed these sentiments. He said "determination not to interfere in the internal affairs of Laos and understanding of the Laos situation will enable us to complete our work in the shortest possible time."

Pushkin said a Laos settlement would offer a very good basis for future developments.

The conference met in an atmosphere of cautious optimism strengthened by President Kennedy's decision to withdraw 1,000 American Marines from Thailand.

The Communists have been calling for American withdrawal from Thailand among their conditions for a peace settlement.

Earlier, U.S. Assistant Secretary of State W. Averell Harriman conferred with P. U. S. K. Chief Western delegates also met this morning to align Allied strategy for the final round of the peace talks.

President Kennedy's order for the withdrawal of about one-fourth of the American forces in Thailand raised hopes for speedy completion of the Geneva negotiations.

Communist China has been urging withdrawal of the U.S. forces from Thailand as a condition for a Laos settlement.

Neutral conference observers said today Kennedy's decision and its timing have pulled the rug at least partly out from under the Communists.

Western diplomats confidently expect an agreement to be reached by the middle of this month. They hope a pact will certify Laotian neutrality and independence and provide for the withdrawal of 10,000 foreign Communist troops from the country.

Western hopes for a quick agreement were based on the im-

pression that the Soviet Union wants a settlement and that Communist China is too preoccupied with internal troubles to be able to oppose a pact, informed sources said.

## Man And Daughter Are Bitten By Dog

Gerald Geimer, 811 Winchester street, reported to the city police Sunday noon that he and his daughter were bitten by a dog near the Southeast elementary school. Geimer stated that he was bitten on the right hand three times, and his 14-year-old daughter, Pat, was bitten several times on both legs. The incident happened at 12:45 p. m.

The dog is owned by C. J. Beauchot, 416 Bollman street. Mrs. Beauchot was instructed by the city police to keep the dog tied for 14 days, to determine whether or not the animal is affected with rabies, which she said she would do.



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