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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 June 16, 1942

Dr. R. E. Green reelected to Medford city school board; total of 250 persons cast ballots.

From Arthur Perry's Ye Smudge Pot column: Winston Churchill, premier of Britain, holds the Axis should be "beaten into a state of complete impotency."

30 YEARS AGO June 16, 1912

Ten of 13 Oregon delegates to national Republican convention go on record opposing repeal of prohibition amendment.

Issuance of new orange and black temporary automobile license started at County sheriff's office.

40 YEARS AGO June 16, 1912

Medford attorneys condemning Ku Klux Klan threat against Circuit Judge F. M. Calkins include Rawles Moore, Glen O. Taylor, H. K. Hanna, Frank P. Farrell, Gus Newbury, G. M. Roberts, Charles W. Reames, Porter Neff, Don R. Newbury, G. A. Coddling; only two of 28 local attorneys refuse to sign.

Medford Attorney B. F. Lindas starts \$25,000 damage suit against Ku Klux Klan for stating he applied for membership in the organization.

Medford city council receives bids for moving Main street bridge across Bear creek to Jackson street; low bid is \$4,990.

Rex H. Lampman, Gold Hill, announces sale of the Gold Hill News to his brother, Ben Hur Lampman.

On The Side By E. V. Durling (Distributed by King Features Syndicate, Inc.)

Kisses one steals in darkness. With darkness then returns. How such kisses fire the spirit. If in love it burns.

The term "bachelor" can rightly be applied to a widower or a divorced man. That's what the Bachelor's Society of America claims. I dispute that claim.

A bachelor is a man who has never married. Only to such a man can the term be rightly applied. Anyway, the Bachelors' Society of America will hold a convention in Bethlehem, N. H., in July. A feature of this convention will be a parade of bachelors.

That should really be something. The parade will, of course, be headed by a band. What can you suggest in the way of an appropriate medley of songs to be played by the band at a bachelors' parade?

Please Note The man who inspired Father's Day was William Jackson Smart of the State of Washington, who devoted his life to successfully rearing his children following the death of his wife. His daughter, Mrs. John Bruce Dodd, nee Sonora Louise Smart,

Why Not Get Together?

We have just finished reading an extremely interesting article in the July issue of Saga magazine concerning the snow survey work of the U. S. Soil Conservation Service, and the Oregon State college experiment station. The piece, written by Montgomery M. Atwater, is of especial interest here for the elaborate snow survey system now in operation in the western portion of the nation was largely developed by R. A. "Arch" Work of Ashland who is presently project supervisor for the ten western states; and the surveys in Oregon are made under the direct guidance of W. T. "Jack" Frost, who makes his headquarters at the experiment station here.

SNOW measurements have proved invaluable for years to the Forest Service, irrigation districts, power companies, domestic water systems, district water masters, fish and wild life agencies, the geological survey and the Park Service.

When the intrepid and iron-legged surveyors make their monthly way on snowshoes, skis, by Sno-Cat or other means up to the vast mountain snow courses of the territory, they come back with positive and dependable data on which to base water predictions. They know the depth of the snow and how much water content it carries.

And, they know that in due course of time the snow will melt and the water will come coursing down the springs, rivulets, creeks and rivers, much of it to find its way into hydro-electric and irrigation storage basins and some of it to rush on in the form of spring floods.

THOSE snow surveys also serve, or should serve, as trustworthy basis for flood predictions and warnings, as the Saga writer points out in citing the tragic experience of Vanport, where the Columbia river flood of 1948 took many lives and destroyed the city.

The warning of flood danger, given two months before, by a soil conservation service analyst had been ignored and trust had been placed in other sources of information which had predicted the flood crest would be well below the protecting dikes. On April 1, the analyst had noted that the snow pack was abnormally deep and heavy with water. A month later, snow survey figures showed far too much snow, staying too late.

In substance, the technician's report on May 1, as related in Saga, was:

"From the densely forested slopes of the Cascades in Washington to the granite spires of the Canadian Rockies, there's too much snow. It's hanging up there too late. It all has to come, and soon. When it does, look out!"

WHAT happened so suddenly on that May 30, when the rapidly melting snow released its water to gush forth en masse, is history.

The Vanport disaster was a heavy price to pay for failure to heed the snow survey warning, but it brought greater realization that the men who measure snow banks and drifts know what they are talking about. Apparently those who minimized the danger to Vanport didn't know what they were talking about and brought the confusion which resulted in failure to take precautions.

BECAUSE the water supply forecasts issued by the U. S. Soil Conservation Service, and numerous cooperating agencies have been so dependable, we have been somewhat mystified by the appearance of another and completely independent government branch—the U. S. Weather Bureau—into the water supply forecasting field.

Considering that the Weather Bureau does not depend upon snow measurements such as those made by the soil conservation service, and that its forecast for the current year, for instance, was not forthcoming until the year was half gone, it would seem that an unwarranted and costly duplication of service is being created.

If there actually is need for both services, why don't the two federal agencies get together, pool the use of their facilities and produce by joint effort the most useable and accurate forecasts of stream flow that are possible?

Such joint operation would not only cost the taxpayers less but would, in all probability, help to avoid the possibility of confusion and loss such as occurred at Vanport.—E.C.F.

Or to visit her parents' without his permission. The men of Egypt certainly know women. As one with long experience in handling females, I maintain a woman should be kept busy washing, ironing, baking, cooking and rearing children. Then her husband will not be irritated and inconvenienced by her gadding about to hen parties, spending her afternoons playing canasta or imbibing cocktails. Furthermore if kept busy, as suggested, a woman will be more likely to have the proper respect for her husband."

Asides If you play post position three at the Aqueduct race course regularly and employ some intelligent progression while so doing, you may break even on the meeting. Or so I am informed by a turf statistician.

CONVICTS GIVE BLOOD Green Bay, Wis.—(UPI)—Inmates of the state reformatory got a chance to help those "outside," and did. Out of a possible 435 eligible blood donors, 425 volunteered. Delighted Red Cross personnel could handle only 200 men with the equipment on hand but promised to be back again.

Crosstown

By Roland Coe



"She can say 'Mommy,' 'Daddy,' 'Sister,' and 'turn on television!'"

Matter of Fact

By Joseph and Stewart Alsop

THE INGALLS PHONY

Washington — Having steam-rolled the huge pro-Eisenhower majorities in Texas and other southern states, the campaign strategists of Sen. Robert A. Taft are preparing to legitimize this feat at Chicago. Meanwhile, a great outcry is being raised that the southern men and women who voted for General of the Army Dwight D. Eisenhower were not "real Republicans."

It is interesting to examine the tests for "real Republicans" proposed by Sen. Taft's national campaign manager, David Sinton Ingalls. Ingalls has defended the Texas steam-roller by producing an advertisement run in the "Dallas Times Herald" before the Republican precinct meetings that gave the Eisenhower people their Texan triumph.

This advertisement invited pro-Eisenhower Democrats to attend the Republican precinct meetings, sign the pledge of loyal Republican allegiance and vote for their man. This was, as it happens, the legal way of electing delegates to the Republican county and state conventions in Texas. No one has disputed the fact that the pro-Eisenhower majorities in the county and state conventions were chosen according to the law and the rules, although the pro-Taft state organization disfranchised them.

THE INGALLS defense of this disfranchisement of the legal majority in Texas rests on a promise included in the pro-Eisenhower advertisement in Texas. The advertisement promised people who joined the Republican party and voted in the Republican precinct meetings that they could also vote in the state Democratic primaries in Texas.

According to Ingalls, this showed that the pro-Eisenhower converts to the Republican party were not "real Republicans." But by these rules, the pro-Taft minorities were not "real Republicans" either. The reason for this lies in the pattern of Texas politics.

In brief, the one-party system in Texas, which the Eisenhower forces are fighting to destroy, effectively prevents anyone from voting on state issues except in the state Democratic primary. Even in the tiny, rather nasty private club which is the Old Guard Republican organization in Texas, a great many people still hanker to have some say about state affairs. Hence great numbers of the men and women Ingalls classes as "real Republicans" have made a practice of voting in the state Democratic primary for many years, without waiting for any advertised invitation to do so.

Take the case of Dallas. One of Dallas county's pro-Taft delegates to the Republican National convention, Joe C. Thompson, Jr., registered to vote in the state Democratic primary as recently as 1950. So did W. P. Luse, the Dallas member of the State Executive committee, who helped to nullify the Eisenhower majorities, and rig the Texas state convention for Taft. So did almost a score of the other old-guard Taft adherents who were seated as the "real Republican" representatives of Dallas county in the rigged state convention, and there named Thompson and the other pro-Taft delegates to Chicago.

traitors in Dallas did. Add that the Taft leader in Texas, National Committeeman Henry Zweifel, publicly invited Democrats to sign the Republican pledge and vote in the Republican precinct meetings; and made no complaint until too many people accepted his invitation and voted pro-Eisenhower. Add further that the Texan political experts were unanimous in hailing the pro-Eisenhower surge as the beginning of the end of the one-party system in their state, until the local Taft steam-roller went into action. From such unchallenged facts as these, you can get the measure of the Ingalls classification of "real Republicans" and "Republicans for a day."

Texas is vital, for two reasons. First the outcome of the Republican National convention will probably hinge on which Texas delegation is finally seated. Second, and almost more important, the issue at stake in Texas is simply the sacredness of majority rule and democratic procedure. Undoubtedly many Democrats joined the Republican party because they were attracted by Gen. Eisenhower. Equally undoubtedly they had a legal right to do this, and to support the man of their choice. And it is also undoubtedly that these men and women who changed parties for Eisenhower represent the great hope of Republicanism in Texas.

By the Ingalls test, the national convention ought to refuse to seat both the pro-Taft and pro-Eisenhower delegations from Texas. But by the tests of the interests of the Republican party and the ordinary rules of honest politics, the majority delegation should be seated.

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Rhee Threatens Tighter Controls

Pusan, Korea — (UPI) — South Korean President Syngman Rhee threatened to tighten his personal control of the government by dissolving the National Assembly and calling for a new general election.

Rhee already has imposed martial law, placed the press and radio under rigid censorship, banned the Voice of America and ordered the arrest of 11 assembly members in a bid to perpetuate himself in office.

The assembly, which opposes his administration, is scheduled to elect a new president on June 23.

Rhee indicated that he will dissolve the assembly before it is able to take action which almost certainly would be adverse to his hopes for retaining the presidency.

He has demanded constitutional amendments which would provide for a popular election of the president and creation of a legislature of two houses in place of the present Unicameral Assembly.

Manville Heisel Called For Air Force Training Portland, Ore. — (UPI) — Manville M. Heisel, 1808 Thomas road, Medford, is among 30 U. S. Air Force reserve officers taking a special course in personnel management at University of Portland, starting today.

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

Politics: At Wilmington the other night, Senator Taft told Delaware's 12-man delegation to the Republican national convention he expects President Truman will be a last resort candidate for the Democrats—and added that he would welcome a race with the president because it would be "clear cut."

REMEMBER Senator Smathers' crack in Florida the other day to the effect that Truman "has his dander up" (at the supreme court, the senate, etc.) and don't be surprised if he takes a whirl at another term to gain vindication? Anyway, don't write off that possibility until after the Democratic convention.

AS Senator Taft says, a contest between President Truman and any candidate who is likely to be nominated by the Republicans would provide a clear cut choice between what we have had and a CHANGE. Personally, I think that would be a good thing.

IN DETROIT, Ike tells a breakfast rally of his supporters that his basic concern for and his love of America is the sole basis for his quest of the Republican Presidential nomination. "If this honest, decent approach is not enough—well, that is all I can do." I am not a medicine man and have no panacea for all our ills. . . . If I make blunders, I hope my friends will excuse them. Such as I have is America's."

AS ONE small individual who is for General Eisenhower, that is about what I want. I'm tired of medicine men whose

Kickapoo Indian Sagwa is the sure cure for EVERYTHING. What I want is an honest, sincere, ABLE leader who will approach our various problems from the sole standpoint of WHAT IS BEST FOR MY COUNTRY? Decisions made on that basis are the kind of decisions we need at this critical period in our history—for what is best for our country is best for all of us.

NEARLY a century ago—when, as now, we faced problems of the gravest sort—Josiah Gilbert Holland, in his poem The Day's Demand, put it about as well as it can be put. I've quoted him before, and I'd like to quote him again: God give us men! A time like this demands Strong minds, great hearts, true faith, and ready hands; Men whom the lust of office does not kill; Men whom the spoils of office can not buy; Men who possess opinions and a will; Men who have honor; men who will not lie; Men who can stand before a demagogue and damn his treacherous flatteries without winking; Tall men, sun-crowned, who live above the fog In public duty and in private thinking.

IT wasn't somebody's Kickapoo Indian Sagwa, at a dollar a bottle, that saved us then. It was MEN. Men of the kind described by Gilbert—who was better known at that time by his pen name of Timothy Tlicombe. It is men who will save us now. I'm for Ike because I think he is the kind of man we need.

Pickin' Pears News, Gossip, Comment From Camp White

By SID HOLLINGSWORTH

One activity which holds the interest of the men who come to Camp White is the collection and finishing of the many varieties of semi-precious stones and specimens of rock to be found in the Rogue River valley. Hardly anyone is without the visible evidence of the work of the "rock hounds" in the form of rings, watch charms or just a pocket full of gems, ground to form and polished in the lapidaries.

Some of the most enthusiastic collectors have their own equipment, while others do their grinding and finishing in the Arts and Crafts shop under the direction of Ty Teorey, versatile head of this department.

There are several stages of development which occupy the attention of the men in this hobby. The first is the gathering of the rough stones which have to be sawed to determine what is inside. It calls for sharp eyes to detect the real agate from the dud.

The glenners have brought many varieties to the camp. Jaspers in green, red and yellow; petrified wood and obsidian or volcanic glass, agates in the purple or amalgamated with wood, jasper or moss, picture agates, transparent and translucent, rainbow agates indigenous to Oregon, and the varieties found in the locality and named Oregonite, Roquette and Medfordite.

A large part of this material is tossed aside as unsuited to the collector's fancy. But other men may see in the discarded pieces a gem or a specimen worth saving. Several rock hounds have picked up pieces and stones from their roamings around the countryside and have made a gemstone walk outside the Company 1 building they occupy.

Leland Green, in partnership with Hans Sorenson in the lapidary business, has a large collection of minerals and varieties he has gathered in a lifetime spent in the out-of-doors. He was in the Forest Service for years, Sorenson is the master craftsman who has the know-how in the fabrication of jewelry items. Their combined collection rates museum standing.

Another dyed-in-the-wool gem worker is Perry Erickson, who is a retired barber. He has his own equipment and gathers, cuts, polishes and mounts his own creations.

One reason for the keen interest in rock specimens at the dormitory is the influence of Dr. Paul Olsen, who with Mrs. Olsen has offered entertainment continuously since the camp was opened with their Enchanted Grotto appearances. Dr. Olsen

has collected tons of material in his travels since his interest was awakened some years back by the finding of a rare meteorite specimen in Arizona which formed the beginning of his collection.

When he was offered a good bit of money for the prize at the time, he decided that there must be something in the hobby of collecting rocks. He brings part of his exhibit to the theater frequently and with his short-wave ultra-violet light, displays the coloring inherent in many mineral types. Hardly a "specie" is missing from his distinctive collection.

The result of all the enthusiasm shown has been the cultivation of a keenness of perception of a somewhat specialized nature and a considerable amount of academic interest in mineralogy and gems. Books on rocks are in constant demand at the Library and the quest for terminology and distinctions in the various classifications of quartz, chalcedony and agate types is constant. A new variety of gem material will arouse the keenest interest in a large segment of the membership. And slices of rock are traded around like stocks and bonds.

It is not strange, then, to find that another club is in the making at Camp White. It will be composed of "rock hounds" and when formally organized, the group expects to join the Northwest Federation of Mineralogical Societies. An invitation has already been received.

John Chapps, director of the western office of the National Probation and Parole association, will report on the recent juvenile survey made in Jackson county at a meeting of the Jackson County Juvenile Advisory committee tonight.

The meeting will be in the circuit court room in the courthouse at 8 p.m.

Mrs. Victor Birdseye, committee president, urged all groups which joined in recommending the survey to attend the meeting. Recommendations to be presented by Chapps will be discussed, she said.

WEATHER By United Press North California: Fair Monday and Tuesday.

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Weather View Disputed

To the Editor: I have read Mr. Beard's statement in the Sunday Mail Tribune denying "anti-hail flying has any effect on rainfall in this area." If Mr. Beard makes this statement sincerely, then I think he has missed his calling. Surely there is a post high in the Federal Weather bureau for one so blessed with insight since government weather experts fully admit that no one yet knows fully the results of cloud-seeding.

He states that this information is based on "facts relative to precipitation figures." This must have been a wonderful study indeed. For three years the cloud-seeders have flown; for three years we have had the worst droughts in our memory . . . and one prolonged flight which seemed to disperse all our clouds gave us the worst late-freeze in history. If Mr. Beard's study of these facts proved to him that cloud seeding has nothing to do with the weather then his place isn't in the weather bureau at all. He should be able, as magically, to balance the budget, reorganize the Voice of America and get the RFC out of a deep freeze.

The latest maneuver is to blame freeze, drought and all, on the rest of the state, the Northwest, and an Arctic flow of air from Alaska. A question: Did any other valley west of the Cascades fail to get enough cloud cover, June 11, to protect their crops? Regardless of the rest of the state, did our farmers ever fight for irrigation water in May except when the cloud-seeders were riding herd? One more question. Has any human the God-given power to determine our weather with, not a wing and a prayer, but a wing and a sack of silver iodide?

The members of the Moisture Conservation League are not generally wealthy. . . . Their inheritance is a lifetime of hard work. That's the trouble. If they only had money . . . there is a happy solution to the whole thing. Let them perfect a "hail-making" machine, and then if they were to say "you send up yours, we send up ours," the whole thing could be solved in a matter of minutes, and once more our "little white clouds" could stay with us, and if they chose, "cry."

Jane Gillispie, 820 Summit Ave., Medford, Oregon.

3 Treaties Okayed By Vote of 1 to 0

Washington — (UPI) — The Senate ratified three international agreements with only two members present.

Ratified were consular conventions with Ireland and Great Britain and a supplementary protocol to the Irish agreement. The vote was unanimous. Sen. John J. Sparkman, (D-Ala.), presiding, voted "yes" and Sen. Edward J. Thye, (R-Minn.), said nothing.

Men Beheaded

Geo. N. Taylor The African chief and his men trailed a string of terrified natives to the central town. There, just as you would kill a hen for the pot, these captives were beheaded.

The chief knew better than to have killed them, for at birth God had engraved on his heart—yours also—the moral law against murder, theft, profaning God's holy name. Etc. See Romans 3:13-16.

As the chief danced round and round, an English M.D. stepped up to whisper in the chief's ear — "God had a Son who died for your sins." Out of it the chief took Christ as his Lord and Saviour and in time he became the leader of the Christian movement in all that part of Africa.

For helpful material write G-N-T, 3101 S-W McChesney Rd., Portland 1, Ore. A dairyman and family sponsor this space that you may have eternal life. — Adv.