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Flight o' Time Medford and Jackson County History from the files of the Mail Tribune 10, 20, 30 and 40 years ago.

10 YEARS AGO May 13, 1942 (It was Wednesday)

Ned R. Liebman, Medford, named winner of Willamette university scholarship award for 1943.

From Arthur Perry's Ye Smudge Pot column: Thousands regret the passing of the installment buying plan under a federal curb.

20 YEARS AGO May 13, 1932 (It was Friday)

County Jail inmates organized by jailer to search for 70-year-old man missing in Ashland area.

National economic expert states "80 per cent of the retail business failures in 1931 were due to a lack of capital."

30 YEARS AGO May 13, 1922 (It was Saturday)

Oregon Gov. Ben Olcott issues proclamation banning Ku Klux Klan members wearing regalia from all city streets.

40 YEARS AGO May 13, 1912 (It was Monday)

Medford city council receives more than 100 applications from persons seeking job of manager of newly constructed municipal market.

Jackson county Democrats seek recognition from party for this section of state; plan to endorse Medford Mayor W. H. Canon as candidate for national committeeman.

Court Records POLICE COURT Ivan Neal Ferris, failure to stop at stop light, \$5

Wena Island Bruce, failure to stop at red light, \$5 Delma M. Swingle, parked in restricted zone, \$5

Edgar Lee Jones, reckless driving, \$15 Ivin Lewis Fowler, violation of basic rule, \$10

Helga Marie Hogstrom, violation of basic rule, \$10 Ned Lewis Chinn, running red light, \$5

Audrey Violeta Shroyer, failure to stop at stop sign, \$5 Bernard A. Fetzler, expired license plates, \$5

Jeanne W. Turner, void operator's license, \$5 Richard Thomas Hawkins, violation of basic rule, \$15

DISTRICT COURT John Spencer Welshrod, no operator's license, fine \$5

Ernest L. Hutchinson, failure to stop at stop sign, \$10 Arthur Henry Peterson, no mud on tires, \$10

Delbert Warren Whitely, overweight, \$5 Eugene Ray Arnold, void foreign license, \$15

Benjamin L. Lockwood, overweight, \$7.50 Macy C. Hinthorne, overweight, \$7.50

Wesley M. Spaulding, dumping debris on county right-of-way, \$1 John W. King, overweight, \$7.50

Walter E. Hitchcock, overweight, \$85. Circuit Court Sheard, Beverly vs. Willard, divorce complaint

Cates, Shirley Rae vs. John Henry, divorce complaint Probate Department Estate of Oliver B. Mize, inventory and appraisal

MARRIAGE LICENSES John Robert Powell Jr., 24, Crescent City, and Mary Lou Woods, 20, Ashland

It Just Isn't True

Before the "zero hour" there is one of the many phony "alibis" advanced by the opponents of law-enforcement we would like to puncture and throw in the ash-can where it belongs.

That is this: That those who want ALL the laws on the statute books, including the laws against gambling ENFORCED, are trying to picture Jackson County as a hell-hole of vice and corruption.

This it is claimed hurts the community and all humdingers should rally around the C. of C. to squash it.

WELL the Mail Tribune has never made any such claim and doesn't know anyone else who has.

From the outset the Mail Tribune has stated the basic issue in this case is between law-ENFORCEMENT and NON-enforcement, and not a word has been advanced by anyone in the opposition to refute that claim.

That is what it originally was, that is what it is, that is what it will remain.

BUT we do maintain Medford would be even a BETTER place in which to live, not only morally but in a business way, if the \$200,000 a year, being taken out of this community by organized gambling now remained here to be distributed among the men in legitimate and lawful business.

The claim there will always be gambling, so we might as well let some of our residents break the law and get a cut of it, is accepted everywhere as the favorite snide "come-on" game of the gambling racketeers—one-armed and otherwise. It isn't a worthy argument for any self respecting person to advance—or anyone who knows ANYthing about the gambling racket and its relation to politics in this country for that matter.

WE hope in the two days remaining we will not have to listen to any more such stuff and nonsense. And we are sure anyone who knows ANYthing about the basic gambling problem feels likewise.—R.W.R.

A Marvelous Achievement

We have been through a number of campaigns in Jackson County—some local ones far more torrid than this—and in practically all of these campaigns the Mail Tribune ran "ads" signed by local citizens in favor of this candidate or that. So there is nothing unusual per se in the impressive testimonials to District Attorney Paul Haviland, which have appeared in this paper recently.

BUT, there has been something unusual, in fact unprecedented, in the wording of same, especially the following advertisement Sunday in box-car type, quote:

"Because we believe in RIGHT we are voting for Paul Haviland."

NOW for all the "VIPS" in Medford to sign their names to a testimonial declaring they intend to vote for Haviland because of:—

Greater experience, Superior legal ability, Personal charm, Popularity, Maturity—or—

Dislike of his opponent—or—any of a score of attributes, which he may—or may not—actually possess, would be one thing—and at least understandable. But to take such action—because of his RIGHTNESS, to wage the battle in his behalf to uphold the cause of RIGHTEOUSNESS—to the tune, we presume of "Onward Christian Soldiers"—is certainly ANOTHER!

IF Mr. Haviland was not directly responsible for this great achievement in the realm of literary skill and the higher morality, his persuasive powers and personal magnetism, must have been FACTORS in it.

Indeed this department is so impressed by this extraordinary feat of smooth and high powered salesmanship, that we can't believe even if Haviland is elected to another 6 year term, he will stick around in this neck of the woods very long, thereafter.

WHY should he? For the two qualities that distinguish a "Big League" jury lawyer from the "Bush-League" type are his personality and his powers of persuasion.

Any lawyer who could inspire or compose a political advertisement of the type mentioned, and get so many "Upper Bracketeers" to sign it, UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH EXIST—and practically everyone KNOWS exist—shouldn't fiddle around here with a \$4000 or \$5000 a year job, and all the grief entailed, but should go where such talents are more appreciated and higher paid—far, far higher!

In fact, anyone who could do this job above cited, could persuade the Supreme Court to raise the price of steel to \$100 per ton, or sell the Brooklyn Bridge to Barney Baruch for a million in cash—and anyone who knows Barney Baruch's native sales resistance, and his familiarity with New York and the Brooklyn Bridge, would grant the second proposition would be a far greater test of strength, than the first!

But we wager the genius responsible for that "ad" could do it.—R.W.R.

Crosstown

By Roland Coe



"Can you follow a blazed trail?"

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 initial for publication is permissible.

What A Mess To the Editor: Will someone please calm down and tell me what time it is? Isn't there enough fighting in this world without fighting over the time?

There's little enough time left as it is without fighting over it. We have had standard time for a good many years. Why should we change now?

We were sports enough to take D.S.T. for two years and not raise such a rumpus. Why not have it our way this year?

It really works a hardship on some of us. But of course who cares as long as the business people have their extra hour at our expense.

The schools will stay on standard and everyone else on D.S.T. If that isn't going to be one big mess.

But believe me every dog has his day and we will have ours. Why not let the governor make the laws and us abide by them? What good is a governor, when a certain group goes ahead and does as they please?

Thelma Modrell, Box 594, Central Point, Oregon.

Old Age Assistance: To the Editor: A few days ago I had a rather lengthy talk with some of the officials in the local welfare office on the subject of my brother's application for aid.

Inasmuch as he had applied for aid in 1951, we wondered where they were hung up. The outcome of our conversations was this: under the law no older man may receive more than \$50 per month. A supervisor tried to convince me that this was an adequate sum to live on. He even had a pencil to prove it.

Let's take some figures compiled by the federal government and some of mine.

Food \$37.50, rent \$25, fuel \$6, utilities \$3—\$71.50. Sure, anyone can live on \$50 a month if he has some aid other than OAA. My brother has social security to the extent of \$46 a month.

Now then, if it is the law that no one may have more than \$50 aid from OAA, I would like to know why these payments are being made: A single woman getting about \$75, she has free rent; a single man getting \$115 a month; an aged couple drawing \$165 a month, their income is \$160 from rentals.

Every older in a private home costs \$100 per month for board, bed and laundry. Some of this is paid by the old folks but the average cost is \$62.50.

Why does it cost three dollars for administration for each dollar given in aid?

I was taunted by a juvenile case worker, who said "the supervisor has records that no one could have access to." Want to bet on that, Mr. Case Worker?

We shall see in due time whether the records are available or not. Now I am a fair predictor and I predict that the next investigation of the welfare bureau will not be conducted by the state board.

I used all the words at my command to impress upon a couple of mulish officials, this fact: you can not find any shelter anywhere for \$3.25 a month, nor can one person buy enough food for a month for \$24.75.

I challenge the welfare bureau to deny what I have written. Subterfuges will avail little because I can prove by their own records that what I have written is true.

Jacksonville, Ore. Frank N. Grubb.

He Doesn't Want To Win? To the Editor: Last Tuesday evening (May 6th) we were present at a meeting when Mr. Walter Nunley, admitting he was a newcomer to the county, said his "real reason" for seeking the District Attorney's office was—

EDITOR'S NOTE—We have received a number of communications directly endorsing candidates in the Primary from residents who will not allow their names or addresses to be used, but ask to have them placed on file.

Although this permission has been granted under normal conditions, as noted above; it has not been granted in any holly contested political campaign, and can't be in this one.

In other words communications of a highly personal and controversial nature—particularly of a political type must include the writer's name, and proper identification of same.

"to get a lot of free publicity the quickest way!" There were a lot of county candidates present at that meeting. (Including Paul Haviland.)

We doubt that Nunley expects to win. We doubt that he really WANTS to win!

We do believe, however, that he WAS telling the truth, when he said he thought it was the quickest way to get free advertising!

Just ASK him if he said it! We DARE him to deny it! Paul and Helen Olsen, Route 1, Box 225, Eagle Point, Oregon.

Suggestion on Smudging To the Editor: I have been most interested in the various letters about the terrific smudging of this year. To me the worst thing about the situation is that the smudge is a definite health menace to anyone subject to sinus trouble, hay fever or asthma, and to everyone it is an expense and a nuisance.

By the time we have paid our doctor, our dry cleaner, and for the extra cleaning to the house, we have been fortunate, for the past several years, if our "smudge bills" came within \$40.

According to a statement by the Jackson County Fruit Growers league, orchard heaters are now in use in California which "give off 50 per cent as much smoke as the conventional type heater now used in the Rogue River valley." Orchardists hesitate to spend a large sum and "still have the people of the valley faced with smudgy curtains and walls."

I, for one, would joyfully welcome even a 50 per cent cut in the smoke.

Realizing that to convert to the improved heater would be a great expense to the fruit growers, and that they would be justified in desiring to make so large an expenditure in a single year, I have a suggestion to offer.

Let the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce set up a committee to handle a fund for the purchase of improved heaters. Then let the citizens of Jackson county donate to this fund the sum of money which

Congressional Quiz

Questions and Answers on What Goes on at the Capital. Furnished by Congressional Quarterly News Features.

Q—Just what provision does the Labor Management Relations (Taft-Hartley) Act make for handling a strike that threatens the national safety?

A—It sets these steps: The President appoints a Board of Inquiry, which makes a preliminary report. The President then asks for an 80-day court injunction to hold off the strike, while the disputants try to reach agreement. The Board investigates in full, then hands the

each one estimates the use of the old type of orchard heater costs him in smudge damage per year, this fund to be used to buy the improved heaters, which can then be sold to the fruit growers at cost, the money to be repaid to the committee over a designated period without interest.

I suggest that, after the cost of administering this fund has been taken care of, the money remaining be donated to the Jackson County Public Library, an established institution which benefits everyone in the county.

In the meantime, let us remember that there was a time when the fruit industry was the main factor in keeping the city of Medford from dwindling away, and that nearly every citizen of Jackson county benefits directly or indirectly from this industry.

Surely the smudge should be controlled. And surely if we all try we can work this out without rancor, and with benefit to us all.

Elizabeth J. Collins, 4224 East Main street.

Haviland Accused of Laxity To the Editor: To comprehend the magnitude of the Nunley-Haviland contest, it seems to me that the voters of Jackson county should be apprised of some of the laxity extant in the District Attorney's prosecution. I speak only for myself, and offer this for what it may be worth.

An ex-employee of mine absconded with some funds last year. After considerable private investigation I was given to understand that in view of a signed confession admitting this suspect's guilt, the D. A. would go ahead with the necessary paper work, as it was termed. Absolutely nothing was done, and the result of the preliminary hearing—due to lack of affidavits, due to lack of corroborative evidence, due to lack of prosecution, the case was, by the D. A., dropped.

I was later informed that in order for a complaint to be "pushed," all work in the case has to be done by the complainant, and when the case is completely "sweved up," then the D. A. will go to trial. For what do we voters pay the D. A. his salary (to say nothing of allowing him the privilege of conducting a very lucrative private practice out of county owned offices)?

This same suspect charged material to my account at local firms, remodeled a house in Central Point in exchange for his rental, then immediately prior to his rental term expiration, SOLD the house to a Mrs. Lillian Hanscomb. She bitterly protested this larcenous fraud—yet was never notified of the time nor place of the hearing.

Fate must have slapped her knees in glee and clapped her hands in sheer ecstasy at the travesty on justice that prevailed when this character was turned loose to further pursue his ways of preying on innocent people.

Three businessmen have shown me "bum" checks on which they have up to the time of writing this, been unable to get any action on. The DA decries "witch hunting"—God forbid in these enlightened United States such activity—No individual in his right mind would seek such action—but a demand is made for a competent, humane DA who will prosecute.

Let us have no more of this bungling this morning Mrs. Teeple, a complaining witness in a trial scheduled for this morning, informs me that she has been forbidden to attend the hearing, and has been unable to ascertain the time of the trial she is interested in. Naturally, with her, as complaining witness, absent the charges will be dropped. Dear God—Can this be justice?

H. C. McCoy, R. 1, Ashland.

The Mail Tribune Recommendations for May Primary

REPUBLICAN For President: Dwight D. Eisenhower. Republican National Committeeman: Jesse Gard, Multnomah, No. 12.

Delegates to National Convention: Wm. McAllister, No. 47 Senator Wayne Morse, No. 53 Governor Douglas McKay, No. 48 Howard Belton, No. 17 H. Clay Myers, No. 54 Lamar Toose, No. 55 Robert Elliott, No. 25 Frank E. Fowler, No. 29 Mark Hatfield, No. 35 Samuel H. Martin, No. 45

District Delegates to National Convention Mrs. C. L. Hopkins, G. R. Brantley

Alternate Delegates: Catherine Holtz Gordon Orput J. O. Johnson Mrs. C. E. Miller

State Treasurer: Fred E. Robinson. Attorney General: Leonard I. Lindas. District Attorney: Walter D. Nunley. County Assessor: Robert (Bob) Fowler.

DEMOCRATIC For President: Estes Kefauver. National Committeeman: Monro Sweetland. Delegate to Convention: Nancy Honeyman Robinson.

President a second report in 60 days. Meanwhile, the government conducts a secret ballot to get employee reaction. Finally the President reports to Congress and recommends Congressional action.

Q—Has Congress ever granted general plant seizure powers to a President? A—During World War II, Congress approved the War Labor Disputes Act to give the President authority to seize and operate struck plants in a national emergency. It applied to any plant producing anything "which may be useful" in the war effort. The law was not renewed after the war.

Q—Can grocers apply to OPS for price increases to allow for rising costs? A—An Emergency Court of Appeals May 6 ruled in a contest between a food chain and the Office of Price Stabilization that the so-called Caperhart amendment applies to wholesalers and retailers as well as manufacturers and processors. The amendment, which stems from a proposal by Sen. Homer E. Capehart (R-Ind.) to alter the Defense Production Act, permits price hikes to allow for cost increases between the start of the Korean war and July 26, 1951.

Q—Why was the gambling tax stamp declared unconstitutional? A—A U.S. District Court in Philadelphia ruled May 6 that the law requiring bookmakers to buy a \$50 occupation tax was a police measure in the guise of tax legislation. Congress passed the gambling tax as part of the Revenue Act of 1951, which increased income and corporation taxes. The court did not rule on another part of the law, requiring gamblers to pay 10 per cent of their take as tax.

Q—Does the law set any deadline on when Congress must finish its work each year, or can it take as long as it wishes? A—The Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946 states that "Except in time of war or during a national emergency proclaimed by the President," Congress shall adjourn by July 31 each year, unless it provides otherwise. Although technically not at war, the nation is in a state of emergency, proclaimed Dec. 16, 1950, by the President. (Copyright, 1952, Congressional Quarterly)

There were about 14,600,000 television receiver sets in use in the United States at the end of 1951, according to the 1952 annual of The Encyclopedia Americana.

Several U. S. railroads each hauled more than 70 million tons of bituminous coal away from the mines last year.

Dead line Sunday Classifieds at noon Saturdays

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