



**FRANCO ASKS NEW LAW**

Francisco Franco, the general who has ruled Spain under a dictatorship for 27 years, speaks to the Cortes (Parliament) in Madrid Tuesday, offering a new organic law opening the way to establishment of a democratic monarchy after he steps down. The Cortes ap-

In her will made in 1960, Mrs. Woods bequeathed one-third shares in her \$120,000 estate to her daughters, Victoria Hislop and Vimy Ridge Dennison; and much smaller shares to her son, Vivian Woods, and two other daughters, Vestrice Swain and Violet Chadwick.

As the result of an action launched by the three children who got less from the will, Mr. Justice Nemetz ordered the estate to be distributed equally among the five children.

Mrs. Hislop and Mrs. Dunsen then took the matter to the B.C. Appeal Court. It allowed their appeal although it reduced their shares under the will from \$43,000 to \$36,000.

In the Supreme Court of Canada judgment, Mr. Justice Ronald Martland quoted with approval the B.C. Appeal Court judgment which said Mr. Justice Nemetz was wrong in concluding that each of the children had the same entitlements. By failing to give due consideration to circumstances of the children, "he disregarded the principle that so long as a proper and just provision is made for each, a testator may prefer one child or more over others," the appeal court said.

Mr. Justice Martland said he agreed with these comments.

**STRETCH YOUR LEGS**  
Four of Australia's six states are larger than Texas.

**BRISTOL**

A note from Martin Simott, who resides in Pennsylvania, now tells us he and his daughter Betty who were planning a trip to this area recently were held up in Toronto due to an illness in the family.

Congratulations is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hennebery who celebrated their fifty-fifth wedding anniversary a short time ago. They are now in retirement and enjoy good health.

A man in Bristol has come up with a new idea for increasing egg production. He tells us he is installing bright lights in his hen house and he will turn

the lights on at midnight to make "the hens think it is morning, so they will jump off the roost and then lay their eggs. Then the lights will be turned out and the hens will go back to sleep till morning. When the morning comes they will be expected to lay again.

**AMC Reports Loss Last Year**

DETROIT (AP) — American Motors Corp., fourth-largest of the U. S. auto-makers has reported the second-biggest loss in its 12-year history. AMC went \$12,600,000 into the red for the

fiscal year ended Sept. 30 compared with earnings of \$5,200,000 last year.

The loss was topped only by the \$25,400,000 AMC lost in 1956, two years after its founding.

The board of directors voted to omit payment of the December quarterly dividend. This made five quarters in a row that AMC had taken such action.

The big three—General Motors, Ford and Chrysler—which are on a calendar-year basis, reported last month a substantial drop in their third-quarter earnings, reflecting a sag in auto sales.

Chairman Robert B. Evans

and President Ray Abernethy of AMC said the loss of \$12,648,170, or 66 cents a share, was substantially lower than anticipated with the fourth quarter showing an improvement over a year ago.

They said a special tax credit of \$3,000,000 had lessened the loss.

Consolidated sales were \$370,400,000 and worldwide vehicle sales \$45,886 compared with \$390,000,000 and 412,736 last year.

Evans and Abernethy said the firm's consolidated net working capital totalled \$52,700,000 at the end of the fiscal year, down substantially from the \$84,300,000 of a year earlier.

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**U.S. Helicopters, Advisers Fighting Reds In Thailand**

BANGKOK (AP)—U.S. helicopters and advisers without getting involved in actual fighting—are helping Thai government units battle Communist forces operating within Thailand, reliable informants said here.

The informants indicated that U.S. support to the Thai forces going on for some time. They added that there now are Americans in the field serving as battalion advisers.

The informants said that three years ago there were more American advisers with Thailand than there are now. They were attached to the joint U.S. Military Advisory Group (JUSMAG) to Thailand.

The advisers serve with the Thai army, navy, air force and police. Their number however, is not known.

**Parent Right To Favor Child Upheld In Court**

OTTAWA (CP)—Parents do not have to treat their children equally in wills so long as proper and just consideration is given to all, the Supreme Court of Canada has declared.

A testator's right to favor one child over others was given the court's blessing in its judgment upholding a British Columbia Court of Appeal decision regarding a will made by Mrs. Emma Woods of Spences Bridge, B.C.

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