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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

July 16, 1942

(It was Thursday)

Robert M. Elder, Klamath
Falls, appointed Jackson county
juvenile officer by County Judge
J. B. Coleman.

From Arthur Perry's Ye
Smudge Pot column: A few
farmers took advantage of the
clouds yesterday and prayed for
rain, with a good chance of get-
ting it.

20 YEARS AGO

July 16, 1922

(It was Saturday)

Banker W. H. Gore holds that
there is still some chance of get-
ting a railroad between Crescent
City and the Rogue valley, de-
spite the refusal of the county
court to finance a trip for Gore
to Washington, D. C., to lobby
for it.

The irrigation districts of
Jackson county are expected to
receive much financial assistance
from a federal aid bill now in
Congress.

30 YEARS AGO

July 16, 1922

(It was Sunday)

Ashland promoter puts up
\$500 to help pay for the construc-
tion of a road to the top of Mt.
Ashland.

Gordon McKay, middleweight
champion of the Pacific coast,
arrives in Medford to prepare
for his bout Thursday with Wild-
cat Welly; the champion is
warming up for bouts with Joe
Gans and Harry Greb.

40 YEARS AGO

July 16, 1912

(It was Tuesday)

Southern Pacific train of 16
cars derailed near Three Pines
when car loaded with beer
breaks a wheel; traffic expected
to be disrupted for 24 hours.

Temperatures reach 105 here;
weather experts say high hu-
midities keep temperature from
going higher.

4-H To Hold Fair
At Engel Ranch

The Bellview-Valley View lo-
cal 4-H Fair will be held Thurs-
day, July 17, at the J. Fred En-
gel ranch. The Engels have been
host to the fair for a number of
years. Their place is located on
Highway 99 about two miles
south of Ashland.

The fair is scheduled for 10
a.m., and showmanship and
judging contests will continue
throughout the day. Lunch will
be sold on the grounds at noon.

Wagner Creek and Fern Val-
ley clubs have also been asked
to participate, and visiting mem-
bers from other clubs may take
part in the events. All interested
people are invited to attend.

DOG SAVES MASTER

Senatobia, Miss. — (U.P.) — A
three-year-old fox terrier, Pinky,
saved the life of her master,
Gus Peterson, when his boat
capsized on Horn lake and he was
knocked unconscious. Peterson
said the small dog pawed and
nudged him until he regained
consciousness and managed to
grab the overturned boat.

Convention Had Circus Setting
Including Sights and Smells,
Declares M-T's Girl Reporter

By Alicia Ruhl

Chicago—July 14—(By Mail)
—The Republican party's own
unique version of "Big Top,"
in its five tempestuous days, had
everything but spun candy to
complete the parallel — bal-
loons, banners, bands, confu-
sion, clowns, acrobats, and at
moments of extreme partisan
bitterness something close to
wild animals.

The cavernous auditorium in
the midst of Chicago's stock-
yards, dominated by a huge sign
hanging from its stratosphere
proclaiming it the "Home of In-
ternational Livestock Exposi-
tions," and with the dank smell
of straw and things even gam-
ier throughout the whole area
for blocks around, was a perfect
setting for a circus.

This whole topsy-turvy city
was made that much more topsy-
turvy, with stray bands sprout-
ing up on street corners and in
hotel lobbies like volunteer
crops of alfalfa, with Liberty
Bells tolling through the streets
—first for Bob Taft, "Mr. Re-
publican," then for General
MacArthur, "Mr. American."

Every store window which
could muster one had a televi-
sion set, making the process of
wandering down the street a
constant threading in and out of
stationary crowds. Consumption
of beer in bars must have gone
up 500 per cent.

Chicagoans Interested

Native Chicagoans demon-
strated a lively interest in the go-
ings-on. Even the Western Uni-
on telephone operator wanted to
know whether I was for "our
Bob."

When I demonstrated a
certain lack of enthusiasm, she
conceded with a cheerful adjust-
ability of attitude which would
have pleasantly surprised wor-
ried party leaders that "both
boys were fine." There was no
doubt, however, that Chicago
was Bob's territory, just as it
was clear that New York was
Ike's.

As far as advertising goes
probably Bob's greatest political
liability was, first of all, his face
and finally his name. Bob's
toothy smile on the campaign pos-
ters looked so conscientiously
bent on being hail-fellow-well-
met that it was painful; Ike's
limber, almost toothless one fell
naturally into the groove with-
out even appearing to try.

The die-hard contingent be-
hind Taft seemed determined to
die hard in slogans, almost all
of which were uninspired or on
the edge of being absurd. "I'm
Taft for Taft," for example,
seemed in doubtful good judg-
ment, and after several sessions
of the credentials committee the
temptation to run out one, "Get
Your Graft with Taft," must
have been almost irresistible.

However, the Eisenhower boys
had more sense than to crucify
their alter ego, and even in the
most bitter moments of con-
flict between the two camps
there was the uneasy memory
that ultimately party unity was
vital if they were ever to achieve
what that Great Day in Novem-
ber for which they all hope.

Not Like 1940

It was a great show and a
classic fight but the 25th national
GOP convention had little of the
sparkle and contagious enthu-
siasm which first struggled with
and finally swept the Wilkie
convention of 1940. Possibly it
is no longer possible in these
more sober and mature days for
a dark horse to catch the popu-
lar fancy and ride into a win-
ning position on the irresistible
wave of gallery demand.

In any case, the situation was
different. Neither candidate had
that particular variety of dynam-
ism which Wilkie had up until
the moment of his nomination;
both were about evenly matched
in terms of popular support
within the party. Moreover, it
is my conviction that personality
— though still important — is
a commodity of decreasing value.

These days the issues seem
paramount, and the determining
issue of the Republican conven-
tion was which candidate had
the greatest chance of winning
a national election.

The Republican leaders are
somewhat more worldly — wise
in terms of election politics at
least. Gone is the somewhat
naive confidence that can they
find a personality, develop a
leader, they can willy-nilly pro-
duce a winner.

The Pattern Appears

Now that it is all over it is
easier to see in pattern how the
scales gradually tipped in Eis-
enhower's favor. Governor Fine
probably set the ball rolling
when he privately promised his
support on the very eve of the
convention. It was relatively
clear that the Governor — as a
practical politician — would
be pressed by any other
issue than just who would be
likely to be a winning candidate.

He gave the ball a further
push when he predicted that
should Eisenhower win the bal-
lot on the "Fair Play" amend-
ment by more than 100 votes he
would win the nomination.

When he won by 110 it could
hardly fail to have an effect.

The vote on the "Fair Play"
amendment itself undoubtedly
packed a psychological wallop,
for Eisenhower made an almost
clean sweep in the vitally im-
portant states of New York,
California, and Pennsylvania,
and it was — unfortunately for
Eisenhower — impossible to dis-
tinguish whether the vote re-
flected the delegates' views on
the issue or on the man himself.

Furthermore, the MacArthur
keynote speech, clearly stage-
managed to produce a climatic
effect, somehow failed to come
off. Minus his padded army
jacket the "old soldier" look-
ed his age and his speech, over-
long and over-emphasized, was
not up to his usual oratorical
standards. His profile still had
that clean-cut rock-of-Gibraltar
quality, his hair, thinner but
hardly grayed was slicked di-
rectly across his head like pol-
ished mahogany, his eyes were
still keen and he bowed with
that old regal manner that seems
native to him.

Still there was something
frail, and one got the impres-
sion that the ovation given him
was one largely of respect and
not intended as recognition of
president or party oracle mater-
ial.

Taft Strategists Erred

In the meantime, the Taft
strategists erred in the begin-
ning and instead of recognizing
their mistake and liquidat-
ing it they chose to follow
through on their original tack
and fight a damaging delaying
action. When Taft-man Clarence
Brown started out somewhat
lamely with "there is a ques-
tion in my mind as to whether
or not the Langley (Fair Play)
Amendment is subject to a point
of order" the explosion of boos
and catcalls nearly blew him
off the stand. Instead of tak-
ing the hint and retiring grace-
fully from the issue they
brought it to a vote and lost.

Nixon Has Personality

With all over but the shout-
ing, the Eisenhowers threaded
their way down the central aisle
amidst wildly shouting delegates
and to the strains of a jauntily
strummed banjo.

On the podium Eisenhower
rocked on his heels in time to
the music, then stretched up his
arms in a spread-eagle gesture
which seems characteristic, piv-
oting at the waist so as to take
in all areas of the gallery to
left and to right. He looked a
little flustered, but delivered
his speech with dignity and un-
ostentatious competence.

The real personality pair of
the campaign team, however,
appeared to be vice-presidential
candidate Nixon and Ike's bet-
ter half, Mamie. The dark,
curly-haired Nixon looks rug-
ged and boyish. He speaks as
easily as a bubbling fountain
and with an instinctive feeling
for the mood of the crowd, and
his smile always seems to have
just sprung to his lips, his hand
never seems to tire with shak-
ing, and his back looks ade-
quate to the shower of pats des-
tined to fall upon it. When it
fell his turn, he bounded onto
the speakers' podium like an
athlete preparing to take a pole
vault. Mamie, on the other
hand, has a personableness that
doesn't come through as well in
photographs. She seems to
thrive on the limelight in a most
appealing manner, enjoying it
spontaneously and responding to
it with a graceful coquetry
which in turn pleases her au-
dience. Dressed in a Paris outfit
of grey shantung, small white
hat, with a huge spray of white
orchids pinned to her shoulder,
she looked like a million dollars
and was unselfishly aware of it.

SOC Oregon History Club
Sets Jacksonville Trip

Ashland—The newly orga-
nized summer Oregon History
club set Southern Oregon col-
lege plans as its first project
a field trip and picnic at Jack-
sonville, according to Dr. Ar-
thur S. Taylor, club advisor.

Officers elected yesterday
were Boyd Gibson, Portland,
president; Judson Reynolds, Co-
vina, Calif., vice-president; La-
Von Wagner, Roseburg, secre-
tary; and Barbara Manley, Med-
ford, treasurer.

The club numbers about 75
members, Dr. Taylor reported.

This will be the 26th annual
summer trip to Jacksonville.

Inquest Set in Death

Of Vale BLM Employee

Ontario — (U.P.) — An inquest
was scheduled Wednesday into
the death of a Vale, Ore., man,
killed Sunday near McDermitt.
John William Monson, 26-
year-old employee of the Bureau
of Land Management, died when
struck by a car on highway 95.
Malheur County Coroner
George Deechler said Monson
apparently died instantly when
struck by a vehicle operated by
Abraham Eansky, Richmond, Calif.

Crosstown

By Roland Coe



"A hole in one on the next three holes and you should just
about break with a fair score, Mrs. Winter."

On The Side

By E. V. Durling

(Distributed by King Features Syndicate, Inc.)

Ninety per cent of men who
go coatless in the summer pre-
sent a sloppy appearance. This
is especially true of those who
wear their shirts hanging out of
their trousers. There is no ex-
cuse for this situation. When
Army men go coatless they still
present a neat and snappy ap-
pearance. Why can't the average
coatless fellow follow their ex-
ample?

Lonesome Linda

Linda Darnell, who on sev-
eral occasions has frankly
stated she is lonesome and
would like to marry again, was
born under the sign of Libra.
Women born under this sign
are extremely romantic. How-
ever, they are very practical,
slightly cynical and never let
their romantic tendencies get
the better of them. Even on
moonlight nights they have ev-
erything under control. Well,
nearly everything. Libra wom-
en have an intense liking for
beautiful clothes, jewelry and
expensive perfume. They are
very dangerous to trust with
charge accounts. They resent fa-
miliarity on first acquaintance.
Never should be kissed on the
first date. But don't wait too
long. The third date is about
right. Libra women are never
on time for a date, but if the
man is late they say mean things
to the poor fellow. They are very
temperamental. They don't want
to talk about business or po-
litics. If you want to make pro-
gress with a Libra talk about
her. Or so say the stargazers.

Ethel Levy. The first Mrs.
George M. Cohan. Her second
husband, Claude Grahame-White,
the pioneer aviator. Ethel was
practically on her honeymoon
when she appeared with George
M. Cohan and his family in
"The Governor's Son." She has
retired from the stage, but is
still in the pink, and lives in
midtown Manhattan just around
the corner from Broadway.

Asides
Now comes a Detroitier with
something he challenges Brook-
lyn, California or Texas to top.
Says he proudly: "I became a
grandfather for the first time
at 34. I am now 43 and have
eleven grandchildren." ... That
brilliant musical comedy ac-
tress, Elaine Stritch, is a niece
of Samuel Cardinal Stritch,
Archbishop of Chicago, who de-
livered the invocation at the
Republican convention. Elaine
is now in Los Angeles starring in
"Call Me Madame."

Among The Married

"As an experienced husband,"
writes a New Yorker, "I view
with regret your failure to offer
June bridegrooms some help-
ful hints on wife training. Much
can be accomplished by a hus-
band in the first year. My wife
has never lost a pair of earrings
because I insisted from the start
she have her ears pierced. I also
emphasized the importance of an
orderly handbag. I demanded that
she always carry a spare pair of
hosiery so as not to have an
evening spoiled by her having a
run in her stocking. I spent
some time in supervising her
auto driving. I took a stand
against her making up her face
at restaurant tables. These are
trivial details. I used them
merely as stepping stones to
more important things. Your
reluctance to have your alleged
"Horses & Women" experts offer
help hints on wife training is
undoubtedly due to a fear of the
wrath of your feminine sub-
scribers. I have no patience
with a man who will let the
possibility of getting a few slaps
in the face prevent him from
being of service to his fellow
husbands.

Power Association Head
Elected in Portland

Portland — (U.P.) — John Dier-
dorff, vice president of Pacific
Power & Light Company, Wed-
nesday was the new president of
the Northwest Electric Light &
Power Association.

The Portland man was elected
Tuesday at the association meet-
ing to succeed A. S. Cum-
mings, Medford, president of the
California-Oregon Power Com-
pany.

The association represents the
electric industry in the Pacific
Northwest.

Asking

Queries from clients. Q—You
refer to "Drink a Highball at
Nightfall" as a Wesleyan Uni-
versity song. Even you should
know this is a University of
Pennsylvania song. A—The
song referred to originated at
Wesleyan University. Put up
your stogies and we'll start ar-
guing. Q—I claim that in the

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

Here-we-go-again note:
"The Democrats are streaming
into Chicago to nominate a
Presidential candidate in a con-
vention they forecast will be
ROUGH, RUGGED and WIDE-
OPEN."

THEY WONDERFUL—and I
MEAN it. Sincerely. No ton-
gue-in-cheek business. No se-
cret hoping they'll get them-
selves snarled up in a cat fight
that will send them home clawed
and bitten and bitterly an-
gry at each other.

That would make it easy for
the Republicans, but the last
thing on earth the Republicans
need this year is an EASY cam-
paign. If Ike is to win in No-
vember, with a Republican house
and a Republican senate behind
him, it can come about only if
EVERYBODY who believes in
him and believes in what the
Republican party can and WILL
do under his leadership gets out
and works and votes as nobdoy
has worked for a Republican vic-
tory in half a century.

That can't happen if those who
would like to see Ike in the
White House and Republican ma-
jorities in both houses of con-
gress get the idea that it's in the
bag.

SO I HOPE the Democrats will
leave Chicago at the end of
next week with their ticket
headed by the best men they've
got and with everybody full of
fight. Only in that way can we
get this kind of political cam-
paign we NEED in this critical
year of decision.

IF THE DEMOCRATIC nation-
al convention of 1952 really is
"rough, rugged and wide open,"
it will be wonderful because for
two decades Democratic conven-
tions haven't been that way.
They've been RATIFICATION
meetings. The nominee has been
known in advance. The business
of the delegates has been mere-
ly to put their OK on a decision
already made AT THE TOP.
When that was done, they broke
up, shook hands and went home.
There are signs that it won't
be that way this year. I think
that's all to the good. Party
conventions that are nothing
more than ratification meetings
lead in time to DYNASTIES.
Dynasties and democracy don't
mix.

FOR THE FIRST time in four
conventions — 1936, 1940,
1944 and 1948 — there will be
CONFLICT at the Democratic
national convention that will as-
semble in Chicago next week.
Conflict in the sense that there
will be present LEADERS WITH
FOLLOWINGS. This year it
isn't known in advance who will
come out on top. In the past it
has been known.
That will put COMPETITION
back into the Democratic con-
vention. Competition is a good
thing — both in business and in
politics.

THIS FOREKNOWLEDGE that
there will be competition in
Chicago next week has resulted
in six avowed candidates — Sen-
ator Russell of Georgia, Sen-
ator Kefauver of Tennessee, Sen-
ator Kerr of Oklahoma, Senator
Mahon of Connecticut, Vice-
President Barkley of Kentucky
and W. Averell Harriman of
New York.

In addition, there is Governor
Stevenson of Illinois, who is say-
ing that he won't volunteer but
hasn't said he will refuse to be
drafted.

HERE'S A hunch:

WATCH KEFAUVER.
On one thing every delegate
in the convention that will as-
semble in Chicago next Monday
morning can agree with every
other delegate.

They all want a winner. Not
only are philosophies of govern-
ment at stake. Every federal job-
holder wants to keep his job.
Each will know that his job will
be in jeopardy if the Republicans
win. There may be conflict of
ideas on other points, but on that
point there is complete harmony.
Everybody wants a winner.
Winning requires votes.

SO—NO MATTER what the pol-
iticians may think of him—
don't write Kefauver off. What-
ever it is, he HAS the magic
ingredient it takes to get votes.
I'd like to add that even Harry
Truman can't be written off in
advance. This convention that
is going to assemble in Chicago
next week is going to want, first
of all, a winner, and if a situ-
ation arises in which it appears
that Truman is the most certain
winner he will be the nominee.
It's improbable, but not im-
possible.

AT EUGENE CONFERENCE

Ashland — Four staff mem-
bers at Southern Oregon college
are attending the Northwest Ad-
ministrators' conference at Eu-
gene today. Traveling to the
University of Oregon last night
for a banquet meeting were Dr.
John D. McAulay, Dr. Bill
A. Sampson and Dr. Eugene
Bowman. Dr. Elmo N. Steven-
son, college president, left this
morning for the conference.

Delivery of Danish Ship
To Russia Poses Problem
To US State Department

By HOMER JENKS
Staff Correspondent

The United States is debating
whether to cut off economic and
military aid to Denmark because
she delivered a 13,000-ton
ocean-going tanker to Russia.

Mrs. Eugenie Anderson, U. S.
ambassador in Copenhagen,
flew back to Washington last
week-end for urgent consulta-
tions at the State Department
on what, if anything, it's a pret-
ty safe guess that the U. S. will
keep on helping her Scandinavia-
ally. We have too much at stake
in Northern Europe to do other-
wise.

The same decision also is like-
ly to be made if and when Den-
mark delivers a sister tanker to
the Soviets.
The facts indicate the Danes
have solid moral and legal
grounds for ignoring Uncle
Sam's protest. By the same to-
ken, however, the U. S. has no
choice but to make the protest.

Here is the background:
Russia contracted with Den-
mark in 1948 to build two 13-
000-ton tankers and has nearly
finished paying for them. The
first tanker was completed last
month. The second, scheduled
for delivery in September 1953,
has not been laid down yet.

Just before the first, known
as Apheron, was turned over
to the Soviets in Copenhagen
early this month, Mrs. Ander-
son called at the Danish For-
eign Office and delivered a for-
mal American protest against
the transaction.

She warned the Danes that
the so-called Battle Act stipu-
lates the U. S. shall cut off all
economic and military aid to
any country sending goods of
"primary strategic significance"
to the Soviet Union or any of
its satellites. The act defined a
tanker among the banned goods.
The Danes pondered the pro-
test for several days, but finally
replied that they must complete
the delivery because it was un-
der an old contract negotiated
long before the Battle Act was
passed last February.

The Apheron was turned over
to a Soviet crew July 7 and
sailed for Odessa in Southern
Russia the next day.

The Battle Act contains a
loophole to cover just such a
contingency, however. It permits
the President to make exception
if cessation of aid would prove
detrimental to American secur-
ity.

In the case of Denmark, the
President well might decide
that American security would
be endangered by adverse Amer-
ican action.

Education Board
To Meet at SOC

Ashland — Plans are being
completed now for the reception
of the Oregon State Board of
Higher Education here August
2-5, according to Dr. Elmo N.
Stevenson, college president.
The board will hold its post-
poned July meeting on the col-
lege campus and be present for
the opening series of plays to be
presented by the Oregon Shake-
spearean Festival association.

Board members and their
wives will be guests at a Sun-
day, August 3, tea honoring the
Shakespearean group and spon-
sored by the Ashland branch of
the American Association of
University Women.

Board committees will meet
in individual sessions on Mon-
day and the afternoon has been
set aside for recreational events.
The college staff will fete the
visitors at a picnic that evening
and the group will attend the
festival play that evening.

The formal board session will
be held Tuesday, August 5, at
Susanne Homes hall. This is the
third year that the board has
met at Ashland. Dr. Stevenson
said, the last visit having been
in 1949.

WEATHER

By United Press

North California: Fair through
Thursday except coastal fog; lit-
tle change in temperature; north-
westerly wind 10-20 mph off-
shore.

"JOE BEAVER"

By Ed Nofziger

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