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Arkansas Will Dig Up Prison Farm Graves

CUMMINS PRISON FARM, Ark. (4P) — The bodies buried in unmarked graves in a grassy field here apparently are going to be dug up, whether they hold the remains of paupers or murdered

Gov. Winthrop Rockefeller announced Wednesday night that he had recommended that the State Penitentiary Board consider having all bodies removed from the unmarked graves and placed in a proper burial ground.

He said this could be done in conjunction with a state police investigation that began Tuesday, the day after a burly Cummins inmate led investigators to the field where they dug up skeletons of three men - one headless, one with the skull bashed in and a third with the

The inmate, Reuben Johnson, 59, claimed that these were the remains of men murdered by "guards and wardens." He said he had seen "quite a few" men killed, and had helped to bury "10 or 12."

The governor acknowledged that the graves, three or perhaps 100 or more in the area, might be those of inmates who died destitute and whose bodies went unclaimed.

On the other hand, he said, "We could be on the brink of uncovering a scandal of untold propor-

Rockefeller met Wednesday afternoon with Col. Carl Miller, director of the Arkansas State Police, and Maj. William Strue-bing, who is conducting the investigation.

Earlier in the day, authorities said the three skeletons found Monday would be sent to the FBI laboratory in Washington for tests that are expected to be con-cluded within 10 days to three

Struebing declined further comment on the investigation, but reiterated that he thought the bones were from an old paupers' cemetery.

International

News

COPENHAGEN, Denmark (AP) -A rowboat and an Arabian horse are among gifts for the wedding Saturday of Danish Princess Benedikte, 23, and German prince Richard Zu-Sayn-Wittgenstein-Berleburg, 32. The boat seating four is from the local parliament of the Danish Faroe islands and the horse for the riding princess is from a Danish circus.

KINSHASA, Congo two-man Soviet team from Brazziavlle, capital of the former French Congo, visited this side of the Congo River on Tuesday, presumably to make preparations for reopening the Soviet Embassy in the former Belgian Congo. Ambassadors are to be exchanged

RABAT, Morocco (AP) - King Hassan II has invited Japan's Emperor Hirohito to visit Morocco and Japanese Ambassador Yukio Hasumi has answered favorably, officials reported. The date remains to be set. The announcement caused surprise in Tokyo, where a palace spokesman said chances are "the slimmest" that the emperor would go.

TOGANE, Japan (AP) - Police caught Takeo Suzuki, 51, who admitted he tried to burn down the town hall and said he was responsible for eight other fires. "I did it because they refused to make me an officer of the volunteer fire brigade," police reported he said.

MOSCOW (AP) - The government-controlled Soviet Red Cross and Red Crescent medical societies announced they are sending aid including blankets, tents, surgical instruments and medicines to the Republican side in the Yemeni civil war. Royal Saudi Arabia has accused the Russians of also sending military aid.

MEXICO CITY (AP) _ Research is being done to determine whether two of the Dead Sea Scrolls could be brought to Mexico and exhibited safely as a contribution to the cultural program of the 1968 Olympic Games, Israeli Ambassador Shimshon Arab reported.

Scientists in Communist China have reported finding parts of a fossilized skull belonging to Sinanthropus pekinensis, or Peking Man. The bones were unearthed at Choukoutien, site of the original discovery of Peking Man near