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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

May 19, 1940

(It Was Sunday)

Arthur E. Powell wins GOP nomination for county commissioner.

C. B. Bowman nominated county school superintendent on non-partisan ballot.

Max Milholin named manager at remodeled Sixth street Safeway store.

Corrine Harwood, Medford, elected secretary of student body at Southern Oregon College of Education.

Stanley Friend wins stock car race at Daily's speedway.

Mrs. John E. Doerr Jr. elected president of Women of Rotary at home of Mrs. Martin E. Sands.

30 YEARS AGO TODAY

May 19, 1920

(It Was Monday)

Congress appropriates \$177,000 for administration of Crater Lake park; improvements to rim road planned.

Miss Evelyn Noland reported first to reach Crater Lake this spring, finds raging snowstorm at rim.

Frank Howard taken to hospital for treatment after fracturing knee in fall.

Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Lawton mark 55th wedding anniversary.

34 YEARS AGO TODAY

May 19, 1916

(It Was Friday)

Thirty-four graduates at Ashland high hear Dr. Edmund S. Conklin of the University of Oregon psychology department.

Actress May Robson appears in play at Page theater here.

Commencement exercises at Page theater tonight to see 49 young people graduate.

COMMUNICATIONS

Letters to the Editor must bear the name and address of the writer, although under certain circumstances the use of a pen name or initials for publication is permissible. The Mail Tribune reserves the right to edit all letters with a view to clarification and condensation. Letters submitted for publication must not exceed 100 words.

Keep Oregon Green, Clean

To the Editor: Once again it is summer. The time we all love to travel the highways and byways to rest and enjoy the beauty and serenity of our beautiful country.

We are fortunate in that we have many streams which provide a multitude of just such places as we are seeking in which to fish, picnic or just to relax and enjoy the scenery.

Please, fellow-travelers, let us keep our beautiful playground safe and clean. Let us not litter our countryside with trash.

Many ideal picnic spots are no longer enjoyable because of those who say to themselves: "Who cares if we throw our garbage and tin cans about? There are other places to go next time and we need not return and sit amid our own filth."

Some people are thoughtful to the extent that they either dispose of cans and bottles in available receptacles or return them with them when such facilities are not present. Often, however, they cast aside the garbage which lies in decay for weeks and months drawing flies and vermin.

It takes but a few moments to bury it.

Could we possibly feel that by throwing our garbage about on the dining room floor, that

We're Getting Bigger

Editorial staff members are not unaccustomed to complaints of one sort or another—and usually take them in good humor and continue to try to do better in the job of collecting and writing news. One was entered the other day, however, that—to put it mildly—amazed us.

The lady who 'phoned was objecting to what she called "the smaller papers and lack of news."

HOW do you answer a statement like that—when you know darn well that it's based on either misinformation or a lack of information?

We don't claim that we get all the news that happens. That would require a far more extensive organization than we have. But the amount of news we print has been continually increasing in recent years until it is now at the largest point in the history of The Mail Tribune.

WE WERE sufficiently interested in the lady's remarks—and incidentally she was extremely courteous about the whole thing—that we went to the files and compared the papers produced during April, 1949, with the papers put out last month. The review bore out our contention that the paper is getting bigger.

During April last year a total of 422 pages were printed during the 25 days of publication—a daily average of 16.88 pages. During April, 1950, 456 pages were printed, also on 25 days of publication, an average of 18.24 pages each day.

THIS means that the average April 1950 paper had 1.36 more pages than the average paper of the year before—or about 10 and two-thirds more columns. Between the two months, a year apart, advertising also increased, but not in proportion. The average increase in advertising volume amounted to approximately 10 column inches—slightly less than half a column.

Using simple arithmetic we see that there was more than one full page of news space last month than there was during the same month last year.

We had never figured this out before, but knew that something of the sort was going on, simply because of the increased demands made upon the news and editorial departments.

WE ARE grateful for the 'phone call the other day because it gave us a chance to make a rough measurement of our growth during the past year.

(Incidentally, the paper has also kept pace with the population increase in its circulation figures. We are now printing and distributing a little more than twice as many papers as we did in 1940, when the population was about 11,000.)—E.A.

Tourist Host Week

There will be 2,250,000 more vacation visitors in Oregon this season than last year, according to estimates by the Oregon Advertising club.

AS BASIS for the figure, the club's tourist promotion committee cites the great number of inquiries being received by the Oregon Highway commission's travel information department. Letters requesting information on Oregon vacation attractions have run as high as 7,000 some weeks this spring.

STATISTICS on the tourist industry show the desirability of encouraging travel to Oregon in every way possible. Visitors to the state last year lingered an average of 6.8 days. They traveled an average of 832 miles during their sojourn and the average expenditure per automobile, carrying 2.9 passengers, was \$113.36. The tourist business, Oregon's third largest income source, brought about \$110,000,000 into the state in 1949.

INFORMATION on the tourist outlook was given by the Oregon Advertising club in connection with announcement of plans for this year's Tourist Host week. Governor McKay has designated the week to start May 22 during which every effort will be made to impress upon Oregonians the importance of helping tourists to enjoy their stay within the state. Visitors who have a good time here will stay longer. The state's income from tourists will thus be increased, and our guests will be encouraged to return another year and to recommend Oregon's vacation attractions to others.—E.C.F.

we were adequately disposing of it?

Also our streams are fast becoming a hazardous place to swim or even for our children to wade. Who knows where, just below the surface of the sand, lies a jagged or broken bottle with razor-sharp edge upturned?

Some are deliberately tossed into the water as a means of discarding them. Others, perhaps, have been floating targets when a small piece of wood would have served the purpose. Let us be thankful for our vast recreational area and all it means to us.

Let's keep Oregon green and let's keep Oregon clean!

Mrs. Pat Grant.

Action Needed

To the Editor: Concerning the letter of Mrs. A.M.D., the mother of a boy with problems, published in Sunday's Mail Tribune.

Her appeal to the United Council of Church Women and her revelation of the mistreatment of her son at Woodburn must have touched the hearts of many mothers and fathers. It isn't enough for us to sit in pious indignation. We need to know more and do something.

Since reading the letter I determined to find out if on visiting her son in the school of correction she had exaggerated the conditions because of remorse and pity. So I interviewed a

Crosstown

By Roland Coe



"Aw, runnin' away from home to seek your fortune ain't nothin' to worry about. I do it every week or so."

In the Day's News

BY FRANK JENKINS

From Chicago:

"The nation's railroad transportation was almost back to normal today after the short but costly locomotive firemen's strike against five big carriers. . . . The six-day walkout—settled yesterday—took a solid wallop at business and labor. The loss in business and wages is estimated up to 50 million dollars."

IN recent months we've had a long series of strikes—first the steel strike, then the coal strike, then the Chrysler auto strike and now this relatively short-lived railroad strike. After each of them, we have been told of the losses involved. The figures have been staggering. In the Chrysler strike alone, the loss estimates ran above a billion and a half dollars.

Yet the crystal ball gazers tell us we are well into a NEW BOOM at a time when we had expected to be well into a business backlog. The latest figures on national industrial production (measured in DOLLARS) indicate a new all-time high if the present rate can be continued throughout the present year.

How come?

What is happening to us?

are there now as in the past and that the administrators say they can do nothing about it as long as really bad boys are with boys of curable ills. So the latter will be made worse rather than regenerated and returned to the community as solid citizens.

7. Senator Howard Belmont said yesterday that the legislature did appropriate the money which we citizens voted in November, 1948 election for a pre-delinquent boys camp. The money presumably is waiting for the board of control to direct its use. Delay began when the site at Timber was abandoned in search of a better location.

Two solutions suggested are: 1. That citizens write letters to the board of control, urging action on a pre-delinquent school.

2. That citizens visit Woodburn and take greater interest in its needs.

Many more long-time solutions may develop out of community thinking over this one case.

I sincerely hope that the mother's courage in bringing the matter to attention will be rewarded.

Mrs. H. P. Bosworth.

Dream House Built on Someone Else's Land

Chicago—(U.P.)—Mr. and Mrs. Donald Cizek built a dream house and wound up with a nightmare.

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Teachers' Pay, Requirements, on Increase in U.S.

Chicago—(U.P.)—Teachers' pay as well as their job requirements have gone up, it was shown in a survey by the Civil Service Assembly.

Four of the 13 U. S. cities with more than 500,000 population boosted teachers' pay last year, and nine cities raised their salaries in 1949, the survey showed.

It also showed that all the large cities now require a bachelor's degree or its equivalent, and New York, Chicago, St. Louis and Boston require a master's degree for high school teaching. Most of the cities allow salary differentials on the basis of preparation or professional advancement as well as on length of service.

Teachers' salaries varied widely among the large cities, however.

Starting salaries were \$2,200 a year in Pittsburgh and Buffalo, while some New York teachers received as much as \$5,325. Only Boston, Chicago, New York and Los Angeles differentiated between high school and elementary school teachers' pay.

Minimum salaries for elementary teachers ranged from the low of \$2,200 in Pittsburgh and Buffalo to a high of \$3,046 in Detroit. The median minimum salary in the 13 cities was \$2,500 for elementary teachers with bachelor's degrees and \$2,784 for those with master's degrees.

Cities paying over the medians were Detroit, Los Angeles, Cleveland, Baltimore, San Francisco and Milwaukee.

The maximum for elementary teachers with bachelor's degrees ranged from \$3,924 in Boston to \$5,125 in New York, with the me-

dian top salaries for elementary teachers with B.A.'s at \$4,500 and for those with the master's \$4,790.

Seven cities had maximums over the median level: New York, Detroit, Los Angeles, Cleveland, Baltimore, San Francisco and Buffalo.

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