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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

Oct. 28, 1944

(It was Saturday)

Paul Selby reports someone broke into Selby's market, 107 Crater Lake highway, with nothing missing.

From Arthur Perry's Ye Smudge Pot column: Harvesting of the apple crop of the valley is under way. All the woe in the world was caused by Eve eating an apple, instead of voting for Hoover in 1928, as New Dealers would have the people believe.

20 YEARS AGO

Oct. 28, 1924

(It was Sunday)

George A. Coddling issues statement for Jackson County Democratic Central committee, urging support for Martin for governor.

Medford city budget to be \$186,293 for coming fiscal year if approval voted at next council meeting.

30 YEARS AGO

Oct. 28, 1924

(It was Tuesday)

Pioneer museum at Jacksonville to be opened to public for three days each week.

Jackson county voter registration reaches total of almost 12,000.

40 YEARS AGO

Oct. 28, 1914

(It was Wednesday)

Capt. Artemus W. Deane resigns as commanding officer of Company 7, CAC; those in line to succeed him include Elmer Foss and R. N. Foster.

From the Local and Personal column: Complaint was made to the police Tuesday night of loud singing and yelling on Main st. by a gang of young men. The complainant said he could not sleep on account of the noise. The police dispersed the merry-makers.

What's the Answer?

(Can You Get 4 of the 7?)

Copr. 1954, Editorial Research Report

1. The Sale of hard liquor is illegal in many more than half, about half, or many fewer than half the countries in the 16 South Atlantic and South Central states?
2. Which of these nations are not members of U.N.: Italy, Japan, Switzerland?
3. F. D. Roosevelt Jr. is running for governor of N. Y., mayor of New York City, the U. S. Senate, the House of Representatives, or Attorney General of N. Y.?
4. The average benefit paid by states for unemployment compensation is now much more or much less than \$25 a week, or about \$25?
5. Jews do or don't hold many of the highest posts in the government of the Soviet Union?
6. Prof. Owen Lattimore did or didn't refuse to answer questions of a Congressional committee by relying on the fifth Amendment?
7. Which one of these states usually gets the most rain during the year: Florida, Illinois, Louisiana, New Jersey, Ohio, Oregon?

The Answers: 1. In many more than half; 2. All three; 3. Attorney General of N. Y. state; 4. About \$25 a week; 5. Don't; 6. Didn't refuse; 7. Louisiana.

Why the Wailing Wall?

If Senator Cordon should be beaten—and he may be—we don't know what will happen to some of our Republican friends up-state.

By "friends" we refer particularly to the newspaper boys of the "vote 'er straight Republican press." They have already reached the "crying-towel" stage. In their best sob-story style they ring all the changes on the abuse their candidate for the Senate, Guy Cordon, has suffered from an unprincipled opposition.

THE MAIL Tribune has asked several times for some evidence of this. Just as we have asked for a public debate between the chief contestants on this issue and all the others.

Neither has been forthcoming. And probably neither will.

Why? Because number 1 there is no such evidence. AND number 2, the last thing Senator Cordon wants—and Congressman Ellsworth also—is a public debate, where they would have to defend their voting records, against any opponent who knows the records, has the answers, supported by the facts.

There are only three or four daily papers in the state that have dared to come out for the two Democratic candidates for the U.S. Congress. In other words the GOP has practically all the press, most of the money, the power and prestige that goes with seniority in both Houses behind them, not to mention the coat-tails of an extremely popular and now active partisan President.

And yet they seem to feel abused and to be asking for sympathy all the time. How come?

AS FAR as "abuse" is concerned all the abuse—as before stated—has been on the other side, and any impartial survey of the campaign record will prove it.

Senator Wayne Morse explained this in his speech here Sunday, when he said what Senator Cordon and his supporters called "abuse," was simply reciting Senator Cordon's voting record. Neither he nor his friends wanted that, nor want it now.

In fact one of the most amazing and somewhat amusing features of this campaign, has been Senator Cordon's desperate effort, since the campaign started, to skip his voting record.

For example, until the campaign opened there was no doubt, whatever that Oregon's senior Senator stood with the leader of his party and his friend and supporter Secretary of the Interior McKay opposing any more public power projects—for the near future at least. But since then he has tried to convince the voters he was one of the original supporters of a high dam on the Snake, and would be one NOW if he knew where he could get the money!

Once more let's look at the record. The record shows out of 35 roll calls in the past 10 years, Cordon has voted 27 times against the principle of public power and for private power. He also voted for the Dixon-Yates deal for private power without competitive bids at a fixed profit.

No wonder he doesn't like calling up that record by his opponents, and his apologists try to dismiss it by claiming "misrepresentation and abuse!"

—R.W.R.

They Miss the Point

The interesting fact about our lachrymose contemporaries is they miss the point.

Senator Cordon has brought it out several times but they have paid no attention to it.

Only yesterday he again stated this senatorial contest is one between two different schools of thought. It IS!

And the Cordon School is the time-honored school of "the good old days" of Wm. McKinley, Mark Hanna, Boise Penrose, so well expressed by Secretary of Defense Wilson when he said what is good for General Motors is good for the country, and vice versa.

AS HAS been repeatedly stated in this department that philosophy is no crime. It is a view held by millions of entirely respectable—VERY in fact—citizens particularly by those who have profited most by it.

And they should, and undoubtedly will, vote for Cordon and Ellsworth.

On the other hand those who believe in the doctrine that there should be a fairer distribution of wealth to all, rather than an increased concentration of it, to a few, will vote for Neuberger and Porter.

THAT IS the essence of the campaign issue in a nutshell. And as we stated at the outset, there is no reason to get mad about it, tell lies or call names, or make false charges—it isn't a question of morals but a question of BELIEF.

Theodore Roosevelt said the Hanna doctrine carried to its logical conclusion would result in a "plutocratic autocracy" which would destroy our government of the people. His view as we see it, is as correct today, fundamentally, as it was 40 or 50 years ago.

But the Cordon School denies this. They therefore resent that term of "give away" for example when billions of dollars worth of oil in which the U.S. Supreme Court, held the people of the country had the paramount interest, are given to three or four states, by special legislation, and subsequently handed over at a minimum price as in the case of Texas, to a few private oil companies and operators.

The same with forest land in the national reserves, handed over to a private company on the ground of mineral rights. The private company paid \$2375 for timber worth over \$100,000!

That is not "a give away," says Messers Cordon

COMMUNICATIONS

Letters to the Editor must bear the name and address of the writer, although under certain circumstances the use of a pen name or initial for publication is permissible. The Mail Tribune reserves the right to edit all letters with a view to clarification and condensation. Letters submitted for publication must not exceed 400 words.

Why Afraid To Debate

To the Editor: The end of the present political campaign is nearing and we will soon go to the polls and make our choice known. There are several things to consider however, before we can make any intelligent choice.

The first, in my opinion, is the fact that neither Guy Cordon, or Harris Ellsworth, the Senatorial and Congressional incumbents respectively, have yet to accept the numerous challenges to public debate offered by their Democratic opponents.

Why is this? Are they so convinced that they cannot defend their records? Are they afraid to expose themselves to the time honored American system of debate?

I don't think there is any question about this. It is quite obvious to me that they are afraid, and that they doubt their own ability to defend their positions.

If they are not—they still have ample time to schedule a debate and have it broadcast over radio and TV to the people of Oregon, in the case of Cordon, and to the people of the 4th Congressional District, in the case of Ellsworth.

They can do this—or admit to all of us, that they are afraid to do so!

Another thing, I don't like candidates who don't stick as close to the truth as memory permits. Why does Senator Cordon advertise to all and sundry "Support Ike, Re-elect Cordon"? Didn't he vote against the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, didn't he also vote against extension of the reciprocal trade agreements, both of which were administration sponsored bills.

To blatantly proclaim, as the Senator has done, that he has supported Ike, and to ask for re-election on that basis, just does not square with the facts. His vote on NATO was a welcome sign to the Kremlin that the isolationists are riding high again, as in the 1928-32 era.

Cordon should take a ride in a heavy bomber as many of our young men have done—just to see how small this world is.

Yes—good gullible people—vote for Cordon the isolationist, cut us off from our allies and insure an early beginning for World War Three!

I'm voting for Richard L. Neuberger, a man who is tied to no man's kite, who'll vote the issues and not be afraid to stand up and be counted.

Mildred E. Dunford, P. O. Box 748, Eagle Point, Ore.

Repeal Milk Controls

To the Editor: Again, as in 1952, voters have opportunity to abolish the state controlled monopoly on production of milk. The only ones that benefit from this monopoly, the inefficient producers, are spreading the biggest bunch of falsehoods they can think of to keep their gravy-train from being derailed.

Let's look at some of these falsehoods and compare them to facts.

Falsehood No. 1. The present law assures the people a steady milk supply.

Facts: 44,000 fewer dairy cows in 1950 than in 1935; 76 million pounds of milk less in 1950 than in 1935; within sixty days of the election in 1952 when this same falsehood was spread, 400,000 pounds of milk was imported into the Portland milk shed from out of state.

Falsehood No. 2. If producers do not receive a price fixed by law, consumers will have to use milk of inferior quality because producers will not be able to afford proper sanitation measures.

Facts: The U. S. Department of Agriculture has released findings showing that the average dairyman can cut his building costs in half and still produce good sanitary milk.

The laws governing milk sanitation are not in question and their continued enforcement will assure a safe product.

Falsehood No. 3. If producers don't get a price fixed by law for their milk, they won't be able to afford good feed for their cows and the cows won't give such good milk.

Facts: Vitamins "A" and "D" are the only constituents of milk that can be altered readily through feeding without affecting the yield.

Falsehood No. 4. The Milk Marketing Act has served Oregon well for over twenty years, according to the producers.

Facts: The Milk Marketing Act is an emergency act according to its own words. So far as I can determine, the law was passed because it was impossible to police the then large dairy industry and therefore it was impossible to keep sub-standard milk from being dumped into a diminishing grade "A" market. The law was not repealed when it should have been.

It has been repeatedly stated by responsible people who favor certain provisions of the Act that it should be amended. There has been ample opportunity to amend the act, but those who could agitate such legislation have been adamant in their refusal to do so. The only alternative left is to vote 8 "yes" and make Oregon's dairy industry once again a free competitive enterprise.

James W. Tillery, 1045 W. 13th St., Medford, Ore.

Supports Jim Perry

To the Editor: I moved to Medford about eight years ago and one of the very first friends that I made was Jim Perry, the man who is now a candidate for sheriff of Jackson County. I want to go on record as a staunch supporter of this man.

In all my dealings with Jim whether working, playing or helping someone else, Jim always gives his all and endeavors to take the lead.

If good heart, willingness, fairness, and experience are what it takes to make a good sheriff, Jim Perry will be one of the best that Jackson County will ever have.

To those of your readers that have not met Jim personally I want to make this statement. Jim is a good friend, a real man's man, a good family man, a sincere civic and youth worker. If only this man can be placed in a position to do for the youth of this county what he has done for the youth in his own community around Phoenix, it is we the voters who will benefit and your vote and mine will be well placed.

Johnny Miller, 109 E. McAndrews, Medford

Record High Assets

Boston—(U.P.)—The Ford Motor Co. today reported record high assets of \$1,895,134,000 in its annual financial statement of 1953.

The assets, over the billion dollar mark for the seventh consecutive year, compared with \$1,757,750,000 for 1952 and \$1,584,172,000 for 1951.

Dogs Versus Composure

To the Editor: It might help in this dog-at-large issue if two things were shown:

The owner having a dog as pet, "burglar chaser," showdog, or field hound is HIS PROPERTY.

A dog is a specific type of pet which beligerently creates a COMMOTION.

Put the one and one together and livestock or no, you have a good reason for a strict dog law in Medford—in the city.

In view of the composure necessary for responsible citizens in the world-conflicts today, do you think this even meets the first step toward self-control over ones impulses and impositions when an owner allows his property to range far and wide disturbing all others around and in his environment?

Dogs in the street, swerved around by cars, dogs in obnoxious droves, dogs blistering at visitors in the neighborhood, dogs, dogs, dogs—Littered up streets and premises of this type are indicative of flimsy living.

Or take the noise. Does the owner ever consider that noise is a violation of property rights? Would you tolerate, say, a monotonous trombone solo by your neighbor next door any hour, day or night? Would you like it if the fellow next door built on a wing of his house that extended over your side of the yard? This invasion of rights is visible to the eye. The noise is audible—it is irritating to the ear. It is an object of "rights" just like any other offense.

So many owners blind and oblivious to the right of others, what happens to offend them so badly when you accidentally reprimand the roving object of their affection?

While every force at our command is being used to strive for dignity of the human person and for peace to public property, it shows the common dog owner how he is out of line.

I don't believe the citizens voting November 2 in Medford on this issue will be so spineless that they can't hint that there's so much offense that needs correction that this time is the orderly way to subdue countless animosities built up with personal face-to-face arguments over every separate activity their animal trespasses in.

There's a proof that it's this inherent lack of self discipline, lack of neighborliness that's basic at the back of this issue, because the first reaction will be a rejoin—just you watch. (Name on File)

Cordon Opposes Filibuster Curb

Portland—(U.P.)—Sen. Guy Cordon says he is not in favor of a bill in Congress designed to curb filibustering because it would "muzzle minorities" but he thinks there should be some kind of control.

Cordon appeared at Portland University yesterday and was asked by a student about his views on the filibuster bill now in Congress. He said he was not in favor of it because "it would endanger the stabilizing function in government of the Senate by muzzling the voices of minorities in the Senate halls." He suggested some kind of compromise between the present extremes and the proposed bill.

He Feels Socialism

To the Editor: The common man has always had to fight for freedom. Our greatest gain since the Magna Carta in 1215 was our own Declaration of Independence in 1776. At once there was such a burst of creative energy that this country has produced more wealth than perhaps in all time before.

But it is a constant fight to retain that freedom. We act to have a government to act as umpire and to check the thieves and other criminals. But we also have to restrain the men who hold the power of government, as they always want more and more power, and more control over our private affairs. Also they may claim that this is "for our own good," past records do not show this to be true. Look at the mess the government made when they tried to operate all the railroads during the first world war, and consider what a poor condition England has been in recent years with her welfare state.

And yet some claim it is "progress" for the government to own and operate great power projects or other means of creating and distributing wealth. But politicians have long since proved that they don't have the ability (or character) to run everything. Old Thomas Jefferson was very wise to fear big government. So let's have no more socialism than absolutely necessary. Free competition makes for low prices; and free bargaining by the labor unions makes for high wages.

If any one combination becomes oppressive, we, the people by our votes can remedy it. I thank God for the referendum in Oregon. When the legislature gets too big for its britches, it is a pleasure to knock their ears down. Let's support the President in his middle of the road policies—let's throw out the milk board, and let's keep standard railroad time. We can still get up as early as we wish, but why kid ourselves by monkeying with the clock?

Horace W. Thompson, 3642 Hilsinger rd., Medford, Ore.



ACCUSED of accepting bribes, Mayor Thomas Fietly, Erie, Pa., is arrested in cleanup of alleged wide open gambling situation. (International)

Case of Whiskey Costly for Sailor

San Francisco—(U.P.)—Herbert L. Engstrom, 55, marine engineer on the freighter Hawaiian Farmer, bought a case of tax free whiskey for \$22 in a foreign port and tried to bring it into the United States.

A federal Court Wednesday assessed the following levies after Engstrom was caught: \$18.38 tax on the whiskey, \$16.38 in penalties, \$50 fine, \$104.40 fine for the ship's captain for permitting Engstrom to bring the whiskey ashore, \$300 for the return of Engstrom's confiscated auto. Total \$501.16 plus lawyer's fees.

Engstrom didn't even get to keep the whiskey.

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