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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 22, 1942
(It was Friday)

First forest fire of season, in Trail Creek area, quickly extinguished by guard station workers.

From Arthur Perry's Ye Smudge Pot column: A census of the fish in Rogue river was taken recently and showed almost as many fish as fishermen.

20 YEARS AGO
May 22, 1922
(It was Sunday)

Amelia Earhart lands plane in Irish farm field after flight from Newfoundland; first woman to fly Atlantic ocean alone.

Medford men's clothing stores advertise "name-brand" fade-proof shirts with pre-shrunk collars, \$1.15; tailor-made suits, \$25.

30 YEARS AGO
May 22, 1922
(It was Monday)

Complete schedule of chautauqua events here includes Jugo-Slav Tamburicans, Dr. Lydia Allen DeVilbiss, Harold (Private) Peat, "Turn to the Right" — Great Sermon Play, Battling Mahler Duo, New York City Concert Quartet and Junior Pageant.

Local grand jury closes briefest session in years with recommendation that new cushions be provided for the chairs in the grand jury room.

40 YEARS AGO
May 22, 1912
(It was Tuesday)

"Every live wire in the city" urged to attend mass meeting to discuss railroad to Blue Ledge copper mine, home rule for good roads bill and signers of petitions to increase irrigation water in Rogue valley.

City announces plans to extend sidewalks to curbs at intersections to remove "large puddles of water which make it inconvenient for passersby."

Runaway Train
Cars Explode
Odessa, Tex. — (U.P.) — An explosion, set off when eight runaway railroad cars loaded with gasoline crashed into a switch engine, destroyed an oil agency warehouse and five of the cars Wednesday night.

The cars, which broke loose 12 miles west of Odessa, rammed the Texas and Pacific switch engine at an estimated speed of 75 miles per hour.

The crew of the switch engine leaped to safety seconds before the runaway cars knocked it off the rails.

When the first tank car exploded, flames shot 100 feet in the air. Three of the cars were saved when oilfield workers hooked trucks to them and pulled them to safety.

FIRE EASILY HANDLED
Bloomington, Ill. — (U.P.) — Earl Johnson didn't wait for the fire engines. He drove his taxicab to the firehouse. A cigarette had fallen behind the front seat and the seat was afire.

How Come Wayne Morse vs. Ellsworth?

Our old friend — and favorite ex-Governor — Charles Sprague, editor and publisher of the "Salem Statesman," detects a remarkably discriminating note in the recent election, especially in the way the voters picked their Eisenhower candidates amid the 60-odd and miscellaneous contestants.

That WAS a tribute to their judgment and their care in selection. But they had help from the newspapers—most of them at least. Also the "slickers," who tried to defeat the direct primary and sneak over their first-choice votes for Senator Taft, had a majority of the press against them—with names named, and the plot exposed clearly to public view.

The Eisenhower delegates and the anti-Taft delegates, therefore, were given so much publicity throughout the campaign, that it did not require a GREAT deal of discrimination, on the part of the voters, to pick out what they wanted—and didn't want. Which they DID!

WHERE there was no such instruction from the press, however, there was, we fear, a strange and somewhat disturbing, ABSENCE of discrimination. Take the Senator Morse and the Congressman Ellsworth votes, for example.

How CAN one explain, that in practically every election—and certainly in the recent one—these two gentlemen from Oregon, one in the Senate and the other in the House, were at the top of the Republican ticket?

We can understand strong Republican support for Senator Morse—in our judgment Republican liberals like Morse represent the one outstanding hope of Republican victory this Fall.

BUT, frankly, we CAN'T understand the SAME sort of support for Harris Ellsworth. He is—as they say—"a good guy." But, if he represents what the Republican party stands for, then certainly Senator Morse does NOT.

If these two representatives of Oregon, have EVER voted on the same issue in the SAME way: or ever regarded the fundamental issues in the country, in the same light, our "Congressional Research," has failed to record same.

In other words, if Senator Wayne Morse IS a good Republican—and we believe he IS in the same sense we believe 40 years ago Teddy Roosevelt WAS—then Congressman Ellsworth is not—and vice versa.

YET look at the record—TIME AFTER TIME, when a real test comes — there are the two political "Antipodes," side by side, as far as support is concerned—Senator Morse being renominated and re-elected in ONE contest, and that hardy reactionary perennial, Congressman Ellsworth—in another—and both by the SAME party and by large majorities!

WE HOPE former Governor Sprague—who knows politics, and particularly G.O.P. politics far, far better than the undersigned—will follow up his very interesting editorial analysis of the recent primary, by giving his answer to what seems to this paper to be a puzzling situation.—R.W.R.

Will History Repeat Itself?

The first Republican convention, in which the writer took a personal interest, was held in Chicago in 1912—exactly 40 years ago.

The contest was between President Wm. Howard Taft, and former President — and Taft's intimate friend, Theodore Roosevelt.

As is the case today, Taft had the G.O.P. organization 100% behind him, particularly the "bought-and-paid-for" Southern delegates.

Roosevelt only had the G.O.P. rank and file for him, especially what was then called the Progressive — or liberal — wing.

THE organization boys not only won — it was a massacre. At their head was one of the ablest lawyers and most resourceful and skillful technicians in the country—former War Secretary Elihu Root. He made a monkey out of the "Onward Christian Soldier" amateurs.

ROOT was convention chairman. Behind barbed-war entanglements—that's the truth!—he ruled out practically every delegate with T. R. credentials, and ruled every Taft delegate with the aid of the Taft packed Credentials Committee.

So there was really no contest. If our memory is correct, Wm. Howard Taft won a unanimous verdict as the G.O.P. nominee in approximately 3 days when the schedule called for 6.

The badly mauled "Bull Moosers, proudly and defiantly walked out, held a Rump convention over at the old Auditorium theatre, and nominated Colonel T. R. Roosevelt on the first ballot.

The result is history — Woodrow Wilson, the Democratic candidate, won—and S. Sumpter Smith had to hand over his well-preserved presidential campaign cigar—a 10-cent "President Arthur"—to Dr. J. R. Keene!

NOW General Eisenhower is no "President," asking for a second term, and Robert Alonzo Taft has no Elihu Root—far from it! But in one particular the roles are very similar—Robert Alonzo Taft has the G.O.P. machine—the Republican organization—behind him 100 per cent. "Ike" has only the more or less disorganized and inarticulate Republican rank and file.

SO—DON'T count Robert Alonzo out completely—at this stage of the game at least.

He may well get what his "papa" got 40 years ago—including a terrible beating in the November election!—R.W.R.

Crosstown

By Roland Coe



"All I could think of was that we couldn't afford it. So I bought it just to change my frame of mind!"

Matter of Fact

By Joseph and Stewart Alsop

NEW "NEWLOOK"
Washington — Secretary of State Dean G. Acheson has just appointed an impressively distinguished committee to take a fresh-eyed "new look" at the problems of disarmament and atomic energy control.

It is hard to imagine a bigger job, or to name a more imposing committee. It is also hard to think of any major development which has been greeted with such blank disinterest. For both reasons, this attempt at a "new look" symbolizes one of the basic dilemmas of our time.

Acheson's decision to name the committee had somewhat diverse origins. On the one hand, a group of leading scientists became deeply concerned, a good many months ago, because they thought the atomic armaments race was getting out of control.

These scientists foresaw the forthcoming explosion of an American hydrogen bomb, announced in this space not long ago. They also foresaw the eventual explosion of a Soviet hydrogen bomb. They not unnaturally shrank back from the prospect of a world divided into two vast, contending power groupings, both brandishing world-destroying weapons.

Secondly, it may be impossible to design a plan of disarmament and atomic energy control that the Soviets will accept, although no stone should be left unturned. But even if Acheson's committee fails in its main object, it can at least do what our political leadership has not done. It can at least acquaint the country with the true outlines of the menace with which we must live, and it can urge all possible defensive measures to keep the menace within bounds.

THE EFFORT of the scientists, which was conducted at a level, inevitably tended to drag the whole grim skeleton of atomic energy out of the closet. Meanwhile, on the other hand, the American policy makers were also running into trouble in the United Nations Disarmament Commission.

The trouble began last year, when President Truman announced that we would make a bold new proposal to the U. N., when Secretary Acheson then offered an anti-climatic reshuffle of all our former plans for disarmament and atomic control.

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4 OSC Students Get Societies' Bid
Corvallis—Four Oregon State college students from the Medford area have been selected to membership in campus honor societies.

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THE COMMITTEE has now selected McGeorge Bundy, biographer of Henry L. Stimson, as its Secretary-field worker; and the great task is in hand. No one can predict the outcome, but

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

The Hague (Holland): General Eisenhower told the Dutch cabinet today he came to Europe out of a sense of duty and that is the only way he will accept public office in his own country.

"I aspire to no public office in the United States," he said, "and will only accept one out of a sense of duty. That sense of duty must be communicated to me by the great political party to which I have given such allegiance as a soldier can."

PERSONALLY, I like that. I like it because I think Ike means it. If he didn't mean it, it would be ten times worse than useless. If he does mean it, it will be wonderful.

THE big trouble with government in our country, as I see it, is that the struggle for public office has degenerated into a struggle for personal or GROUP power. That has been going on all over the world all down through history, and the net result of it has been BAD.

Only in the occasional golden intervals when GOOD and ABLE men have accepted public office out of a sense of duty and have given their best to the job have the people made progress toward peace with liberty and the inestimable blessings that go along with peace and liberty.

HOW can you know that Ike is the man we need?

We can't know it. We'll just have to take him on faith, if we do take him and hope for the best.

AND— Give him the best WE have if he becomes our leader and gives us the best HE has. A loyal leader who gives his best to his followers needs loyal followers who will give their best to the leader.

FROM London:

"Ivy Wickens is a free woman after getting a divorce on grounds of desertion. She told the court her husband had himself committed to a mental hospital shortly after their marriage, and for 20 years has refused to come out."

MAYBE the guy is smarter than he sounds.

There was Solomon, for example—generally described as the wisest of the kings of Israel, son of David and Bathsheba. He says (Proverbs XXI, 9):

"It is better to dwell in a corner of the houstop than with a brawling woman in a wide house."

Maybe this Wickens woman was a brawler and her husband sought the refuge described by Solomon, choosing a mental hospital as the nearest modern approach to the wide and sunny houseposts of ancient Israel.

ON second (and soberer) thought, I don't like that suggestion. It savors of the cynical male philosophy expressed in the French phrase, "Cherchez la femme," meaning that if you get into trouble and want to find out why search for the woman who got you into the hot water.

That school of thought holds that woman are responsible for ALL the trouble that men get into. It is very old. There was Adam. He got into trouble; and when called upon to explain he up and said: "The woman—she tempted me."

DAM ought to have been ashamed of himself. The millions upon millions of generations of men who have followed him and have used his same old excuse ought to be ashamed of themselves. I rather imagine that if some research outfit would turn in and make a careful study of all the trouble men have got into in these thousands of centuries it would be found that for every mess of trouble women got men into there was another mess of trouble that women GOT MEN OUT OF.

ANYWAY, the men haven't too much to be proud of in this world they have been running so long. I'm coming to think that probably we'd better take the women into the job of running the world in an increasingly big way. They certainly couldn't do much worse than the men have done.

Mickey Rooney Says No Plans for Wedding
Hollywood, Calif. — (U.P.) — Mickey Rooney Thursday denied rumors drifting westward from New York that he might walk to the altar for the fourth time to wed blonde Jane Kean, 28-year-old entertainer.

Rooney said through his studio that he is too busy in movies to think of marrying again right now and added that Miss Kean was "a grand girl. We're good friends and that's all we'll ever be."

Miss Kean was quoted in New York as saying she went with Rooney "between marriages" and that she might be his next wife.

Ashland Council Rejects DST Bid
Ashland J The Ashland city council this week voted to keep the city on Pacific standard time this summer. It did so by turning down a petition from the Ashland Chamber of Commerce and the retail trades committee asking that the city go on daylight saving time.

The council also approved a budget of \$736,175 for operation of the city for the fiscal year 1952-53. The total amount is within the six per cent limitation on budget increases, except for continuing levies previously voted by residents, and no election on the budget will be necessary.

West German Treaty Signing Part of Move By Great Coalitions

By PHIL NEWSOM

United Press Foreign Analyst
When the United States, Great Britain, France and the representatives of the West German

Bonn government sign their peace contract Monday they will dot the "T's" and cross the "T's" of a situation unprecedented in world history.

It marks the beginning of a voyage of world diplomacy to an uncharted land not even imagined seven years ago.

It is the direct result of the hot and cold wars between East and West, and a bloodier example of the same thing may be found in Korea.

It is simply part of the move and counter-move in the struggle between two great, undefeated coalitions. That the Koreans and the Germans found themselves in between is unfortunate for them.

The situation leading to next Monday's ceremony had its beginning seven years ago when the victorious Allies of World War II divided Germany into four parts—one occupied by the Russians and the other three by the U.S., Britain and France respectively.

Struggle Tragic
It was, of course, tragic that a new struggle sprang immediately from the still-smouldering ashes of the old. While the Western Allies granted new freedoms in Asia and attempted to rebuild Western Europe, Russia plotted to rush into the power vacuum to establish herself as a world conqueror.

To establish that power, it was necessary that Russia have both the manpower and the industrial capacity of all Germany and not just the eastern sector which she occupied.

Winning Round
The Bonn ceremony on Monday marks a winning round for the West.

Under it, West Germany achieves freedom, yet is wholly free; and independence, yet is not wholly independent. It is a peace which is not a peace but the closest that can be devised in the face of Communist aggression.

A half million Allied troops will remain to see that a defenseless West Germany is not gobbled up by the Communists by force, and certain restricting regulations will make sure that she adheres to her agreement with the West.

Arms Included
Besides those two main provisions, the six-point contract which has been more than a year in the making also includes: An overall statement of aims, which eventually would mean a completely unified Germany; an act and interests treaty which guarantees a continuation of the trust-busting program and restitution to victims of Nazism; the financial treaty covering division of the German defense budget between Allied troops, and the new 12-division German Army; the arbitration tribunal to settle future German-Allied disputes; and the Berlin protocol which continues four-power control of Berlin but gives the German administration as much freedom as possible.

Overall, it is the bravest attempt yet at the beginning of a free unified Europe—a condition achieved partially only three times before and then by force, Charlemagne almost did it. Then came Napoleon, and finally Hitler.

Wants Another Doctor
To the Editor: I would like to suggest that something be done to get a good proctologist to come to Medford. We have M.D.'s, surgeons, urologists, orthopedic doctors, pediatricians, gynecologists, diagnosticians, osteopaths, chiropractors and others, but not a doctor who is skilled in the treatment of rectal and colon conditions. Medical doctors show little interest in such cases and usually advise people to go to a Portland doctor for such treatment. A trip to Portland and treatment there would be very expensive for some people.

Mrs. J. A. Thomas
Ashland, R.F.D. 1

Wants Larger Labor Court
To the Editor: In the average court, only two parties are represented, and the verdict is only for that particular case.

In the present labor disputes always three factions are affected—labor, employer, and consumer.

In order to have any semblance of justice, all three must be equally represented. A board representing these three factions is in fact the competent authority to settle all such disputes, over and above the president and supreme court.

Such a board selected, each by the faction he represents, could always be depended on to be biased only in the interests of his constituents. This board would have power to veto any unfair laws or practices.

A board of three could never be tied, but always ready for a compromise and quick decisions, and always in the interest of public welfare, each one protecting his constituents.

With such men as Herbert Hoover, Bernard Baruch or John Foster Dulles for consumers; John Lewis, Phillip Murray or Walter Reuther for labor; Benjamin Fairless, Henry Ford Jr., or Charles Wilson for employers and industry.

This board would correct a glaring flaw in democracy.

Ira C. Jones
Stewart Ave., Medford

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