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No quarantines on fruit planned after decision

United Press International AUSTIN — Agriculture Commissioner Reagan Brown, reacting to a Supreme Court decision Monday that lifted a stay blocking Texas from quarantining California produce, said he had no im-

mediate plans for another ban.

Brown said the need for a quarantine subsided when the two states agreed to work together on the Mediterranean fruit fly prob-lem that existed in two California counties. He did not rule out another ban in the future should the situation change.

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right to protect our industry," Brown said.

The Supreme Court denied California's request to file a case asking for a permanent bar against a Texas quarantine on grounds it interfered with interstate commerce and would cause severe economic harm to California far-

The court denied California's motion "without prejudice," which means the state could re-new its request if the situation re-

On March 9, one day after the

quarantine, the court blocked Texas from quarantining fruits and vegetables grown in California.

Texas had imposed the quarantine March 1 at the urging of Rio Grande Valley farmers, who were worried a Mediterranean fruit fly infestation in California would spread to Texas.

California Attorney General George Deukmejian said Texas officials had said current warm weather in California meant the fruit fly infestation might spread beyond the areas now quarantined by federal and state officials.

Santa Clara and Alameda counties are now under orders to freeze or fumigate produce before it is shipped.

In response, Texas argued the case no longer presented a live legal controversy for the court to

California is asking the court to defer action "after the emergency ceases to exist," Texas Attorney General Mark White said.

"Apparently California wishes to keep its place in line just in case Texas at some later date sees an emergency and acts to protect its interests," White said.

Motorcycle safety course set V

By DAVID CALVERT

Battalion Reporter
For those who are excited by the thought of riding motorcycles but are afraid to try, a safety education program is offering a three-week course to introduce beginners

to motorcycling.

Offered by the Department of Industrial Education, the "Learn to Ride A Motorcycle" program will be offered from April 10 through May 2. Registration for the course will run through April 9 in the Memorial Student Center.

The program is open to everyone over 16 in the Bryan-College Station area, but participants under 18 must have parental con-

Dr. Maury Dennis, director of the safety education program, said the course has been offered in the past but had to be cancelled due to inadequate enrollment.

"I don't feel we publicized the course enough in the past. We would be able to hold it for a semester or two and then have to cancel it after students forgot about it,"

The short course will be held at the

Research Annex on Highway 21 southwest of Bryan. The course will consist of eight hours of classroom theory and 12 hours of lab work on motorcycles

Dennis said motorcycles and helmets have been donated by Sports Center Suzu-University Cycles and Aggieland Harley-Davidson.

Because we have been supplied with bikes and helmets, we are having to charge \$50 for the course," Denny said. "This cost will cover the textbook, insurance, repair

and maintenance of the bikes."

Denny said the course would be of con-

siderable help to minors in the area. "As of January 1981, persons under 18 will need some sort of motorcycle instruction before they can get their license," he said. "This course will satisfy that require-

Three sections of the course will be taught, each consisting of 15 people. Each section will be taught in two two-hour sessions during the week and a three-hour session on Saturday.

"We won't necessarily be riding on Saturdays and lecturing on weekdays," De-

nny said. "The way the course is designed we might be in class two or three times in a row at the beginning, but we will do more

riding as time goes on."

Denny said the course will teach the beginner basic theories of motorcycle riding from city driving to handling at higher

The course will be taught in conjunction with Safety Education 430. This class teaches experienced riders some finer points of handling a motorcycle and prepares them as motorcycle safety instruc-

"The 'Learn to Ride a Motorcycle' short course will be taught by student instructors from the 430 class," Denny said. "One of the requirements of their class is that they have to student teach at least one hour of lecture and one hour of lab.

Denny and graduate assistant will serve as supervisors

Students completing either course will receive a 10 percent discount on their insurance rate, as well as know how to handle a motorcycle safely, he said.

Suspect claims self-defense

United Press International HUNTSVILLE — An inmate charged with capital murder in the deaths of a Texas prison warden and farm manager told officials Monday the weekend deaths were committed in self defense.

Inmate Eroy E. Brown, recovering in a Huntsville hospital from a bullet wound in the foot he received in the incident Saturday, was charged Monday on two counts of capital murder. Brown was arraigned in his hospital room before Justice of the Peace Lloyd

Brown, who did not enter a formal plea, said the killings of Ellis Unit farm manager Major Billy Max Moore and Warden Wallace M. Pack were, "self defense all the way," an assistant dis- called "the bottoms.

trict attorney in Walker County said.

A spokesman for the Huntsville District Attorney's office said Brown requested an attorney at the hearing, and Huntsville lawyer Jerry Register was appointed to the case. No further hearings were scheduled.

TDC officials say they still cannot explain how Brown got possession of the gun. Moore died of gunshot wound to the head. Officials say Brown used Pack's gun in the shooting.

Pack was shot in the elbow before Brown allegedly drowned the warden in a shallow, muddy creek adjacent to a garden shop on farm-

'There were no violations of policy or procedure as far as we said prison spokesman Rick Hartley. Hartley's statement was made

in response to speculation about how inmate Eroy E. Brown got possession of Pack's .38-caliber pistol. There were unconfirmed reports Pack was carrying the pis-tol in his belt, a violation of security regulations.

Hartley said authorities are still investigating how Brown got hold of the weapon.

"The suspect had never been a problem before," Hartley said. "We really don't know the motive. It was an isolated incident. Apparently it was a spur-of-the-moment kind of thing. There is no overall uprising among inmates

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conspired with anybody." Funerals were held Mondayir and Mrs. Pack, 54, a 19-year TDC employee who worked his way up through the ranks to the top jobst the Ellis unit; and Moore, 49,1 13-year TDC veteran who man-

aged the Ellis unit farm. Gov. Bill Clements said Monday he will not hesitate to ask the Texas Rangers or Department of Public Safety to help investiga the slayings of the two prison offcials.

Clements said he will mee with prison director W.J. Estelle Tuesday to discuss the slaying. but said his information at the point indicates the deaths werea

Stroke victim bitten, strangled

United Press International HAWLEY — Officials took no action Monday against a woman suspected of biting a 64-year-old stroke victim and strangling him, reportedly because she believed the man had refused to try to get

District Attorney Jack Willing-ham said the case probably would be referred to the Jones County

grand jury.

The body of Quinn Sharp, who was partly paralyzed by a stroke seven years ago, was found Sun-

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into custody at the home and later was placed in a hospital for observation. Officers indicated the

Sharp apparently was "tor-tured" for about 3½ hours before neck. An autopsy was ordered he died, said Woodrow Simmons, a district attorney's investigator. but the cause of death was me made public Monday. a district attorney's investigator.

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