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The Copco Franchise

THE Mail Tribune does not believe in the public ownership and operation of utilities, because it believes the interests of the people can BEST BE SERVED by private ownership and operation, under STRICT public regulation.

But the Mail Tribune also believes in Democracy—the rule of the majority. It believes that if a majority of the people of this community—or any OTHER—want public ownership and operation, they should not be deprived of the right to have it.

FOR a generation this right has been granted the people of Medford in their franchise with the California Oregon Power company. That right has not noticeably interfered with the proper financing of the company in the past. We see no reason why it should interfere in the future.

But even if it DID interfere, we believe it would be not only to the interest of the people of this city, but to the interest of the power company, to grant this right.

FOR nothing will do more to stimulate the popular demand for public ownership and operation, and increase the dangerous—and to our mind unwarranted—prejudice against public utilities, than for the latter to try to arbitrarily deny such a well established and essentially proper right.

The meagre financial benefits of such a procedure,—and they would be meagre, for in the gloomy utility-financing picture today such a factor is a mere flea bite,—would be far out-balanced, by the loss of good will.

And the public utilities of this district and this country, need the good will of the people—as they never have needed it before.

With an attitude of fairness and liberality toward the people, eventually that good will, will be theirs.

Attend the Flower Show!

TOMORROW the Medford Garden club flower show opens in the gymnasium of the Medford high school.

We suggest that those convinced the world is going to the demmons bow-wows, and this particular vale of tears is lost beyond redemption, attend this exhibition. Also that those who have flowers of unique interest or rare beauty, take a bunch up there, for entries are open to all, and the more representative the display the better.

It may be a certain consolation to observe that while we humans sometimes make an apparent mess of things, as we dash about on this ball of dirt, old Mother Nature seldom does. While affairs have not been going any too well of late, and the least attractive traits of human nature have been coming to the surface in disturbing fashion, this exhibition will demonstrate that the tints on the rose are just as beautiful, and the colors of the iris just as rare, as they were in less disjointed times.

More beautiful perhaps. For as if to make up for the material losses, Nature has given this neck of the woods, an exceptional growing season, with copious rains, and adequate sunshine, making flowers and shrubs of all descriptions even more luxurious than usual.

SO don't overlook this annual flower show, put on by an organization which is working in every way to make Medford and the Rogue River valley a more beautiful place in which to live. Not only by the cultivation of flowers and shrubs and trees; but by the elimination of eye-sores in the landscape that jar and offend.

It should be a particular relief for those who went through the dirt and muck of the late and unlamented primary, to enter an atmosphere as fresh and sweet and wholesome, as will be provided for two days, in the new high school auditorium. After all, elections come and go, so do trials and tribulations, but the beauty of the world goes on FOREVER. So it appeals to us as a pious idea to support this flower show by attendance and contributions and be reminded of that fact.

"I care not Fortune what you me deny; You cannot rob me of free Nature's grace. You cannot shut the windows of the sky Through which Aurora shows her brightening face; You cannot bar my constant feet to trace The woods and lawns by flowering streams, at eve; You cannot rob me of my soul's own grace My right to beauty,—and to believe!

TRANS-ATLANTIC AIR SERVICE HAS DRAWBACK IN FOG

ROME, May 25.—(AP)—Regular air service between Europe and America could be developed if a method were devised of making an airplane alight on water even if fog were so thick that it was impossible for the pilot to see the surface, Harold Gatty, Australian who went around the world in eight days with the American, Wiley Post, in 1931, told the trans-oceanic fliers' convention today. Gatty suggested a north Atlantic route by way of Greenland, Iceland and Labrador. The presence of numerous landing places and the absence of long flights over open water renders the Greenland route valuable, he said. "Now, if we develop blind landing as we have blind flying, the route will be available all the year round." Wolfgang von Gronau, who flew 4670 miles from Germany to Chicago via Greenland, said it was possible to alight in fog by gradually coming down to a level of nine feet above the sea, when the water is visible, or by trailing a hundred feet of wire which lights a lamp on the instrument board the moment it touches the water.

CHILQUIN.—Elmer Tucker took over building formerly occupied by Davis furniture store and will conduct furniture and cabinet business there.

Portland.—Bishop's barber shop moved to new location at 1750 Sandy, between 68th and 69th streets.

Crystallog.—Kotik glass supreme The Peasley's, Opp. Holy Theater,

CHILDREN TO JOIN TRIBUTE TO BABY KIDNAPER VICTIM

NILES, O., May 25.—(AP)—One of this country's saddest tragedies—the kidnaping and death of little Charles Augustus Lindbergh, Jr.—will bring a new and greater significance for Memorial day this year to the children of this community. Totals not much older than Baby Charles will join with school children of Niles in a tribute to his memory. And leading them will be one of their own number, who also was kidnaped, but who was rescued unharmed.

Children of Niles will plant a weeping willow tree beside a waiting pool, where its branches will shade children at play. This will be their memorial to the child of Charles Augustus and Anne Morrow Lindbergh. The first spade of dirt in the planting will be turned by James DeJute, Jr., 11, who was kidnaped March 2, a few hours after the Lindbergh baby was stolen. Jimmie was rescued three days later.

Senator Thomas Leads Idaho Vote

BOISE, Idaho, May 25.—(AP)—United States Senator John Thomas had a lead of almost two to one over J. Wesley Holden of Idaho Falls for the Republican senatorial nomination on the basis of approximately half the returns from yesterday's primary election, compiled here today. It was apparent the prohibition issue had not figured largely in the balloting.

Today

By Arthur Brisbane Mr. Borah Wanders Off. 5 Billions for Prosperity. Sixty Big Airships. Control for the Few.

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Senator Borah of Idaho says he will not attend the republican national convention. Senator Borah will have nothing further to do with any conference about a republican national plank on resubmitting prohibition to the people.

Friends of the administration wonder how far from the reservation Senator Borah will wander. There might be a repetition of the Theodore Roosevelt bull-moosing that defeated President Taft for re-election, making certain the election of Woodrow Wilson, and various other things that followed.

Mr. Merryle Stanley Rukeyser writes convincingly on the national prosperity loan of five billions, suggested by W. R. Hearst a year ago. That sum, distributed in wages for useful work, would do more than anything else could do to restore prosperity in the opinion of many that understand business and economic facts.

Various suggestions have been made in imitation of Mr. Hearst's suggestion, a one billion fund, a two billion fund, etc. It is foolish to make two bites of a cherry.

Some critics say a five billion dollar fund would make it impossible to balance the budget. It would not, but if it did, what of it? The Pennsylvania railroad does not balance its budget when it borrows fifty-five million dollars to complete the electrification of its road from New York to Philadelphia at a time when it does not earn fixed charges.

But it does better than balance its budget. It completes work in which millions have already been invested; it provides labor for more than 15,000 men, and shows courage.

The United States didn't balance its budget in the war, when it borrowed at the rate of 10 billion dollars a year and shipped one lump sum of 10 thousand million dollars to Europe, never to come back.

The five billion dollar fund could easily be provided through the machinery of the federal reserve board, and would be well invested in useful production, besides stimulating property, and overcoming unemployment. The billions, so gayly raised in war, might as well have been thrown in the Atlantic ocean. There was no talk about budget-balancing then.

Because of private initiative and courageous investment, aviation makes progress, although our government does not experiment, as other nations do, with aviation problems, or defray their cost.

The United Aircraft Transport corporation, which leads in American aviation, thanks to the financial courage and ability of Charles E. Mitchell, and his associates, Rentschler, Deeds and Boeing, is building 60 new planes in the Seattle Boeing factory that will cost two million dollars. Each plane will carry 10 passengers, besides the pilot, and carry 500 pounds of mail and express matter, 155 miles an hour average speed.

They will fly regularly from New York to Chicago in less than seven hours. And from ocean to ocean, with six stops, in 24 hours.

The house of representatives' ways and means committee votes 20 to 4 against legalizing information concerning birth control. Therefore the old system will continue.

The rich, that could afford to have children, can get the birth control information from first class doctors, and will continue NOT to have many children.

The poor, that can not afford many children, including poor women married to drunkards and morons, will be told that it is wrong to interfere with the plans of providence. If they ask why providence doesn't interfere with the special information for the prosperous class, they will be told: "That is not YOUR business."

Each day supplies its racketeer death. This time, parked in 117th street, New York, one man is found dead at the wheel of a sedan car, and another, shot in the mouth, is sitting on the car's running board. Police say: "It was a fight about leadership in the Harlem alcohol racket."

The man shot in the mouth, named Mileto, known as "Cheese Cake Louis," was alive and could

Personal Health Service

By William Brady, M. D. Signed letters pertaining to personal health and hygiene, not to disease, diagnosis or treatment, will be answered by Dr. Brady if a stamped self-addressed envelope is enclosed. Letters should be brief and written in ink. Owing to the large number of letters received only a few can be answered here. No reply can be made to queries not conforming to instructions. Address Dr. William Brady in care of The Mail Tribune.

AUTOINFECTION CAN HAPPEN BUT SELDOM DOES

The other day we settled the ghostly autoinfection obsession, so far as the health of our readers is concerned, by showing that from the scientific point of view (physiology and pathology) injury or poisoning of the body by its own excretions is impossible as long as one is able to be up and about. This is not an idle assertion. I make it only after many years of careful study of the questions involved, and I assure you I can't afford to make rash assertions which competent medical critics or other persons may stand not more than a foot or two from me. From time to time something I say or teach here does clash mightily with the traditional theory or belief of the general medical profession, particularly the older practitioners' view, and this naturally tempts a poor but honest doctor here and there to commit himself a bit hastily upon my insanity. But nevertheless I go blithely on abating my stand not more than a jot or tittle, for after all you see my assertion bears as much weight as the assertion of another doctor, unless he can bring to his support some scientific evidence.

Today we crave to relieve the casual reader's mind of another delusion which, I regret to say, is fostered by too many medical "authorities" who are in the habit of writing or speaking so much that they lack the spare time for studying and thinking. The nasty little notion of autoinfection is the delusion scheduled for demolition today, doctors and friends. In an argument this autoinfection idea gets the old-timer out of many a tight place. However skillfully you maneuver to isolate him or rather his hypothetical patient far from the haunts of men and then challenge him to bring on a hypothetical cold by exposing the hypothetical patient to imaginary cold and wet, he can invariably draw the rabbit out of the silk hat, all in fancy, by assuming that the exposure lowers the theoretical "resistance" of the hypothetical victim and in that state the hypothetical victim becomes easy prey for the supposititious germs every respectable hypothetical potential patient traditionally carries on or in his person. A tolerably versatile hypothetical patient always has with him a fine assortment of pathogenic samples—such as pneumonia germs, tonsillitis germs, typhoid, diphtheria, oh, oh, not diphtheria, we must be careful about that, for even the dumbest laymen look askance at the doctor who would transmute an alleged cold into diphtheria.

Will you kindly tell me all you know about the pituitary gland... —W. F. C.

Answer—Yes, it is one of the glands of internal secretion, situated at the base of the brain. Guide to Right Eating. How or where can one get a copy of your excellent little booklet on diet or the correct food for various conditions? Please give your opinion of the latest treatment for internal hemorrhoids, by injection of a fluid to destroy them. Is there not a chance that this fluid may penetrate the system and do harm?—Mrs. T. A. J.

Answer—Send 10 cents in coin and a stamped envelope bearing your address and ask for "Guide to Right Eating." I think the injection treatment in the hands of a reliable physician is an excellent method, and rather safer than the old-fashioned crude surgical operation for hemorrhoids. Unfortunately this field of practice is sadly neglected and only a few of the more progressive physicians are qualified to deal skillfully with such cases. The profession should be ashamed of its record in proctology. Copyright John F. Dille Co.

CLERIC FLOGGED BY MASKED MEN AFTER SERVICES

GASTONIA, N. C., May 25.—(AP)—The Rev. A. A. Haggard, 55, former Baptist minister here and now a free lance evangelist, reported to police today that he was kidnaped by a band of masked men last night and taken into the country and flogged. He said he knew of no reason why he should be beaten. Police are pushing an inquiry.

The evangelist began a meeting here Sunday. He said he was taken from his rooming house shortly after the evening service last night at the Free Will Baptist church and placed in an automobile with six men. Six miles from Gastonia the party stopped, he said, and the flogging followed. Haggard then

Rio de Janeiro announces that the Brazilian council destroyed 320,744 sacks of coffee last week, making more than six and a half million sacks of coffee destroyed recently. The idea is to fight the "oversupply."

In many places in the United States, you may see fresh fish thrown aboard, to keep up the price, or, as in New Jersey, sent by the wagonload to be used as fertilizer on farms.

Such is man's gratitude for nature's bounty.

BIRTH CONTROL BILL DEFEATED

WASHINGTON, May 25.—(AP)—The Kanoos bill to legalize the distribution of birth control information was defeated Tuesday by the house ways and means committee, 20 to 4. At a session behind closed doors, the committee ordered the birth control measure reported to the house unfavorably. This blocks any opportunity to use a discharge petition to force a house vote.

Hearings were conducted on the bill last week. Its chief sponsor was Margaret Rangan, prominent birth control advocate. Good grades of lumber at cull prices. Medford Lumber Co.

Flight 'o Time

(Medford and Jackson County) History from the Files of The Mail Tribune of 10 and 10 Year Ago.

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY May 25, 1922. (It was Thursday) New count of primary votes increases Gov. O'Connell's lead over Hall. Bitterness of campaign lingers.

"Oregon, Land of Beauty," rendered at C. of C. forum.

Prosperity Week celebration by local stores gains momentum.

Work on building at Diamond lake for summer resort progress.

Ashland "angel" sues for divorce from wife.

Many orchards of valley light smudge poth when mercury drops to 32 degrees, causing a light frost.

Labor shortage in valley continues, with haying two weeks off.

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY May 25, 1911. (It was Friday) G. A. R. plans observance of Memorial Day.

William Jennings Bryan in Omaha speech, declares, "Woodrow Wilson and myself are the only friends of the farmer."

Carload of Cyrus Noble whiskey wrecked near Crater Lake Junction, and not a bottle broken. Eepee claim agent reports.

Rifle brigade to be formed here. "Scientific Money Bonding Plan" to be explained by sponsor at Nat.

It looks like rain.

Communications

Eating in Greece.

To the Editor: A recent issue of the Mail Tribune contained an A. P. dispatch announcing that three meat days a week had been decreed in Greece. The number has since been reduced to two and your readers should not envisage these as days of wartime hardship. On Tuesdays and Wednesdays red meat is replaced by chicken, turkey and duck, all of which are plentiful, and by fresh lobster or the many kinds of delicious fish in which the waters of the Mediterranean, Adriatic and Aegean seas abound.

Incidentally, with the present low rate of drachma exchange all "eats" are marvelously cheap. Half a chicken, or a portion of lobster fresh from nearby waters, cost about 20 cents each in the best restaurants of Athens while barbouzia, one of the finest food-fishes of all the seven seas, is rated at 15 cents.

On the five meat-eating days of the week, a portion of roast lamb costs 12 cents, including vegetables, while an individual steak or three lamb chops range from 12 to 18 cents. Soup averages three cents a plate and fresh salads about the same. Oranges, artichokes, fresh peas and all other fruits and vegetables are abundant and unbelievably low in price.

The prices quoted are from the bills-of-fare of the best restaurants in Athens. At the moment there is no place in the world where the gastronomic desires of mankind can be better or more cheaply satisfied. Yours very truly, B. F. SALMON.

P. O. Box 277, Athens, Greece, May 7th.

No Danger, Ralph!

To the Editor: Thanks for your editorial paragraph in Sunday's paper. I hope my future conduct will not be such that you will be disappointed.

RALPH BILLINGS. Ashland, Ore., May 25.

Oregon Weather. Fair tonight and Thursday; warmer east portion Thursday; moderate northwest winds offshore.

Contracts for resurfacing Sourgrass road and Salmonberry cut-off, let to Wren & Grenough, Portland.—Tillamook Herald.

was released and told to leave town. He left this section several years ago following disagreement with his congregation.

EUGENE 'KASEY' IS NEW LEADER

PORTLAND, May 25.—(AP)—George J. Wilhelm of Eugene was elected state deputy of the Knights of Columbus lodge of Oregon at the 24th annual convention here, succeeding Pat Lovernan as head of the organization.

Other officers are John F. Dooley, re-elected state treasurer; Alois Keber, state advocate; Edward Bell, Sublimity, state warden; Eugene McEntee, alternate to the past state deputy; at Washington, D. D.: W. J. Chamberlain of Corvallis, alternate for Wilhelm.

The Rev. F. P. Leppig of Eugene was elected chaplain.

Advertisement for Goodrich Silvertown tires, featuring the slogan "You're SAFE ON GOODRICH SILVERTOWNS".

Advertisements for local businesses and services, including a notice about a lost dog and a mention of a local newspaper.

Advertisement for Goodrich tires, showing a tire and the slogan "The Safest Tire ever built!".

Advertisement for Lewis' Exceptional Auto Service, located at W. L. Lewis, Prop., Phone 1300.

Advertisement for Lewis' Exceptional Auto Service, featuring a car and the slogan "We Never Close".

Advertisement for Goodrich Safety Silvertown tires, featuring a tire and the slogan "The Safest Tire ever built!".

Advertisement for Constipated? featuring a person and the slogan "Take NATURE'S REMEDY—tonight".

Advertisement for TUMS, featuring a person and the slogan "Make the test tonight".

Large advertisement for Schilling coffee, featuring a person and the slogan "When the coffee is good. What a breakfast! What a morning! What a set-up for the day!".