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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

August 17, 1942
(It was Monday)

League-leading Medford Craters conclude season with 3-1 victory over Klamath Falls to make their season's record 19 wins, 5 losses.

From Arthur Perry's Ye Smudge Pot column: School will be opened September 14. Kids and their Maws will be brave and bear with Spartan fortitude the fortnight delay from last year, in the spirit of wartime sacrifice.

20 YEARS AGO

August 17, 1922
(It was Wednesday)

Joe A. Thomas, 222 South Holly street, is nominated by the Oregon Socialist party as a Socialist candidate for the United States Senate.

Medford's economy plan works as a \$17,000 saving results from salary cuts and reduced supply purchases.

30 YEARS AGO

August 17, 1922
(It was Thursday)

Jackson county Republicans meet to discuss forthcoming election; they stress harmony, urge voters to vote straight Republican ticket.

Hon. Dudley G. Wooten, former Texas congressman and now a Seattle attorney, will speak in Medford on the anti-private school measure.

40 YEARS AGO

August 17, 1912
(It was Saturday)

Westville Honor camp No. 1 on the Crater Lake highway is temporarily abandoned because the prisoners' conduct is so good they are all paroled.

Butte Falls woman forced to chop fire wood to sell after being deserted by her husband, who leaves with all her money.

Editorial Comment

LIGHTS THAT FAILED

Yesterday's news dispatch covering the suspension of publication of the Hood River Sun, included a statement from its publisher, Jack Travis, that the Sun is the only daily newspaper established and maintained in operation in Oregon for more than one year since 1919. The Sun endured for a little more than three years after becoming a daily in 1949, but it is by no means the only one to come under the classification which Mr. Travis has stated.

We recall, for instance, the Burns Times-Herald, which advanced from weekly to daily in 1933 and resumed its old status in the forties. And there was the Jackson County News, which became the Daily News in 1926 and lasted into 1933. Llewellyn A. Banks was its publisher. There are at least two to keep company with the Sun in the record.—The Bend (Ore.) Bulletin.

PICNIC IN CEMETERY
Bronze, Ont.—(U.P.)—Residents complained Saturday that tourists are using the Bronze cemetery as a picnic ground, sitting on the tomb stones to eat their lunch.

Dead line Sunday Classifieds is at noon Saturdays.

Editorial Correspondence

New York City, Aug. 14—Down here to see our one and only nephew, and the Dodgers play the Giants.

Seeing the nephew was simple but eating with him was not. Nephew, it seems, in summer doesn't wear a hat or coat. Can't blame him in this jungle atmosphere. But when he appeared in the dining room at our hotel, the head-waiter swooped down on him like a hawk on a poor little chickadee, and figuratively threw him out.

They have rules regarding male dress in N.Y. hotels it seems and more surprising ENFORCE THEM! During the summer coatless males with their sleeves rolled up are especially unpopular. However, we escaped without injury (except to the young man's pride) and sallied forth to find an eating place short of the Bowery that would serve a white over 21, in unpressed pants and sport shirt.

The hotel coffee shop in the basement looked cool, inviting and democratic. The reception there was also cool but NOT inviting. "Has the young man no jacket?" was asked the "hostess" with great hauteur.

So we were thrown out AGAIN! Began to feel like appealing to F.E.P.C. A block away ran into one of Schraft's numerous eating places. Surely they would have no sartorial restrictions there. Schraft's are as thick in New York as "Children" were 50 years ago, and very "middle class."

But the head waitress spotted the coatless youth a mile away and sailed down on him like a revenue cutter on a bootleggers' skiff.

"Sorry," said she, "but our rules are very strict." The crestfallen countenance of the nephew may have touched her stony heart, for she added with a very forced smile: "If you wish, we could loan the young man a coat while you dine."

The pangs of hunger proved greater than injured pride this time, a coat of spotless pongee was accepted, worn through the prandial period, then returned upon departure with appropriate acknowledgments—monetary and otherwise.

Nephew thought all this the silliest "snootiness" he had ever encountered, and after recovering his "amour propre" somewhat, declared that if HE had been managing things, he would have walked ALL NIGHT, before he would have submitted to any such humiliating discrimination.

Maybe so. But the avuncular member of the family doubts it. "When in Rome do as the Romans do." And when in New York it soon becomes the better part of wisdom, to do as the New Yorkers do. The surprising thing is how quickly the new residents conform. Nephew has lived half his years in New York, and we have no doubt whatever, that the next time he is invited downtown to dinner, summer or winter—perhaps tomorrow—he WILL have a "jacket" on.

And why not? Your correspondent is not persnickety, but we have never found exposure of the male torso, particularly on a hot, sticky night either appetizing or attractive.

Apparently, New Yorkers feel the same way about it. For don't forget this: If these rules and regulations were NOT supported STRONGLY by public opinion, they would never be enforced. Hotels and restaurants in New York are no more disposed to turn away paying clients than they are elsewhere. Not so much, perhaps. As far as the opposite sex is concerned, however, that is—and always has been, of course—a very DIFFERENT matter!

As it happened King Faisal of Iraq had the same idea. He also wanted to see his favorite baseball team play their hated rivals, the New York Giants, so he was on hand at Ebbets field, along with some 30,000 others. But judging by the little we saw of him through the trusty field glasses, he didn't yearn for a victory as strongly as the "sports-interested emeritus" from Medford, Oregon. In fact, if he was really interested at any time, much less excited, his calm, childlike and somewhat swarthy countenance failed to indicate same.

Even when that resourceful little warrior "Peewee" Reese snapped out a single that broke the tie and won the game, there was no emotion displayed in the manager's screened-off box—nor by the manager himself as far as that is concerned. The manager was probably too engrossed in playing host to royalty to go overboard with the rest of the Dodger fans.

It proved, in fact, to be one of the most exciting baseball games we have ever seen, and unless we are mistaken it was our first view of a victory for our beloved "Bums" over the Giants.

As is well known, Brooklyn usually wilts when the boys from Upper Manhattan trot out onto the diamond. If proof were needed the fact the Giants have beaten Brooklyn nine games to five this season should supply it. And when New York in the ninth inning had the bases filled, needed only one run to tie and two to go ahead, any wise bookmaker would have demanded impossible odds on any pro-New York wager. But this "Big Boy" Black, the Dodgers' relief pitcher, forced the Giant batter to hit into this Peewee Reese's hands—and although Reese showed he was under a strain also, by bobbling it a few seconds, he fired to first in time—and the crucial game of the year was over!

It is a bit early, however, for the Dodgers to celebrate a pennant victory.

A year ago this date they were 13 games ahead of New York, and then fell apart while the Giants put on one of the most sensational comebacks in baseball history, to grab the national title. However one can't quite visualize the repetition of any such miracle this year. So—instead of the world series being between the two New York teams this year, it looks more like the Dodgers for sure on one side, and either the Yankees or Cleveland on the other. We are rooting AGAINST the Yankees as usual but judging the present by the past that will improve, rather than impair, their chances!

Later: Another climatic armistice. And just in time. For once a thunderstorm did what thunderstorms were formerly supposed to do—cleared the atmosphere, reducing the humidity to only 40% and sending down the mercury 25 degrees. May this lifesaver last for more than 24 hours THIS time!

Last night attended our second theater for this trip, and again hit the jackpot. This time it was "The Male Animal" by our favorite writer-cartoonist James Thurber, in which co-author Elliott Nugent and Martha Scott starred. Robert Preston, however, never one of OUR favorite screen actors—"stole the show!"

A long time since your correspondent, in spite of a drenching by the thunderstorm, has had so much "good, clean fun," and Preston in his simply magnificent portrayal of the rah-rah football fan was responsible. We can't imagine ANYONE in the part being BETTER—or for that matter half so good. It could so easily have been ruined by over-acting, but never once did Preston step over that all-important line.

We would rank the "Male Animal" in the light-comedy line, with the "King and I" in musicals—can't think at the moment of higher praise than that!—R.W.R.

Two People Injured When Logs Hit Cars

McMinnville —(U.P.)— Two people were in Portland's St. Vincent's hospital after a logging truck dumped its load of logs atop two cars on the bridge across the Yamhill river just east of Dayton, Ore.

Mrs. Beth Cameron, Portland, was taken to St. Vincent's hospital where attendants said she was in serious condition suffering a compound skull fracture. Daughter Hurt

Her daughter, Jackie, about 11, was also brought to the Portland hospital, but her condition was not serious. Uninjured were Mr. and Mrs.

Crosstown

By Roland Coe



"This is embarrassin' for me, babel Can't you miss a shot or two?"

Matter of Fact

By Joseph and Stewart Alsop

HARRY AND ADLAI

Washington — Gov. Adlai E. Stevenson's visit to the White House pretty well nipped in the bud at least one burgeoning Republican hope. There is no longer much likelihood of a falling out between the Democratic candidate and President Harry S. Truman. It may be added that the prophets began to predict such a falling out, and the Republicans began to hope for it, quite a little time after the danger had really passed.

The real story of the curious and somewhat uneasy Truman-Stevenson relationship is relatively simple in outline. From the very first, as was pointed out very early in this space, there was a major issue to be settled between the President and the nominee. Would Stevenson declare his independence, or would he allow himself to be overshadowed by Truman?

TRUMAN wanted two things which meant overshadowing Stevenson almost completely. He wanted to campaign nearly as actively as the candidate himself, in his familiar whistletop manner. And he wanted to keep his hand on the campaign organization, by continuing Frank McKinney in his post as chairman of the Democratic National Committee.

It was more than two weeks ago when Stevenson made it clear that he could not go along with Truman on either of these crucial points. In fact the real crisis between the two men seems to have been reached rather soon after the Democratic convention, when Stevenson indicated that he did not wish to retain McKinney as national chairman. This was the definitive declaration of independence. At the same time, Stevenson also made it pretty clear that he did not wish the President to carry out his plan for whistletop campaigning.

The news reached Truman during his post-convention vacation at Independence, Mo. According to those close to him, the President was at first both hurt and angered by the seeming rebuff. Somewhat naively, he had expected Stevenson to be guided by him in all things, and the first shock of disillusion was severe.

YET Truman is always a good soldier. He has a downright religious respect for political traditions — and there is no stronger political tradition than the right of a Presidential candidate to boss his own campaign. Moreover, after reflection, Truman also saw the force of Stevenson's argument, that he needed a chance to make his mark with the voters as a major political personality in his own right.

There was some further maneuvering, undoubtedly, before the President and the party leaders accepted Stevenson's highly personal choice of Stephen A. Mitchell to succeed McKinney as national chairman. Nonetheless, the real issue between Truman and Stevenson had already been settled long before the President returned to Washington. Hence the Truman-Stevenson meeting at the White House could be, and was, rather cut-and-dried. The atmosphere between the two men has been described, by one who should know, as "not cozy but comfortable." They made their joint campaign plan easily and without serious argument.

There is sound strategy in the plan they agreed on—speeches by both Stevenson and Truman on Labor Day; intensive cross-country campaigning by Stevenson thereafter; and further speeches or perhaps a short campaign tour by Truman after Oct. 1. The plan minimizes the chances of any Truman-Stevenson crossed wires.

ACCIDENTS can always happen, of course, but there is now only one major area where it is realistic to look for a Truman-Stevenson disagreement.

This is the area of such great policy questions as civil rights and the Taft-Hartley law. This area is not supercharged with personal tensions, as was the issue of Stevenson's independence of, or dependence upon, Truman. Yet it can conceivably make trouble, nonetheless.

The truth is that Gov. Stevenson has shown a tendency to take a compromise line on civil rights, on labor and even on the tidelands oil question. This the President thinks neither right nor politically wise.

SUCH Truman intimates as W. Averell Harriman, who did their best to smooth over the earlier difficulty, do not approve of compromise on the great policy question. The Truman cronies, who did their best to inflame the earlier difficulty, will also seize upon any Stevenson tendency towards compromise, in order to needle the President against the nominee. The great policy questions were omitted from the Truman-Stevenson campaign review here. In short, there is no assurance, as yet, that the President and the nominee will not begin to sing two conflicting tunes.

The word comes from Springfield, however, that this chance of trouble is diminishing. Although he will not use an oratorical meat-axe in the Truman manner, Stevenson is said to be increasingly inclined to take the kind of strong line Truman will approve. Altogether, a powerful Democratic bid for victory seems to be shaping up.

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Employment Down In First Quarter; Payrolls Increase

Salem —(U.P.)—Employment in the 17,488 firms covered by Oregon's unemployment law was slightly lower in the first quarter of 1952 than a year before, but payrolls increased 4.9 per cent to \$279,759,339, the State unemployment Commission has reported.

The payroll figure was the highest ever reported for that winter period. Average pay of \$15.81 per employee was \$304.93 a month, a 19.2 per cent increase over the average pay for the first quarter of 1950.

Average Exceeded
Although the winter months always are lowest of the year because of seasonal layoffs in lumber and construction, the first quarter figure exceeded the \$303.34 average for the entire year of 1951.

The number of employees reported by 3,033 lumber and logging concerns in the first quarter

dropped from 75,352 in 1951 to 72,654 this year, the commission said. But payrolls in the lumber industry jumped to a record high of \$72,897,176. Average pay increased from \$323.96 a month to \$334.45 in 1952.

Payrolls Lower
Construction employment and pay rolls both were lower early in 1952 than a year before, but average monthly pay reached \$356.69 for 18,492 employees as compared with \$349.19 in 1951. Total wages dropped \$514,760 to \$19,787,413, despite a rise of more than \$2,000,000 in dam building. Food processing also declined slightly but other industries gained.

New York State department of commerce records show more than 50,000 manufacturing establishments with employment rolls of about 1,924,000 workers.

Fed Cross Appreciative
To the Editor: Please accept the deep appreciation of the Jackson County Red Cross Chapter, as well as my own, for the hearty cooperation you have given toward making the blood collection carried out yesterday the success that it was.

We of the Red Cross are proud of the people who donated blood as well as of all those who cooperated. We know that the people of Jackson county will give generously of their blood and money to the Red Cross if our needs are made known.

Ben Stafford,
Chairman Jackson County Chapter American Red Cross.

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

General Ike declines an invitation from President Truman to come to Washington for a confidential "briefing" on the international situation. In his telegram turning down the bid, he says:

"It is my duty to remain FREE to analyze your administration policies publicly, and it would be unwise and would result in confusion in the public mind if I accept your offer."

Then he adds:

"As you know, the problems which you suggest for discussion are those WITH WHICH I HAVE LIVED FOR MANY YEARS."

IN OTHER WORDS, Ike thinks he knows quite a little about the international situation, especially the situation in Europe, and he prefers to act on his own knowledge.

AT THIS POINT, let's recite a little history.

Ike was living with these "problems" back in the spring of 1945 when a couple of his armored divisions got over the Elbe river and were heading hell-bent for Berlin. They'd have TAKEN BERLIN in a few days more if they hadn't been stopped and turned back by political orders from Washington.

He saw officers and men of his command throw their caps on the ground and jump on them in anger and frustration when the political orders turning them back arrived.

HE WAS living with these same "problems" when General Patton hit the western outskirts of Prague, in Czechoslovakia, only to be turned back by political orders.

THE DEAL to establish the Iron Curtain on the Elbe river and the western boundary of Czechoslovakia was made at Yalta and the political orders stopping our military forces there, instead of permitting them to go on and take all of Germany and all of Czechoslovakia, were issued in accordance with the Yalta deal.

IKE knows, as we ALL know now, how much better our situation in Europe would be if we had ALL of Germany (instead of only half of it) and all of Czechoslovakia in our possession.

It's little wonder that he wants to stay free of all political entanglements with the Fair Deal administration, which followed the New Deal administration, which MADE THE YALTA DEAL.

GOOD FOR YOU, Ike. You know a booby-trap when you see one. This invitation to bring you into Washington and "brief" you was a carefully figured out booby-trap.

WE NEWSPAPER PEOPLE know all about that scheme. For years, whenever it has been desired to hamstring us so that we can't criticize what has been done, we've been brought into these "briefing" sessions. After we've been flattered all over the place by big shots who slap us on the back and put their arms around our shoulders and call us by our first names, it is explained to us that everything that has gone on in the "briefing" period is "off the record."

It has been told to us, we are informed, because we are so big and so important that it is essential we should KNOW what is going on. But we mustn't so much as whisper to anybody even an inkling of what we've been told. That wouldn't be kosher. It would be violating a confidence.

THAT'S THE SCHEME they're trying to pull on you, Ike—backing you into a corner by giving you all the intimate details and then telling you it's off the record and they're doing it all for your own good. The purpose would be to make you feel that after you'd been handed the WHOLE LOW down you just COULDN'T be so mean as to go away and criticize.

But, thank goodness, Ike, you're nobody's fool. You weren't born yesterday. You know your way around.

That's the kind of leader we need in these critical days.

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Egyptian Plans To End Britain Dispute Heads News of Week

By PHIL NEWSOM
United Press Foreign Analyst

The week's balance sheet between the good and bad news in the hot and cold wars:

GOOD

1. Egypt's Premier Ali Maher announced that one of his first acts would be to seek a solution of the long-standing dispute with Britain over defense of the Suez Canal and the future of the Sudan. A solution to those thorny problems might pave the way for Egyptian participation in a Middle East defense pact. Meanwhile, Egypt abolished censorship and took steps to improve the lot of thousands of landless peasants.

Australia Base Offered

2. Australia offered the United States, without strings attached, full use of the \$225,000,000 Manus Island naval and air base as the recent Honolulu meeting to implement mutual defense pacts among the United States, Australia and New Zealand. The base, located in the Admiralty Islands north of New Guinea, was one of our principal bases

during World War II but was turned back to the Australians in 1946.

3. Yugoslavia announced that a military mission was being sent to Greece, and there was speculation that the two former enemies might eventually enter a defense pact against their Russian-controlled neighbors. U. S. Army Secretary Frank Pace Jr. visited Yugoslavia, watched Yugoslav army units perform and predicted they would make good use of their American weapons.

THE BAD

1. Belgium first tried to get her European Army partners to raise their compulsory military service terms to two years, and then, failing that, reduced her own terms from two years to 21 months. It posed another headache for Gen. Matthew B. Ridgway who already has been told that France and Britain will not meet their 1952 commitments to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization. There seemed practically no chance that the European Army would reach its goal of 50 divisions this year.

2. French and German representatives argued without noticeable progress over the future of the Saar, formerly German but now tied to France in a 50-year economic union. Upon the success of their negotiations may depend the future of the Schuman Plan pooling Europe's coal and steel. The French will consent to "Europeanization" of the Saar but insist the economic ties must remain. The Germans insist the economic ties must remain. The Germans insist that come what may, the Saar is German and must remain so. Neither side shows any sign of budging.

Sailors Convicted

3. A colliery grew into a mountain in Japan over the arrest of two British sailors and their conviction on charges of beating up and robbing a Japanese taxicab driver. British demands for their release were taken as an insult by the Japanese who still were flexing the muscles of their recently restored sovereignty. The incident has been ironed out and no governments fell, but an increasingly anti-British and anti-American tone was appearing in some portions of the Japanese press.

Subnormal Rainfall Expected in Nation During Next Month

Washington —(U.P.)—The U.S. Weather Bureau forecasts subnormal rainfall and above-normal temperatures for most of the nation during the next month.

The bureau's 30-day forecast for mid-August to mid-September generally spelled bad news for drought-stricken farmers in the South and New England.

It came on the heels of Agriculture Department action Friday adding Rhode Island and parts of Oklahoma and Florida as disaster areas where farmers become entitled to federal loans.

Subnormal Rainfall
A month of subnormal rainfall was predicted for all but the nation's northern and southern borders.

The bureau also forecast above-normal temperatures in most places, particularly in the Southwest and Appalachian regions.

It said weather will be slightly cooler than usual along the northern border from the Pacific Coast to the Great Lakes. Temperatures will be near normal in Florida, Southern Texas and Coastal California.

BRIEFLY RICH

Kingsville, Tex.—(U.P.)—Louis Munez was a rich man for a few moments. While digging post holes for a contractor he discovered a tin can filled with old-fashioned currency which has been out of circulation since 1929. As he began counting the bills, they disintegrated into tiny pieces, none larger than a thumbnail.

WEATHER
By United Press
North California: Fair through Sunday with patches of fog along coast; little temperature change; northwest wind 12-22 mph off coast.

Dead line on Classified Ads: 5:30 p.m. for following day; 10 a.m. Monday; noon Saturday for Sunday a.m.



"This compartment for Jorgensen's Homogenized Multi-Vitamin, Multi-Mineral Milk will give you extra driving power!"