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Flight o' Time

Medford and Jackson County His-
 tory from the files of the Mail
 Tribune 10, 20 and 34 years ago

10 YEARS AGO TODAY
 May 5, 1940
 (It Was Sunday)

Allies reported massing big
 forces at Alexandria; at-
 tack in Mediterranean foreseen
 by nazis.

Oda Ball and Walter Enders,
 Medford, awarded scholarships
 for next year at Southern Ore-
 gon college of Education.

Dillard Lethco, Wagner Creek
 district, rides home from Phoe-
 nix, Ariz., on bicycle in eight
 days.

Concert this afternoon to her-
 ald opening of Music week.

Widening of Ross lane to West
 Side school assured as final res-
 ident area okays taking of nec-
 essary land.

20 YEARS AGO TODAY
 May 5, 1930
 (It Was Monday)

Bert Anderson and A. W.
 Pipes announce exchange of
 acreage and plans to sub-divide
 Hilton property between here
 and Central Point.

First shovel of dirt to be re-
 moved tonight in preparation
 for installation of water system
 in Midway area.

Winifred Warner and Gerald-
 ine Latham nominated for pres-
 ident of Girls' league at high
 school.

Model bakery to undergo re-
 modeling and redecorating.

34 YEARS AGO TODAY
 (It Was Friday)

Work on grading of Pacific
 highway over Ashland hill ex-
 pected to start soon.

County Fire Patrol association
 elects W. F. Grieve president.
 Reports \$10,563 spent last year
 in fighting fires.

Medford day at Lithia park,
 Ashland, planned for June.

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

The big political news this
 week is the shelling adminis-
 tration to Senator Pepper by the
 Florida democrats. They threw
 the old boy out and nominated in
 his place a young fellow who de-
 scribes himself as a "middle-of-
 the-road liberal." In Florida, the
 democratic nomination is equiv-
 alent to election.

FRANKLY, it pleases me. I've
 always regarded Pepper as a
 liberal-for-votes-only. I've had
 the feeling that if at any time
 he had felt the votes had
 switched over to the conserva-
 tive side he would have switched
 right over with them.

I don't like politicians of that
 ilk. I think men who go into
 politics ought to have CONVIC-
 TIONS.

ON THE purely political side,
 Chairman Gabrielson of the
 republican national committee
 says the Florida primary "con-
 firms a trend." He adds:
 "Voters everywhere are turn-
 ing toward the principles for
 which the republican party has
 been fighting."

That leaves me cold. So far, I
 haven't been able to figure out
 for myself what the republican
 leadership of the republican
 party is fighting for—other than
 to get back into office.

I'm afraid I'm becoming a po-
 litical maverick.

(I'M TALKING here about NA-
 TIONAL affairs. In Oregon,

"Practical Politics"

Bill Jenkins, managing editor of the Klamath
 Falls Herald and News, writes an interesting editorial
 column called the "Bill-Board" in which he chats in-
 formally on anything which draws his interest.

Earlier this week Bill held forth on an ever-popu-
 lar subject of discussion and argument—politics.
 Among other things, he said:

"... Despite the firm beliefs of a few die-hards, politics
 plays no part in the job here at The Herald and News. We
 aren't dictated to by any politician or any group, we take
 orders from no one, and the only opinions expressed are
 those of straight news content regarding the campaigns or
 personal opinions of our bylined editorial writers. The less
 I know about the workings of politics the happier I shall
 remain. I shall continue to cast my vote for the man I be-
 lieve in, but I'll be darned if I'll try to cram my beliefs
 down the throats of my friends. As long as they vote, that
 is the main thing. How they vote is up to them.

"There are a lot of people who make a hobby, if not a
 profession, out of politics. Fine for them. As for me, I shall
 try and stay in the clear as far as this column is concerned.
 It seems to me that there are so many things so much more
 entertaining, so much more useful and so much safer than
 'practical' politics to occupy my time with."

IT IS a pleasure to agree with Bill in most of which
 he says above—particularly in regard to the inde-
 pendence of thinking of newspapers on political mat-
 ters. The Mail Tribune, too, is not "dictated to by any
 politician," and here too one of our chief aims is to
 present news factually, impartially and clearly, and
 to label clearly opinion as distinct from fact.

But there is room for disagreement in another
 aspect of his remarks—"The less I know about the
 workings of politics the happier I shall remain. . . .
 It seems to me that there are so many things so much
 more entertaining, so much more useful and so much
 safer than 'practical' politics to occupy my time with."

NOT only is there room for disagreement there, but
 it is a little surprising to find a newspaperman
 scorning the very workings of democratic govern-
 ment.

Granted, fully, that "practical" politics are some-
 times unsavory, repelling and irresponsible. Examples
 of that have been seen in Oregon within the past few
 weeks. But simply to turn one's back on politics be-
 cause other things are "so much more useful and so
 much safer" would seem to be begging the issue some-
 what.

"POLITICS" are the methods in which Americans
 govern themselves, and as such are deserving of
 the unremitting attention of all voters. It is not neces-
 sary, of course, to make them "a hobby, if not a pro-
 fession," as Bill says, but a knowledge of what goes
 on and how things happen in political fields would
 seem to be a highly useful knowledge for one to have
 on his way to the polls.

AS FAR as "entertainment" is concerned, that is
 naturally a matter of individual choice. But if it
 is true that the "proper study of mankind is man,"
 certainly there is no field with a wider and more
 vivid stage for this study than the political arena. The
 interplay of personalities, ideals, ideologies, and the
 confusing blend of chicanery, integrity, honesty, op-
 portunism, as well as all the other virtues and sins
 vested in humankind—all these make election years
 fascinating to the observer who feels that men are
 interesting subjects for study, per se.

AND if there is anything which merits more expend-
 iture of time and thought, at this critical point in
 the political history of Oregon and the nation, than
 practical politics, it would be interesting to know what
 it is.—E.A.

I'm unhesitatingly a republican,
 because I feel that in Oregon the
 leadership of the republican par-
 ty is striving to keep the state
 solvent whereas I have the feel-
 ing that the leaders of the Ore-
 gon democratic party are striv-
 ing to make us over into a re-
 public of the state of Washington,
 which is already bankrupt.

IN WASHINGTON, Senator O'-
 Connor (democrat, from Mary-
 land) scolds businessmen for
 BRINGING SPENDING PRES-
 SURES ON CONGRESS. Ad-
 dressing the annual meeting of
 the United States Chamber of
 Commerce, he says:

"At a time when taxes are the
 No. 1 problem of business, busi-
 ness men are adding to their
 own woes by being against fed-
 eral spending EXCEPT IN
 THEIR OWN NEIGHBOR-
 HOODS. They're all for federal
 economy—EXCEPT when it
 comes to closing a military, na-
 val or other federal establish-
 ment with which they do busi-
 ness or whose employees are
 their customers."

He added:
 "The recent billion and a half
 dollar rivers and harbors bill is
 typical. Members of congress ev-
 erywhere were unable to resist
 the pressure from every section
 of the country for projects whose
 ultimate cost will run into huge
 totals."

He concluded:
 "The only possible way to
 avoid serious damage to our fi-
 scal structure, and POSSIBLE
 COMPLETE COLLAPSE, is to
 cut government spending dras-
 tically."

THAT'S calling a spade a
 spade.

Over and over again, I've
 heard business men say of some
 proposed government appropria-

Editorial Comment

ROOM IN HOUSING

Oregon quickly felt the sap of revived business after a hard
 winter with the increased demand for lumber. That drew men back
 from the ranks of the unemployed and put them to work in the
 woods, at the mills, in trucking and railroading. Cash money be-
 gan to jingle in pockets of workers and then to fill the cash regis-
 ters of stores, filling stations, taverns. As of the present 1950 is
 moving along at a prosperous stride.

This stimulus came from the resumption of the building boom.
 Thanks to mild weather over much of the country house-building
 got off to a good start with 270,000 dwelling units started in the
 first quarter of the year which is 60 per cent more than for the
 same time in 1949. Last year's total was 1,025,000 and 1950 gives
 every promise of beating that record.

Reflecting increased demand, lumber prices have moved up
 sharply this spring, though they have not regained wartime peaks.
 Other prices and wages remain fairly steady so the lumber price
 increase may not serve to dry up business.

The new federal housing act is credited as the stimulator of
 construction. According to United States News:

"One in each five buyers under Federal Housing Adminis-
 tration is paying less than 10 per cent down. Many get by
 with 5 per cent. And nearly half of the GI first-mortgage
 loans are being made now with no down payment at all."

Small wonder the mortgage debt is the highest in history—
 now about \$40 billion more than double what it was 10
 years ago. Of course incomes are double too, but there is always
 the danger that incomes may shrink while the debt remains fixed.
 One protecting factor now is the lower interest rate charged on
 home mortgages. That helps to reduce the burden.

Anyway, the country is getting more and better housing.
 That will be here to stay, even if some equities and debts are
 washed out.—OREGON STATESMAN.

tion that would be spent in their
 community. "It's boondoggling,
 of course, BUT IF WE DON'T
 GET THE MONEY SOMEBODY
 ELSE WILL."

As long as that idea prevails,
 reckless federal spending will
 continue.

DINNER SAVED

Jacksboro, Tex. (UPI)—Mrs.
 Gordon Dennis smelled smoke
 but thought it was from the Sun-
 day dinner she was cooking. She
 did, that is, until a neighbor ran
 in to tell her the roof was on
 fire.

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SPEAKING OF PILES—

It is to be expected that a doc-
 tor who has mastered a particu-
 lar way or method of dealing
 with a disease,
 is loathe to
 discard his
 method in fa-
 vor of another
 which requires
 additional time
 and experience
 to learn.



Dr. Brady

In a text-
 book on sur-
 gery, I recent-
 ly came across
 the statement
 that the injec-
 tion method of
 treating hem-
 orrhoids was "palliative. A pal-
 liative means one which
 aims not at cure but at tempo-
 rary relief or improvement."

A physician who has for
 twenty years enjoyed outstand-
 ing success in the injection
 treatment of hemorrhoids, tells
 me that the injection treatment
 is not palliative—but curative.
 He states that he has often wit-
 nessed recurrences of hemor-
 rhoids in patients upon whom he
 has previously operated, but has
 rarely ever seen a case recur fol-
 lowing injection treatment.

Of these two opposed state-
 ments, I have heretofore and in-
 tend hereafter, to string along
 with the latter. I am convinced
 that the ambulant or injection
 treatment of hemorrhoids is the
 method of choice and is perma-
 nent in its results.

The ambulant treatment is
 given in the doctor's office. Each
 treatment requires but a few
 minutes. The treatment is prac-
 tically painless and often no
 more than five or six treatments
 are necessary to complete cure.
 The patient walks out just as
 blithely after the treatment as
 he walks in. There is no time off
 and no disability. If the surgical
 treatment could match that, I
 would stop harping on the ad-
 vantages of the ambulant
 method.

The surgical treatment of
 hemorrhoids requires time off
 for hospitalization. It deprives
 a person of earning power during
 this period. It entails a hospital
 bill and charges for laboratory
 work and drugs in addition to
 the doctor's bill. It imposes upon
 the patient a surgical procedure
 which shares with any surgical
 procedure the matter of surgical
 hazard.

It is claimed by some surgeons
 that post-operative pain and dis-
 ability can be greatly reduced
 by following certain procedures
 and techniques. I am not dispo-
 sed to argue this point. But I will
 say that the universal fear of
 pain incident to a hemorrhoid
 operation is not entirely found-
 ed upon imagination.

Some surgeons who do not,
 for various reasons, employ the
 ambulant method, often con-
 demn the procedure by faint
 praise. This is not remarkable.
 Practically any surgical proce-
 dure comes in for criticism, par-
 ticularly by those who have
 no personal experience what-
 ever with the method.

This applies to several mod-
 ern operations, championed by
 experienced men, and criticised
 by others—such as the nerve-
 cutting operation in peptic ulcer
 and the nerve-cutting operation
 in hyper-tension.

A difference of opinion will
 perhaps always exist in things
 medical.

The ambulant treatment, like
 any other procedure, requires
 training and experience. An art
 it surely is. There is no more
 reason to think that a novice at
 either method would be profic-
 ient in his first few trials than
 he would be at analogous effort.

The ambulant treatment has
 stood the test of time. The state-
 ment that results are "tempo-
 rary" cannot be supported by the
 experiences of doctors who have
 had many years of experience in
 this field.

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

Cold Shots

Please give me your opinion of
 cold shots for children. My baby girl,
 2½—(Mrs. R. W. W.)

Answer—The virus causing the
 common cold has not yet been iden-
 tified. Any "shot" given for the pur-
 pose is a shot in the dark. Forget it.

Varicose Veins

Am doing the bicycle exercise,
 hoping to clear up bumpy varicose
 veins. (Miss R. N.)

Answer—Various exercises are
 beneficial in limiting the development
 of varicosities. Once the condition has
 become "bumpy," only proper treat-
 ment will cure—injection or tying of
 veins.

Piles

Doctor told me he never heard of
 the injection treatment for piles.
 Wanted to operate. (D. W. M.)

Answer—A great many doctors
 have had no experience with the in-
 jection method. To operate is the
 easiest way out—for them. Ridiculous
 for a doctor to say he "never heard
 of it." It is an accepted and widely
 employed method.
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