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Flight o' Time

Medford and Jackson County Mail
Tribune 10, 20, 30 and 40 years
ago.

10 YEARS AGO

July 20, 1942

(It was Monday)
Jackson county joins in drive
to meet nation's war needs of
scrap iron, steel and other sal-
vage materials.

From Arthur Perry's Ye
Smudge Pot column: A citizen
reports while rummaging around
in his garage he found a quart
of prohibition "Scotch" in a
dimpled bottle—the kind that
smelled like a pair of gloves
drying back of the kitchen
cove.

20 YEARS AGO

July 20, 1922

(It was Wednesday)
Stealing of new license plates
supersedes theft of gasoline in
number of cases reported to city
police.

Total of 344 Jackson county
residents, including many wo-
men, sign petitions asking for
repeal of prohibition.

30 YEARS AGO

July 20, 1922

(It was Thursday)
Circulation of petitions to re-
call Jackson county Sheriff
Charles E. Terrill termed "Ku
Klux Klan plot."

Entrants from all sections of
Oregon coast slated to take part
in motorcycle run from Medford
to Crater lake.

40 YEARS AGO

July 20, 1912

(It was Saturday)
"Cloudburst" of rain and hail-
stones "the size of goose eggs"
falls in Ashland area; damage
reported to peach and other
fruit crops.

First carload of potatoes ever
shipped from the Rogue valley
leaves Medford.

Top Effort Asked
To Back Election
Of GOP Candidate

Washington —(U.P.)—Republi-
can National Chairman Arthur
E. Summerfield said here the
GOP "must enlist in our cause
millions of good Americans who
have been awakened to the need
to serve their country through
political action."

Summerfield, in his first pol-
icy statement since nomination
of Dwight D. Eisenhower as Re-
publican presidential candidate
and his own election as national
chairman, said a GOP "victory
next November will be gained
only through peak efforts of
every segment of our party
organization."

Must Back GOP Ticket

"If America is to be liberated
from control by those who have
led us into one disaster after
another," Summerfield said, "it
is imperative that Dwight D.
Eisenhower and Richard M. Nixon
be elected next November."

"It is equally imperative that
the voters choose a Republican
Congress and Republican offi-
cials everywhere so that the task
of revitalizing our country in
its greatest hour of crisis can
go forward without delay."

In a telegram to all Republi-
can national committees,

Editorial Correspondence

Rockford, Ill., July 17—Unless the airmail service improves—
or SOMETHING—this offering won't appear much before the Demo-
cratic convention begins. So better say something about THAT.

Who will head the ticket? And who will be No. 2?
Unlike most of the modern political prophets, we not only
don't know, we haven't the faintest idea.

We do know—or THINK we know—which amounts to much
the same thing—who WON'T be.

The Democratic presidential candidate will NOT be a man—or
woman—President Truman opposes.

It is reported that H.S.T. does not want Estes Kefauver, nor
Adlai Stevenson. If that is TRUE—you can cross them off the
list right now. The President of the United States is too powerful
in his party, and too strong a character to have his WISHES re-
garding his successor, opposed or ignored. But the report may not
be true.

So we return again to the "Big G.H.S.T. Game."
If that report is NOT true—if H.S.T. would not oppose either
of these two men, then we would advise J. P. Morgan to put his
money on that smooth-talking coonskin-cap campaigner of Ten-
nessee—Kefauver.

For Kefauver, like Taft, enters the stockyard arena far out in
front. UNLIKE Taft he has demonstrated charm, cleverness and
personal popularity—not with the party bosses, but with the rank-
and-file. That adds up the vote-getting ability, and that is the
biggest talking-point any candidate can have in ANY national
convention.

Then another, assuming Mr. Truman will not oppose Kefauver
in "Mr. Coonskin" would be our favorite to win the Brass ring
for a free-ride on the merry-go-round.

But let it be assumed he fails to make the grade. What then?
Then our guess would be—and all of this, of course, is pure
guessing—there would be an EFFORT on the part of the delegates
to draft Governor Stevenson. Stevenson undoubtedly is their all-
around strongest candidate. But according to the best information
we could secure in Chicago, he honestly doesn't WANT to
run against Eisenhower and if offered the nomination will re-
fuse it.

If under such circumstances Stevenson should somehow be
forced to make the race, against his wishes, it will be the first case
of the kind in American history. We would not wager a plugged
nickel on it.

Returning to the candidates we are morally certain WONT
be successful, we would place Senator Russell of Georgia, first.

Under no conceivable circumstances can we picture the Demo-
cratic party choosing a "rebel" from the Deep South, and a strong
believer in "White Supremacy" to lead their party in 1952. The
party leaders may have slight hopes of victory but it is hard to
believe they have become so desperate as to choose political suicide.
And with northern prejudice against the Deep South what it is—
particularly in the large cities—suicide is exactly what it would be.

As stated before in this department, we have at no time been
able to take the Harriman candidacy SERIOUSLY.

Harriman has been a sort of trouble-shooter in foreign rela-
tions for the Truman administration, and from the first we have
explained the support he has received from President Truman as
a candidate in this campaign, along that line. A political "trouble-
shooter" whose first assignment was to kill off Coonskin Kefauver.
This Averell doing in the District of Columbia but it is hard to
imagine his doing so anywhere else.

Which brings us where?
Pretty much to where we started from—namely—we haven't
the faintest idea of what the result in this second 3-ring circus
and side-show will be.

We have some idea of who the candidates WONT be, but very
little of who they will be.

In fact in all the years we have attended national conventions
we can recall only one where the result was such a question-mark.
That was the Democratic conclave where McAdoo killed off Al
Smith and John W. Davis won the nomination. Davis was then
generally known as a rich and successful Wall Street lawyer—and
although no insurance actuary will believe it—he still is! (In fact
he was one of the upper-bracket attorneys to plead for US Steel
in the recent Supreme Court seizure case—and he won out.)

That, however, was not a matter of SELECTION, but ex-
haustion.

We can't recall the exact number of roll-calls, but we do re-
member getting into a Pullman berth around 5 a.m. on a train
whose conductor promised to get us to Chicago in time to catch
the "Overland" to the coast—and did just that.

Of course, if anything like that should happen again, Averell
Harriman and his \$40,000,000 might well come out the winner.
Such a choice would be no more incongruous and surprising. But
it is hard to believe history will repeat itself in any such bizarre
fashion as that.

Finally, there is this point to remember:
Under normal conditions ALL national party conventions have
ONE supreme desire, namely:
TO PICK A WINNER!

There have been a score of general-brow and complicated ex-
planations of precisely WHY Eisenhower won the GOP
nomination and Robert Alphonso, didn't.
But there is really only ONE, to-wit:
A MAJORITY of the delegates there assembled believed Eisen-
hower COULD win, they either feared—or were SURE—Senator
Taft could NOT.

When all is said and done, that was the final score—nothing
else really did count—in spite of all the efforts to add up otherwise.

So it all comes down to this—WILL the delegates to the Demo-
cratic convention in Chicago July 21st meet under NORMAL
conditions?

The undersigned hopes to be able to answer that \$64 question
more satisfactorily in his next.—R.W.R.

Delegate Strength

Chicago —(U.P.)— Here is the
latest United Press tabulation of
delegate votes for the Demo-
cratic presidential nomination.
The tabulation is based on
pledges and known first-ballot
preferences.

Sen. Estes Kefauver	268½
Sen. Richard B. Russell	122½
Averell Harriman	116½
Gov. Adlai Stevenson	54½
Sen. Robert S. Kerr	47½
Gov. C. Mennen Williams	40
Gov. Paul Dever	38
Alben W. Barkley	27
Robert J. Bulkley	27
Sen. Hubert Humphrey	26
Sen. J. William Fulbright	22
President Truman	20
Sen. Brien McMahon	16
Others	6
Contested	70
Uncommitted, unknown	330½
Total	1,230
Needed to win nomination	615

Among the little-known casu-
alties of World War II were the
race course and cricket fields at
Gibraltar. The British eliminat-
ed them to make way for a mod-
ern airfield, says the National
Geographic Society.

state chairmen and women state
vice chairmen, Summerfield
pledged the National Commis-
sion's "full cooperation" to GOP
state and county committees.

COMMUNICATIONS

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the name and address of the writer
although under certain circum-
stances the use of a pen name or
initial for publication is permis-
sible. The Mail Tribune reserves
the right to edit all letters with a
view to clarification and conden-
sation. Letters submitted for pub-
lication must not exceed 400 words.

BPW For Auditorium

To The Editor: Because the
need for such a building in the
community is so apparent to our
organization, the Business and
Professional Women's club is
hereby making public its offer
to support the Civic Auditori-
um project.

At our meeting on July 17, we
voted monetary support, and our
members enthusiastically volun-
teered to work toward obtain-
ing this auditorium.

Since late last year our meet-
ings, of necessity, have been din-
ner meetings since there is no
hall available where our busi-
ness sessions may be conducted.
Many cities smaller than Med-
ford have community buildings
where group meetings, conven-
tions, and dramatic and musical
activities may be held, and we
strongly believe it is time for
local organizations to unite their
efforts to obtain such an audi-
torium for Medford.

FLORENCE LANCE, Presi-
dent, Medford Business and
Professional Women's club.

Crosstown

By Roland Coe



"We too early for you, Wilson?"

Matter of Fact

By Joseph and
Stewart Alsop

THE LOONY BIN

Chicago—If you want a sam-
ple of the peculiar atmosphere
of the Democratic rally in Chi-
cago, the following story is a
better than average sample of
high-level talk here.

In brief, Gov. Adlai Steven-
son of Illinois wrote a letter,
a couple of months ago, describ-
ing his attitude toward the
Democratic nomination which
has been so often pressed upon
him. This letter was either ad-
dressed to, or somehow got into
the hands of Stevenson's friend,
Supreme Court Justice William
O. Douglas.

Justice Douglas, for reasons
best known to himself, proceed-
ed to show the Stevenson let-
ter to Harry S. Truman's great
and good friend, Chief Justice
Fred Vinson. Chief Justice Vin-
son then either showed the let-
ter, or related its contents, to the
President.

STEVENSON HAD written that

he did not want the Demo-
cratic nomination, and particu-
larly did not want to be nomi-
nated as President Truman's per-
sonal candidate, because of the
obligations that this would in-
volve. He had also written that
he was not sure he was a Fair
Dealer, because he was anything
but clear in his own mind about
what a Fair Dealer really was.
These remarks, inevitably, were
taken by the President as signs
and symptoms of the darkest dis-
loyalty.

The moment when the Steven-
son letter reached the ears or
eyes of Truman is persuasively
said to have marked the turning
point in the President's attitude
toward the Illinois Governor.

The foregoing story happens
to be well substantiated. There
is very little doubt indeed that
Gov. Stevenson did in fact write
such a letter, the summary of
which represents his known
views. There is very little doubt,
either, that the Douglas-to-Vin-
son-to-Truman triple play really
occurred. And there can be no
doubt at all about Truman's re-
action, when confronted with
such a document.

THE REALLY interesting thing
about this story, however, is
the way it symbolizes the quality
of the oncoming Democratic
convention. The Republicans had
big issues at stake and big,
easily discernible forces were
engaged against each other. In
the case of the Democrats, no
candidate benefits from the kind
of factional fanaticism that sus-
tained Sen. Robert A. Taft. No
candidate is supported by the
kind of popular surge that car-
ried Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower.

Instead of popular surges and
passionate advocacy, stories like
that printed above are the warp
and woof of this session in Chi-
cago. A few of these stories are
true, like this one. Many more
are false, or partly false. Their
prevalence, which is the signifi-
cant thing, means that the de-
cisive factors at this stage are
the relationships between group
and group and between individ-
ual and individual. Particularly
of course, the President's re-
lationships and attitudes are
vital. And in this sense the Ste-
venson letter is regarded as sig-
nificant, as inclining Truman
to block the draft-Stevenson
movement that Truman himself
originated.

It is this emphasis on the es-
sentially personal and trivial—
on the deals, negotiations, pri-
vate attitudes and hints let drop
—that makes the Democratic
gathering appear, for the time
being, like a large, jolly, ami-
able loony bin. How else can it
be, since at least five major
groupings in the party, and at
least two score leading person-
alities, all enter into the pic-
ture? Even the President him-
self has multiplied his agents,
secret and overt, until no one
knows exactly who is speaking
for him.

BENEATH THE surface nerve

warfare and maneuvering,
however, two significant facts
very plainly appear. The Demo-
crats have two possible strate-
gies. They can nominate a can-
didate who is thought to enjoy

strong sectional support, as Av-
erell Harriman does in the North
and Sen. Russell does in the
South. But in that case, they
must accept a more or less open
and violent party split. Or they
can seek a candidate who will
unite the party. But in that case,
they must choose between Sen.
Kefauver, whom so many lead-
ers detest; or Vice President
Barkley, whose age puts the
"caretaker" label on him; or
Gov. Stevenson, who has now
annoyed Truman and does not
want to run anyway.

The collective action of a loony
bin is impossible to forecast, and
so is the collective action of this
convention. Harriman is lean-
ing toward using the civil rights
issue as Gen. Eisenhower's hand-
icapper. The issue of the stolen
Southern delegations, and this
tactic may work. He is also
courting the President's endorse-
ment. If any one has a moral
right to Truman's support, that
man is Harriman.

As these words are written,
despite contrary hints from the
White House, the Barkley forces
meanwhile continue to claim that
the President will give the nod
to their man. Even the Kefauver
people, who have been astutely
courting the White House for
weeks, are also hoping that Tru-
man will choose Kefauver be-
cause he must. Perhaps they are
right. You pay your money and
you take your choice.

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In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

Politics:
74-year-old President Barkley, whose
vice may not stop him from
becoming a formidable candi-
date for the Democratic nomi-
nation for President, echoes in
Chicago President Truman's de-
mand that the party stand on its
record in office.

Reciting what he said were
gains made by farmers, labor,
business and the aged and un-
employed, he asserted that the
Democratic party has "earned
the confidence of the American
people."

THE VEOP is talking (and
boasting) in terms of dollars.
In Washington on the same day
the Federal Reserve Board talks
to the reporters in terms of
BUYING POWER.

It says:
"The Federal Reserve Board's
survey of consumer finances
(just issued) shows that average
total income of 'spending units'
(mostly families) rose from \$3-
520 in 1950 to \$3,840 in 1951
—a rise of about nine per cent."

BUT, it adds:
"Consumer prices also went
up nine per cent, WIPING OUT
the income gain. And increased
taxes tipped the scales AGAINST
the average family. CUTTING
BUYING POWER BELOW THE
PREVIOUS YEAR."

THERE'S THE story of infla-
tion for you. Inflation gives us
MORE DOLLARS that BUY
LESS. In time, it CUTS our buy-
ing power instead of increasing
it. That time is now here.

NEW YORK:

"Three cousins arrested early
this morning while going through
the pockets of a man sleeping
in a hallway indignantly denied
they were pickpockets. One of
them explained:
"Some money had fallen out of
his pocket and we were trying
to put it back."

YOU KNOW, IT MIGHT have
been true. There ARE good
people as well as bad people in
this world. Personally, I choose
to believe that for each bad per-
son there are ten good persons.

BUT—

One has to admit—
Whenever some bad person
does something bad, and gets
caught at it, and it gets into the
papers, he comes up with a
high-sounding alibi that makes

Oregon Counties Get
5 to 75 Pct. Return
On Douglas Fir Trees

Portland —(U.P.)—Oregon coun-
ties get a return of from 5 to 75
per cent of the value of Douglas
fir trees harvested on federal
lands, Marion Clawson, national
director of the Bureau of Land
Management, said Thursday.

Clawson told a conference of
congressmen and high-ranking
Interior Department officials a
tree on public domain would net
the home county 5 per cent re-
turn, while a tree owned by the
U.S. Forest Service would bring
35 per cent and a BLM tree
would return 75 per cent.

Last Stop of Tour

The conference is the last stop
of a BLM tour which started last
Friday at Billings, Mont.

The congressmen, represent-
ing various committees interest-
ed in administration of public
lands, include Harris Ellsworth,
Roseburg, Ore.; Wayne N. Aspin-
all of Colorado; Wesley A.
D'Ewart, Montana; Ben F. Jen-
sen, Iowa, and John P. Saylor,
Pennsylvania.

Interior officials, besides
Clawson, attending the meetings
are Walter H. Horning, BLM for-
estry division chief; Gerald M.
Kerr, chief of the division of
range management, and R. S.
Kifer, chief of the lands and min-
erals division.

Access Roads Vital

Clawson said construction of
access roads into Oregon and Cal-
ifornia grant lands was vital if
timber is to be marketed at a ca-
pacity under sustained yield
practices. He suggested main-line
access roads be financed by con-
gressional appropriation with
secondary roads construction
from sales revenues.

Congressman Saylor, how-
ever, said he believed local gov-
ernments should share in costs of
building access roads.

Saylor is a member of the
House Interior and Insular Af-
fairs Committee which is consid-
ering a bill introduced by Con-
gressman Ellsworth to divide O-

regon into three districts. The
Bureau of Land Manage-
ment wants to divide the re-
venue 50-50 after administration
costs have been paid.

Wants Equal Share

The Pennsylvania congress-
man, however, takes the stand
that a county should not contri-
bute to administration of BLM
any more than BLM's operating
costs.

Charles A. Sprague of Salem,
chairman of the O & C advisory
board, asked about exchanging
lands to eliminate the checker-
board pattern of sections of O &
C lands alternating with private
tracts. Clawson said BLM was in-
terested in making exchanges
with private interests to form
solid blocks of timber instead of
the patchwork system which
exists.

& C revenues 50-50 between
county and federal government.

Record Attendance Reported
At Scouts' Camp McLoughlin

A record attendance for the
first three weeks has been re-
ported at Boy Scout Camp Mc-
Loughlin at Lake O'Woods.

The first week, June 29 to
July 6, was for staff members
only and the camp was opened
officially on July 6 with 148
scouts, four scoutmasters and
23 staff members present. In-
cluded in this number were two
guest scouts from Hawaii, 14
scouts and one leader from
Brookings Troop No. 222 and
14 scouts and two leaders from
Eugene Troop No. 22.

Attendance last week amount-
ed to 137 scouts, four scout-
masters and 21 staff members.
Registration for this week total-
ed 120 scouts. About 100 have
registered for the fifth week and
125 for the sixth period.

Each week a full schedule of
events is conducted for scouts
and their guests with nightly
campfires. Sunday night is de-
signed as new camper night
with the scout oath and law re-
peated by each new camper with
special ceremonies.

On Monday night each unit
in the camp has its own camp
fire. Tuesday night is stunt night
and on Wednesday evening wide
games are held. Thursday is
spent overnight on the trail with
hikes preparing for the Mt. Mc-
Loughlin climb and others.

Mountaineering badges for climb-
ing Mt. McLoughlin are award-
ed and the "sailing out" cere-
monies for candidates for the
Order of the Arrow is held at
the Friday night campfire.

Saturday night features the
court of honor with an elabo-
rate ceremony and pageantry.
Guests are especially invited for
the Tuesday and Saturday night
campfires.

Other features of a week at
the camp include a water car-
nival on Saturday afternoon at
2 o'clock with visitors wel-
come, and the midwinter hike up
Mt. McLoughlin for the experi-
enced scouts.

General activities include
swimming, life saving, rowing,
canoeing, pioneering, cooking,
rifle range, archery range, ax-
manship, rope work, compass,
harness, first aid, handicraft,
mapmaking, aluminumcraft, lea-
ther work and wood carving. Fly
tying and fishing.

In addition to the Mt. Mc-
Loughlin hike, there is a trip
to Four-Mile lake and a bird
study hike to Rocky Point on
Klamath lake.

Staff members include Cliff
Hanson, camp director; Robert
Stothers, program director; Mar-
tin Johnson, activities director,
with Duane Franklin, Jim Perry
and Tom Gail as assistants; Bob
Wicks, waterfront director, with

RELIEF AT LAST

Cass City, Mich. —(U.P.)—After
37 years of having at least one
of their 10 children in school,
Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hardwick fi-
nally can relax from preparing
daily lunches and getting their
children up on time. Charles,
their youngest, broke the string
when he was graduated from
high school.

Annual Red Cross
Chapter Meeting
Slated Saturday

The annual meeting of the
Jackson county chapter of the
American Red Cross will be held
at 12:30 p.m. next Saturday at
the Rogue Valley Country club,
it was announced Saturday. It
will be a luncheon meeting.

New board members will be
elected during the business meet-
ing, and officers for the coming
year will be nominated. Seth
Bullis, a member of the national
resolutions committee and form-
er chapter chairman who recently
returned from the national
convention, will report on that
meeting.