

1,000 Lions Slate Convention Opener in Medford Today

Some 1,000 or more members of Oregon's 94 Lions clubs, and their wives are expected to start arriving in Medford this afternoon for what promises to be the largest state Lion's convention in the history of the state. It is the 26th annual state convention of the service organization.

A wide-ranging program of business, social and entertainment sessions have been arranged for visiting delegates, beginning with registration today at 1 p.m. Convention guests will be welcome for golf at the Rogue Valley Country club, committees said, and scenic tours and other recreation facilities have been arranged for both men and women.

Four district governors of the club will participate in the convention proceedings. They are Dr. Floyd South, Portland, District 36-B; Frank White, Gard-

er, District 36-R; Forest Losee, Roseburg, District 36-E and Dean Erwin, Pendleton, District 36-G. Larry Schade, retiring president of the host Medford Lions club, said Saturday that preparations are virtually completed for accommodation of the visitors. The last general committee meeting was held Saturday morning under the chairmanship of Dr. Lee Mellich, convention chairman and newly-elected president of the host club.

Following is an abbreviated program of the three-day convention:

Sunday—Registration, 1 to 6 p.m., Medford hotel; ninth annual Rogue River Roundup, fairgrounds; golf, Rogue Valley Country club.

Sunday evening—Western barbecue, 7:30 p.m., high school stadium, Lions and ladies, entertainment.

Monday—7:30 a.m., breakfast, junior high school men's gymnasium, Jack Peddycord, international director, speaker, 9 a.m., business session, Holly theater, welcome by Mayor Diamond Flynn, 12:30 p.m., luncheon at junior high gymnasium, program by R. D. "Twin" Nelson, formerly Medford, now of Baker Lions club; 2:30 p.m., golf tournament, scenic tours, panel discussions; 7 p.m., governor's banquet, Herbert R. Hargrave, international director, speaker; 9 p.m., governor's ball, junior high school.

Tuesday—7:30 a.m., breakfast, junior high school, Hargrave to speak again; 9 a.m., business session, Holly theater; 10 a.m., necrology service; 11 a.m., election of district officers; 11:30 a.m., installation of officers; 12:30 p.m., farewell luncheon, junior high school, Peddycord to speak.

Forrestal Tried To Delay Arrests, Diary Discloses

Washington, June 10—(U.P.)—The justice department opened a page of the late James Forrestal's secret diary today to reveal that he tried to delay the arrest of six suspects in the 1945 Amerasia document theft case. The department disclosed that it has a copy of an entry Forrestal made in the diary on May 28, 1945. The then secretary of the navy had written that he intervened in the Amerasia case because he feared the arrests and the attendant publicity might jeopardize the San Francisco conference at which the United Nations was being formed.

Would Embarrass Truman Forrestal explained that he also was afraid the result would be to greatly embarrass President Truman in his dealings with Soviet Premier Stalin at that time.

President Truman himself ordered the six suspects arrested after Forrestal had intervened. But three of them never were indicted, two got off with fines, and the indictment against the sixth, was quashed.

Based On Documents The arrests were based on the seizure of hundreds of confidential and secret government documents in the offices of the magazine Amerasia, edited by Philip Jaffe, who got off with a fine, was described in Forrestal's diary as having had "intimate relationships with the Russian consul in New York."

The justice department said it received the copy of the Forrestal notes from New York Attorney Matthew F. Correa, a wartime army major who was special assistant to Forrestal at the time of the Amerasia incident.

Low Flying Plane Draws Investigation

Long Beach, Cal., June 10—(U.P.)—The civil aeronautics authority was asked today to investigate a complaint that a converted PBV flying boat, in which multimillionaire plane builder Howard Hughes was a passenger, flew too low over the beach here.

Glen Odekirk, a co-owner of the big plane which had been refitted as a flying yacht, Hughes and a pilot were aboard the plane as it made some practice landings in the Pacific.

After H. C. Trigg complained to police that the plane had made five dives allegedly 50 feet above the beach and frightened some of the bathers, the municipal airport here radioed to the plane to desist from making practice landings in the area. The plane landed at the municipal airport.

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Mail Deliveries Curtailment Set

The Medford postoffice will curtail its deliveries to one day in residential sections starting Monday, under recent "economy" orders of the postmaster general, it was announced Saturday by Postmaster Moore Hamilton.

Under the new delivery plan, residences which have been receiving two foot-carrier deliveries each day will now receive only one, Hamilton explained. In the congested downtown business district, two deliveries will be made as in the past, but a few businesses in outlying areas will lose the extra delivery.

Due to the changes some residents getting deliveries in the morning will now get them during the afternoon, Hamilton said, although it is planned to make no deliveries later than 4 p. m. Special delivery service is unaffected, as are postoffice hours and postoffice box sortings. City mounted (automobile) routes will continue on one-day schedules.

The service reduction has caused reduction of the postoffice staff by two temporary substitute carriers, but has not affected regular employees, Hamilton said.

Firefighters Beat Off Threatening Blaze

Lewisport, Nfld., June 10—(U.P.)—Desperate fire fighters, their backs to a 2,000,000 gallon gasoline storage plant, beat back a forest fire raging through tinder dry woodlands today. The three-mile wall of flame, fanned by a 15-mile-an-hour wind, roared within two and a half miles of the high octane gas and oil plant and threatened for a while to blast this village to bits.

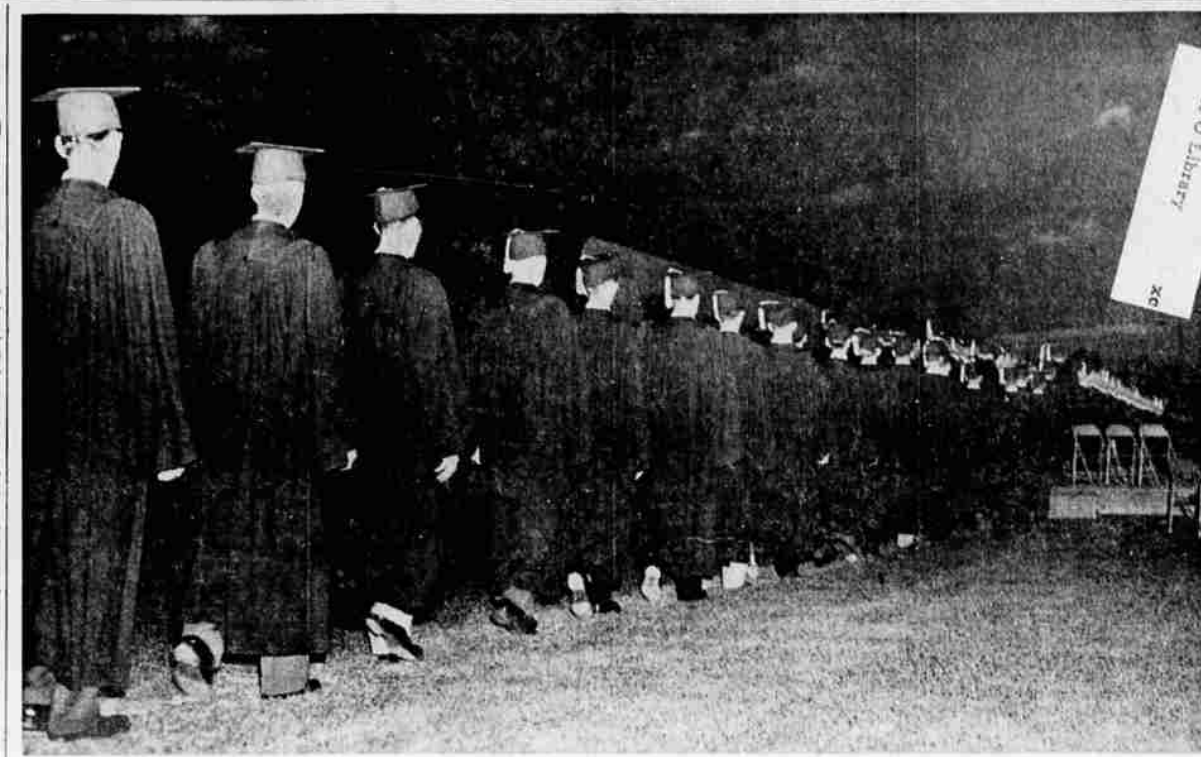
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HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS ON "LAST MILE"—The dignity and suppressed excitement of a high school senior's graduation is expressed in the dramatic photograph above of the Medford high school senior class marching in to commencement exercises Thursday evening. The graduation was held—despite overcast skies—in the high school stadium, the first out-of-doors graduation in the history of the school. The graduating class of 241 was also the largest in the school's records. —(Branford photo).

Vehicle Office to Open in Medford Monday Afternoon

The 14th field office to be built in Oregon by the secretary of state's office is to be dedicated for Jackson County tomorrow at 1:30 p. m. by a delegation of state, county and city officials.

The new concrete, tile and sandstone structure is located on highway 99 just south of Medford near the Scheffel Construction company, which built the building for lease to the secretary of state.

Officials Coming In addition to Secretary of State Earl Newberry, other state officials to be here for the opening are Vernon Webb, manager of the Portland field office; Roy Peterson, official in charge of field office operations; and Ward McReynolds, chief drivers' license examiner. County Judge J. B. Coleman will preside at the brief dedication ceremonies and will be assisted by mayors of Jackson County communities, including Medford's Mayor Diamond Flynn.

The new office will provide a complete motor vehicle service, license plates will be available on an over-the-counter basis, a license examiner will be on duty to administer examinations or to issue renewals, problems involving the financial responsibility division may be settled at the new office and gasoline tax refund claims will be handled there. In addition to its regular work, the staff at the office will be trained to provide assistance to tourists.

To Be 'Busy' William O'Brien, who has maintained the motor vehicle office in the courthouse in the past, will be office manager at the central office. Leo Sevick, driver's examiner, will also maintain headquarters there. William Healy, assistant secretary of state, said it is expected that the Jackson county field office will be one of the busiest in the state.

Four of China Red Underground Killed

Taipei, Formosa, June 10—(U.P.)—A military firing squad today executed four persons, including a woman, convicted as ringleaders of a Chinese communist underground in Formosa.

The four were arrested in a spy roundup last February and March and the executions came less than a half hour after they were found guilty.

The group included Lieut. Gen. Wu Shur, who until his arrest had been deputy chief of staff in the national defense ministry; Colonels Chen Pao-Chang and Nieh Shi, who also were connected with the ministry; and Miss Chu Kantzu, Miss Chu was accused of serving as a liaison representative for the communists.

They were executed at an abandoned race course just outside of Taipei.

National Guardsmen Entrain for Camp

Approximately 115 members of Medford's two national guard companies left Friday for the annual two-weeks' national guard encampment at Ft. Lewis, Wash. The units are Company A and headquarters company of the First battalion, 166th infantry regiment.

A small motor convoy of the group left Friday morning. The main group left by special train at 6 p. m. They are scheduled to return on June 24.

Record Crowd Views Big Roundup Parade

A record crowd lined downtown streets last evening to see the Jackson County Mounted Sheriff's posse's ninth annual Roundup parade. Heading the line of march was the Medford senior high school band followed by Parade Marshal Stan Morgan, Queen Audrey Woolbridge and Princesses Judy Briggs and Glenda Martin, all on horseback.

Included in the horseback groups were posse and auxiliary members, Medford Trail Riders, Applegate Night Riders, Ashland Riding association members, visiting posses, and individual children and adult riders.

Thrills and spills were the features of the night show at the fairgrounds when bareback riders, calf-ropers and bulldoggers took over. The exhibition drew a full house despite unsettled weather conditions.

Today's show will begin at 2 p. m. with the grand entry and introduction of officials. The program will include bareback riding, bulldogging, calf roping, musical chair contest, saddle bronc riding and brahma bull riding.

Drill Teams Set Attraction of the day will be competition of visiting posse.

Russian Jet Planes Intercept U. S. Craft

Berlin, June 10—(U.P.)—Two Soviet jet fighters rocketed into the international air corridor over Berlin today to play tag with an American C-54 transport, but they flew away without making an offensive pass.

It was the third recent instance in which Russian jets thundered up to intercept American training flights and one high United States official believed the Russians were testing their radar equipment.

All three incidents occurred inside the air corridors on the outskirts of Berlin this month.

"Our plane was four miles inside the corridor when the jets appeared today," the U. S. official said.

The incident was reported officially to the four-power Berlin air safety center, but no protest was lodged, U. S. authorities said.

McCarthy Praised By Wisconsin GOP

Milwaukee, June 10—(U.P.)—Delegates to the Wisconsin republican convention today "heartily commended" Sen. Joseph McCarthy, (R., Wis.), for his campaign to "root out treasonable, communistic and disloyal" government employees.

A resolution commending the state's junior senator was interrupted twice by thunderous applause before it could be approved by voice vote. Only one delegate spoke against it and he was drowned out by boos from most of the other 2,500.

The dissenter, Percy Stearns, a candidate for Sen. Alexander Wiley's seat, said McCarthy's program ends "to divide the republican party."

WEATHER
FORECAST—Partly cloudy to morning, showery conditions in afternoon.
Temp.
Highest Yesterday—69
Lowest Yesterday—52
To 10:30 p. m. Yesterday—67

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San Rafael, Cal., June 10—(U.P.)—Martin H. Geary, 44, purchasing agent for the city of San Francisco since 1945, died of a heart ailment at Ross General hospital here last night.

Russian Leaders Prepare for War, Truman Declares

St. Louis, June 10—(U.P.)—President Truman charged today that Russian leaders are "preparing for war," but he said their "ominous tactics" are being offset "by the growing strength of the free world."

In his most detailed indictment of Russian leadership, the president charged that Soviet chiefs are leading Russia down a road to armed conflict by steadily increasing her military might while the rest of the world is cutting its armed strength.

Russian Army Bigger He said the Russian army is much bigger than a would be needed merely for protection of Soviet borders, and he charged Russian leaders with "fomenting aggression and preparing for war."

Mr. Truman spoke at the dedication of a national memorial to Thomas Jefferson on the banks of the Mississippi. President Truman left by air for Washington at 4:27 p. m. C.D.T. today.

Earlier, at a special memorial service for the dead of both world wars, the president said "We cannot afford another world war, either economically or in the form of manpower." Struggles Unnecessary

"You know," he said, "the great empires and republics of the past have usually exhausted themselves by the slaughter of their young men in the struggles that were entirely unnecessary."

In paying tribute to the dead of two wars, he said "I hope that we will be able to say that we do not intend to add other young men to whom we will have to pay tribute."

But he said "In order that we may meet the situation which we are faced, we must have these wonderful young men willing and able to defend the country at any cost."

But the president pledged himself again to make every effort to achieve peace "to see that they do not have to make that supreme sacrifice."

One Dead, Two Hurt as Plane Hits Building

Tulsa, Okla., June 10—(U.P.)—An air force plane with 18 men aboard smashed into three barracks buildings on a take-off here today, fatally injuring one man and sending two others to a hospital.

A. A. Kerr, 58, Tulsa, chief janitor for the Spartan School of Aeronautics, died of internal injuries at Hillcrest hospital, about seven hours after the crash of the two-engined C-7 transport.

Hospital attendants said Alma Puckett, 61, Dawson, Okla., another Spartan janitor, was in "very poor" condition. The third victim, John W. Long, 67, Sand Springs, Okla., was less seriously hurt. Long is a guard at the school.

None of the airforce men was hurt as the plane sheared through a heavy mesh fence 10 yards beyond a runway, clipped the wooden barracks buildings with its left wing and came to rest with its tail resting against the roof of a fourth barracks in which 60 men were sleeping.

Mysterious SOS Alerts Coast Guard Vessels

New York, June 10—(U.P.)—A mysterious SOS sent a coast guard cutter and a Cunard liner speeding toward an area in the squall-tossed Atlantic off Atlantic City, N. J., tonight.

The coast guard here reported it intercepted the distress signal at 6:22 p. m. (EDT). Several merchant ships in the harbor also reported they picked up the SOS. No position was given in the signal, but a "fix" was taken by the coast guard which determined the call originated about 85 miles southeast of New York off shore from Atlantic City.

Fire Extinguished in Los Angeles Jail

Los Angeles, June 10—(U.P.)—Fire broke out in a paint locker on the roof of the county jail today but firemen quickly extinguished the flames.

Firemen said the blaze apparently started in the paint locker and spread to the jail laundry. Damage was estimated at \$25.

Junior Rosaria Takes Over At Portland Rose Festival

Portland, Ore., June 10—(U.P.)—Junior Rosaria took over Portland's Rose festival today with a miniature floral parade of trikes, wagons, bikes and bugles.

The next-to-the-last event of the festival week brought out the juvenile department for its own parade across Portland's eastside with more than a thousand vehicles, not one of which was motor driven. The junior she-nagans included curly-headed like babies, juvenile dancers,

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