



CORVALLIS BOUND—Girls pictured above were selected by local 4-H club members to receive scholarships for attendance at the annual 4-H summer school at Oregon State col-

lege. The school will last 10 days and feature classes devoted to agriculture, home economics and leadership. They will return to Medford June 22.



LOADING UP—Glenn Klein (center) and a group of Jackson county 4-H club members pack suitcases and sleeping bags into the chartered Greyhound bus Tuesday morning

for the trip to the annual 4-H summer school at Oregon State college in Corvallis. Klein, one of the local 4-H club agents, is in Corvallis with the 25 boys and 25 girls today.

# Crews Patch Severe Crack In River Dike

Portland — (U.P.) — A severe crack appeared last night in a water-logged dike which protects Portland Meadows race track from floodwaters but workmen hoped they had it plugged. Some 2000 yards of gravel fill were dumped by Army engineers, county employees and civil defense workers along the base of the dike. Thirty trucks and bulldozers worked from 6 p.m. yesterday until 6 a.m. today.

**New Trouble Spot**  
Workers also were rushed to a new trouble spot atop the levee today when a 10-foot section of the dike top sank about five feet. A bulldozer was put into service to fill in the pit which developed in the dike opposite the horse stables at Portland Meadows. The source of the trouble was a muddy boil which erupted Sunday. Soon after the hole was filled and packed by the weight of the heavy earth moving machine the boil dried up.

The dike, which has been under close scrutiny since Sunday after the boil developed, was one of the few remaining trouble spots as the Columbia river continued to fall.

The river at Vancouver this morning was down another 2.2 of a foot to 25.3 feet, 18 inches under last Tuesday's crest. The Willamette at Portland dropped to an even 25 feet. River Forecaster Elmer Fisher said the Columbia would continue to fall.

**Threat Still Remains**  
Army engineers said that the threat of a break in downtown

dikes still remained but that lower tides, the dropping river and the drying effect of sunshine on the dikes was helping the situation.

The weather bureau's five-day river forecast issued at 10:45 a.m. called for a drop in the Columbia to 23.2 feet by next Monday. The Willamette at Portland is expected to be 22.9 feet on the same day.

## Advance NG Convoy Leaves for Summer Camp at Ft. Lewis

Advanced detachments from the National Guard's HQ and HQ company, and Company A, both of the 1st battalion, 186th infantry in Medford, left this morning in an 11-vehicle convoy for Ft. Lewis, Wash.

Included in the convoy were 16 Medford guardsmen. The Medford convoy will join a Grants Pass detachment and convoy to Ft. Lewis as one unit. They will set up summer training camp facilities before other Guardsmen arrive Saturday afternoon.

**To Leave Saturday**  
Medford National Guardsmen will leave by train at 12:01 a.m. Saturday. Friday evening formations will be held at the army about 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. for final instructions and to pack footlockers. The Guardsmen will be dismissed about 8 p.m. and will return to prepare to board the train at 11 p.m.

The encampment will last two weeks. The Medford units will be stationed in the northeast sections of Ft. Lewis, and will arrive back in Medford Saturday, June 30, at about 12:30 p.m.

## Bulletin

Washington — (U.P.) — The United States and West Germany challenged Russia today to agree to German reunification if the Soviets really are sincere about wanting to get along with the free world.

## Scouts Reported in Better Condition

Tom Turpin, 14, who suffered a concussion and back injuries when he fell Sunday from a cliff in the Illinois river area while on a Boy Scout hike to Agness, is reported by his attending physician as in much better condition today. He regained consciousness this morning.

Bruce Blachly, 14, who suffered ankle fractures and arm injuries in the same accident, is also reported to be improved in general condition.

Both boys are at Community hospital. They are sons of Mr. and Mrs. V. A. Turpin, 3533 Jacksonville highway, and Mrs. Ben Blachly, 1121 Spring st.

With 35 other members of Medford Boy Scout Troop 9, they left Saturday to hike down the Illinois river to Agness and continue down the Rogue river by boat. The rest of the group continued the trip and arrived Tuesday at Agness, where they will camp for several days before continuing by boat.

## Dutch Queen Declared Influenced by Healer

London — (U.P.) — Reports circulated throughout Europe today that Queen Juliana of the Netherlands and her husband, Prince Bernhard, were divided over the influence of a woman faith healer on the Queen.

The London Daily Express, in a dispatch from its Amsterdam staff correspondent, said today that "an elderly woman faith healer has won influence over the deeply religious Queen Juliana, causing concern to the churches and to the Dutch Cabinet."

"This is an unhappy occasion for us," Lacey said as he stood on the deck of the ship and gazed at the empty flagstaff at Navy House. "But we agreed to withdraw and our job is done."

**No Bitterness in Voice**  
There was no bitterness in his tone. His voice was tired. Britain retains the right to return to defend the Canal Zone against alien aggression. And British civilians will man the canal facilities. But all remnants of military occupation ended when the last sentry went aboard.

## Ike Will Confer With Adenauer In Hospital Room

Washington — (U.P.) — President Eisenhower decided today that he is feeling well enough to confer in his hospital room Thursday with visiting German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer.

The President, continuing his "satisfactory" recovery from an emergency operation, got a morale boost this morning when his doctors removed an "uncomfortable" drainage tube from his nose for two brief periods.

All in all, the President spent 30 minutes out of his bed; performed his usual walking exercise, conferred for half an hour with his staff and signed eight routine bills. One provided money for his own \$100,000 salary and other White House expenses.

**Condition Satisfactory**  
A medical bulletin at 9:15 a.m. (PST) said the President's condition continues "satisfactory." It said he still is being fed through his veins but that the irksome drainage tube running through his stomach "is now being periodically removed."

White House Press Secretary James C. Hagerty announced that the President personally decided on the hospital conference with Adenauer.

Adenauer will be the first visitor the President has had outside of his family and White House staff aides since his emergency operation last Saturday.

Hagerty said Mr. Eisenhower will receive the 80-year-old German leader for a "courtesy visit" Thursday at 10 a.m. (EDT) at Walter Reed Army hospital. Adenauer will be accompanied by Secretary of State John Foster Dulles.

**In Good Spirits**  
Hagerty said he did not know what would be discussed at the meeting or how long it might last. He said the President's doctors said it was "perfectly all right" for him to conduct such a conference at this stage of his recovery.

Mr. Eisenhower's physicians had reported earlier today that he spent a "fairly comfortable night" and was in "good spirits" this morning.

The President underwent surgery early Saturday to bypass an obstruction in his small intestine. The surgery was pronounced successful and his condition has been reported as "excellent."

Announcement of the Adenauer visit coincided with a stepped-up presidential work schedule this morning.

## 700 Visit Hawthorne Pool Here Tuesday

Attendance at the Hawthorne pool Monday was 623 and Tuesday was 700, according to Darrell Huson, city treasurer. Registration for swimming lessons starting next Monday, is now under way at Hawthorne pool. Registration will continue throughout the week.

Minimum age for the lessons is eight, Huson said. Charge will be \$2 for 10 lessons. A second series of lessons will be held in July.

## Last British Sentry Leaves Suez To End 155 Years of Military Operations

Port Said, Egypt — (U.P.) — Britain withdrew its last sentry from the Suez Canal Zone today, ending 155 years of military operations in the land of the pharaohs.

**No Drum Beat**  
The last Union Jack fluttered down over a deserted garrison at sundown Tuesday without bugle or drum beat to pace its descent. It was the end of an era which began in March, 1801, when the British drove Napoleon's soldiers out of Egypt.

Just before dawn today the final picket line of the British garrison went aboard a British LST (landing ship tank) to join the rest of the garrison for transport to Cyprus, now the last British stronghold in the eastern Mediterranean.

**Commander Leaves Forever**  
Brig. John Lacey, the commander of the Port Said garrison, signed over occupation of Navy House headquarters to Egyptian officials Tuesday night and then drove aboard the LST in a staff car. He returned briefly to shore today for a final ceremony. He left Suez forever at 6:13 a.m. (8:13 p.m. PST).

# Six Children Die In Cave-in

## Angry Officials Push Investigation To Place Blame

New York — (U.P.) — Authorities angrily pressed a full investigation today of an excavation cave-in that snuffed out the lives of six children and critically injured a seventh.

Wrathful, muttering crowds of parents clung until the early morning hours around the Brooklyn construction site where the damp, loose earth tragically ended a game of cowboys and Indians.

District attorney's office investigators questioned construction company employees most of the night and District Attorney Edward Silvers said "if there was negligence, this was criminal negligence, not ordinary negligence." Silvers said one of the prime things he wanted to know was why there was no watchman guarding the site, being prepared for a new auto expressway.

**"Where Was He?"**  
"If they had a watchman, where was he?" Silvers said. "If they didn't have one, why not?"

Firemen and policemen worked for nearly six hours Tuesday night, vainly trying to revive the six pathetic bodies, searching for more possible victims and trying to comfort the hysterical mothers of known victims or missing children.

Many rescue workers frantically dug into the tons of dirt with their bare hands when there were no tools available. It was almost midnight when Deputy Fire Chief Edward M. McGarry, in charge of the operation, announced that the dirt had been cleared away.

"There are no more bodies down there," he said. "We wanted to make sure."

## Sister and Brother

The six dead children were identified as Ann Ortiz, 8; Lorraine Stanikunas, 5; Michael Stanikunas, 10; Lorraine's brother, John Kotav, 7; Louis Nitti, 6; and John McKenzie, 9.

The injured child, Anatole Bykov, 9, was taken to a hospital suffering shock and a broken arm. Two other children narrowly escaped the cascading earth. One of them was Mary Stanikunas, sister of two of the victims.

Police said the children apparently waited until workmen left the construction site for the day and then began their game of cowboys and Indians at the base of a 25-foot cliff of dirt. The youngsters decided to dig a cave in the site of the dirt wall and had dug several feet into the soft earth when there was a soft muffled rumbling followed by the cave-in.

Salem — (U.P.) — The State Board of Control has approved calling for bids on a new dormitory at the Oregon State School for the Deaf.

## Federal Tax Evasion Case Continues in Court Here

Federal court recessed at noon today in the Post Office building here with the defense completing cross examination of the third witness in the government's case against Noble C. Standley, James Adamek and Wilbur Merchen of Standley Brothers Logging company in Powers. They are charged with tax evasion.

United States Attorney C. E. Lockey, of Portland, yesterday introduced witnesses against Standley, Adamek and Merchen, who are charged with evading \$300,000 in government taxes during the years 1949-51.

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## D'Autremont Case Record Is Ordered Corrected by Judge

Hugh D'Autremont's chances for release from the penitentiary received a setback yesterday with filing of an order signed by Circuit Judge H. K. Hanna.

The order corrects an omission from the court record when Hugh, Roy and Ray D'Autremont were sentenced to life imprisonment in 1927.

The D'Autremonts were convicted of the widely-publicized Southern Pacific train holdup and murder of four trainmen and a railway postal clerk in the Siskiyou tunnel south of Ashland, on October 11, 1923. They were sentenced on June 23, 1927, after a three-year search for the suspects, and a protracted and sensational trial, one of the last criminal procedures held in the old Jackson county courthouse in Jacksonville, now a museum.

**Omitted Information**  
The order, issued on a motion by District Attorney Walter D. Nunley, is legally termed an order "nunc pro tunc," translated from Latin as "now for then." Its purpose is to supply previously omitted information in the record. The entry is declared effective from the date of the sentencing.

Nunley said the order concerns an agreement on June 23, 1927, between the three D'Autremonts, Teganyns Jefferson, then postal inspector assigned to the case, and Charles Biddiford, another postal inspector.

He explained it was agreed at that time that Jefferson and Biddiford would recommend to the court that Ray and Roy be permitted to enter pleas of guilty to second degree murder on one of the outstanding murder indictments and be sentenced to life in the state penitentiary, thus avoiding exposure to a possible death penalty on a trial of the outstanding murder indictments.

**Convicted of Murder**  
Hugh had previously been convicted of first degree murder, but had not then been sentenced.

It was explained to the three that under ordinary circumstances, a person sentenced to life imprisonment in Oregon would be eligible for release consideration after about 7 1/2 years. The D'Autremonts agreed, Nunley explained, that they would spend the rest of their natural lives in the penitentiary and that the remaining outstanding indictments against them

pany, Nell J. Hollenbeck, bookkeeper, pleaded guilty to tax evasion charges in Portland and was sentenced to 18 months to an institution directed by the attorney general.

Attorneys for the defense are George Mead and William Daugherty of Portland and Paul Geddes of Roseburg. His defense is expected to introduce its witnesses some time tomorrow.

The case is expected to end Friday but may continue longer, according to U.S. Government officials.

would not be prosecuted. The indictments would, however, be kept pending to assure that each of the three men would spend the rest of his life in the penitentiary and thus not be eligible for parole consideration.

After the guilty pleas were entered, the agreement was presented to the Jackson county circuit court and approved by Judge C. M. Thomas upon the oral motion of Newton Chaney, then district attorney. The court's action, however, was not reflected in the record.

Since then, Nunley said, Roy D'Autremont became criminally insane and is now in the Oregon state mental hospital, and Ray D'Autremont has not been regarded by officials as socially suitable for release. Hugh, who created and edited the prison newspaper, "Shadows," has been considered by parole officers to be rehabilitated.

**Three Attempts**  
The district attorney explained that Hugh has made three attempts to gain his freedom in recent years. On each occasion the district attorney's office has been visited by protesting relatives of the murder victims, Southern Pacific Railway officials and postal authorities, Nunley said.

Hugh's most recent effort for release was based on the statute of failure to prosecute and the statute of denial of the right to a speedy trial.

The current court action, Nunley stated, shows that the D'Autremont brothers have waived further prosecution and the right to a speedy trial.

Nunley said before the court could issue the order it was necessary to obtain an affidavit from Jefferson. The affidavit had to show Jefferson was present at the sentencing of the D'Autremonts and that the court action at that time was based on the agreement, though the agreement was not recorded.

The district attorney said he obtained the Massachusetts address of the aging and now retired Jefferson from William Warner, retired Medford postmaster. He wrote to Jefferson, asking for the affidavit, on March 13 of this year. Jefferson, he learned later, was on a vacation tour of the country when the letter left Medford. Nunley's letter was finally delivered to Jefferson in Enid, Okla. Jefferson then wired the district attorney that he was en route home and would send the affidavit upon his arrival.

When Nunley received Jefferson's paper, he noted it was written in the third person rather than first person and was therefore unusable. The district attorney immediately drew up a new affidavit containing the same information and mailed it to Jefferson for his signature. The signed affidavit, dated April 30, was finally received here and Nunley's motion was entered in circuit court on May 3.

On that date, the motion for correction of the record was served upon Edward C. Kelly, Medford attorney who has been representing Hugh D'Autremont. Nunley said no appearance was made or objection filed. Judge Hanna signed the order as of June 9.

"Maybe We'd Better Give This Another Think"



## Four White Sailors Beaten By Negroes in Interracial Fight at Pearl Harbor Base

Pearl Harbor, T.H. — (U.P.) — Four white crewmen of a destroyer stationed at Pearl Harbor were badly beaten Tuesday night in a fight with four Negroes dressed in civilian clothes, the Navy disclosed.

The fight took place about 10:30 p.m. HST near the officer's swimming pool.

The fight was discovered by passengers on a bus who alighted to go to the aid of the sailors. The Navy said the Negroes fled into the nearby bushes. Navy police ordered a dragnet. It was the second such interracial fight at this big naval base in less than a week. Still under investigation was a race riot Friday between a score of Negroes and Whites, most of them Southerners, that resulted in the fatal stabbing of a white sailor.

The sailors who were the victims of Tuesday night's assault were from the destroyer Erwin. They told naval base police that the Negroes "jumped"

## Security Guard Posted On Ship at Portland

Portland — (U.P.) — A security guard was posted at the gangplank of the British freighter Fernhurst today because she arrived here direct from the Russian port of Vladivostok. Coast Guard regulations require posting of guards on boats docking from Russian ports. The Fernhurst was due to take on a cargo of grain for South Korea.

## Baseball

AMERICAN  
Detroit ..... 2 5 1  
Baltimore ..... 0 7 0  
Foylack, Gromek (8), and House; Loes, Zuvernik (7) and Triandos, Smith (1). Home run: Maxwell, Detroit.  
Kansas City ..... 13 21 0  
Washington ..... 4 10 0  
Ditmar, Harrington (8), and Thompson; Ramos, Stone (2), Grob (8), Clevenger (8), and Berberet. Home runs: Lopez, Zernial, Kansas City.

## Bounty on Porcupine Noses Offered Here

Persons bringing in porcupine noses to either the Jackson county court, the Medford Corporation or the Elk Lumber company will be awarded \$1, effective July 1, the Jackson county court announced today.

County Judge Rodney Keating said noses brought in should be tied on a string and salted. The Elk Lumber company and the Medford Corporation are operating independently of the county court, Keating said, and the \$1 bounty will be paid only once.

## Late News Briefs

**LABEL SUIT DISMISSED**  
Washington — (U.P.) — Federal Judge F. Dickinson Letts has dismissed a \$250,000 label suit brought against columnist Drew Pearson by Lew Wallace, prominent Oregon Democratic politician.

**LOAN BILL APPROVED**  
Washington — (U.P.) — The House approved a compromise bill today to set up a \$100,000,000 government loan program for small water projects in Western states.

**INVESTIGATIONS DUE**  
Washington — (U.P.) — Chairman John L. McClellan announced today that his special Senate Lobbying Committee will investigate eight national organizations, including the Committee for Pipeline Companies and the United Auto Workers.