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Medford and Jackson County History

from the files of the Mail

Tribune 10, 20 and 34 years ago

10 YEARS AGO TODAY

June 12, 1940

(It Was Wednesday)

Nazis reported 12½ miles

from Paris as they cross Marne

in big drive.

Pear shipments from valley

last year totaled 1,663,422 boxes,

or 2,588 cars.

E. V. Lincoln elected teacher

at Rogue River high school.

Bill Bauman of Troop 1 and

Jim Hoey, Troop 8, made Life

scouts at court of honor here.

Local business men and wom-

en to feast on strawberries and

ice cream as guests of Chamber

of Commerce in Sama Valley.

20 YEARS AGO TODAY

June 12, 1930

(It Was Thursday)

Mann's remodeled store open-

ed for public this morning.

Military rule proposed to curb

Chicago gangsterism.

Marjorie Kelly, Marjorie Goff,

Cecile Cass, Evelyn Dew, Hen-

ry Fitch, Arthur Schoeni and

Loren Ebbig graduate at Uni-

versity of Oregon.

Smoot-Hawley tariff bill as-

sumed of congress passage.

34 YEARS AGO TODAY

June 12, 1816

(It Was Monday)

Miss Nellie Corum and Scott

Hubbard married at Jackson-

ville.

Frost last Saturday morning

damaged local tomato plants.

George Porter has narrow es-

cape from possible death when

he kills rattlesnake poised for

strike.

KC's Give Quiz Show

At Camp White Friday

Camp White, June 12—Med-

ford Knights of Columbus, with

Jimmy Dunlevy acting as mas-

ter of ceremonies, entertained

257 members of Camp White at

a quiz show called "That's the

Question." In recreation hall

here Friday night. The program

covers many fields of endeavor

and the questions embraced

sports, geographical, history and

Biblical subjects.

A recording of bugle calls was

played and members were asked

to identify them.

For the remainder of the sum-

mer the knights are going to

carry their show out of doors.

Assisting Dunlevy was his

mother-in-law, Mrs. Malley; Mr.

and Mrs. Lee Meekers; Paul and

Joe Zeleznik, Dr. Arnold Dep-

ner, Frank DeSouza, Paul New-

comb, Auril Meunier and Ernie

Flakus.

PLEDGES HAVE DAY

Knoxville, Tenn.—(U.P.)—

Pledges had their day at the Uni-

versity of Tennessee as they

hazed Sigma Chi fraternity

members. During "pledge-active

day" the pledges ate off the floor

or from the mantle. They also

opened the front door for the

"greenies" and crawled under

the dining table when the "air

raid" sounded.

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The K. F. Hercules Plant

Klamathites who have been wondering just what processes will be carried on in the pilot plant which the Hercules company is now readying on the former Ewauna mill site in their town, got many of the answers last week.

BILL JENKINS, managing editor of the Herald and News, quotes the Hercules plant superintendent as revealing that no explosives will be manufactured there.

The Klamath installation will turn out naval stores—resin and its products such as turpentine, pine oil, etc., the superintendent said, and will also delve into the commercial possibilities of the marketable products from Ponderosa pine stumps. The plant will furnish the various extracts from the stumps to the experimental laboratories of the company in order that plans for a full scale plant may be worked out, provided there are enough stumps to warrant such installation.

FOR THE present the plant will employ about 25 or 30 men in the woods and around 70 or 75 in the mill. Of those employed, all but 12 or 15 will be local men.

No river pollution problem will be involved, the superintendent explained. Only waste from the plant will be ashes from the boiler and the soil which is washed off the stumps as they come in from the woods.

OPERATION of the layout as briefly described by the Hercules official will include digging the stumps from the ground with a "push-dozer" to be grouped in piles of anywhere from eight to 16 tons by use of a small tractor with a long loop of cable trailing it.

The stumps will then be reduced in size by blasting and cutting and loaded on carts, hauled to the railroad and shipped to Klamath.

Next they will be run through a hog and a threader, reducing them to chips of the proper size for processing.

PUT INTO extractors and solvents pumped through them at high temperature and pressure, the chips will then be steamed to regain the solvent. What is left will be burned to generate steam and power used in the plant operation.

Treatment of the solvent by evaporation will recover the original ingredients, leaving the resin and liquid elements that come from the wood.

From the three major elements of turpentine, resin and pine oil will come more than 250 derivatives with a market value.

IN ADDITION to the process described, it was stated that the plant will carry on experiments with other woods native to the area.

Construction of a major, permanent plant at Klamath (the present one is only a pilot, or experimental set-up) will depend on freight rates and what success is had with the pilot effort.—E.C.F.

Tax Evader's Paradise

Americans whose incomes, from the lowest to the highest, are hedged about by so much bookkeeping that tax dodging is both difficult and dangerous, must view the taxpayers' situation in some European countries with interest if not envy.

France and Italy, particularly, are tax ducking heavens, according to the U. S. News and World Report. There only the wage earner is stuck for the full amount of his income tax, because the income is reported by his employer. For thousands of others and especially the more well-to-do, taxes are something to dodge, not to pay.

A WEALTHY Italian, for example, says U. S. News, takes it for granted that he isn't going to pay all the law calls for. He isn't even required to file a new tax return every year. The law says he should file at least once in his life, then let the government know if his income changes later. Few, naturally, comply with the latter provision of such an easy-going statute.

MOST ridiculous phase of the Italian system, from an American viewpoint at least, is the collection of income taxes by private agencies, instead of by the government. The collectors work on commission of five or six per cent and not infrequently find it more convenient to accept a little gift on the side than to press for collection of the full tax.

Tax collection in Italy is made harder by a law which forbids banks giving out information as to how much money a depositor may have. In addition many businessmen keep three sets of books—one for the management, one for stockholders and one for the tax collector.

INVITATION to fraud is equally wide open in France where it is estimated that the government is losing \$1 out of every \$4 due in taxes.

Frenchmen bargain with tax collectors as to assessments. When a declared income is obviously far out of line with the citizen's mode of life, the collector and the balking payer sit down and argue the matter out. Usually they arrive at a figure only a fraction of the amount really owed.

Making the bookkeeping situation in France even more complicated than in Italy, business men of the former country often attempt to keep records in their heads instead of on paper.

THE FRENCH taxpayer has at least one thing in common with most of his American counterparts. Taxes are so complicated that the ordinary individual doesn't understand how the rates are arrived at. He cannot compute his own taxes and, anyway, he figures they are too high.—E.C.F.

Crosstown

By Roland Coe



"Fortunately I have a father who feels he needs the exercise."

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

THE news this week is full of highlights. Here is one of them.

T. V. Soong, brother of Madame Chiang Kai-Shek has quit the Kuomintang (China's Nationalist ruling party) rather than come to Formosa, where his sister and her husband, the generalissimo, have pledged themselves to stay and die (die when the communists take over the island that is the last stand of non-communist China).

SOONG is one of the world's wealthiest men. He is safe in New York, along with his brother-in-law, H. H. Kung, another of the world's wealthiest men. The fortunes of both were MADE IN CHINA.

If they had obeyed orders and had gone to Formosa, they would have gone there to die. Death is a little gesture. They tell themselves they can do more for their country by STAYING ALIVE.

Who are to criticize? We don't face death. Till you face the music, you never can tell what you might do.

STILL—If America were dying, as Old China is dying and our rich men, whose fortunes have been made in America, ran away and refused to come back and die with the rest of us who were staying—Well, in that event we would know WHY AMERICA WAS DYING.

ANOTHER highlight: The other night, in Jacksonville Fla., QUADRUPLE AMPUTEE Jimmy Wilson was married to Dorothy Mortenson, his classroom sweetheart. After their honeymoon they will settle down at Boulder, where Jimmy will enter the law college of the University of Colorado.

WHY is that a highlight of the news? To understand that, you must understand what a quadruple amputee is. A quadruple amputee is a person who has lost both hands and both feet. Jimmy lost his in a wartime bomber crash.

LET the teletype take it from there. "The twilight ceremony was a gay affair, with no overtones of tragedy. Jimmy walked to altar with steady tread (on his artificial feet). . . after both spoke 'I WILL' in firm voices. Jimmy with HIS SILVERED HOOK-HAND received the ring from his best man and deftly placed it on the finger of his 23-year-old bride."

After a brief reception, they headed for Canada with Jimmy at the wheel (handling it with his artificial hands and pushing the pedals with his artificial feet).

A LOT of people insist on telling us the world gets steadily worse and worse. I can't believe it.

There was a time, not too long ago, at that, when if Jimmy had lived at all he would have lived to be A BEGGAR ON THE STREETS, at the worst, or at the best to earn his meager living selling papers on a corner, with people buying from him instead of some other newsie OUT OF PITY FOR HIS PLIGHT.

Now, thanks to modern progress, he is the self-respecting husband of a girl who married him not out of pity but because she loved him and thought he

was all right and he is starting to law school to learn to be a lawyer and earn a self-respecting living.

To that to the next pessimist who tries to make you believe the world is getting worse instead of better.

ANOTHER highlight of the news that I can't resist: In Baltimore a couple of gamblers got into a quarrel over a card game. They agreed to go home and get their guns and shoot it out.

They did. The one who was killed in the duel HAD HAD A GUN SLIPPED TO HIM SOMEHOW THAT WOULDN'T GO OFF.

THE trouble with gambling is that there just doesn't seem to be any way to make gamblers honest.

McGRATH HONORED Moraga, Cal., June 12—(U.P.)—J. Howard McGrath, U. S. attorney general, was honored yesterday by St. Mary's college at its 87th commencement exercises.

POPE RECEIVES LEOPOLD. Vatican City, June 12—(U.P.)—Pope Pius XII received in private audience today exiled King Leopold III of Belgium. They talked for a half hour.

.... AROUND HOLLYWOOD

By VIRGINIA MacPHERSON

Hollywood, June 12—(U.P.)—Cy Howard, the boy genius of radio, is the only man alive who doesn't like Marie Wilson's looks in a plunging neckline.

And that, he said, proves he's a "character."

Marie agreed with him. "When the papers run one of those pictures of me . . . you know what I mean," she giggled. "It ruins Cy's whole day."

Howard has his reasons for this. He explained it this way: "To me, Marie is 'my friend Irma.' Irma isn't a low-cut neckline type. I hate to see her out of character."

That's a sin Howard was never guilty of. At 35, he's radio's top screwball-genius. He writes, produces, and directs. He also screams, bellows, sneers, and hollers louder than anybody.

And for this he makes more money than anybody else in radio—except the performers. Doesn't Have to Play

"I am not afraid of anybody," Howard said. "Let those other boys play at being a producer. I don't have to play. I am one."

"People who work for me have three choices: They can do it totally my way, absolutely my way, or completely my way."

If this sounds conceited, okay. But Howard's "way" has zoomed "Irma" to the No. 4 spot on the air and his "Luigi" to No. 16. According to the Nielsen ratings, he also helped produce both "Irma" movies. He's going to take her into television next. And a couple of weeks ago he sat down and banged out a movie script "That's My Boy" for Pro-

Butte Falls

Butte Falls, June 12—A show-er was held May 31 in honor of Mrs. W. Bowen, at the home of Mrs. Bruce Burton. Games were enjoyed and after the honoree had opened her gifts refreshments were served by Mrs. Burton to Mrs. Louis Geppert, Mrs. R. Capello, Mrs. Dewain Burton, Mrs. Mallory, Mrs. Henry Tygart and Mrs. Bowen.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Tungate and Leslie C. Casey, motored Harbor, Ore., where he makes his home, leaving here Friday evening. While there they did some fishing with fair catches of perch. They returned home Sunday.

Among many spending last week-end at Diamond lake were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Rodgers. They reported fish were scarce but mosquitoes plentiful.

Spending last week-end with Mrs. Jim Arnold were her daughter and family Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Greer and Jeanette of Medford. Mr. Arnold and Edwin were working in their mine on the Applegate.

Marvin Berg is owner of a new Hudson.

Miss Lila Ellis, who received a head injury at the Phoenix-Butte Falls baseball game returned home Wednesday after spending the past month in a Medford hospital.

Mrs. Edith Price and children visited friends here Thursday.

H.E.C. will meet Wednesday, June 14, at the home of Mrs. John Hinshaw.

Mrs. Ray Chambers and children were recent visitors here at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Edmondson.

Recent visitors at the Leslie Casey home were Mrs. Casey's mother, Mrs. Gladys Von Nor-man and her aunt Mrs. Art Rogers. Monday they motored to Crater lake, leaving Tuesday for Portland to visit relatives.

A car driven by Mrs. Joe Hare recently slid off the camp road and overturned. The road was extremely slippery due to recent rain and grading. Neither Mrs. Hare nor her daughter were injured. A wrecker from Medford came after the car.

Home Extension unit enjoyed a picnic June 2 at Whiskey Springs. This was the last meeting of this year. About 20 members and children attended.

Mount Pitt club will hold its regular meeting Thursday evening, June 15, at the home of Mrs. Booth Dyer. All members are urged to attend as the nomination of officers will be made for the coming year.

Kenneth Dunlap, home on leave from the navy, visited friends and relatives here last week.

Wesley Rodgers has returned home from a Medford hospital. He recently broke his leg while working for Medco.

Expanded Program of U.N. Technical Aid To Be Launched Today

Lake Success, N. Y., June 12—(U.P.)—Representatives of some 70 nations meet today to launch the United Nations' expanded program of technical aid to the world's backward areas.

It was a moot point whether Russia, which has boycotted all UN organs for the past 21 weeks, would show up. If they do, it was a foregone conclusion they would walk out again, protesting the presence of the Chinese nationalists. The conference thus would become the 33rd UN activity boycotted by the Soviet states since the Russians first walked out of the security council on January 13.

Sets Behavior Pattern Poland already had set the pattern of Soviet behavior by notifying Secretary-General Trygve Lie it would not participate in the technical aid conference if the Chinese nationalists are present. Lie rejected a Polish demand that he invite the Chinese communists, explaining that the general assembly had instructed him to summon the UN's 59 members and those countries not members of the UN which belong to specialized agencies participating in the aid program.

That made a total of 74 countries invited. And Bulgaria and Saudi Arabia formally rejected the bid to the conference. Meanwhile, the trusteeship council was scheduled to return to the problem of internationalizing Jerusalem. The council drafted an internationalization statute, in accordance with the general assembly's instructions, at its winter session in Geneva. The plan was rejected by Israel and ignored by Jordan, the two powers now occupying the Holy City.