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Flight o' Time

Medford and Jackson County
History from the files of The
Mail Tribune 10, 20, 30 and
40 year ago.

10 YEARS AGO

Aug. 23, 1945
(It Was Monday)
Walter J. Reinking named
commander of American Legion
post.

From Arthur Perry's Ye
Smudge Pot column: Rationing
of cook stoves starts soon. None
of the Older Girls as yet have
started hoarding them as is their
wont in times of mythical short-
ages.

20 YEARS AGO

Aug. 23, 1933
(It Was Wednesday)
Southern Oregon to make plea
for road action for jobs.

Moore Hamilton elected head
of Young Democratic Society.

30 YEARS AGO

Aug. 23, 1923
(It Was Thursday)
Number of citizens fined in
justice court for violations of
water regulations.

Jack Elliott house on North
Oakdale ave. burns while family
away.

40 YEARS AGO

Aug. 23, 1913
(It Was Saturday)
Public Market sells 2,227 mel-
ons before 10 a.m.

County WCTU holds 26th an-
nual meeting at Phoenix.

Phone Stoppages

May Spread, Union
Officials State

BY UNITED PRESS
Union officials warned Sat-
urday there may be more work
stoppages such as the walkout
that disrupted Chicago long dis-
tance service for five hours Fri-
day.

Company officials called the
stoppage a "harrasing tactic,"
but CIO Communications Work-
ers members in Chicago de-
manded a nationwide walkout
if their wage demands are not
met.

About 53,000 union members
are already on strike against
the Southwest Bell Company
and violence has marked a 31-
day-old telephone workers' strike
in Indiana.

Indiana Bell reported a long
distance toll cable between
Bloomington and Martinsville,
Ind., was cut in two places, two
underground cables between
Marion and Ft. Wayne were cut
at Marion, and other cables cut
at Elwood. Affected were long
distance and teletype service to
newspapers and radio stations.
Negotiations Set

Renewed negotiations were
scheduled to begin in St. Louis,
Mo., Monday in the six-state
Southwest walkout.

The Chicago work stoppage
occurred when 1,500 operators
and 800 plant operators of Ameri-
can Telephone and Telegraph
Co. employees walked out to
attend a union meeting.

MINK VISITS COPS

East Haven, Conn. —(U.P.)—A
strange guest walked into police
headquarters one night when
the door was left open because
of the heat. It was a mink. One
of the policemen put it into a
ventilated box until he could
figure out what to do with the
little fellow.

The Lesson of Korea

The London Times has printed a special review
of the Korean war and its significance, from a mili-
tary standpoint.

One item previously stressed in this department,
is made crystal clear, namely:

Red China is now, for the first time in modern
history, a real world power. It has a million men in
its frontline army, they are well-trained, modernly
equipped, the equal of any ground troops in the
world today. They probably surpass any modern
army in guerrilla warfare. Red China has another
million men in reserve and an estimated 100,000,000
men of military age.

This sounds fine for Red China but not so fine
for the rest of the world, especially the United States.

But there is a fly in the amber, fortunately; in
fact quite a nest of them.

The same military expert declares Red China
could not have defended herself successfully for a
week in Korea had it not been for Russian aid.

Red China depended absolutely, and still depends,
upon Russian planes, Russian tanks, Russian mun-
ition-plants, Russian pilots and Russian technicians.
Perhaps equally important China has the benefit
of Russian staff officers in the training of her troops
and in day-to-day field tactics.

So what? Well a number of things, to-wit:

No. 1: This knocks the frequent grape-vine report
that China is tired of Soviet Russia's domination and
wants to stage a "Tito" fade-out, into a cocked hat.
It is conceivable Soviet Russia might wish to get
rid of China. It is inconceivable Red China should
under existing circumstances, wish to get rid of
Russia.

No. 2: This situation makes the position of Sena-
tor Knowland regarding Red China and the U.N.
even more absurd than before. For if Red China
should not be admitted to the U.N., because "she
has killed our boys over there," then Russia should
be kicked out for making it possible for Red China
to kill them. It is a legal truism that the man who
supplies the gun for killing is as guilty as the man who
fires it.)

No. 3: Unless the present situation should com-
pletely change, even if an all-out U.N. attack
could drive China entirely out of Korea, Russia would
hardly accept a defeat that would turn over to her
enemies control of her far eastern borders. In other
words such an extension of the present Korean war
could only mean a Third World War with Russia in it.

No. 4: This London Times report also implies,
without stating in so many words, that in such a
war if confined to the Far East, the United States
might well find herself going it alone. In fact, Sena-
tor Knowland, at one time, assumed this might be
the case, whereupon he seemed to welcome this form
of military isolationism and looked forward with
some pleasure to the prospect of Uncle Sam winning
World War III, single handed.

We grant such an attitude is a tribute to the Cali-
fornia Senator's adrenal-gland capacities, but we
seriously question if it is a similar tribute to his qual-
ifications either as Senate leader of the present ad-
ministration, or an influential figure in the forma-
tion of this country's foreign policies!—R.W.R.

Is The "One World" Here?

Zahedi broadcast an eight-point program to the people of
Iran.

"Dear compatriots," "in the name of the Almighty I ad-
dress you. By order of his majesty, Mohammed Shah Reza
Pahlevi, I have been appointed your premier. Past govern-
ments have made many promises but have accomplished very
little.

"The nation must know I am the lawful premier on the
shah's orders.

The principal points of my program are:

1. The rule of law.
2. Raising the standards of living.
3. Free health service for all.
4. Mechanization of agriculture.
5. Road construction.
6. Insurance of public security.
7. Protection of individual and social freedom.
8. Promotion of co-operative societies.

"Long live Mohammed Shah Rez Pahlevi."

Press Dispatch

Kipling was right most of the time. But when
he laid down the law that "East is East and West is
West and never the twain shall meet," he failed to
foresee the future.

For as the above demonstrates this broadcast by
Iran's new Premier shows a meeting of minds po-
litically, in fact this 8-point program might have been
issued by the late Franklin Delano Roosevelt only a
few years ago.

Even the "Almighty" in both cases is appealed to.
Then there is strict law enforcement, raising the
standards of living (following Hoover prosperity just
around the corner no doubt!); accomplishing some-
thing in the new administration instead of "very
little"; free health service (in spite of A.M.A.); the
mechanization and financial elevation of the
farmer; good roads, improved public service and
security, maintaining the social and individual free-
doms (how about FEPC?), and so on and so forth.

OF course "Mohammed" isn't "God," the voters in
Iran are not white; but they are here given much
the same bill-of-fare politically that their brothers in
the western world have been given.

So the twain have met. Politically speaking hands
are clasped across the seas and over the mountains,
the "One World" dream of the late Wendell Willkie
is here!

P.S. But by the same token so we fear is that
G.O.P. "creeping Socialism!"—R.W.R.

Time to Clear It Up

Speaking of "creeping socialism" we feel the
time will soon come, if it is not already here, when
the present administration should clarify this popular
political slogan so the people can understand it.

In the realm of public vs. private power for ex-
ample, there is as of today considerable confusion.

SOME weeks ago President Eisenhower cited the
Tennessee Valley Authority as the perfect ex-
ample of this dreaded scourge, threatening as is claim-
ed to destroy individual initiative, our cherished free
economy and democratic institutions!

But Friday last, before the Commonwealth Club
of San Francisco, Secretary of the Interior McKay
strongly endorsed such public power, declaring not
only should the government continue such projects
as Grand Coulee, Bonneville and Shasta but quote:

"We believe that this power should be marketed for the
benefit of all the people of the country. It should not be
marketed for the benefit of a chosen few, nor at the expense
of the tax-payers."

Well we happen to have a "memo" from a Ten-
nessee newspaper man which describes the TVA
project as follows:

"The people of the Tennessee Valley and vicinity are not
only 100% behind TVA, but want it extended and amplified.
When it is claimed such a project is only a success because it
was financed by Uncle Sam and pays no taxes, the answer is a
horse-laugh that can be heard from Shelbyville to Memphis.
Not only will the profits of TVA reimburse the government,
but as a result of TVA, local tax revenues have increased 100%
in the areas served, as a result of consequent business growth.
Also as a result of TVA, and lower rates for light and power,
the consumers have been saved millions of dollars. Come down
here if you doubt this and see for yourself."

The writer visited the TVA area several years ago
and the above was then our impression. We would
like to go there again.

BUT the point we wish to make is simply this:

If our former governor is sincere, then he
CAN'T agree with the President and his party leader,
regarding either TVA or other federal projects, simi-
lar to it.

Yet in his opposition to the federal project at
Hells Canyon and his perfectly frank and open en-
dorsement of the Idaho Power company venture,
(beneficial primarily to the stockholders of that com-
pany not to the people of Idaho and Eastern Oregon)
he is not approving either what the people—a major-
ity of them—want, or what would be best in a busi-
ness way for their valley.

IN another part of the same Commonwealth speech
Secretary McKay said:

"We recognize the primary responsibility for supplying
power needs for any area rests with the people locally."

Once more, if our former Governor means what
he says then he should be willing to leave the matter
of a high-power federal dam at Hells Canyon vs.
the small low-power dams of the Idaho Power com-
pany to a vote of the people.

But does he really believe the people of Idaho and
Oregon, in the regions affected, would vote as he does
for Idaho Power company? It is hard to believe—and
YET—!

We are more interested, at the moment, in de-
termining just WHAT the administration's policy is,
regarding public vs. private power than whether it
is wrong or right.

WHAT IS IT?

Can't SOMEONE in authority in Washington ex-
plain it, so the average man up a tree can understand
it?—R.W.R.

"Please Shake Before Taking"

Our favorite candidate for the national booby-
prize in the field of news columnists, Holmes Alex-
ander, of the Oregonian, has pulled another one out
of his oversized hat.

This time he pontificates regarding conditions the
other side of the iron curtain and comes up with this
lala-palusa to wit:

Instead of the Rosenbergs deserving the death
penalty they should have been given the congressional
medal for sneaking atomic-bomb secrets to the
Kremlin and thus leading to Russia's bankruptcy
and destruction.

At least that is a possible, though somewhat ex-
aggerated, implication from his recent remarks.

IT seems Soviet Russia, in spite of its unlimited labor
supply, technical "know-how" in the field of
science, and determination to conquer the world just
can't afford to manufacture the hydrogen bomb, and
can't go VERY far in the direction of atomic weapons
of destruction for the same reason.

Poor Russia, the Alexander story goes, is trying
hard to do so, but according to "Alex" it is now a
struggle between military accomplishment and fi-
nancial disaster, with the latter far in the lead.

ONCE more it is a case of interesting IF true.

But we have an idea that, until some corrob-
orative evidence is presented, the Eisenhower admin-
istration will continue to follow the advice of its
experts, and assume that if not, tomorrow then the
day after, Russia will have both the hydrogen and
atom bomb and without calling either for a referee
in bankruptcy or the undertaker.

Incidentally just how a nation with unlimited slave
labor and practically unlimited raw materials ditto
printing press money, ever could go stone broke in
the generally accepted sense, is rather hard to figure
out—R.W.R.

GARNET COUNTRY

Concord, N. H. —(U.P.)—The
Adirondack region of New
Hampshire and New York ac-
counts for practically all of the
output of garnets in the United
States, according to state of-
ficials.

SIMPLE LOGIC

Milford, Conn. —(U.P.)—Early
settlers of this town, founded in
1630, once voted:
"The earth is the Lord's and
the fulness thereof; the earth is
given to the Saints; we are the
Saints."

Crosstown

By Roland Coe



"How can I be careful of it when it isn't even BUILT yet?"

Matter of Fact

Stewart Alsop

Paris — Two men whose
names very few Americans had
ever heard of a few months ago
are now, at least as symbols, the
most important political figures
in France. Premier Joseph
Laniel may well be a symbol of
the past, and Pierre
Mendes-France a symbol of the
future.

Joseph Laniel is a big,
heavy-set, rather portly
man, with a slightly in-
congruous college-style crew
haircut. He is
less articulate than most French
politicians, but perhaps for this
very reason he is the kind of
man you feel instinctively is honest
clear through. He has had a
most honorable record, before,
during, and since the war. A
wealthy industrialist himself, he
heads the most conservative gov-
ernment in France since the lib-
eration. He is the archetype of
the patriotic, moderate-minded
Conservative.

HE has an admirable program
for putting France back on
her feet again. On the foreign
front, the heart of this program
is the Laniel-Navarre plan, all
ready described in this space, for
ending the Indo-Chinese war.
On the domestic front, Laniel's
aim has been to bring order out
of France's financial chaos by the
most stringent economy
measures.

The problem as Laniel sees it,
is to restore French self confi-
dence, both in Indo-China and
at home. Once this is done,
he reasons, the French Parlia-
ment will be willing to take the
greatest risks inherent in ratify-
ing the European army pact.

So much for the Laniel theory.
Alas, the wide gap between
theory and practice was im-
mediately demonstrated when
the underpaid French govern-
ment workers responded to
Laniel's first very mild economy
measures by crippling nation-
wide strikes. The gap is likely
to grow wider if and when
Laniel tries to send troop rein-
forcements to Indo-China, an essential
part of the Laniel-Navarre plan.
Most observers now believe that
the Laniel government will fall
not long after Parliament re-
convenes. The Laniel-Navarre
plan and the Laniel domestic
program will collapse, presum-
ably, at the same time. What
then?

SOONER or later the answer is
likely to be a government
headed by Pierre Mendes-France.
Mendes-France, who missed the
premiership this summer by a
handful of votes and who is
widely regarded as the man of
the future in French politics, is
a figure who should interest
Americans. A short stocky man
with great drive and intelligence,
he also boasts an honorable
war and post-war record. He is
neither a neutralist, Marxist, nor
a professional American-baiter.
He is, or conceives himself to be,
a sort of French New Dealer, in-
deed he is presently wracking
his brains to discover a suf-
ficiently striking French phrase
for the words "New Deal."

It is his central political asset
that Mendes-France stands for
something new — Laniel is a
new face too, but he is surround-
ed by the old political faces of
which the French have become
thoroughly tired. Mendes-France
has interesting ideas for a
French internal new deal, which
is certainly long overdue. But
it is his proposed new deal
abroad which should interest
Americans — and scare the day-
lights out of them.

TOO briefly, the Men-
des-France position comes to
this. France will be sick as long
as the enfeebling drain of the
Indo-Chinese war continues. A
sick France cannot play her
essential role in the Atlantic
Community, in which Men-
des-France strongly believes. The
Indo-Chinese war cannot be won
by military means. Therefore a

way must be found to end the
war by other means.

At this point, Mendes-France
and his increasingly numerous
supporters become a trifle vague,
but this is the sort of "other
means" they have in mind.

France would offer the Indo-
Chinese Communist leader Ho
Chi Minh unconditional indepen-
dence for Indo-China, coupled
with a precise program for the
staged withdrawal of French
troops. For his part, Ho Chi
Minh would be asked to accept
"free, internationally supervi-
sioned elections," and to offer
guarantees that there would be
no reprisals against anti-Comm-
unist Indo-Chinese.

This is a formula for handing
over Indo-China to the Commu-
nists with the least possible loss
of face. Supporters of Men-
des-France tacitly recognize this
when they talk hopefully about
Ho Chi Minh's dislike of the Chi-
nese, and his supposed National-
ist and Titoist tendencies.

YET the fact is that the French
(for understandable reasons
of their own) simply have no
stomach any more for the end-
less Indo-Chinese war. It will
be folly for the American policy-
makers to fail to recognize this
fact.

It is still possible, of course,
that something like the Laniel-
Navarre plan will restore French
self-confidence and the will to
win in Indo-China. But it is on
balance a good deal more prob-
able that a government dedica-
ted to liquidating the Indo-Chi-
nese war at almost any cost will
one day soon come to power
here.

It is the American official
view that the loss of Indo-China
cannot be tolerated, for the com-
pelling reasons recently outlined
by President Eisenhower him-
self. But it is also the Ameri-
can official view that direct
American participation in the
Indo-Chinese war must be ruled
out, also for compelling reasons.
It begins to seem likely that the
deadly internal contradictions
between these two official views
may soon be demonstrated.

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Oregon Educators

Refuse To Renew

Pact With USAFI

Eugene — (U.P.) — The Oregon
State System of Higher Educa-
tion has refused to renew its con-
tract with the United States
Armed Forces Institute, a spokes-
man said Saturday.

Joins 13 Others
The system, along with 13
other colleges and universities
in the nation, has declined to
take any further part in the de-
fense department's educational
program of correspondence
courses.

The widespread withdrawal
from the USAFI program was
the result of a clause in the new
contracts which said, "The con-
tractor will not employ or retain
for the performance of services
under this contract such persons
as are disapproved by the gov-
ernment."

A spokesman for the Oregon
state system said it was feared
such a clause might deny the
state its right to decide for it-
self the qualifications of its own
instructors.

Affects Five Schools
Decision to reject the contract
was reached in Eugene follow-
ing conferences between Chan-
cellor Charles D. Byrne and
Dean John F. Cramer, head of
the general extension division.

It affects the USAFI program at
Oregon State College, University
of Oregon and the three state
colleges of education.

IT'S IN TEXAS
Falfurrias, Tex. —(U.P.)— Fal-
furrias was named from an In-
dian word meaning "the land of
heart's delight."

Pendleton Woolen
Mills Challenges
Tax Collection Try

Washington — (U.P.) — Attempt
by the Bureau of Internal Revenue
to collect alleged tax defi-
ciencies from two Pendleton
Woolen Mills plants and from
the Charles K. Bishop trust were
challenged Saturday in federal
tax court here.

The Bureau is attempting to
collect \$11,052 from the textile
firm, \$23,338 from the Bishop
trust, and \$32,243 from C. M.
Bishop, president of Pendleton
Woolen Mills, Inc.

Petitions filed by the three
parties asked the court to de-
termine whether the 1946 in-
come of plants in Portland and
Los Angeles were properly tax-
able to the company or to C. M.
Bishop and the trust for his
nephews, Robert C. and Charles
K. Bishop. The trust has been
dissolved.

Bishop protested the Bureau's
effort to assess the trust for
additional taxes, claiming it is
based on the "erroneous" find-
ing that the 1946 income of the
Los Angeles plant was also the
partnership's income. He said
the income was that of the
Pendleton Mills corporation and
was reported to the bureau for
tax purposes and the taxes paid.

COMMUNICATIONS

Letters to the Editor must bear
the name and address of the writer
although under certain cir-
cumstances the use of a pen name or
initial for publication is per-
missible. The Mail Tribune reserves
the right to edit all letters with an-
eye to clarification and con-
densation. Letters submitted for pub-
lication must not exceed 400 words.

Camp White Vets Praised

To the Editor: We wish with
appreciation the letter from
Alexandria Trimble in the Trib-
une of August 19.

Thank you, Alexandria, for
both my husband and myself!
We are volunteer workers at
Camp White, and have been,
since 1949, when the volunteer
service started.

In all the years we have been
visiting the camp, and with the
hundreds of hours of time we
have put in there, no member
has ever spoken to me in a vul-
gar or disrespectful manner. All
have been just grand to us! The
"Camp White Rock Club," which
we helped organize, even made
me their "mascot," and marked
my card "No. A1." I'm surely
proud of that! So far, I'm the
only woman member of the
Rock Club.

If those who criticize the
Camp White members want to
see for themselves the "home-
life" of these veterans, we in-
vite them to come out to Camp
White and talk with the boys.
Then they will realize these
veterans are fellow Americans,
with good morals, and education,
and refinement equal to any
group, anywhere!

Dr. and Mrs. Paul T. Olsen,
Eagle Point, Oregon.
Route 1, Box 225.

M.T. Police Policy Praised

To the Editor: It is the opi-
nion of this organization that
your editorial policy and state-
ments made in connection with
the Lester Hurley incident are
of the highest degree.

We of this organization are
never of the spirit that an issue
as important as this one should
be so pedaled when it comes
so close to "home." We further
feel that you are doing much
toward bringing about a better
civil condition in the city of
Medford.

Again our thanks to you. Keep
it up.

K. C. Van de Kamp,
Adjutant, Steelhead Post
Veterans of Foreign Wars,
Shady Cove, Ore.

Copco News Complimented

To the Editor: I should like to
take this opportunity to com-
pliment you upon the reporting of
the California Oregon Power
Company rate case which ap-
peared in The Mail Tribune on
August 18 and August 19.

Cases of this nature are
rather technical and more often
than not the reports of the evi-
dence and issues which appear
in the press leave something to
be desired in the way of ac-
curacy and clarity. The stories
which appeared in The Mail
Tribune on the Copco case
however were exceptionally ac-
curate and should give your
readers a clear idea of what the
case is all about.

George D. Rives, Attorney,
111 Sutter St.,
San Francisco.

He Wants a New Chief

To the Editor: I wish to con-
gratulate you, Mr. Editor, on