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LION OF THE PIPE—Members of the McIntosh Girls' Pipe Band from Vernon, B.C., gave a short lesson on the bagpipe to Nick Gier, Medford Lions club. The girls entertained Lions here Friday and Saturday during the 33rd annual state Lions convention. From left to right: Carol Watson, drum major; Marion Lee, drum sergeant; Gier, H. G. Foote, band leader, and Bette Apsey, pipe major. The band was on its way to the convention of Lions International at San Francisco.

Girls Bagpipe Band Plays During Parade At Lions Convention

An attractive bit of Scotland surprised Medford in the sun yesterday. A girls' pipe band, complete with feathered cap, kilts, bagpipes and drum staged an impromptu parade at 11:30 a.m. with members of state Lions clubs who were here for their 33rd annual convention. The 22 girls and leader H. G. Foote, a straight, grey-haired carpenter, marched at the head of a block long pack of Lions through downtown streets. The bagpipes squealed and drums rapped awake the business section. From office windows and sidewalks stares followed the colorful unit. From Apple Onstry It was the McIntosh Girls' Pipe Band, from the apple country around Okanagan lake, Vernon, British Columbia. The 15 pipers marched ahead in green doublets and McIntosh tartan plaid kilts, the seven drummers behind in red doublets and kilts. From bottom to top, the girls were dressed in black leather shoes with silver buckles, McIntosh Tartan hose, kilts, doublet, a cloth shoulder sash called a "plaid," and Balmoral caps with a black cock feather. Foote, a carpenter now but a veteran of 28 years in the grocery business, started the band with his daughter 12 years ago. The daughter is in Scotland taking advanced piping and dancing. The girls in the band, predominantly blue-eyed, and predominantly pretty, are aged from 13 to 18. They came here on a Greyhound bus with Foote, his wife and a chaperone. "My wife handles the business end, I lead the band, and the chaperone sees they're in a night," Foote explained. Leave for San Francisco They left for San Francisco last night where they will perform at the annual Lions International convention. They'll be the "ambassadors" for Lions district 19-2 in British Columbia, which helped send them to Medford. The leader said he had 22 girl beginners at Vernon. In addition to the travelling troupe, it takes about one and a half years to learn the bagpipe. Foote and his pipe major, 17-year-old brunette Bette Apsey, who will enter her 12th year at Vernon High school this fall, said the band has a repertoire

Four Killed, 13 Injured When Shell Explodes in Troops

Ft. Sill, Okla. — Four men were killed and 13 injured Saturday when a mortar shell fell short and exploded in the midst of a company of ground troops during a public firing demonstration at the Ft. Sill artillery base. Approximately 300 soldiers and civilians witnessed the accident from bleacher seats about a mile from the blast. A Board of Investigation immediately began an inquiry to determine who, or what, was responsible. The Base Public Information office said the 4.2-inch mortar shell was fired from Battery C of the 522nd Infantry battalion. Don Stires, Albuquerque, N.M., a civilian who saw the accident through field glasses, said he was "watching this platoon move forward when a blast hit the vicinity." Mock Attack All of the injured were members of Company B of the 622nd Infantry battalion. The foot soldiers were making a mock attack on Adam's hill under cover of artillery and mortar fire when the shell exploded among the men, instead of ahead of them. The mishap occurred on the Fort Sill east range in the Wichita mountains. Names of casualties were withheld until their families had been notified. Of those hurt, two were classed as serious. Twelve remained hospitalized and two were treated and released. The public had been invited to the demonstration by the Army. Such demonstrations are held here about once each quarter. Las Vegas — The fifth experimental atomic explosion in a 20-shot series was scheduled by the Atomic Energy commission for the after-noon hours of Sunday.

U.S. Troops Will Start Withdrawal From Japan Pull-Out Schedule In 'Easy Stages'

Washington — Combat troops through 12 year and alliance with their bases and month, informed sources Saturday. The pull-out will be scheduled in "easy stages," moving some 15,000 troops of the First Cavalry division and about 8,000 Leathernecks of the 3rd Marine Division to new posts in the United States or the Pacific. American-equipped troops of the new Japanese army will move into the honky-tonk circled bases where GI slang has become part of the Japanese language. First Result The withdrawal appeared to be the first concrete result of a world-wide review of U. S. military dispositions overseas promised by Secretary of State John Foster Dulles and Defense Secretary Charles E. Wilson after the anti-American riots in Formosa. It had long been considered, however, as a step to meet reduced Army budgets, improve relations with Japan, and spur Japan's own rearmament on the side of the free world. American officials said they hoped the pull-out would make Japan take more seriously its own defense responsibilities. The Japanese officials said it would reduce the incidents and friction between GI's and Japanese that frequently have strained Washington Tokyo relations. The decision to withdraw the troops was announced in a joint communique Friday by President Eisenhower and Japanese Prime Minister Nobusuke Kishi. Orders to start the withdrawal were ready and were issued immediately. Air Force, Navy and Army logistical forces based in Japan — estimated to total about 50,000 men — were not affected. But a simultaneous Air Force withdrawal is expected. Under the Allied decision to abrogate part of the Korean armistice and match the Communist build-up in North Korea one or more modernized U. S. Air Force wings will return to their old bases in South Korea.

Matsonia Arrives in San Francisco

San Francisco — The luxury liner Matsonia, newest member of Matson's Pacific fleet of passenger liners, was showered with orchids dropped from helicopters Saturday as she steamed through the Golden Gate. The 22-million-dollar liner was escorted to pier 35 by a flotilla of pleasure craft. The municipal band and a crowd of San Franciscans were on the dock to greet the ship, her captain, Hans O. Mathieson, Godwill ambassadors Hilo Hattie, and the others aboard. Eastman operator of "Merle's Club," testified he and his wife talked to the former Multnomah county sheriff the night of the alleged \$500 pay-off, and that he did not see Schrank with Clifford O. Bennett, operator of the 8212—the man who is accused of instigating the bribe. Grohs, who had gone with Schrank to raid the club, said he was with Schrank all the time. The mayor is charged with perjuring himself before a grand jury by denying he received the bribe.

Ten Miners Trapped In Coal Mine Explosion

Sapporo, Japan — Ten miners were trapped and killed when a gas explosion ripped through a coal mine in the village of Izumi Friday night, it was reported Saturday. Twenty miners escaped the cave-in on the shaft 1,000 feet below the surface. One was hospitalized with first-degree burns.

Large Tent City at Ft. Lewis Serves As Base of Operations for Guardsmen

Ft. Lewis, Wash.—A large tent city on the rocky terrain at Ft. Lewis, is serving as the base of operations for more than 9,000 Oregon and Washington National Guard troops stationed at northeast Ft. Lewis during the Guard's annual summer camp. Medford units, Company A and Headquarters company, 1st battalion, 186th infantry regiment, Oregon National Guard, started the "active duty" period last Sunday with a series of "refresher classes." Troops attending the courses were members of the communications, pioneer and ammunition and intelligence sections. Later they attended orientation ceremonies at a large training field, conducted by Col. Robert L. Irving, regimental commander. Earl last week tactical training, field maneuvers and classroom instruction began for Company A's 110 enlisted men and

House Trying to Get Action on Canyon Bill

Autopsy Reveals Eureka Man Slain While Aboard Boat

Santa Rosa, Calif.—Fishermen Saturday hauled from the sea the badly decomposed body of a Eureka man who apparently was murdered while aboard his boat off the Sonoma county coast. The crew of the fishing boat "Sonny Mike" hauled in the body of Elwood V. Rost, 39, when it was found floating about a mile off the coast near Bodega Bay. Sheriff's deputies said the body had been in the water for about a week. Autopsy Ordered A coroner's autopsy, ordered after Rost's wife, Arvilla, said she feared foul play, revealed that the victim had died from an eight-inch knife wound in the back of his neck. He had been missing since June 11. Authorities were investigating a radio call presumably sent by the dead man on June 11, apparently only a short time before he was murdered. It was the last word of the man. His wife, however, did not report him missing until June 16. Sheriff's deputies said that Rost left for Stockton on June 11 to repossess the 46-foot fishing boat, "the Judy-Ann," owned by an unidentified woman of Field's Landing, Calif., who was reported to have sold it to two other men, also unidentified. No word was heard from Rost until his body was found Saturday. No trace of the boat has been found. Litwiler's funeral home in Ashland is in charge of arrangements.

Three Witnesses Called by Defense

Portland — Three witnesses were called by the defense Friday to testify in the perjury trial of Mayor Terry D. Schrank after the state rested its case and Judge James W. Crawford turned down a defense move for outright dismissal of the perjury charges. The owner of a private club—Howard Merle Eastman—and two sheriff's deputies, Edward Grohs and Gordon Neumann, declared under oath they did not see Schrank pick up anything near an afterhours joint, the 8212 Club, in north Portland in 1955. Eastman operator of "Merle's Club," testified he and his wife talked to the former Multnomah county sheriff the night of the alleged \$500 pay-off, and that he did not see Schrank with Clifford O. Bennett, operator of the 8212—the man who is accused of instigating the bribe. Grohs, who had gone with Schrank to raid the club, said he was with Schrank all the time. The mayor is charged with perjuring himself before a grand jury by denying he received the bribe.

"Boy, Am I Burning Up"



Heavy Rains Swell Minnesota Rivers; Flood Warnings Out

Emergency flood warnings were posted Saturday on sections of the Minnesota and Redwood rivers in Minnesota, and temperatures over much of the east shot upward. Meanwhile, residents of Fargo, N.D., and Hutchinson, Kan., cleaned up damage caused by heavy rains Friday night and early Saturday swelled Minnesota rivers. Weathermen issued a flood warning for the Minnesota river from Mankato to St. Paul, and for Marshall on the Redwood. The Minnesota was expected to crest at Mankato around 22.5 or 23 Saturday night or early Sunday, about four feet above flood stage. Crests Expected Crests were expected to be four to seven feet over natural banks of the Minnesota, and weathermen warned that high water and flooding would progress along the river until possibly around Thursday. At Marshall, heavy rain continued to swell the Redwood river, and a crest of nine feet, two feet above flood stage, was expected Saturday night. The Mississippi river at St. Paul was inching slowly upward from the run-off of other swollen streams. A crest of about 14.5 feet, six inches above flood stage, would probably occur on Tuesday or Wednesday, weathermen said. Scattered thunderstorms interrupted fair weather about the eastern half of the nation, as temperatures and humidity climbed. Similar conditions prevailed west of the Rockies. Sheehan Elected 36-E Governor Larry Sheehan, Rogue River, was elected district governor of southern Oregon district 36-E at the Saturday morning business meeting of the 33rd annual state Lions convention here. The meeting was held in the Craterian theatre. Other district governors elected were district 36-O, Robert Scherer, Wellington Park; district 36-R, Gerald Murray, Eugene; district 36-G, Keith Parkison, Redmond. The group voted to hold next year's state convention in Eugene, and the 1959 convention in Corvallis. The Lions attended a breakfast at Hedrick Junior High school yesterday morning, and an award luncheon at the same place in the afternoon. A variety show was scheduled for 7:30 p.m. and ending the three day convention, a governor's ball at 9:30 p.m. The Vernon, B.C., McIntosh Girls' Pipe Band, en route to San Francisco for the International convention, led the Lions in a parade downtown at 11:30 a.m. after the business meeting and elections. About 850 men and women registered for the convention which began here on Thursday.

Senate Approves High Dam on Snake River, 45 to 38

Washington — House sponsors of the Senate-approved Hells Canyon bill tried to change committee schedules Saturday to pave the way for a house vote on the bill before Congress adjourns for the summer. Rep. Al Ullman (D-Ore.), a sponsor of the plan to authorize construction of a "high" dam at Hells Canyon on the Snake river in the Pacific Northwest, said

State Democratic Chairman Robert Boyer of Medford said Saturday "The people of Oregon can be extremely proud of Senators Wayne Morse and Richard Neuberger for the valiant fight they have led and won at the U.S. Senate to bring about passage of the Hells Canyon bill. "The leadership of these two senators was a great factor in our tremendous victory in the battle for our natural resources. I know I speak for the people of Oregon in expressing our congratulations to Morse and Neuberger on this joyous occasion."

the "biggest hurdle at the moment" was arranging a timetable for committee action on it. Passes Senate The bill passed the Senate by a 45-38 vote Friday and next will be considered by a House Interior subcommittee headed by Rep. Wayne N. Aspinall (D-Colo.). Aspinall said the first open dates on his crowded calendar are July 18 and 19. But he said he would "trade" with sponsors of other bills for earlier dates if he can. Ullman said the July 18-19 dates would "virtually eliminate" chances of a House vote this session and that the sponsors were trying to arrange earlier hearings. "We're certainly going to do everything possible to get a vote this session," he added. Pledge Bitter Fight Administration leaders pledged a bitter fight to head off the bill. And even if it does get through it is likely to be vetoed by President Eisenhower. The measure would authorize 500 million dollars to build one high dam in the canyon. The administration already has authorized Idaho Power company to build three privately-owned low dams. A major factor in Senate debate on the bill was a rapid tax write-off benefit granted Idaho Power company, and then cancelled by the company in a surprise move on the eve of the Senate vote. House Republican Whip Leslie C. Arends said "we intend to do everything possible" to defeat the bill. "If the economy attitude of the House means anything it should show itself in the consideration of this multi-million-dollar project," Arends said. "There is no sense in the federal government doing what private enterprise itself can do."

Curtain of Secrecy Remains on Cargo

New York — A curtain of secrecy remained Saturday around cargo shifting operations of a "mystery ship" flying the Israeli flag at a U.S. Navy ammunition depot. The whitish-grey vessel docked at the Navy depot at Earle, N.J., late Friday. An unofficial source told the United Press that it was flying the Israeli flag. Efforts to identify the ship and the nature of its cargo drew evasive or non-committal answers, yet the cargo shift was being made under strictest security measures. The extraordinary secrecy surrounding the ship recalled a disclosure by the United Press in February, 1956, of a shipment of 18 M41 Walker Bulldog tanks which was being loaded aboard a Liberian freighter for transport to Saudi Arabia.

Ashland Loop Road May Open This Week

The Ashland-loop road should be open for traffic some time this week, according to the Rogue River National forest office. The road, which leaves from Ashland and runs along the summit of the Siskiyou on the south side of Ashland, Wagner and Dutchman peaks, into the Applegate area, is usually one of the last in the county to be opened because of drifts of snow which are slow in melting. Some of the route can be traveled now, but forest service officials cautioned that conditions are not yet good enough for easy driving.

Weather FORECAST CONTINUED Fair and warm through Monday. Monday 45-55 Highest yesterday 71-80 Lowest this morning 36-53 Our Skies Tonight SUNNY 4-24 PM CLEAR 7-53 PM MOON @ Monday 7:08 AM EVENING STARS Venus (4th Mag) 8:00 PM Jupiter (3rd Mag) 9:00 PM Saturn (1st Mag) 10:00 PM

Rodeo Star Injured In Roseburg Show Roseburg — Casey Tibbs, nationally-known rodeo champion, was injured Saturday while riding a bucking horse in the 13th annual Douglas County Rodeo here, and was taken to a Roseburg hospital. The 28-year-old Tibbs said he pulled a muscle on the inside of his leg while riding the horse, and grabbed the rodeo ground's fence and pulled himself out of the saddle. It appeared to the spectators that the horse crushed him up against the fence, but he said the injury occurred when the horse went into violent twists before Tibbs grabbed the fence. Moscow — Official Soviet newspapers have opened an attack on the New American disarmament plan.