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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 19, 1942

(It was Wednesday)

Two Camp White soldiers are held by authorities, accused of a criminal attack on a 31-year-old Medford woman.

From Arthur Perry's Ye Smudge Pot column: It is okay for Young America to call their Paws and Maws by their first names, a metropolitan journal editorially argues. The young man, when and if called to the army, better not address his colonel as "Jim."

20 YEARS AGO

August 19, 1922

(It was Friday)

James Stevens' 40-voice male chorus sings an open-air concert at the Porter Neff home.

The Rev. Francis VanClarenbeck, former priest at the Catholic church in Medford, dies while visiting in Holland.

30 YEARS AGO

August 19, 1922

(It was Saturday)

Southern Pacific railroad announces it will provide service at half-price to Jackson county fair grounds during the fair.

Bliss Heine and Keith Cole leave for Huckleberry Mountain, where they will play with the orchestra at the new dancing pavilion.

40 YEARS AGO

August 19, 1912

(It was Monday)

Telephone line between Medford and Elk creek area is completed.

Hundreds of Medford people report "wonderful time" on return from excursion trip to Weed, Calif., to see baseball game.

Portland Among Cities Chosen for Community Pricing

Portland—(U.P.)—Portland has been selected with 54 cities in the nation for required posting of grocery ceiling prices in all stores this fall, Director Carl C. Donahue of the Portland district Office of Price Stabilization said Tuesday.

This kind of price posting has been tested in three cities and Donahue said the extension of it to Portland and other cities in the Pacific Northwest, including Seattle and Boise, Idaho, will begin as soon as plans can be worked out and the necessary preparations completed.

Conferences Opened

OPS officials from the north-west region Tuesday opened a series of conferences in Seattle on plans for community pricing.

Ellis Arnall, the OPS's national director, said it was probable that community pricing and posting would get underway October 1.

The program will also continue in the three test cities, Fargo, N.D., Fresno, Calif., and Jacksonville, Fla.

Fresh and processed fruits and vegetables will remain exempt from price control under recent action of Congress, and therefore will not be community priced.

It's An Honor—But!

Some of Oregon's fast growing cities and towns are having difficulty in finding men willing to assume the duties of mayor. Possible candidates look with favor on the honors attached to the office but back off after considering the work and responsibilities attached thereto.

IN BYGONE years population increases, if any, went on at slower pace. There was no multiplicity of pressing problems such as pavement installation and repair, traffic regulation, parking, sewer system expansion, park maintenance, police and fire protection, getting and keeping trained and competent persons in various city departments, extension of the corporate limits, enforcement of building, electrical and plumbing codes and regulations, airport expansion and expense, bond issues, and the thousand and one other things which now plague city administrations as a result of rapid influx of new people.

In addition to the matters mentioned, a mayor, at least in cities of 10,000 or more, must act as a sort of official greeter and front man. He must attend civic and other gatherings not only in his own bailiwick but in neighboring centers as well.

SOME municipalities have adopted the city manager system, paying a trained man a good salary to act as a sort of executive officer. The manager carries out the directives and policies as formulated by the council and mayor, thus relieving these officials of much personal supervision and detail work. But even under the managerial plan there are plenty of meetings, inspections, interviews and discussions to take the time of the elected officials.

Many cities pay their mayors and councilmen nominal salaries—in Klamath Falls, for instance, the mayor gets \$175 per month—the aim being to compensate at least in part for personal expenditures in connection with city business and in part for the time spent therein.

WHATEVER the prevailing system, the mayor of a growing city has something more than a part-time job. He is, or should be, a pretty good diplomat, a parliamentarian of parts, a fair public speaker, able to attend late meetings without yawning, able to listen to the gripes of irate taxpayers without exploding—in short, an all-around workhorse.

In addition to the above he should be financially independent and not required to rely on his city salary for living expenses—or failing this he should have a business or job which he doesn't mind neglecting in favor of city work—E.C.F.

Best Wishes Go With Them

Cities generally do not, like Topsy, "just grow." They don't without effort become pleasant and attractive places in which to make a living. There are such things as payrolls to be cultivated, civic spirit to be fostered, information and data to be assembled and made available, visitors and tourists to be attracted and informed. These are part of the work of a chamber of commerce and one would have to search far to find a city enjoying such advantages without the efforts of an efficient and flourishing chamber.

CHAMBERS of commerce are largely made up of representative business and professional people of the communities which they represent and in addition there is a manager or secretary who coordinates and executes the plans and programs as laid out by the membership and board of directors. On him devolves the "leg work," and much of the office work. A good manager can make or break a chamber of commerce, just as he can make or break most any other type of business.

Medford has been fortunate in its choice of chamber managers over the years and especially so in having Don Lane on the job since August 1, 1947.

Don, a graduate of Oregon State college and navy veteran of World War II, came here from Springfield where he had a splendid record of accomplishment. He has functioned equally well for the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce and has been especially successful in representing this community in railroad, air line and other hearings, and in tourist fairs and similar promotional efforts.

MANAGER LANE'S resignation, effective September 1, when he will leave to become manager of the East Side Commercial club in Portland, has been accepted with regret by the local chamber's board of directors. They are not alone in disliking to see him leave for both Don and Mrs. Lane have made many personal friends here in the past five years. The best wishes, not only of business associates, but the community in general as well, will go with the Lanes to their new field of endeavor.—E.C.F.

Radio Club CD Group Hear Defense Alert

Rogue Valley Radio club members belonging to the civil defense groups were tipped off by a Salem amateur radio station bulletin a few hours before northwest defenses were alerted and began a continuous watch at midnight Friday.

After radio club members had monitored the headquarters station frequency five hours, the headquarters operated a channel for contacts. Check of charts showed the Rogue river valley "in the clear," members said. Monitoring continued until noon Saturday.

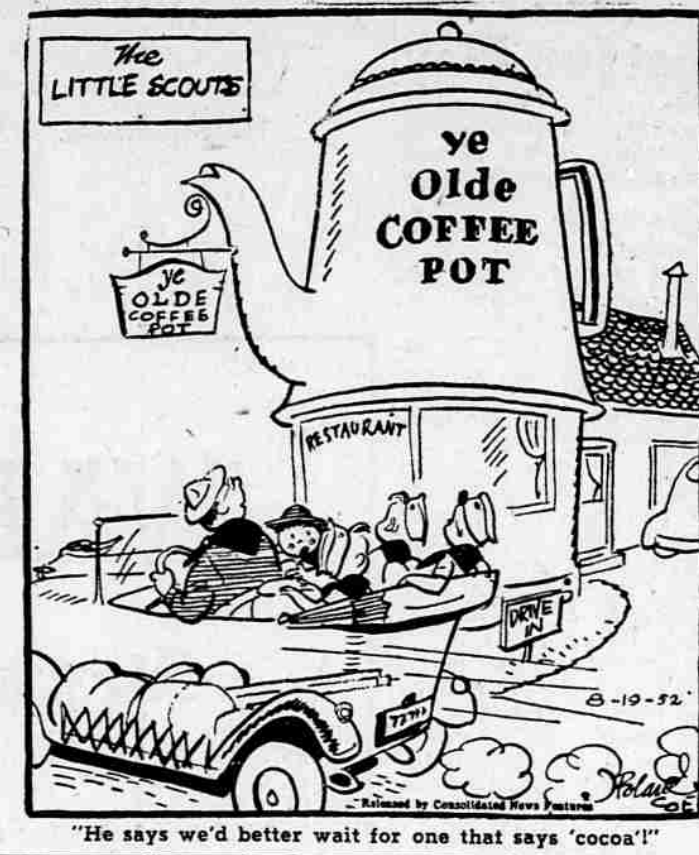
Those participating were Shirley and Gil Bannister, Dwight Albright and Bob Church, radio and telephone, and Mrs. Gil Bannister and Mrs. Albright, telephone.

The Naval Medical School at Bethesda, Md., in its experiments with freeze-dried bone, has discovered that such bone does not lose its elasticity or original properties; can be kept for several months in bone banks.

Dead line Sunday Classifieds is at 5:30 p.m. for following day; 10 a.m. Monday for Monday; noon Saturday for Sunday a.m.

Crosstown

By Roland Coe



Matter of Fact

By Joseph and Stewart Alsop

EISENHOWER, MCCARTHY, JENNER

Washington — The anguished word comes from Denver that Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower's toughest campaign problem has split the Republican High Command right down the middle. The divisive problem is what to do about Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy of Wisconsin, Sen. William Jenner of Indiana and the other Republicans of their peculiar ilk.

Originally General Eisenhower planned to solve this problem by a compromise. He would make a major speech, early in the campaign, simultaneously denouncing softness toward communism in the Administration and character assassination and smear tactics anywhere, including his own party. He would then refrain from visiting Indiana or Wisconsin, and would thus avoid sharing a platform with either McCarthy or Jenner, the twin masters of the modern political smear.

This compromise plan has now been upset by heavy pressure from the Indiana, Wisconsin, Ohio and Illinois Republican organizations, seconded by Arthur Summerfield, Chairman of the Republican National Committee. General Eisenhower's speaking schedule already calls for a major appearance in Wisconsin in the second week of September, while an appearance in Wisconsin is being considered for later in the month. The official word is being passed out that the General will endorse all Republican candidates in these states, including Jenner and McCarthy.

MCCARTHY AND JENNER are test cases for a very special reason. A good many other Republican Senatorial and Congressional candidates have persistently and venomously attacked almost everything Gen. Eisenhower stands for. But McCarthy and Jenner have an unusual distinction. They have publicly described Gen. George C. Marshall as a traitor to the United States. Jenner has told the Senate that Marshall was "a living lie," "a front man for traitors" and "a co-conspirator of treason." In his famous Senate speech against Marshall, McCarthy wholly surpassed Jenner.

As everyone knows, General Marshall stood almost in a father's relationship to General Eisenhower, from the humble beginnings to the splendid climax of General Eisenhower's military career. The foregoing gems of modern American eloquence, taken together with Eisenhower's relationship to Marshall, explain Eisenhower's reluctance to offer Jenner and McCarthy a ride on his coat tails. The arguments that are being used to break down that reluctance amount to a plea that Eisenhower be untrue to himself.

In particular, the Indiana, Wisconsin, Illinois and Ohio leaders have been threatening the General with losing their states, unless he embraces a "real Republican." To do this, they say, he must embrace all even McCarthy and Jenner.

The General may well be susceptible to this sort of pressure, but only because of his political inexperience. If he were more experienced, he would know the men who are now pressuring him are the same ones who charged Gov. Thomas E. Dewey with wilfully losing in 1948 because of his "me too" campaign. And General Eisenhower would also know that this story about Dewey is patent stuff and nonsense.

TAKE THE three states where comparison is possible, Ohio, Illinois and Indiana. Dewey carried Indiana. He lost Illinois and Ohio by a little over 33,000 votes and a little over 7,000

votes respectively. Meanwhile, in these same states, the venomously partisan, violently reactionary local Republican candidates ran hundreds of thousands of votes behind Dewey. The margins ranged from 152,000 votes in Indiana, where the governorship was won by the Democrat, Schrieker, who is now challenging Senator Jenner, to 529,000 votes in Illinois, where the governorship was won by General Eisenhower's present opponent, Adlai Stevenson.

The Indiana, Illinois and Ohio organizations went all out for their local candidates, and they did not lift a finger for Dewey. The inference is plain, that in these states Dewey was dragged down by the unappealing persons on the ticket with him. Add the fact that embracing Senators McCarthy and Jenner will cost General Eisenhower just about the whole huge independent vote of the West and East coasts. The course of political wisdom then clearly seems to coincide with General Eisenhower's natural inclination.

Such, at any rate, are the arguments now being made by Sen. James Duff of Pennsylvania and other leading Republicans who want General Eisenhower to "run as Dwight D. Eisenhower and nobody else."

This Republican faction does not much care for the original Eisenhower compromise. They would have the General enter such states as Indiana and Wisconsin, but conspicuously refuse to endorse McCarthy and Jenner. They would even risk losing the Senate this time. They argue that McCarthy, Jenner and Company are much less likely to cooperate with Eisenhower than moderate Democrats. They say further that General Eisenhower's second rate problem after cleaning up Washington, is to clean up his own party. Above all, they make the highly practical point that the General will imperil his victory by ignoring the moral issue presented by Jenner, McCarthy and the others like them.

General Eisenhower has evidently agreed already to make a speech in Indiana. What he will say in that speech—how he will treat Jenner—in short which faction of his advisers he will listen to—are probably the biggest choices he has to make in this campaign.

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CRASHES POLICE STATION

Stamford, Conn. —(U.P.)—

While hurrying to the police station to pay a \$6 fine for passing a stop sign, Leo Arrecco lost control of his automobile and ran into the police building. The cops took the \$6 and called it square.

The largest enclosed public park in the world, Phoenix park, Dublin, has an area of 1760 acres and the highest monument, the Wellington obelisk, 209 feet in height.

ICE WITH HONOR

Elk Rapids, Mich. —(U.P.)—Residents here beat the heat on an honor system. The only ice house in town is a self-service affair. Prices are posted and a scale is provided. You step inside, select a block, weigh it and drop the money in a tin can.

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In the Day's News

BY FRANK JENKINS

More from Korea: Our marines battled Chinese Reds with fists and grenades in the pre-dawn hours this morning on bloody Bunker Hill. The marines had to rush in reinforcements to save the height from being taken by the commies.

The reinforcements arrived the dispatches tell us, IN THE NICK OF TIME.

LET'S switch now to Washington.

General Lewis Hershey (the draft boss) said that by next summer just about EVERYBODY ELIGIBLE FOR MILITARY TRAINING will be in uniform—unless there is an excellent reason to the contrary.

He added: "One year from now the number of men in the manpower pool will be smaller than at any time in World War 2."

GRIM thought:

Suppose that about a year from now the Chinese Reds jump us in Korea with a million men—or two million, or four million; they have at their command, you know, any number of men they may choose to employ—and at the critical moment when victory or defeat hangs in the balance WE HAVEN'T GOT REINFORCEMENTS ENOUGH TO SAVE THE DAY.

IS THE situation that bad?

Or is a scare just being thrown into us at this particular moment in order to make us easier to handle—for some purpose or other?

I HATE to entertain thoughts like that. But SO OFTEN, in the years that are past, when Washington wants something from congress or from the people it turns on the bad news.

What wouldn't I give in these critical times, for leadership I can unhesitatingly believe and trust!

MORE from Washington:

"How would you like to get a dinner like this for 55 cents:

"T-bone steak and gravy, baked potatoes, kale with bacon, corn on the cob, salad, cake, ice cream, hot rolls and butter, milk or iced tea.

"Described as a typical dinner at the Anacostia naval receiving station and many military messes, such 55-cent menus are available to OFFICERS and CIVILIANS." (The GI works for so much a month and "found," so he takes what he gets.)

POOH! Pooh!

Back in the war, at the big transient officers mess in the Grosvenor hotel in London, a similar menu was available (to officers and attached civilians) for a sixpence, which was then worth about a dime. At the transient messes in Germany, the cost was about one occupation mark, worth ten cents. In Paris, the cost was HIGH—maybe as much as 20 cents.

How come?

Don't be silly.

Then, as now, THE TAXPAYER FOOTED THE BILL.

THE more I read about him,

puzzles me. Judging by his utterances, he's AGAINST big government in Washington and FOR more government in the states, the counties and the cities. He's against extravagance. He's for economy. He doesn't want much truck with Truman. He looks down his nose at the big bosses. He's for lower taxes. And so on.

Here's what puzzles me:

If he is really as sound and able and clear-thinking and as much opposed to the political evils of the past couple of decades as he seems to be, the forces that rule the New Deal-Fair Deal - Democratic party, which is deeply entrenched in power and wants to stay that way, WOULDN'T HAVE STOOD FOR HIS NOMINATION.

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Trygve Lie Holds Out Hopes for Armistice

By PHIL NEWSOM

United Press Foreign Analyst

Trygve Lie, the United Nations determinedly cheerful secretary general, still holds out hope for a Korean armistice "at any moment."

His, indeed, is a voice in wilderness.

On the surface, there seems no cause for optimism, either for a quick truce in Korea or for a change in the Russian-generated cold war.

The Marine whose friend dies in his arms on Korea's Bunker Hill hasn't heard of any armistice.

Nor do more than 2,500 rounds of Communist artillery and mortar fire pouring into Marine positions in a space of 24 hours seem to be tokens of good will.

But we are quick to grasp at straws.

A few days ago, North Korea's premier and commander-in-chief, Kim Il Sung, broadcast that the Korean Communists would be

willing to sign a truce ending the two-year-old war.

The momentary uplift overlooked past experience.

Many Suggestions

We have been getting various Communist "good will" suggestions since 1945, until now they are up to here. One of the last real meaty ones came in June, 1951, when Russia's Jacob Malik suggested on a UN-sponsored broadcast that we and the North Koreans should get into an armistice discussion.

However, two points made Kim's latest broadcast appeal for an armistice academic.

One was that he continued to demand return of all war prisoners, despite the fact that more than 30,000 war prisoners held by the UN have said they don't want to go back to Communism.

The second was a message to the Korean people in the Red Chinese government organ, Peoples Daily. The message, which also was broadcast by the government radio, said the Chinese and North Koreans had built up sufficient strength to lick the UN forces in Korea and added that they had full Russian "sympathy."

Adds Up To Warning

It seemed to add up to a warning to the North Koreans that they could not pull out now, and a pointed reminder that the North Koreans were not running the war—at least their end of it.

The last few days seem to have seen volume added to the hymn of hate sung by Communism's world missionaries.

In Europe, Moscow turned down an Allied suggestion for a new attack at a peace treaty for Austria.

In the UN, the Russians accused the United States of "gangster" methods in attempts to reduce world armament.

In India, a Communist leader promised to shoot landowners and "black marketers"—presumably meaning those who don't agree with the Reds.

In summary, the Reds have changed neither their stripes nor their spots.

COMMUNICATIONS

Letters to the Editor must bear the name and address of the writer although under certain circumstances the use of