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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
Sept. 8, 1943

(It was Monday)
William McAllister, Medford,
speaker of House of Representa-
tives, to be acting governor for
short time.

From Arthur Perry's Ye
Smudge Pot column: The Joe
Flegel boy is still working in
the orchards and picking more
pears than he eats.

20 YEARS AGO
Sept. 8, 1923

(It was Wednesday)
Medford plea for RFC funds
for sewage disposal plant re-
turned for changes.

Klamath county ducks die of
mystery disease.

30 YEARS AGO
Sept. 8, 1923

(It was Thursday)
Road to top of Roxy Ann urged
by Chamber of Commerce.

School directors abandon plan
to refinish Jackson school as jun-
ior high school.

40 YEARS AGO
Sept. 8, 1913

(It was Saturday)
Ad Wolgast, ex-lightweight
champion, in Medford with view
to buying ranch in valley.

Funeral services for Mayor
W. W. Ewert largest in city's his-
tory.

Potluck

By M-T Staff and Contributors

IN ENGLAND THEY ARE
lamenting the passing of the
boudoir. For years, in that
country as in this, a little flower
in the lapel betokened a gentle-
man, one with appreciation for
beauty and the sartorial niceties
as exemplified by Prince Albert.

Gus Newbury, Medford law-
yer who arrived in these parts
by stage long before the rail-
road came, has been the chief if
not the only consistent local ex-
ponent of the boudoir. A tiny
rosebud or other small blossom
from his garden has been as
much a part of Gus as his brief-
case, for as far back as most of
us can remember. But Gus has
been seriously ill now for some
time and his cherry presence, his
stories of early Jackson county
days and his jaunty boudoir
scene.

Herbert Thompson, Portland,
here to help out at the U.S. Geo-
logical Survey office during the
illness of Charles Young, is still
recovering from the reception
he got on his arrival.

Thompson walked into the
Medford YMCA, ready to take a
shower and then start enjoying a
couple of free days. He had hard-
ly set foot in the door when his
plans exploded.

He was "kidnaped," "Shang-
haied" into a truck and carted
off to Diamond Lake, where he
spent his two "free" days work-
ing on the YMCA camp.

Even the hot weather in the
east is being used for exploita-
tion by one opportunist, of all
people a minister. A Jersey City,
N.J., Methodist minister, the
Rev. Paul L. Jewett took ad-
vantage of record heat to put up
a sign asking, "Now that you
know how hot hell is, what are
you going to do about it?"

Editorial Correspondence

New York, N. Y., Sept. 3.—Years ago we drove the "good old ship Sedan" into New York City directly behind a hay-wagon. No one would believe it but that was the truth and we had a witness—Cousin Clara of Utica, N. Y., our supercargo and beloved kin. That hay-wagon was good luck for it cleared a way through the massive traffic. The moment it left us we had bad luck—drove the wrong way on a one-way street and was hauled to the curb by a red-faced Irish cop. He was the old fashioned type however with a brogue as thick as a postbag and a twinkling eye. One glance at our Oregon license plate and he forgot all about the traffic laws.

"So you're from the west country eh? where the deer an the atoleop play—Ok, but don't do it agin OREGON this is a w-on-way, toroh fare fer you."

This time we were greeted by something even more surpris- ing and inappropriate—a forest-fire! It was boiling hot—con- sidering the humidity "boiling" is the proper term—so the last thing in the world we wanted was more heat. But we got it although a few miles away on Bear Mountain near West Point. There were five or six distinct smoke clouds and with glasses some of the fire-fighters could be seen.

As some readers may recall this record breaking weather business is nothing new. Just a year ago everywhere we went the heat records were broken including Boston. This year the record for consecutive heat and for September have both been knocked into the well-known cocked hat—nothing approaching it has happened before in the 100 years the weather-records have been kept—or at least preserved. We can give some of the baseball fans an idea of how hot it really is when we admit it's too hot to see the Giants play the Cincinnati "Reds" (It may not be as hot as that when Brooklyn plays Milwaukee tomorrow!)

However, it might be worse. In fact had we NOT spent four hours in Chicago, it would have been worse. But after Chicago nothing could be. We were born near Chicago and spent close to 30 years there—so we know from experience the Mid- West has the worst climate year 'round this side of Hades. In fact, coming to New York from Chicago was like reversing the conventional theological routine and after a session in Hell entering purgatory instead of the other way around. So we are not complaining as violently as the local gentry. No one from Chicago could.

It seems entirely impossible that only about 100 hours ago we were so wet and cold (in Klamath Falls) that we put on an over- coat and ordered a hot toddy!

No one is in town of course who can get out. Most New Yorkers in fact take their vacations in late August and don't return until AFTER Labor Day. Many stores especially on Madison Avenue do the same. This was smart timing this year.

We note by the "Times," Attorney General Brownell now claims the Red menace is worse today than it was during the Truman administration. We had to read that three times before we could credit our eyes, and still can't make sense out of it. There must be a catch in it SOMEWHERE.

But he is not the only member of the Eisenhower administra- tion to repudiate their campaign claims of only a year ago. Vice- President Nixon tells his Legion buddies in St. Louis, that Presi- dent Truman was entirely right in sending "American boys to fight and die in far-off Korea," and it is time the Legion admit it. What NEXT?

Quite properly the Times commends the Vice-President for this facing of the facts of life, and his indirect boost for a genuine bi-partisan foreign policy. We take pleasure in seconding the mo- tion.

Here is what the Times says, quote:

WELL SAID, MR. NIXON
Vice President Nixon went far beyond the grudging words of the Republican platform of last year when he spoke of Korea in his address at the American Legion Convention in St. Louis on Monday. "Let's recognize right now," he said, "that the decision to go into Korea was right. It was right because the Communists had to be stopped. And let me say that in the past I have had occasion to disagree with the former President of the United States, Mr. Truman, on some issues, but on this issue President Truman was right, and he deserves credit for making that decision."

In this passage the Vice-President did much to convince the world that in our essential foreign policy we are united. We think he deserves credit for his sportsmanship and candor on this occasion, particularly in the presence of an audience which often seems to take a dim view of international co- operation. He also took occasion, while defending the work of Congressional investigating committees, to suggest that "it is only when these investigations are conducted fairly and objectively that they are the most effective." Senator Mc- Carthy and a few other wild men may not like such senti- ments, but they will be correspondingly approved by the more liberal elements of the Republican party.—R.W.R.

Do Your Share

As regularly as a double or triple holiday comes along the death toll of the nation shoots skyward. This year the figure for Labor Day has been set at 440 deaths.

ANY DAY or weekend is bad enough, but the holi- days are times when drivers on U.S. highways seem to go berserk and fail to use good judgment. Every driver appears so bent on making speed toward an enjoyable or different holiday he or she fails to use caution and look out for the other driver.

If every driver would give as careful considera- tion to every other driver as he expects for himself, there would be a lot more courtesy of the road and fewer deaths by accidents.

HIGH-POWERED modern cars require the driver to be thinking and alert at all times. Drink, weariness, sleepiness, visiting with others in the car can all lead to an accident. Many drivers know they will be safe and careful, but they cannot know what condi- tion the other driver may be in.

So many times it is someone who is in a carefully- driven auto who is in a crash, injured or killed rather than the thoughtless or incapacitated driver of the other car.

IT IS to be wondered what will be done in the future to cut down the ever-mounting list of dead and in- jured, meanwhile every driver should do everything possible to make the present safer.—J.L.

B. J. Cox Assigned To Soil District

Billie J. Cox, Soil Conserva- tion service technician, has been assigned to work with the Sams Valley-Beagle Soil Conservation district, according to an an- nouncement by Lester V. Daven- port of Grants Pass, area conser- vationist.

Cox has been transferred from the Grants Pass office, and Clem T. Ault, technician, who has been with the SV-Beagle district for the last two years,

Crosstown

By Roland Cox



"You, sir! That strawberry jam of Mrs. Holman's is the best here—and I'm a pretty good judge myself!"

Matter of Fact

By Joseph and Stewart Alsop

ON THE PRESIDENT'S DESK
Washington—When he returns to Washington from his vacation, President Eisenhower will find on his desk an official report proposing that the nation spend between \$6 and \$7 billion for air defense alone each year until 1960.

President Eisenhower has had a number of similar reports on his desk before this. The differ- ence this time is that this report was written by the President's own men. The President's old friend and wartime G-3, Maj. Gen. Harold Bull, headed the committee which wrote the re- port. The other officials were for the most part Eisenhower-appointed officials in the gov- ernment. Indeed, as previously reported in this space, when the National Security Council ap- pointed the committee, the stated purpose was to "get a report from our own people."

The Bull committee report has already been vetted from a sci- entific point of view by still another committee, headed by Dr. Lee Dubridge, the Presi- dent's scientific adviser, and in- cluding such distinguished sci- entists as Charles Lauritsen, of the California Institute of Tech- nology. The scientists have fully endorsed the Bull committee's proposals. So has the Air Force, whose letter of indorsement the President will no doubt also find on his desk.

The next step is the Joint Chiefs of Staff. The position of Chief of Staff of the Air Force Nathan Twining is obvious, from the Air Force letter of endor- sement. As for the other members of the Joint Chiefs, the air de- fense effort proposed in the Bull report demands the kind of re- shuffling of defense priorities which the services constitution- ally tend to resist.

YET the new chiefs are now engaged, on orders from the President, on a complete "new look" at American defense plan- ning. If this new look is to mean anything at all, it must involve just this sort of reshuffling of priorities. Moreover, the new chiefs now have available a great mass of evidence, in the shape of at least a half dozen reports dealing in one way or another with the air defense problem. From different angles of vision all these reports em- body the same basic conclusion—that a great air defense effort is urgently required in the face of the constantly growing Soviet air-atomic capabilities.

The Joint Chiefs, whether they endorse the Bull report in detail, can hardly disregard the air de- fense problem, in the face of this evidence. After the Joint Chiefs have taken their position, the final decision will rest, of course, with the National Security Council and the President himself.

It is at this highest level that the final issue is most in doubt. The \$6 to \$7 billion annual investment in air defense pro- posed by the Bull report (very much the same sums as were first proposed in the Lincoln project report) does not represent a net increase in spending, since these sums include the cur- rently projected allotment for air defense. But the net increase (proposed) is nevertheless on the order of \$3 to \$4 billion.

A powerful faction in the Ad- ministration, represented on the National Security Council by Budget Bureau Director Joseph Dodge, is trying to persuade the President to reduce the level of the defense budget to well be- low \$30 billion. Quite apart from the air defense problem, this kind of reduction would mean a sharp reduction in force levels in all the services. Short of com- pletely gutting the strategic air force and the other two services, a budget below \$30 billion would absolutely rule out an added \$3 to \$4 billion for air defense.

JUST because this is so, the economy-at-any-price faction in the Administration has caused to be appointed yet another com- mittee to consider the air de- fense problem. This committee

Liquor by Glass
Slated for Study
At Central Point

Central Point—The liquor by the glass question will be re- considered by Central Point's city council at its regular meet- ing Tuesday, according to Mayor Don Burelson.

Ed Colpitts, owner of the Pioneer club, re-submitted a pe- tition for a "Class 'A' dispen- sary" license at the August meet- ing of the group, which includ- ed the signatures of 83 city busi- nessmen, and opposing petitions with 188 names on them will be formally presented at Tuesday's meeting.

Both petitions had been cir- culated shortly after the mayor and council turned down the tav- ern's application last April 13, but had never been presented be- fore this time. At the same time, the council had turned down an application by Richard Arndt, Corner club owner. Mayor Burelson broke a 3 to 3 tie vote against the applications.

The council will also vote again on a beer and wine license application by Paulsen's Thrift market. They met last Tuesday with members of the State Li- quor commission on the matter. Commission members suggested they vote again (the council had previously turned down the ap- plication) and send their decision into the commission.

Might Override
The state men had indicated that the city could only deny the application on the owner's character, and indicated they "would override," any city veto, according to Burelson and City Recorder Arden Pinkham. The council had turned down the ap- plication as a control method against juvenile delinquency and believed that the city's one gro- cery store outlet, the Economy market, was enough and that they were considering rejecting the latter's re-application when it comes up for renewal.

Owners of the Paulsen mar- ket submitted petitions with over 400 names to the state com- mission in favor of the beer package license. After an inves- tigation, the commission stated it could see no reason for turn- ing down the license, the offici- als said.

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 initials 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.

That Unique Weather-vane
To the Editor: How many have observed the unusual weather- vane atop the Allen Hotel, 104 East Main street? The combina- tion represents a miner's pick, pan and shovel. Presumably sig- nificant of some interesting past episode, we would like for some- one to unravel the enigma in a true story for The Mail Trib- une. Perhaps someone recalls the strange off-record history of the unique design.

One source of information has it that a small creek once flowed nearby and was sluiced by early day prospectors for the gold dust it produced.

Bert Kissinger,
520 Boardman St.,
Medford, Ore.



CALIFORNIA HERE WE COME—Advertising that they'll soon sail through the Golden Gate, these California ex-POWs get together for cameraman after their processing at Inchon, Korea. Left to right, front: Cpl. Jack J. Gifford, Santa Monica; Sfc. Richard Perez, San Jose; Cpl. William C. Fleming, San Jose. (Back): Sfc. Leonard Herbert, Fillmore; M/Sgt. Walter W. Henson, San Francisco; Cpl. Lionel D. Bundy, Bell, and Cpl. Allen Damron, Tujunga.

Jew, Protestant Unite in
Honoring Catholic Chaplain

By FRANK JORDAN
Inchon, Korea—(U.P.)—Two re- patriated Army doctors, a Protes- tant and a Jew, joined Saturday in revering the memory of a Roman Catholic chaplain, who gave his life to aid the sick and wounded in a Communist prison camp.

Together they filled in many of the gaps in the story of young, pipe-smoking Father Emil Ka- paun of Wichita, Kan., who served prisoners of all faiths be- fore he died almost two and one half years ago.

Prays With All
Capt. Clarence L. Anderson of Long Beach, and Capt. Sidney Eesensten of Minneapolis, elab- orated on the story of Father Ka- paun which has been told before. They told how the 30-year-old priest washed the clothes of the sick, sat up with them and prayed with them—men of all faiths, not just Catholics.

Father Kapauin invented ex- cuses to visit men in other com- pounds and the hospital of the Communist prisoner camp at Py- oktong. He constantly preached the message of hope.

Anderson and Eesensten, both 30, said the Communists hated the little chaplain but stopped short of clapping him in solitary confinement. Risking death, Father Kapauin continued to

Liquor by Drink
On Army Posts

Washington—(U.P.)—The Army is installing a system throughout all Army posts to allow officers and top grade enlisted men to buy liquor by the drink on the posts.

The Army traditionally has barred the sale of hard liquor on its property. Officers were al- lowed to keep bottles in their individual lockers at officers' clubs and have the bartender pour for them. But the new regu- lations, to be put in effect throughout the Army Dec. 1, will allow over the bar sales and also sales by the bottle on Army posts. The new regulation ap- parently standardizes the prac- tice and takes from local com- manders the responsibility of permitting liquor on the post.

The Army said the new sys- tem will simply parallel a plan already used by the Navy and Marine Corps and soon to be installed by the Air Force.

Former Resident
Dies in California

Mrs. Rosell R. Watt, 76, a resi- dent of the Rogue valley for many years, died Sept. 2 in San Diego, Calif., according to word received here.

Mrs. Watt was the wife of the late David M. Watt, mother of Harvey K. Watt, San Diego, and Mrs. Wilford G. Miksche, Seattle, ash., and grandmother of Sandra A. Miksche, Seattle.

Mrs. Watt, born Nov. 1, 1877, at Rock Point, near Gold Hill, was the daughter of George A. and Laura King, pioneer Jack- son county residents. A resi- dent of Phoenix for many years, she was active in Neighbors of Woodcraft and other organiza- tions.

Private funeral services were held Saturday in San Diego. Final interment will be in Jack- sonville cemetery.

Dead line for Sunday Classified is at Noon Saturday.

SOC Enrollment
Starts Sept. 16;
Fresh Days Planned

Ashland—Enrollment proc- ures will get underway at South- ern Oregon college in Ashland on Wednesday, Sept. 16, accord- ing to Registrar Mabel W. Win- ston.

Registrations for freshmen students will be taken on Satur- day, Sept. 19, and Monday, Sept. 21.

Fresh Program
The fall "Fresh Days" pro- gram will get underway Sept. 16, Mrs. Winston said, in pre- paration for the fall quarter. All new freshmen students arrive on campus that day and will be housed in the college residence halls. The following day the frosh will turn out for an eight o'clock general assembly in the college auditorium and will later be given the college guidance and counseling tests.

Friday, Sept. 18, is to be de- voted to meetings between new students and faculty advisers as well as general campus orienta- tion. Registration for classes will be held the next morning followed by a picnic and camp- fire program in the evening, Mrs. Winston said.

Progressive Dinner
Sunday will be given over to a progressive dinner for fresh- men at faculty homes, leaving the dormitories empty for in- coming permanent residents of the halls.

The second official registra- tion day and the last day to reg- ister without penalty, Mrs. Win- ston said, will be on Monday, Sept. 21. Classes will begin on Tuesday.

Mrs. Winston warned that many room deposits have been received from students expect- ing to come to the college who have not filed an application for admission.

Transcripts Needed
She said the application must be accompanied by transcripts from school previously attended as well as the health record card required by state law. A ten dollar deposit is needed for fresh- men men and all women stud- ents living in college dormi- tories. A fee of \$7.75 will be paid by temporary residents.

Veterans adviser Harold Cleo advised veteran students to ob- tain certificates of eligibility from their Veterans' Adminis- tration office.

Fees for residents of Oregon at the college are \$40 per quarter or \$60 per quarter for non-resi- dents.

California canneries general- ly account for 2,400,000 pounds of the total national supply of 7,000,000 tons of vegetables used in canning.