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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.

FIGHT O' TIME—stdg hed

10 YEARS AGO

June 9, 1942

(It was Tuesday)

Jackson county residents start
campaign to purchase \$250,000
in war bonds to be used for pur-
chase of four-motored bomber.From Arthur Perry's Ye
Smudge Pot column: It now ap-
pears the Honorable Japanese
fleet prowling around Midway
island had the Hon. Hell shot
out of it.

20 YEARS AGO

June 9, 1922

(It was Thursday)

Marble and Terrazzo flooring
being installed in new Jackson
county courthouse at Main
street and Oakdale avenue.Crowd of more than 1,000
people watches at Medford air-
port as flight of 33 army air-
planes arrives here.

30 YEARS AGO

June 9, 1922

(It was Friday)

Commencement exercises for
Medford high school senior class
of 51 students held at Page
theater.Medford building records dis-
close buildings worth more than
\$250,000 started here during
first six months of year for big-
gest building boom in city's
history.

40 YEARS AGO

June 9, 1912

(It was Sunday)

From Kane Creek items: Wil-
lie Foley is taking eighth grade
examinations this week at the
Dardanelles school house. We
wish him success.Medford city council asks for
bids for moving old East Main
street bridge across Bear creek
to new location on Jackson
street.Twelve Firemen Hurt
When Wall CollapsesChicago (U.P.)—The wall of
a blazing paper box factory col-
lapsed on two companies of fire-
men Saturday burying several in
rubble and sweeping others from
the roof of another building.Fellow firemen sprang to the
aid of the trapped men and dug
them out of the pile of bricks
and mortar.

12 Firemen Hurt

Authorities at the three hospi-
tals where the firemen were
rushed said at least 12 firemen
were injured.The victims were being treated
for injuries which included bro-
ken legs and arms and skull
injuries.Firemen were fighting a 5-11
alarm fire in the three-story
Terre Paper Box Co. when the
north wall of the building fell
toward 18 firemen.A few of the men managed to
leap to safety, but the remainder
were either knocked heading
into the street trapped under the
debris.

QUEEN GETS SARONG

London (U.P.)—The Sultan
of North Borneo brought a pre-
sent for Queen Elizabeth on his
visit to Britain this week. The
gift is a sarong, made especially
for the queen by Borneo wom-
en.

The Casey Park Plan

The state highway commission's recently announced decision to open Casey State Park on the upper reaches of Rogue river for overnight camping, along with 31 others in the state, is not irrevocable; the portion of the site which will be used for camping is so situated that picnicking will not be interfered with, and, it is hoped that the camping privilege will help to supplement private business in the vicinity.

That is the substance of a letter received by Kenneth G. Denman, Medford attorney, who had written the commission for information concerning the opening of Casey Park to camping.

STATE Parks Superintendent C. H. Armstrong, spokesman for the commission in the park matter, informed Denman that a number of letters have been received from people in the Casey Park neighborhood and also some from Medford, but that Denman was the first one to ask for information relative to the problem. "I might say," added the superintendent in his letter, "that I very much appreciate the fact that you have asked rather than condemned us for something that is not in our plans or thinking. We do plan on overnight camping within the boundaries of Casey State Park; however, it is on the east (up-river) side of the park which is not now used for picnicking purposes. Too, this area is not for use by trailers, but tents only."

The superintendent's letter continues:

"The reason for establishing overnight camping in our parks is that we have hundreds of letters in our files from people of this state, as well as those who have traveled and frequently made stops throughout the state, who desire to use the state parks for overnight camping purposes."

"It is through this pressure that the Highway Commission has consented and demanded that overnight camping provisions be provided in the areas. We are attempting to do this in a way that will not in any way interfere with the picnic use, or day use, and not compete with but supplement the private business in the area in which we have these camps. In so doing we hope that the feeling against the state regarding such matters will be alleviated and possibly encourage travelers to stay within the state boundaries a few days longer resulting in a certain amount of expenditure which benefits the businesses in the particular area."

"Whether or not camping will be continued in Casey Park, we do not know at this time. We are merely attempting to find out what the people want in overnight camping."

The concluding paragraph above should be particularly reassuring to the organizations and individuals in the Casey Park vicinity who have gone on record as opposing the overnight camping plan. Apparently the commission has merely changed the park regulations on a trial basis. If use of the overnight camping privilege is insufficient to justify continuance, or if other factors eventually seem to indicate that the plan does not have popular support, it may be assumed that the commission will withdraw the camping privilege.—E. C. F.

Cupid Catching 'em Young

Medford high school's senior and junior classes this year tends to bear out the United States Department of Commerce finding that Americans are marrying younger than ever before. Six members of the graduating class are married, and three of them have children. The junior class has an even higher matrimonial batting average with an even dozen married members.

THE government, in delving into present day romantic trends, has learned that the median age of girls getting married for the first time is now 20.4 years; and for men the figure is 22.6 years. The median is a middle figure, that is, there are as many ages below it as above, and naturally some of those represented in the lower bracket are pretty young indeed.

The federal fact finders also noted with interest that the median marriage age had gone down more from 1940 to 1950 than it did during the entire half-century before that. In 1890, for instance, the median marriage ages were 22.0 for women and 26.1 for men. By 1940, the medians had gone down to 21.5 and 24.3, respectively. The change was accounted for by the fact that World War II started about that time, and the rush to the altar, mostly by younger folk, got under way.

NOT all the young marriages prove permanent, of course, but there are more married Americans today than ever before with 68 per cent of those over 14 years old traveling in double harness. In 1940, the percentage was 60 for the same age range.

WHILE divorce does seem rather commonplace nowadays, the government's statistics show that married life still holds great appeal as for each separated or divorced person, there are 19 living together as husband and wife—a substantial majority, one must admit.—E. C. F.

New Type Dentifrices Aids Tooth Condition

New York (U.P.)—Dental manufacturers claim that the new and different types of toothpaste make it easier for people to keep their teeth in good shape.

One of the latest steps in the field of dentifrices was taken this year with the marketing of chlorophyll toothpastes. One manufacturer went even farther. He took an ammoniated toothpaste, added chlorophyll and not only came up with action against odor and decay but developed the formula so that it wouldn't stain clothing, towels or brushes.

Dentists recommend four distinct steps in brushing teeth. The toothpaste should cover the full length of the bristles; the teeth should be brushed in up-

and-down strokes; rinsing should be washed off in warm water. Hot water loosens the bristles.

Artificial Light Speeds Flower Blooms

Los Angeles (U.P.)—Aster plants have been made to bloom three months early at the University of California at Los Angeles with larger than normal flowers and less loss from disease.

Dr. Anton M. Kofranek, UCLA instructor in floriculture, has demonstrated that China asters, which usually bloom from the middle of May through the summer in southern California, can be made to bloom late in March by giving them four hours of artificial light each night.

Crosstown

By Roland Coe



"I'll make it a package deal. Pop, I'll wash the car and then drive it downtown somewhere and have the oil changed!"

Matter of Fact

by Stewart Alsop

THE EISENHOWER DILEMMA

Abilene, Kan. — As the red, white and blue bunting comes down over the streets of Abilene,

and the circus elephants which took part in the Eisenhower Day parade are led away, an obvious question occurs to the departing observer. Dwight D. Eisenhower has done a most impressive job in his first few days as an active political candidate. But in the weeks to come, how is he to deal with the dilemma which confronts him?

The nature of this dilemma is clear. If Eisenhower is to become president, he must first win the votes of 604 delegates to the Republican National convention. He must then win the votes of 28,000,000 Americans, or whatever number will constitute a majority at the polls next November.

The difference between 604 and 28,000,000 is more than mathematical. The majority of American voters do not necessarily harbor the same political opinions and prejudices as 604 professional Republican politicians. In fact, not since 1928 have the majority of Americans voted for the candidate chosen by the majority of the delegates to a Republican convention.

EISENHOWER's real strength, moreover, lies not with the active, regular Republicans, but with the independent voters who determine elections in these times. The independent voters have no representation at party conventions. Therefore in coming weeks the pressure will be very heavy on Eisenhower to prove himself just as orthodox a Republican as Senator Robert A. Taft himself, in order to cross his first hurdle safely, and win over the essential 604 to his side.

So far, Eisenhower has not succumbed to this pressure. Parts of his speech on Wednesday were obviously designed to answer the charges of Senator Taft and his adherents that Eisenhower is a "fake Republican," beholden to the Democrats. But unlike Senator Taft, Eisenhower has conspicuously not embraced Senator Joe McCarthy, nor (despite kind words for his old chief (the policy of General Douglas MacArthur in the Far East. He has spoken out for economy — as who has not? — but not at the price of sacrificing the Western Alliance. On most domestic issues he has landed about as close as possible to the political center.

Yet as the competition for wavering delegates becomes more bitter, and the tension mounts, the temptation to move further to the Right on this or that issue, in order to please this faction or that of the Republican party, will mount with it. Moreover, Eisenhower is a politician now whether he likes it or not, and it is the job of a politician to win. He will be deluged with advice, but the final decision on the course he is to take will be his and will thus depend on the nature of the man himself.

HERE IT MAY be worth recalling an incident which took place last Tuesday night at the Kansas City airport, when Eisenhower landed there — his first landing as a political candidate in civilian clothes. He was met, not by the military guard of honor to which he has been accustomed, but by a small disorderly mob of politicians from the area.

One of these, a tall man with a saturnine face, rushed up to Eisenhower, shouted, "Hiya, pardner," and put his arm

around the General's neck. He then turned instantly to the waiting cameras, to display a mirthless and toothy muscular spasm masquerading as a smile. It was at precisely this moment, or so it seemed to this reporter, that Eisenhower realized that he had left his five stars behind him forever. For an instant a look of dismay and irritation passed over his amazingly expressive face.

At this moment of transformation, another man might have made a fool of himself, and overplayed his new part. Eisenhower simply continued to be himself. He tactfully disengaged himself from the unwelcome embrace, shook hands genially all around, and walked with inextinguishable dignity to his car, smiling with what seemed to be a secret amusement. In short, Eisenhower just does not seem to be the sort of man who is really capable of being anything but himself.

THIS IN TURN is why it does not seem probable that Eisenhower, in the desperate struggle for delegates, will adopt the obvious tactic of moving over into the Taft political preserve on both domestic and foreign issues. In the short run, this might seem smart pre-convention politics, since Eisenhower might thus win a crucial proportion of Taft's conservative following, but in order to do this, Eisenhower would have to cease to be himself; he would have to compromise convictions which are simple and uncomplicated, but which are very firmly held.

These convictions, to judge not only from what he said in Abilene, but from the tone and style of his performance here, put him smack in the middle position between President Truman and Fair Dealism and Senator Taft and orthodox Republicanism on almost every issue. It seems a reasonable guess that the majority of American voters who will decide the next election are also somewhere in the middle between Truman and Taft. And the election, after all, is about all the noise and fury is what. Thus in the long run, simply being himself may be about the smartest politics Eisenhower can play.

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French Continue Raids on Commies

Paris (U.P.)—Military counter-espionage agents raided Communist cells in five ports and naval bases in France and North Africa Saturday hunting evidence of a Communist plot to overthrow the government.

The security agents struck in Toulon, Brest, Lorient and Bordeaux in France and in Mers-El-Kebir in Algeria. Police also raided four more buildings in Paris where Georges Bouvard, political editor of the Communist newspaper Ce Soir, was arrested on charges of inciting to violence.

Examining Magistrate Pierre Jacquinet, who ordered the raids to build up his case against Jacques Duclos, jailed leader of the French Communist party, questioned the pudgy Duclos for four hours Saturday.

The raids came after a naval tribunal at Toulon naval base accused unnamed Communists of acting against the external security of France on behalf of a foreign power—a charge that carries the death penalty.

TWINS NOTHING NEW

Johnson City, Tenn. (U.P.)—Mrs. Frank Alquette was not excited Monday as she looked at Jack and Jill, her newborn twins. It's her fifth set of twins. Mrs. Alquette, 35, and her husband have been married 15 years and have 16 children.

In the Day's News

By FANK JENKINS

I wonder if you read and digested the proceedings and the final outcome of the Republican state convention at Mineral Wells, Texas, a little while back.

If not, you missed something interesting.

It appears that at county and precinct Republican meetings throughout Texas—called to elect delegates to the state GOP convention—a majority of Eisenhower delegates was chosen. When the convention opened, it became evident that the pro-Eisenhower delegates had a clear majority.

BUT—The GOP state executive committee was controlled by Taft men and they began immediately to throw out Eisenhower delegates and to seat Taft delegates. In all, they tossed out 585 Ike men and seated Taft men in their places.

The executive committee then ruled that when the convention itself came to vote on the seating of delegates the contested Eisenhower men were NOT to be allowed to vote whereas the contested Taft men WERE to be allowed to vote!

Neat, was it not? And effective. When you can run things like that you're bound to win.

ALL that sounds so preposterous that you may suspect me of using inaccurate and biased information. So perhaps I'd better give the source. What has been here stated is quoted directly from a piece by Roscoe Drummond, chief of the Washington bureau of the Christian Science Monitor. The Monitor is at least as objective and unprejudiced as any of our great newspapers.

When high-handed things like that are done, a reason is usually given for what was done and why. It was so in this case. This, believe it or not, was the reason advanced:

The pro-Eisenhower men who were thrown out WERE SUSPECTED OF BEING DEMOCRATS!

The Texas state GOP executive committee, desiring to keep everything cozy and within the lodge, had required of voters at the precinct and county meetings that they sign this pledge: "I declare myself a Republican and desire to participate in the Republican party activities in 1952."

Everybody duly signed the pledge, but apparently it was suspected that some Democrats might have perjured themselves in order to get the opportunity to vote for a Republican in 1952. So in the end it was decided to have out everybody who showed a leaning toward Eisenhower.

I MENTION all this, at considerable length, because in my reading of the political news from over the nation I seem to have detected on the part of a certain type of aged-in-the-wood, bottled-in-bond Republicans this same tendency to RESENT any voting by Democrats for any Republican. They seem to feel about it much as a Greek fraternal member might feel toward a bodacious "barb" who tried to horn into the frat house.

I confess I can't understand it. It appears to me that political parties, of all things, must never be FROZEN. They must remain FLUID, so that they can change with the changing times. Otherwise we shall have a frozen society, with everybody frozen in his place or his class and never any chance to get out.

The inevitable result of that would be the end of democracy in America.

Particularly, I can't understand why any Republican would snoot a Democrat who wants to move over into the Republican house.

As of now, the Republicans are OUT. The Democrats are IN. Unless some Democrats can lure some Democrats over into our camp, we're going to STAY on the outside looking in. Unless we can get into the driver's seat now and then, how are we ever to prove that our way is the best way?

I ought to add here that such things as happened at this Texas GOP convention can happen in our country only in the South. Its Southern wing is the scandal of the Republican party.

When Southern Republican delegates (who are too often po' white trash or black-and-tans) vote for a Republican candidate for President they accept no responsibilities—for no Deep South state is expected to deliver its electoral vote to a Republican. It is accepted dogma that Republicans of the type that gets into Republican conventions in the Deep South really LIVE only once every four years—when their convention votes are wanted by the Republican "organization."

Then, during their brief hour in the sun, they eat high up on the hog.

I HOPE it won't always be that way. I hope the time may arrive when the Deep South will come back into the American two-party system. BELIEVE that time will come. Our political system will be far more workable when it does come. But it isn't here yet—as witness what happened in Texas.

Russ Ambassadorial Change May Mark Widespread Shift In Soviet Global Policies

By PHIL NEWSOM
United Press Foreign Analyst

Russia is sending in a new pitcher against the home team, and also is shaking up its farm system.

In the global ball game in which every man, woman and child is a player, it could mark a major shift in Russian strategy, without in any way marking a change in Russia's global ambitions. Both Washington and Moscow are taking the calm view of the recall of Soviet Ambassador Alexander S. Panyushkin and his replacement in Washington by Georgi Nikolavich Zarubin, Moscow calls it "routine," and U.S. officials say the switch has no particular significance in the cold war.

But Europe thinks it may mean something. It coincides with a general shakeup tightening Russian control of the satellite states, and with the signing of treaties which linked West Germany with the Western Allies as a virtually free state and which set up a European army as a defense against Russian aggression.

No Bush Leaguer
Zarubin is no bush leaguer. He has been ambassador to London since 1946 and prior to that time was ambassador to Canada. He was ambassador to Canada at the time the big Russian spy ring was uncovered. An official investigation seemed to clear him of any direct connection, and anyway the question was academic.

Because in big league diplomacy, as in big league ball, you don't necessarily execute a pitcher just because he makes a mistake. The mistake in this case is in getting caught in unfriendly acts.

You simply yank him and send in somebody else who enters the game with no hard feelings.

Bright Young Man
Zarubin, in any event, is regarded as one of Stalin's bright young men, somewhat of the determined, austere type of his boss, Russian Deputy Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko.

Two theories have come up in connection with Zarubin's new appointment. Both are advanced in the light of the fact that Russia recently has suffered a diplomatic defeat in Germany.

The first is that he is supposed to prepare the ground for early talks with the West, and, more specifically, to assess the chances for a change in Russo-American relations after the presidential elections.

May Have Lost Hope
The second is that the Kremlin has abandoned hope for a split between Britain and the United States and has decided to send a man to Washington with sufficient first hand experience of Europe to try his hand directly in the U.S.—where Soviet diplomatic initiative so far has been negligible.

The European observers who see things in this light, say that a switch in Soviet diplomatic representation usually is more than mere routine. They believe the Soviet moves in Washington and London are part and parcel of a campaign which will watch carefully for any possible change in United States attitude, but which will be concurrent with a Soviet plan to extend as far as possible its own "forefield" of potential military operations.

Phil Newsom

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

Congressional Quiz

By Congressional Quarterly

Q—Why didn't a pension increase for the old folks pass May 19 when more than half the House voted for it?

A—The 149-141 House vote was on a motion to "suspend the rules," and pass the bill. Approval of this shortcut, by-passing the Rules Committee and cutting debate time, requires a two-thirds vote. Sponsor Robert L. Doughton (D, N.C.) said he wanted to hurry the bill so the Senate would have time to consider it before Congress adjourns. The bill still can be brought before the House under the usual rules.

Q—What was the House's objection to granting an old-age pension increase?

A—Rep. Daniel A. Reed, (R., N.Y.), leading debate against the bill "blocked" May 19 by the House, said he favored the pension increase, but opposed a provision which would let the government determine disability. He read an American Medical association telegram saying such federal authority would amount to "socialized medicine." The bill would raise payments, increase the amount a person could earn without losing benefits, and give disabled persons full benefit rights.

Q—How much is the Korean war costing the U.S.?

A—About \$5 billion annually, Rep. Robert L. F. Sikes (D, Fla.) told the House May 20 before it approved a \$1.4 billion appropriation to pay part of the cost of the Korean campaign. Sikes heads a military appropriations subcommittee.

Q—Will there be any emergency federal funds for repairing flood control projects damaged in the recent Missouri and Mississippi floods?

A—The House May 20 approved \$35 million for the purpose. This was \$10 million more than the President requested. The extra amount was for repairing flood control structures.

Geo. N. Taylor

From the time Peg was a wee tot, her Mother read the Bible to her daily. Then they knelt as Mother prayed. In time, Peg herself came to lift a bit of a prayer. Then on a day, Peg took an open stand for Christ. She knew that He had died for her sins and she took Him into her heart as her own Lord and Saviour. "True enough," said Jesus—"Let the little ones come to Me, and forbid them not. See Mt. 19:14.

Now the reverse—In a cottage out from one of our cities, the unwed girls live together until each in turn leaves for the maternity ward where she brings forth a babe that is never to know its father. And you? —"Train up a child in the way it should go and when it is old it will not depart from it."—See Proverbs 22:6. —BIBLE, Write Geo. N. Taylor, 3101 SW McChesney Rd., Portland 1, Ore., for helpful material.—Adv.

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