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SERUM RUSHED BY PLANE TO SAVE MOTHER

Gland Compound Only Cure
for Woman Dying of
Rare Disease.

900 CATTLE ARE USED

Extract From Livestock
Hurriedly Prepared for
Race With Death.

By United Press
BUFFALO, N. Y., Sept. 9.—A shipment of cortin, rare fluid which is the only cure for the little known Addison's disease, was started early this afternoon from the laboratories of Dr. F. A. Hartman, Buffalo specialist, in a plane race with death to the bedside of Mrs. Andrew Nelson of Chicago, mother of six.

The 200 cubic centimeters of cortin, the supply of which is exhausted in the midwest, was packed in two small cartons and taken by a United Press staff correspondent, escorted by Buffalo police, to the Buffalo municipal airport, where it was placed aboard an American Airways plane for Cleveland and Chicago.

The cortin was placed in a microscopic filter, leaving it ready for instant use, Dr. Hartman said.

It was learned that the 900 cattle from which the cortin was taken—the serum is an extract from the cortex of the adrenal glands of livestock—originally had come from Chicago.

Informed of Offer

Dr. Richard Torpin, Mrs. Nelson's physician, was in the operating room of the Edgewater hospital, Chicago, on another case, when word came that Dr. Hartman, noted scientist, had offered a three days' supply of the compound.

He was summoned from the operating room to receive the information. He immediately arranged with Dr. A. Kenyon of the Albert Merritt Billings Memorial hospital, the University of Chicago clinic, to have Mrs. Nelson transferred there this afternoon.

Dr. Kenyon emphasized today that while the Buffalo supply of cortin will reach Chicago at a vital stage in the treatment of Mrs. Nelson, additional quantities of the compound will be necessary to keep her alive.

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Pharmaceutical companies have the knowledge and equipment to prepare cortin, but have been unable to make arrangements to keep up with the demand for the compound. It is a critical situation in which aid from any source may help to save lives."

Although Mrs. Nelson has not been receiving the cortin treatment since it was discovered she was ill of Addison's disease, Dr. Torpin described her condition today as favorable.

Father Out of Work

The Nelson household in River Grove burst with preparations to remove Mrs. Nelson to the University of Chicago clinic. She is helpless as a result of the disease, which weakens the muscles and lowers the blood pressure, and will be taken across two-thirds of the city in an ambulance.

Nelson, a carpenter, who has been jobless for two years, and was without funds to finance his wife's treatment, was grateful to learn that arrangements had been made to bring the cortin to Chicago.

"Mother is pretty low," he said. "We want to take her to the hospital this afternoon so that she can get the benefit of the treatment as soon as the compound arrives. I don't know how to thank everybody who assisted us."

JOBLESS THRONGS RIOT

Cleveland Men Wage Battle in Desperate Effort to Work.

CLEVELAND, Sept. 9.—Rioting broke out among unemployed groups today as several thousand men stormed two county store yards to apply for county highway ditch jobs.

Desperate for work, late applicants sought to break through the columns of job seekers who had stood all night and police squads were called out to suppress the ensuing fighting. Windows were broken, several men were injured, others fainted and warehouse doors were crushed.

Corydon Lad Is Champion Stock Judge

When it comes to livestock, Melvin Flock of Corydon, Ind., has championship judgment.

Melvin scored high total for all classes of livestock in the state boys' judging contest held in connection with the Indiana state fair.

And he ranks right up with the best of the official fair judges, too, for Melvin scored 663 points of a possible 750.

He's just one of the many lovers of championship stock and apostles of better farming that agricultural Indiana is developing.

SEEK TO TRAP BUTCHER'S WIFE

Mrs. Powers Is Watched
Closely by Police.

By United Press

CLARKSBURG, W. Va., Sept. 9.—Close surveillance was maintained today over Mrs. Luella Powers, wife of Harry F. Powers, "Bluebeard" mail order Romeo, and her sister, Miss Eva Strothers, after police discovered evidence the women knew more of Powers' operations than they had revealed in previous questioning.

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Reductions of court attaches' salaries, which judges declare they have the right to fix by law, probably will bring forth court schedules to raise them to former schedules.

This became evident, when Criminal Judge Frank P. Baker informed the council:

"Hasn't it occurred to you men that you have nothing to do with fixing court salaries. You merely are fooling yourselves by not appropriating money the county is going to have to pay."

Assailed by Judge

"Whether you appropriate it or not, their salaries are going to be as I fixed them," Judge Baker declared.

This opinion also was voiced by Juvenile Judge John F. Geckler.

Answer of the councilmen to heated criticism from county heads was: "We can't spend money we haven't got; this is the only way to keep down tax rate down."

In all counts except municipalities, court reporters' salaries were reduced from \$2,400 to \$2,160; salaries of bailiffs from \$1,800 to \$1,620; salaries of stenographers generally from \$1,500 to \$1,350.

The council cut \$1,920 from County Clerk Glenn Ralston's estimated budget and the county treasurer's request for his office was reduced \$195.

A requested appropriation of \$45,900 for "other deputies" in the treasurer's office was cut \$16,000.

The council ousted two persons from the county recorder's pay roll and reduced salaries of other employees in the department. A photo-static operator was provided for the recorder when he was dismissed.

An amendment to the organization's charter, terminating its existence, was filed with the secretary of state, at Lansing. State investigators, preparing to seek an injunction against the society as a matrimonial agency, charged the stockholders, Mr. and Mrs. Albert B. Plater and Ruth Tepper, realized more than \$100,000 from their 50,000 members.

SCHOOLS DISMISSED

Heat Results in 'Vacation'
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