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Flight o' Time

Medford and Jackson County history

from the files of the Mail

Tribune 10, 20 and 34 years ago

10 YEARS AGO TODAY

February 5, 1940

(It Was Monday)

Samuel T. Young, Harold Lar-

son and Mark Taylor, all Med-

ford, injured Sunday at Crater

lake while skiing.

Medford district CCC training

and educational conference here

draws 160 men.

Edwin W. Kubli, Applegate

rancher, files for GOP nomination

as county commissioner.

Barney Beaton takes over as

manager of gasoline station at

Eighth and Riverside.

Elk Creek Social club installs

Stuart Dilsworth president.

20 YEARS AGO TODAY

February 5, 1930

(It Was Wednesday)

County Jailor Ike Dunford

thwarts attempted jail break

when attacked by prisoner.

George Neuner announces can-

didacy for governor on Republi-

can ticket.

County court offers humane

society site near Coker butte.

New city dance ordinance pre-

sented to city council designed

to halt turmoil over appointment

of matron.

34 YEARS AGO TODAY

February 5, 1916

(It Was Saturday)

Westerlund Orchard company

to move from Medford National

bank building to room formerly

occupied by Holland cafe.

Roseburg high defeats Medford

in basketball 22 to 13 but loses

high school building there to

fire.

Ashland school district lets

wood contract for 180 cords to

E. J. Arant for \$4.85 per cord

delivered at the schools.

Editorial Comment

Let's Stay On Standard Time

Portland has set the pace again

with adoption of an ordinance

for daylight saving time, to run

from April 30 to September 24.

This time please "include us

out." We've had enough of day-

light saving unless it's all day-

light saving.

Things are thrown squew-gee

when one town has it and the

next doesn't. Farmers don't like

it. Mails are off register. Radio

programs get balled up. Last

summer's experience with half-

time, half-off was enough for us.

When all go for it, railroads,

mails, airplanes, buses, okay; but

not the mixed up mess we had—

Oregon (Salem) Statesman.

MEN LIKE POETRY

Chicago—U.P.—The favorite

reading of condemned killers in

Cook County jail is poetry. The

other male prisoners prefer

books dealing with the wide open

spaces of the west and about life

in prison. Women prisoners pre-

fer love stories.

WAS WELL OILED

Falls City, Neb.—U.P.—A thief

stole four 32-gallon barrels of

cylinder oil, five gallon cans of

gear oil, and 75 pounds of grease

from a bulk oil station here. In

terms of money, the loot was

valued at \$150.

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PST or DST?

The familiar quandry with which mayors, county courts and governors find themselves plagued annually, is approaching. Shall we, or shall we not, have daylight saving time?

NEWS dispatches from Portland indicate that it will switch over to fast time on April 30. California will also adopt daylight saving time this summer. What action will be taken in Washington, Idaho, Nevada—or for that matter in other individual Oregon cities—remains largely unknown.

As usual, arguments will wax hot and heavy over the question before it is finally resolved for another year. And by the looks of things at the present, Oregon probably will degenerate into a hodgepodge of different and confused time zones again, unless a miracle of cooperation is achieved.

IT WOULD be a pity if the situation of two years ago—when the city offices and businesses ran according to one time, and county offices according to another—were repeated.

But it's easy to say "tut, tut." It's altogether different to be in the spot that Mayor Diamond Flynn and the city council will find themselves soon, with urban interests pressing hard for the fast time, and rural residents and farmers pressing with equal enthusiasm for the retention of "regular time."

THE mayor frankly admitted last week that he is puzzled—and that no solution will please everyone. But he did say that he would appreciate residents giving some thought to the problem, and then expressing themselves to him, or to other councilmen.

WHILE we're on the subject, it might be pertinent to remark that it seems too bad that a petition has referred to the voters—and thus postponed by two years—the law passed at the last legislature which would have provided for uniform observance (or non-observance) of daylight saving time throughout the state. This measure would have permitted the governor to proclaim fast time—but only if it would have allowed the state to fall in line with the prevailing plan in use at the time on the Pacific coast.

AND, also apropos of the general subject, one argument against daylight saving time which has always impressed us as specious and slightly sacreligious is the one which argues that Pacific Standard Time is "God's time."

Time, that priceless and irreplaceable stuff, is strictly the creation of mankind—together with its appurtenances such as alarm clocks and singing commercials every hour on the hour—and any attempt to pass the blame off on the Almighty is a pretty shoddy trick.—E.A.

Table Rock Quail Tale

The Mail Tribune's rural correspondents are mostly pretty matter-of-fact in chronicling the goings and comings of their neighbors and the social and other activities of their area. Occasionally, however, there is forthcoming a bit of news deserving of more than casual attention. Such an item was the recent paragraph from Emmett Nealon of Table Rock.

EMMETT told of the sad experience of some of the members of the Table Rock quail colony. The picturesque, clannish and highly interesting little birds had a rather bad time during the "way-down-east" weather which plagued the region last week, but their worst time came the night their tail feathers stuck to the tree branches upon which they roosted.

Correspondent Nealon explained that during the night the air was full of moisture and this congealed on branches and feathers with the result that when the birds bestirred the next morning to resume the business of life they found themselves unable to take wing.

STRUGGLING and straining they finally regained freedom though only at the expense of most of their tail feathers—"a revolting development," as Reilly would say.

The "city slicker" quail contingent appears to have escaped the bad luck which befell their Table Rock cousins. The several large coveys which spend their time in the Siskiyou heights residential area are observed going about their business as sprightly as usual, their queer little top-knots nodding proudly and tail feathers intact.—E.C.F.

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WHEN IS A BABY HAPPY?

Bathe the baby every afternoon at 4 to 4:30 o'clock, with tepid or even cool water in very hot weather. With agreeably warm water and before the fire, stove or radiator in cold weather. Dry with soft towel. Powder with plain talcum. Clean ditty and nightgown—longer than the baby in cold weather, as brief as the baby likes in hot weather, then nurse or feed the baby, cuddling in your arms and humming a soft lullaby.



Dr. Brady

while—that's what every mother or just a modern streamlined imitation, owes her baby, and it is what every baby needs as assurance that this is the right world. Then tuck the baby into bed for the night—never later than 5 p.m. in the first year of infancy.

I forgot one part of the routine. From the time the baby is 3 or 3½ months old, after you have bathed and dried and powdered him, let him lie on his back or on his side, gently rub his back and permit him to kick and squirm and play for five minutes before you put on ditty and nightgown.

Well fed, perfectly clean, aired, exercised and comfortably dressed, the baby is satisfied, secure, happy.

Comfortably dressed means just enough clothing or bed covers and not one ounce more.

Excessive clothing or bed covers make a great many infants and young children unhappy.

Although I am conscious of the futility of trying to teach everyone who wanders into this column the principles of hygiene

when these principles do not coincide with the fancies or superstitions picked up from the almanacs, nostrum ads and testimonials, I am heartened to keep hammering away at the job by the occasional reports received from mothers, sometimes from fathers, who have been enlightened in time to give their children a break.

As long as you believe, fear or suspect that such conditions as cold, dampness, draft, sudden changes or bad weather either causes or predisposes to any illness, other than chapping, chilblain, frostbite or freezing, you will not accept my teachings. You think you know more than I do about it. Your own personal experience with drafts, wet feet and the like outweigh, in your own mind, the experiences of polar explorers, hunters, fishermen, soldiers, sailors, rangers and others who know what real exposure means.

Lucky the infant or young child who is not kept in a sweat by excessive clothing or bed covers while asleep or trying to sleep.

Lucky the infant, child or adult who wears just enough clothing for comfort and sleeps under the lightest covers consistent with comfort.

Not that the abnormal sweating itself does any harm or makes the individual any more susceptible to illness of any kind, but just that one simply can't sleep soundly and restfully if one is not comfortable.

So far as the baby or very young child is concerned there is always one reliable test which shows whether the child has enough clothing or bed covers. Feel of the feet—if the feet are not cold to your touch the child is comfortable. There is no better way to answer the question in any circumstance.

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

That Darn Relative

COMMUNICATIONS

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Scratching And Farming

To the Editor: Mr. Barnum's recently published letter is interesting only to the extent that it shows a lot of hind-sight. His reference to some of the republicans is more interesting, for it shows that some of them are in various stages of awakening instead of burying themselves in obscurity with the majority of the G. O. P.

Albert Carr said, "So long as we give our country something more than words, something of ourselves, American democracy will continue to grow and bear fruit, and our future will be bright with promise." Now the continued knocking of every proposal to expand and improve conditions for the majority of the citizens instead of favoring the chosen few, is a favorite method of the republicans. Why is it good politics to knock the other fellow's proposals?

A lot of the fellows do have water and are paying for it, and everyone is helping pay for it, too. Customers help an awful lot when one has something to sell. Well, a lot more of us would like to have water so we would have something to sell a few customers. This land is all good and water makes the difference between scratching and farming.

I believe that the concerted efforts and cooperation of all the people in the valley, for all the people in the valley would give the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce something to ballyhoo about besides a fishing stream that has few fish.

Nature has done her part by putting everything here within our reach. It is up to us to use foresight and prepare the way by making use of it today.

There will always be opposition and good healthy constructive criticism is helpful in ironing out the wrinkles, but let's do it the democratic way. Let's do the most we can in the best way we can for the most of the people.

Sam Mallon,
Rt. 2, Box 192,
Central Point, Ore.

GOP ISSUES WARNING

Washington, Feb. 4—(U.P.)—State socialism will become a "legislative reality" if republicans lost any more congressional seats in November's election, GOP National Chairman Guy George Gabrielson warned today.

Daughter, 7, has had bronchial asthma since she was a year old. She caught cold while in a draft at a relative's house and this turned into...

Answer—As I am certain no one ever catches any illness from a draft and one illness does not "turn" to another, my advice would be of no use to you, Ma'am. On written request, however, I'll send a pamphlet on ASTHMA. Inclose a stamped envelope bearing your address.

Quaint Uric Acid Obsession Husband, 60, laid up two months with lame knee, which the doctor diagnosed as calcification of the cartilage. He has been kept on low purine diet—consisting of certain meats, certain fish, etc. On a visit here he consulted another doctor, who says he can have no meat and no fish.

Answer—If I had that or any similar "rheumatic" condition I'd eat a reasonable amount of meat, fish, shellfish and any and every other wholesome food I liked. That "low purine" diet is sheer bunk in my opinion, and so is the quaint notion that "uric acid" is responsible for any kind of rheumatism or gout.

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Wall Street

New York, Feb. 4—(U.P.)—Stocks moved irregularly on the New York stock exchange today in moderately active dealings.

Price changes throughout the list were in the fractional zone with a good part of the pivots holding at their previous levels. Dow Jones closing stock averages: 30 industrials 205.03, up 0.50; 20 rails 55.53, up 0.01; 15 utilities 42.57, up 0.02, and 65 stocks 74.08, up 0.12. Sales today totaled 730,000 shares compared with 740,000 last Saturday.

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