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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
March 24, 1940
(It Was Sunday)
Four-room office and probably
a six-car garage to be erected at
fairgrounds as district headquar-
ters for O-C commission.

Martha Rock, 11, saves infant
sister, Beverly Ann Rock, as
flames destroy home of Mr. and
Mrs. Ausie Rock, Jeanette street.

G. A. "Doc" Glitzen named
manager of Medford baseball
team in Southern Oregon league.

Beagle 4-H forestry club re-
elects Dan Morton president.

Medford chapter of Interna-
tional Footprinters will be orga-
nized here Wednesday.

20 YEARS AGO TODAY
March 24, 1930
(It Was Sunday)
County installs rock crusher so
Jacksonville, Ruch and Table
Rock secondary roads may be
gravelled.

Spring weather comes to val-
ley and hundreds of motorists
visit hills and seashore.

Los Angeles has heat wave
while Chicago freezes.

Storage of irrigation water in
valley predicted from amount
now in storage.

34 YEARS AGO TODAY
March 24, 1916
(It Was Friday)
Mrs. Martha E. Rapp, Talent,
pioneer of this valley, dies.

Thermometer drops to 26.5 de-
grees in city and in some or-
chards reaches 22.

G. F. Moore, high school prin-
cipal, to receive highest salary as
teacher with \$1,300 annually

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
Sealed proposals will be received by
the Oregon State Game Commission,
1634 S. W. Alder Street, P. O. Box
4136, Portland 8, Oregon, until 11:30
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April 21, 1950, for the CONSTRUCTION
OF PONDS AND INSTALLATION OF
ADDITIONAL WATER SYSTEM, ETC.,
at the Butte Falls Trout Hatchery,
near Butte Falls, Oregon, for the Oregon
State Game Commission and will
then and there be opened and publicly
read aloud. Bids received after the
time fixed for opening the same will
not be considered.

Plans, specifications and Forms of
Contract Documents may be obtained
in the office of the Oregon State
Game Commission at 1634 S. W. Alder
Street, Portland 8, Oregon, upon de-
posit of Ten Dollars (\$10.00). The
full amount of deposit for one set
of documents will be returned to
each actual bidder within a reasonable
time after receipt of bids.

All Contractors shall comply with
all state laws pertaining to the qual-
ifications of bidders, and particularly
Title 98, Chapter 1, Oregon Compiled
Laws Annotated.

Each proposal shall be made out on
a bid form contained in the contract
documents and shall be accompanied
by a certified check or bid bond made
payable to the Oregon State Game
Commission of the State of Oregon in
an amount not less than 10% of the
total amount of the proposal.

The Oregon State Game Commission
reserves the right to reject any and
all bids.

No bidder may withdraw his bid
after the hour set for the opening
unless said award is delayed for a
period exceeding 30 days.

OREGON STATE GAME
COMMISSION
By: C. A. Lockwood, Director
State Game Commission
1634 S. W. Alder Street
P. O. Box 4136
Portland 8, Oregon

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Editorial Correspondence

New York City, N.Y., Mar. 20—When it comes to war with
Russia this department is—and always has been—optimistic.

We just don't believe that, in the near future at least, there
is going to be a Third World War.

And the foundation of this belief is a conviction Russia
doesn't want an all-out war any more than this country does.

When two nations—or more—don't want war, there is almost
always a way to avoid it.

The undersigned feels strongly there will be a way found to
avoid it in this case.

We grant the dangers, the tensions, the difficulties. We grant
also the Russian course is unpredictable.

But one factor in the Russian policy isn't unpredictable,
namely:

Russia consistently does whatever appears at the time to be
in her own self-interest.

Unless Uncle Joe Stalin and his fellow-conspirators are far
more stupid than we believe they are, they realize another world
war at THIS time—or any time in the near future—would not be
to their own SELF-interest. This, in spite of the fact they have the
atom bomb and probably have—or will eventually have—the hydro-
gen bomb.

But the more devastating war appears the less likely the
Politburo would be to invite war.

It isn't the short but the long view that gives the Kremlin
pause. It isn't what Russia could do by a sudden surprise attack;
it is what the U.S.A. with the assistance of other democratic
powers, could—and would—do in retaliation.

Therefore, while we don't like Secretary of Defense Johnson
as an individual,—he is too much the ward-politician, demagogic
type,—we do approve of his effort to unify the army, navy and air
force, and, as far as practical and in harmony with adequate self-
protection, reduce the expenses of war preparation.

It involves a calculated risk. But what course internationally
with the world in its present confusion, doesn't?

On the front page of the Herald-Tribune this morning there is
a picture of a smiling, young woman, whose name is some-
what unpronounceable,—Aja Vrzanova. About two weeks ago she
again won the champion figure skating girl of the world.

The occasion for the front page write-up is that Aja after con-
siderable consideration has decided to remain in England and not
return to her home in Soviet-controlled Czechoslovakia. She loves
her country as it used to be, not as it is today, she would rather be
an alien in a foreign land than a "slave" in her own.

If Miss Vrzanova were alone in this decision, it would not be
so significant. But she is only one of thousands—hundreds of
thousands in Europe in fact,—who feel as our own Patrick Henry
felt two centuries ago, when he said "Give me liberty or give me
death."

Here is another reason—perhaps the most important of all,—
why we don't believe the present cold-war with Russia is going to
become a hot one.

We grant the Kremlin has been able to arouse a fanatical
loyalty and a devotion among a small and favored minority. Their
propaganda has also made material progress outside of the iron
curtain, and especially where the exact meaning of the police state,
has not been appreciated. But with the masses, the majority, not
only outside of the iron curtain but inside, evidence is overwhelm-
ing that communism is losing ground, free democracy constantly
gaining.

Again, unless the members of the Soviet Politburo are more
stupid than their record indicates, they will look at their hole card
very carefully before they plunge a world that is steadily becom-
ing more and more hostile to their form of government and their
type of imperialism, into a Third World War.

And here is another straw in the wind:
During and after the communist trial we saw and heard con-
siderable from a certain lawyer, O. John Rogge by name, a former
assistant United States attorney general who assisted in the de-
fense of the 11 communists and also aided in preparing their ap-
peal. He was so far to the left that our old friend "Mac" wanted
him shot at sunrise. We, too, were irritated by the extreme radi-
calism of the man and were not surprised when we learned later
he had gone to Russia as a representative of the "World Peace
Partisans," becoming one of the few foreigners ever to speak be-
fore the Supreme Soviet parliament.

But something must have happened to "Fellow Traveler"
Rogge in Moscow. At least when he reached Stockholm and could
express his thoughts without being jailed he remarked as follows:

"I am a bit weary of all these denunciations hurled against
President Truman and the United States by European com-
munists. I even disagree with the contents of my own or-
ganization the World Peace Partisans (1) maintaining that the
cold war was started by the United States and (2) that Pres-
ident Truman is plotting an attack on Soviet Russia. Neither
claim is true. It is rather senseless to try to assess the blame
for the cold war. What we all should be doing is making
every effort to end it."

So O. John Rogge joins that vast army of United States fellow
travelers who have been disillusioned by a visit to Soviet Russia
and a closer view of communism as it actually operates.

One of the few American fellow travelers who did not have
such an experience is Paul Robeson, although it is to be noted that
he shows no desire to return to Russia, although he continued to
state that Russia is his spiritual fatherland,—and judging by Robe-
son's actions it is.

Speaking of Paul Robeson,—nothing has more forcibly im-
pressed the present writer since his arrival in the East, than the
increasing prominence and popularity of colored people all over
the place.

There was that great Yale athlete and captain of the Eli foot-
ball team Levi Jackson, who turned down Scoll and Keys,—then
Jackie Robinson of the Brooklyn Dodgers, the most valuable
player for 1949; a colored boy named Warner, declared most val-
uable player in collegiate basketball,—star in the victory of New
York City college Saturday night over Bradley,—rave notices for
William Warfield, a new concert baritone, who sang last night at
Carnegie Hall, and enthusiasm for "Lost in the Stars," practically
all colored cast and what individual voices as well as chorus.

Finally, of course, there is Mr. Bunche of the United Nations, not
only a popular man as a man, but a real power in world affairs.

One could cite scores of other examples. Marion Anderson is
one for example.

It all adds up to this: Racial prejudices as far as color is con-
cerned are getting weaker and weaker, as members of the Negro
race take a more and more prominent and praiseworthy part in
the realm of sports, music, the arts and last but far from least,
politics. More and more American men—and women,—are being
judged not by race, color or their religious beliefs, but by their
attainments, abilities and characters.

It is a most hopeful sign. It supports a belief frequently ex-
pressed in this department, that while true and complete racial
equality and absence of prejudice has not been attained, there is a
steady and most encouraging progress in that direction,—not by
revolution, but evolution.—R.W.R.

It is decided entirely by the vote of
the whole county.

Elinor Johnson,
Shady Cove, Oregon.

**Pen Escapee Awaits
Sentence in Portland**

Portland, Ore., Mar. 24—(U.P.)
Ralph Vernon Goodwin, 24-year-
old escapee from the Washing-
ton state penitentiary, awaited
sentencing today on his con-
viction for an attempted holdup he
said was to obtain funds for can-
cer treatments for a friend.

A jury of eight women and
four men found Goodwin guilty
of assault with intent to rob in
connection with the holdup at-
tempt at a grocery store January
14. Circuit Judge Alfred P. Dob-
son set Tuesday as a tentative
time for sentencing.

Goodwin had pleaded innocent
by reason of insanity. His at-
torney stressed throughout the case
that Goodwin committed the
holdup and several others to get
money for cancer-sufferer Mrs.
Clara Armstrong, a landlady
who had befriended him.

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ford and I suppose a Medford boy
should be chosen whether he has
the best talent or not.

All in all it was a fine show
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I along with many others hope it

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the name and address of the writer
although under certain circum-
stances the use of a pen name or
initial for publication is permis-
sible. The Mail Tribune reserves
the right to edit all letters with a
view to clarification and conden-
sation. Letters submitted for pub-
lication must not exceed 400 words.

Why Applause Meters?
To the Editor: Due to the fact
that there has been so much
comment on the final winner of
the amateur contest recently
held, a person that is musically
inclined at all cannot help but
comment on such a way of choos-
ing the winner.

The amateur program which
was held Tuesday night at the
Craterian theater was a fine
group of talented amateurs. Was
it the talent that some Medford
people were applauding for? Or
was it that the high school was
just all out for their boy?

Many people are up in the air
about the applause meter. Seems
to me some other device could
have been used that would have
been more fair to all. Usually it
is the talent that is wanted, not
a special contestant that a par-
ticular group go all out for.

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by Roland Coe



"I shouldn't have stayed for that third cup of coffee. Fred
is waiting for the wrench—he was holding the pipes
together with his hands when I left."

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

The United States court of ap-
peals upholds the constitutionality
of the government's em-
ployee loyalty program. The de-
cision concerns a woman em-
ployed by the federal security
agency who was suspended from
her job in November, 1948, on
grounds that her loyalty was
questionable.

She sued for reinstatement,
contending among other things
that the whole loyalty program
is unconstitutional.

The court of appeals says it
is constitutional. The final
authority, of course, is the su-
preme court of the United States.

I'm deeply disgusted with the
way in which loyalty is being
made a political issue. But I
feel better because the court of
appeals has upheld the right of
our government to fire employ-
ees whom it suspects of disloy-
alty and I'll feel better still if
the supreme court backs up the
appeals court.

I can think of nothing worse
than stripping our government of
the power to fire employees
whom it has reason to suspect of
treachery.

THE point is that traitors we
might need to fear are com-
munists. Communist Russia
hopes to destroy us by boring
from within. The way to bore
from within would be to get as
many communists as possible
into our government. That's
what makes it bad.

THESE communists are a queer
breed of cats. For example:
A young member of the Soviet
communist youth organization
Komsomol fell in love with a
non-Komsomol girl. They be-
came engaged. She wanted to be
married in a church.

He had an idea that wouldn't
be popular with his communist
bosses, so he wrote a letter to
the juvenile edition of Pravda,
the communist party newspaper.
In his letter, he said:

"I intend to marry a girl who
is not a member of the Komo-
sol. She wants us to marry in
church. Please tell me whether I
can marry in church."

Pravda answered that a church
marriage would be a direct viola-
tion of Komsomol statutes and
would be an unprincipled step
according to communist morals.
It added:

"It is clear that religious be-
liefs are DEEPLY ALIEN TO
OUR CONVICTIONS AND BA-
SICALLY OPPOSED TO THE
TASKS OF COMMUNIST EDU-
CATION."

WHY is that so significant?
Well, morals are deeply
grounded in religious faith. If
you are flatly opposed to reli-
gious faith, the chances are that
you will have no morals.

Because Russia has no reli-
gious faith upon which to build
a code of morals, we can't believe
anything she says. Because we
feel that we can't believe any-
thing Russia says, we can't work
with her toward world peace.

That is what makes the present
situation so serious.

FILLER
Michigan City, Ind., Mar. 24
(U.P.)—D. C. Stephenson, one-time
iron-handed ruler of the Indiana
Ku Klux Klan, was free today
after 25 years in prison.

Due to density of population
and the importance of marine
products in the Japanese diet,
coastal fishing off Japan is the
most intensified in the world.

State Dept. Says

McCarthy's 'Boss'

Gone Five Years

Washington, Mar. 24—(U.P.)—
The state department insisted to-
day that the man whom Sen. Jo-
seph R. McCarthy terms the
"boss" of a Russian spy ring has
not been connected with the de-
partment for the past five years.

The Wisconsin republican re-
plied that this statement is "com-
pletely untrue." He said the in-
dividual, until a few weeks ago,
was a far eastern consultant with
access to diplomatic secrets and a
desk in the state department.

Could Indict Self
"If they bring this man be-
fore the (senate foreign relations)
subcommittee and I can exor-
cise him he will either indict him-
self or will perjure himself," Mc-
Carthy told reporters.

He has identified this person
in secret testimony before the
subcommittee. A large number
of people in official Washing-
ton know his name but nobody
has named him yet on the senate
floor or at an on-the-record com-
mittee session.

The department, through sub-
committee Chairman Millard E.
Tydings (D., Md.), said yester-
day that the man was "employed
or connected" with state only
once—on a four-month mission
abroad some five years ago.

**Winter Employment
Eyed By Committee**

Salem, Ore., Mar. 24—(U.P.)—
The problem of apportioning
employment to relieve the usual
winter curtailment of jobs was
studied by the governor's advi-
sory committee on natural re-
sources here.

Gov. Douglas McKay suggest-
ed that committee members at-
tempt to determine what work
usually done in the summer
could be accomplished in the
fall and winter months.

Charles Lockwood, director of
the state game commission, said
his department is planning an in-
tensified building program ex-
pected to run well into next win-
ter. He said several contracts
may be up for consideration at
the next meeting of the game
commission. He said about \$150,
000 has been allocated for fish-
ways and screens.

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G-Men, Police Hunt Suspected King-Pin Jewel Theft Ring

Chicago, Mar. 24—(U.P.)—
G-men and police today trailed a
suspected kingpin in a jewel
theft ring, operating from coast
to coast, with an annual profit
estimated at more than \$500,000.

Members of the Chicago police
pawnpaw detail have been in-
vestigating the syndicate for
months. One police source said
investigators, including private
detectives, are familiar with the
general activities of the thieves
but haven't been able to obtain
evidence for convictions.

Jewelry detail officers here
joined G-men in a search for the
suspected kingpin on the basis of
information from Dallas, scene
of a \$40,000 jewel robbery last
month.

Oddly enough, an informed
source said, police know all about
the kingpin, where his Chicago
office is located and how he op-
erates.

"But we haven't been able to
get the goods on him."

WEATHER
By United Press
Northern California—Clearing
tonight. Fair Saturday. Cooler
over area tonight. Southwest to
west wind 15-25 MPH off coast,
becoming northwesterly Satur-
day.

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