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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

April 25, 1940

(It Was Thursday)

Large buck deer evidently

driven out of hills by dogs, seen

galloping down Lincoln street

here.

Mrs. Sue Clayton, Talent, re-

calls caring for Union wounded

during civil war.

Registration of Ashland voters

shows 2,543, an increase of 192

from 1938.

Medford Hi-Times wins second

honor in national rating.

Hugh Powers wins first place

in model airplane contest.

20 YEARS AGO TODAY

April 25, 1930

(It Was Friday)

R. R. Harwood, Medford, ap-

pointed chairman of commercial

division of Southern Oregon

Photographers' association.

Gov. A. W. Norblad to be prin-

cipal speaker at Ashland's

Fourth of July celebration.

Large group sees clearing of

road from Annie spring to park

headquarters and brisk snow-

storm.

Darwin K. Burgher, ex-Idaho

grid ace, seeks coaching position

at Medford high.

34 YEARS AGO TODAY

Wednesday Study club to meet

with Mrs. M. I. Alford.

Woodmen of World to initiate

class of 75 at meeting here.

High school senior class to

present play "Merely Mary Ann"

at Page theater.

COMMUNICATIONS

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lication must not exceed 400 words

Why Kid Ourselves

To the Editor: I guess it's all

right for people who can't get

up in the morning of their own

accord to kid themselves into

thinking they are getting up an

hour later than they really are;

but why can't they wait to set

the clocks ahead until after

school is out?

Country children who have to

get up at the crack of dawn to

catch a school bus at 7:30 a.m.

will now have to catch one at

6:30 actually by sun time. And

it is no use to try to get them to

bed early to make up for it.

If you have never tried to put

chickens to roost or children to

bed while it's still daylight you

ought to try it some time. You

can't fool either one. They know

when it's dark enough to go to

sleep.

Why can't the merchants open

their stores from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

during the summer instead of

tampering with the clocks? It

would be no more of a hardship

on anyone than daylight saving

time will be.

At least we should be allowed

to vote on it. Remember the

farmers in Jackson county keep

the merchants in business.

Lucille Hayes Scott

Detention Home Urged

To the Editor: We are hearing

a great deal about the need to

clean up Front street and about

our juvenile "delinquents." That

word, "delinquent," should be

reserved for the parents who fre-

quent such places as are found

on Front street and elsewhere.

The problem of most import-

Editorial Correspondence

New York, N. Y., April 22—Something new over television—

Dizzy Dean broadcasting the New York Yankee ball team in ac-

tion.

According to the sport writers "Dizzy" gets \$30,000 for the

season, which is around ten times as much as he got when he started

to pitch in the big league.

Pretty soft.

Dizzy is merely doing what he likes best to do, and doing it

as he wants to do it—NATURALLY. Which means he talks plain

Arkansawese which isn't English. Or at least not the King's Eng-

lish—or Harry Truman's either. It's "Dizzy" English.

And judging by the group at the television set the fans eat it

up. The more "Diz" murders the King's English the better they

like it—and the better Diz does, too. He had a wonderful time

and was paid for it.

So a fine time was had by all—by the Yankees and their

fans, that is. Your correspondent, who isn't, enjoyed the game for

seven innings, when with the New Yorkers landed a 7 to 2, Wash-

ington knocked out Tommy Byrne and tied the score.

But as usual, the Yanks came back in the fatal eighth with

three runs and four more in the ninth, to put the game on ice, 14

to 7. If this keeps up the Yanks will be so far out in front by the

Fourth of July, that even G. T. won't bet against them.

Oh well, the other New York ball club—the Giants—were

slaughtered by Brooklyn at the latter's "flag-raising" so there was

some consolation. The Giants, in fact, haven't won a game yet. Not

many years ago they were as consistent pennant-winners as the

unsinkable Yanks.

Another ray of sunshine. The two major leagues are (as of

today) led by Chicago for the National and Detroit for the Ameri-

can. Even more sensational, second in the American are the St.

Louis Browns; not so sensational but equally gratifying: second

in the National, the Boston Braves. Let the good work go on—but

of course, it won't.

Unfortunately there was no television of the Budenz hearing

in Washington as there was of Lattimore's first appearance. As a

result, the general public, except, of course, the press, the pro-

McCarthyites and the anti-McCarthy extremists, they stayed

where they were.

Budenz, former Communist editor of the "Daily Worker" got

religion and was the principal witness against the 11 Communists

who were convicted last fall and are awaiting the result of their

appeal. He is another extremist—went all out for Communism and

went all out against it. However, he was, believe it or not, a fairly

worthy witness. What he said about Lattimore may not be true,

but we have no doubt Budenz BELIEVES it is true. We can't go

along with those who claim once a Communist always a liar—

there are exceptions like Whittaker Chambers and Budenz.

The Herald-Tribune this morning summed up the Budenz sit-

uation pretty well as follows, quote:

Mr. Louis Budenz's testimony before the Tydings sub-

Crosstown

by Roland Coe



"Yes, I called for a repairman. I'd like you to take out the bell and put in chimes."

Letter From Washington

By HARRIS ELLSWORTH
Member of Congress From Oregon

Debate on the "one-package" appropriation bill goes on. Here, too, a nua al appropriations have been made in separate bills for the several departments. This time all the money requested by the president in his budget is put before the house in one huge bill, 431 pages long.

Votes on the first amendments offered by republicans, though close in count, indicated pretty clearly that the majority side of the house will pretty generally go along with the president's spending ideas. The economy amendments were voted down.

Meanwhile, Senator George, speaking as chairman of the joint committee on taxation, says the deficit for 1950 will be \$6.7 billions instead of the \$5.5 estimated by the president in his budget message. He also estimates that the deficit for 1951 will mount to \$7.3 billions for that year in the face of the president's prediction of a deficit of \$5.1 billions. In other words, he rates the Truman guess as being just about 50 per cent wrong for 1951. Either way the mounting deficit (without any compelling emergency) is more than even our great government can stand for long. It has repeated itself in the past on the basis of Truman's estimate we are running in the red at the rate of \$16 million per day, that figure, according to Senator George's statement, should be revised upward to more than \$20 million.

ON AUGUST 18 last year I addressed the house on the subject of the atomic bomb, if not fatal, blunders were made in China. Here are some paragraphs from that speech:

"So far as the power of the atomic bomb is concerned, I say with all seriousness that in the eventual balancing of accounts the fall of China may prove to be more decisive than the atomic bomb."

There are many shrouded mysteries as to exactly what happened to China and as to exactly why it has fallen into the hands of organized communism. In the white paper the fact is excused but the mysteries are not explained.

That statement was made eight months ago. We have lately been so preoccupied with war threats and events in Europe that most people have overlooked the far-eastern ring of the world circus. We have not yet been told why that drama ended as it did with the fall of China to the communists.

One thing likely will be established by the present senate committee investigation of communist leanings of people connected with the state department. The finger of well-founded suspicion of communist sympathy, if not worse, is going to be pointed at certain individuals who had a great deal to do with shaping our China policy. This, at least, will serve the purpose of partly explaining the mystery.

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In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

I'd like to offer for your thoughtful consideration today a recent exchange of political statements between Howard Morgan, of Monmouth, a former Oregon state representative, and Oregon State Senator Tom Mahoney, of Portland.

In Monmouth the other day Morgan charged that Oregon State Treasurer Walter J. Pearson, who is running for the Democratic nomination for governor, is being supported by "the John Hall wing of the Republican party and the Tom Mahoney wing of the Democratic party."

That brought from Mahoney in Portland the following blast: "Former Governor Hall and myself have never discussed at any time or in any manner the current gubernatorial campaign. We have never acted together in any way, shape or manner concerning that or any other campaign."

I'D LIKE to ask you this question: Do you believe a word EITHER of them says?

I don't. I simply assume that they are talking for purely political purposes and let it go at that. I imagine you feel much the same way about it. LET'S go on from there.

I'm not a politician, and I insist on having nothing to do with politics from the inside looking out. Whatever contact I have with politics and politicians is from the outside looking in. So it happens that I am not personally acquainted with either Morgan or Mahoney. All I know about them is what I read in the papers and hear from other people.

But I have the feeling that AS INDIVIDUALS both Mr. Mahoney and Mr. Morgan are quite all right. I imagine that in their

own communities, among their friends and their associates, their word in a business deal would be accepted unhesitatingly.

THAT brings me up to the point I'm driving at. Why is it that AS POLITICIANS men will make statements they wouldn't think of making as individuals in their private contacts and their private dealings with their friends and their business associates?

Why is it that we so instinctively distrust that WE PAY NO ATTENTION TO the political utterances of men who as private individuals we would believe unhesitatingly?

I DON'T know the answers to these questions, but I do feel that the situation that is involved is a serious one. If we can't believe what our political leaders say, what are we headed for?

LET me cite another incident from the news.

We're in a ruckus with Russia over an incident that happened up along the shores of the Baltic sea. The Russians claim that one of our planes swung in over Russian territory and when challenged by the pilot of a Russian plane STARTED SHOOTING.

Our government denies the accusation flatly (even heatedly and strongly intimates that the plane (unarmed, our officials insist) was SHOT DOWN by trigger-happy Russian pilots.

THAT is serious business. It might lead to war. Another world war could be the end of everything we value. In such a situation, we ought to be able to trust our officials absolutely and unqualifiedly.

But in the city of Washington Senator Cain of the state of Washington intimates that our state department may be giving us the run-around. In a letter to Secretary Acheson (which was promptly given to the reporters) he says our state department "left a wide range of uncertainty" about the plane incident. He asks Acheson if the state department could "completely disprove the possibility that our aircraft might have blown up or disintegrated in flight."

He says our state department's note of protest left "many a reasonable and legitimate question" unanswered.

WHEN I read that on the telephone, here is how I felt about it. I didn't instinctively believe Cain. I felt that as a Republican senator he was seeking to make political capital against our Democratic administration and its department of state. But at the same time DOUBTS WERE RAISED IN MY MIND AS TO THE TRUTH OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT'S VERSION OF THE PLANE INCIDENT UP IN THE BALTIC.

Things like that are bad. They are tragically bad. They lead back to the conclusion that when we can't instinctively trust our officials we're headed in a dangerous direction. I think we ought to have more plain, simple honesty in our politics.

RARE INDIAN RELIC FOUND
Boston—(U.P.)—Ditch diggers working in the public garden lagoon excavated an earthen vase believed to be a rare example of ancient Indian pottery.

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