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(Given by Allan Jackson - L.T. on way to Asia)

GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

The special session of the General Assembly of the United Nations - is under way. The delegates met this afternoon - for about a half an hour - with New Zealand's Sir Leslie Monro president - and scheduled actual debate - on the Middle East to start next Wednesday - and the hope is that it can settle the question of Jordan and Lebanon. Two previous attempts to solve the problem - failed. First, the Security Council was stopped in its tracks - by a Soviet veto. And then Khrushchev backed out of the proposed summit conference - under which the heads of government would have met at the Security Council.

This emergency session of the U.N. is being called - "a split-level meeting". The reference is to the different authorities - that are expected to appear. France and America will be represented - by their ordinary U.N.

delegates. Britain and Russia will send - their Foreign Secretaries. There's also a hint - that President Eisenhower may turn up to address the gathering.

The Soviet decision - revives old memories. Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko will be coming - at the head of his delegation. Gromyko was once the Soviet Ambassador to the U.N. It was Gromyko who took those famous walkouts - leaving the chamber, when the voting went against him. He used to rise from his seat, glower - and then stride out. His bearing, so unfriendly - they called him "Grim Grom".

Secretary General Dag Hammarskjold laid a Mideast peace plan before an emergency session of the General Assembly today. It calls for a new declaration by all Arab countries pledging non-interference in each other's affairs. And a program of economic cooperation in the area. He said the U.N. could make a worthwhile contribution in helping arrange financial agencies and in other ways.

He mentioned specifically arrangements for cooperation in joint programs for utilization of water resources, and between oil-producing and oil-transiting countries.

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LEBANON

Three bombs exploded in Beirut today - breaking the calm that hangs over Lebanon's capital city. The toll of the blast - two dead, four injured.

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Today, Chamoun told newsmen - he'll leave office all right. But he has no intention of abandoning politics. He says he'll set up his own political party - as soon as his term expires.

Meanwhile, American military men in Lebanon - are being allowed to visit restricted areas in Beirut. Which is welcome news to the owners of shops and bars. The soldiers and marines are expected to spend a lot of dollars - while visiting the city on passes.

FORMOSA

Our State Department accuses Red China - of starting a war scare over Formosa. The charge, made by State Department spokesman Joseph ^hReap - who points out that Mao Tse-tung is building up his air strength, just when Communist propaganda is preaching peace around the world. According to Joseph ^hReap - our government is keeping a close watch - on the movement of Soviet Jets to Chinese airfields.

This declaration follows a report by the Nationalist Chinese - that Mao ~~is~~ has about twelve hundred warplanes along the South China Coast - facing Formosa. That's why Chiang Kai-shek is keeping all of his armed services on a war-time alert.

NAUTILUS

The Navy announces - that the Northwest Passage has been discovered. For centuries, ~~many~~ navigators hunted the Northwest Passage. A sea route around the top of North America connecting the Atlantic and the Pacific. The first skipper to find the Northwest Passage is - Commander W.R. Anderson - of the atomic submarine "Nautilus".

The Nautilus left Honolulu, went through Bering Strait - and then dived under the Arctic icecaps off Point Barrow, Alaska. Then she cruised four hundred feet beneath the ice - for eighteen hundred miles. She passed directly under the North Pole - and she discovered mountain ranges far down under the Arctic ice. Commander Anderson and his men gathered a mass of scientific data during their run - which the Navy calls ~~sailed~~ "the most remarkable job of navigation ever done".

The Nautilus marked out a commercial route - for other subs. They'll be able to take the Northwest Passage - which will cut ^{almost} in half the voyage from London to Tokyo. The feat of our first atomic powered sub, is so spectacular - that today

President Eisenhower awarded the Legion of Merit to Commander Anderson. For the entire crew, a presidential unit citation - the first ever granted in peace time.

UNEMPLOYMENT

The Labor and Commerce Departments report - unemployment dropped during July. At the same time, the number of job-holders increased. There were a hundred and forty-three thousand fewer unemployed. And almost two hundred thousand more jobs.

At the same time, the General Motors Company announces it will recall a hundred thousand employees to their jobs - by the middle of October.

EDUCATION

The Education Bill passed in the House today - is intended to meet the Soviet challenge in an era of atomic energy and space travel. The measure mentions nine hundred million dollars - about half to go in loans - to students who could not otherwise afford to attend college. Other provisions include special grants - and financial aid for colleges.

This bill is not everything President Eisenhower asked for. The Congressmen took out Mr. Eisenhower's scholarship plan - before voting their approval.

HOFFA

The head of the Teamsters Union was on hand again today - for a session of the Senate Rackets Committee. James Hoffa, hearing more testimony - about himself and his Union.

The key witness - William Brennan, of a Restaurant Workers Local in Philadelphia. Brennan testified that five men set up an independent union in Philadelphia. At that point, Committee Counsel Robert Kennedy interrupted to ^{charge that} say - all five had police records. Then Brennan went on to say the independent group got a charter from the Teamsters. The charter, according to this witness - was granted at Hoffa's personal request.

INTRO. TO RECORDING

Tonight we have a report from Lowell - who is off on the other side of the world. He tells us some more about our forty-ninth state - and about a place where they serve hard liquor.

L.T.

When I was in Alaska the other day, working on what will be the first of our High Adventure TV series - the Alaska show will be early in October - in one of my broadcasts from our forty-ninth state I mentioned the Red Dog Saloon - in Juneau. Something about that name "Red Dog Saloon" fascinated our United Motors Delco announcer. Don Morrow is always asking me about the Red Dog Saloon. So, I am now going to do a bit about it for his special benefit. And for you too, if you are interested.

The Red Dog Saloon is on the Main Street in Juneau, the Alaskan capital. It's quite an attraction for tourists - with its swinging doors, sawdust on the floor, trophies of Wyatt Earp and Soapy Smith on the wall - Wyatt Earp's gun; dozens of pictures of the old days, the days of the gold rush, the long bar, bartender with a bushy red beard - and Hattie - Hattie Queen of Jazz, at an ancient upright piano - Hattie between the bar and the dance

floor where she can entertain everybody.

Hattie, will you play a few bars of something just to set the mood for this?

(Hattie says:- "Oh Lowell" and then let her play a moment - fading slowly under me as I say the following:)

Hattie's piano looks like a museum piece. For that matter Hattie could be a museum piece. She's 70 years old. All dressed in bright red velvet - with a red velvet barret perched up there at a rakish angle on her grey hair. Also a sort of harness that's appropriate - belt and suspenders of silver dollars - more than 100 of them.

As she plays hour after hour she seldom even glances at the keyboard. She keeps nodding and smiling to patrons at the bar or on the dance floor. Professor - I mean - Hattie, let's see you take the piano apart!

(More music)

The front is out of the piano, so you can see the

hammers banging away. How does she get that tin-pan crazy Otto effect? (more music). Hattie says the best way is to shellack the felt hammers.

Wheredid Hattie come from and in what conservatory did she study music? She tells me she doesn't read a note. Still she plays for six hours at a stretch - six afternoons and evenings a week here at the Red Dog Saloon in Juneau.

An old time dance hall girl? Oh no. Hattie was born in Philadelphia in 1888. In 1904, her parents took her to Denver. When her father died her mother taught music. And Hattie just absorbed it - by ear.

Those were the days of the silent movies, and for fourteen years Hattie played, in the dark, at The Lyric at 25th and Welton, and The Issis in downtown Denver on Curtis Street.

After marrying Al "Bugs" Jessup of The Denver Post,

they roamed for seven years and then settled in Reno, where her husband died.

Hattie had to make a living and got a job playing in a bar room at Virginia City, Nevada. A saloon called The Mark Twain.

One day came an offer from Alaska. She came, and for several years has been the Number One attraction at The Red Dog Saloon in Juneau.

Hattie, play us a little of your old silent movies routine, when you had to improvise on the piano - a change of mood with each scene.

(Music - here we need the part that sounds like horses galloping, villain, heroine, etc.)

You may be interested to know that most of the customers at The Red Dog Saloon are tourists - from Oregon, Utah, Iowa, Ohio. Nice people who have heard so much about The Malamute Saloon and so on in Alaska and the Yukon. The Red Dog Saloon is mainly to satisfy them. Life

Life in Alaska as tourists think it was - and still is!

Let 'er rip, Hattie!

(Music)

Don, in my next I'll tell you a tale so strange

you will find it hard to believe.

The U.S. Air Force Drum and Bugle Corps - performed for a British audience today. And the performance certainly hit the headlines around Britain.

The fifty-one members of the corps flew into London - to play in a British Armed Forces show. They were invited to give a preview of their music - on the Horse Guards parade ground. That's where the Queen presides over one of the solemn ceremonies of the British Army - the Trooping of the Colors. For Her Majesty's military men, nothing in the world is more sacred - than the Horse Guards parade ground.

Well, today the area resounded with - jive music. The U.S. Air Force Drum & Bugle Corps blaring out hit tunes - like "Mambo Jambo", "Bally Hai", and "Get Me To The Church On Time." All beat out - to a mambo rhythm.

Before the concert ended - monocles were dropping all over the place. British colonels, mumbling to themselves.

Said the commanding general - "That kind of music isn't for the British Army." ^{Said} Wrote a correspondent of the London Daily Mail - "It took a stiff upper lip - to watch."