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SULTAN OF PERAK'S BIRTHDAY

Camerman: Lee Meow Seong
Date: January 15th, 1953.
Location: Ipoh
Footage: 420 feet.

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This is the first time a Perak ruler breaks with tradition and celebrates his birthday outside the royal town of Kuala Lumpur. This year, on his 63rd birthday, celebrations are held in the padang of Ipoh, the state capital, in full view of the public who saw the centuries old paying of homage ceremony. This ceremony has never been performed in public before.

8 Justices of Peace are appointed and 23 Perak residents, most of them members of the Police Force, were awarded medals.

(various estimates of the crowd - 5,500 to 12,000 spectators)

The following is a brief dope on the coverage:-

- a) Sultan arrives, greeted by the British Adviser.
- b) 17 gun salute by the 12th Royal Lancers
- c) Sultan and party proceed to the audience chamber.
- d) Royal drums (nobat)
- e) Mentri Besar (State Prime Minister) pledges loyalty on behalf of Government, Rajas and chiefs.
- f) Sultan reading his message.
- g) Umbrella bearers.
- h) awarding medals
- i) C.U. Raja Muda (Son and heir to the throne) and his wife.
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- j) Paying homage ceremony by a Raja.
Sultan sprinkles rice on him as a sign of acceptance.

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DATE 28th January, 1953.

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Mr. Stockwell. Attached is dope sheet and newspaper cutting.

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