

### Cancer Meeting For Nurses Set

The first Cancer Conference for Nurses in Southern Oregon will be held March 20 at 1 and 7 p.m. at the Rogue Valley hospital auditorium, Medford.

The conference, sponsored jointly by the Oregon Nurses' Association District Four and the American Cancer Society, will include a discussion of nursing procedures and techniques arising from the care of patients with cancer.

Among the speakers at the conference will be Dr. Clifford Allen, professor and director of radiation therapy at the University of Oregon medical school, Dr. Allen is the recipient of the American Cancer Society's grant-in-aid, the "John R. Tomlin Award," established in honor of the late Medford philanthropist. Other speakers and leaders of the conference include two Medford physicians - Dr. Otto

### Former High Soviet Official Is Dead

Moscow - (UPI) - Nikolai A. Dygai, a former minister and member of the Soviet Communist Party's Central Committee, died Wednesday, Moscow Radio reported.

He was Soviet minister without portfolio from 1959 to 1961, minister for construction of military and naval enterprises from 1947 to 1949, and minister of construction from 1953 to 1957.

### Section of Unisphere Moved Into Position

New York - (UPI) - The first section of the "unisphere," symbol of the 1964 New York World's Fair, was moved into place Wednesday in ceremonies attended by the grandson of the Eiffel Tower's builder.

Rene Legrain-Eiffel presented a model of the Eiffel Tower to Roger M. Blough, board chairman of United States Steel Corp. The unisphere will be a 12-story stainless steel frame globe with model earth satellites circling the globe.

### Small Clam Bill Approved by Group

Sacramento - (UPI) - A bill permitting the importation of clams that are below the California size limit but meet the legal size of the territory in which they are taken, was approved Wednesday by the Senate Fish and Game committee.

The minimum legal size for commercial clams taken in California waters is 1 1/2 inches. But the bill's author, Sen. Jack Schrade (R-Del Mar) said California currently has a shortage of clams which could be offset by importation of clams from Oregon and Washington. The bill now goes to the assembly.

### Nixon in Chicago On Mystery Trip

Chicago - (UPI) - Richard M. Nixon was in Chicago today on a trip shrouded in mystery.

A traveling companion, Nicholas Ruwe, Detroit, would say only that the former vice president was doing "law work" and keeping "personal appointments" today. Nixon's chief appearance here was to be tonight before the Commercial club, but newsmen were barred.

Ruwe indicated Nixon was avoiding newsmen because he intended his first public appearance since the California election to be on the Jack Parr television show Friday night.

Nixon and Ruwe went to New York Thursday. Ruwe said Nixon Saturday spoke before the University club's largest audience since Sir Winston Churchill spoke in 1948 and Tuesday before a group of 300 on Long Island. The Paar show was taped Sunday night.

### NOW YOU KNOW

The beluga or "white whale" is a native of the Arctic Sea which roams the western Atlantic as far south as the St. Lawrence River, according to the Encyclopedia Britannica. Its color is almost pure white.



**RATTLESNAKE BITTEN** - Sidney, left, a three-year-old Weimaraner, recovers from a rattlesnake bite suffered when he grabbed a snake behind a school in San Diego, Calif. Dr. W. S. Rauber, who is treating the dog, also comforts Bub, Sidney's father, who was also bitten but did not suffer swelled head. (UPI)

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### Small Worlds Around Us

By LYNN M. WATKINS  
(Register and Tribune Syndicate, 1963)

**Gulliver Beetle Subdued by Swarms of Lilliputian Ants**  
History does not record where Jonathan Swift got the idea of placing his fictional hero, Gulliver, in the land of Lilliput where the people were no larger than a man's little finger. Nor does it record how he arrived at the idea of allowing Gulliver to fall asleep on the ground and awaken to find his hands, feet and legs securely tied by the busy little people who had never before seen such a giant, and had tied him up in order to protect themselves. Swift published the story in the year 1726, and it has become something of a classic. Most children and adults have been fascinated by the story of Gulliver's Travels in the land of Lilliput. All have probably seen the drawing where Gulliver is spread-

eagled on the ground with Lilliputians swarming all over the place. The little people had secured ropes, stakes and any and all cordage they could find, and tied the giant securely.  
**Comes Alive**  
The old drawing came alive for us the other day when we noticed a reenactment of Gulliver's predicament on the ground near a sidewalk. The "giant" in this living drama-Gulliver himself, if we allowed our imagination a free rein-was a large, black beetle who had stupidly knocked himself silly by crashing into a steel mailbox.  
Stunned by the impact, the beetle lay on his back, his big legs waving feebly in the air. Within minutes of the crash, the Lilliputians arrived. There were hundreds of these "little people," little black ants each less than one hundredth the size of the beetle. The six-legged Lilliputians were cautious. They seemed to know how dangerous the violently waving legs could be. They were taking no chances. One blow from a beetle leg could break an ant in half. Their concern was to keep the beetle from regaining his feet and escaping.  
Once in a while an ant, a little braver than his co-workers, would rush in and grab one of the beetle's legs. Several of these venturesome little creatures, misjudging their own ability, would be kicked and knocked end over end. One ant evidently suffered a broken leg and was later carried away by half a dozen other ants.  
**Use Sheer Numbers**  
Finally, the Lilliputians decided on a frontal attack. They would attempt to subdue the giant by sheer weight of numbers. They swarmed in, half a hundred of them. They clambered on the beetle, sinking their mandibles into legs and anywhere they could get a foothold.  
The sting of the biting jaws revived the giant. He must have realized the seriousness of his position. He struggled violently, throwing ants right and left. He rubbed one leg against another, scraping off a dozen of the tiny attackers.  
But he was a little slow on recovering his strength. The Lilliputians had arrived in overwhelming numbers, each biting and holding, and each injecting into the beetle's body a tiny bit of numbing fluid. The giant's legs slowed their wild thrashing. Shortly all they could do was quiver feebly then they were still.  
The little ants had subdued the giant. Gulliver had been overcome by these tiny, everyday Lilliputians.

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