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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

Nov. 12, 1944
(It was Sunday)
Nancy Ellen Wilson, whose
daughter was the first white girl
born in Klamath county, dies in
Medford after brief illness.

From Arthur Perry's Ye
Smudge Pot column: The FBI
plans an inquiry into the ciga-
rette and cigar "shortages" on
the Pacific coast. "There is a bad
odor in both situations," a San
Francisco paper reports.

20 YEARS AGO

Nov. 12, 1924
(It was Monday)
Secretary of Interior Harold
Ickes gives approval to work
next spring on road to Crater
lake.

Medford high school football
team defeats Chemewa Indian
school, 47 to 0, to remain one of
the few undefeated teams in the
state.

30 YEARS AGO

Nov. 12, 1924
(It was Wednesday)
Eight cases of liquor found in
automobile that plunged off Pa-
cific highway in Siskiyou, kill-
ing driver.

Georgia Minstrels open at
Medford's Page theater.

40 YEARS AGO

Nov. 12, 1914
(It was Thursday)
Total of 35,000 cans of Rogue
valley fruit canned by R. D.
Hoke cooperative cannery in
Medford.

From the Local and Personal
column: The matter of enforce-
ing the city ordinance prohib-
iting the sale of tobacco, cigarettes
or the "makins" to boys will be
taken up at the next meeting of
the city council. The ordinance
was passed a year ago and en-
forced for about three days. The
youngsters and the dealers soon
recovered from their scare, and
the ordinance has been lax ever
since.

What's the Answer?

(Can You Get 4 of the 7?)
Copr. 1954, Editorial Research, Report

1. Which of these governments
favors negotiations now with
Russia on ending the Cold War?
American, British, Italian,
French, or West German?
2. The Senate has never be-
fore met in special session with-
out the House; right or wrong?
3. More than three-fourths of
all U. S. farms now have elec-
tricity; right or wrong?
4. The unemployment compensa-
tion tax in social security is
paid equally by employer and
employee, all by employer, or
all by employee?
5. More women's shoes are
sold of the AAA, AA, A or B
width?
6. Greece is or isn't one of the
countries behind the Iron Cur-
tain?
7. In the city of Chicago there
are more TV sets than tele-
phones, or more phones than TV
sets?

The Answers: 1. French 2.
Wrong. 3. Right. 4. All by em-
ployer. 5. B. 6. Isn't. 7. More TV
sets than phones

Playing cards rank among the
oldest printed matter on earth.
Block-printed playing cards were
in use all over Europe by 1400,
more than half a century before
the Gutenberg Bible was printed.

Illinois River Dam Opposed

Another chapter is being written in the long-drawn-out feud between those who would dam our streams for power generation and those who would keep the waters free of hinderances to fish life. This time the battle is fairly close to home, the Coos-Curry Electric Cooperative, Inc., having applied for a preliminary permit to construct a power dam on the Illinois river a few miles above its confluence with the Rogue river, and the State Game commission having announced that it will oppose the project.

The proposed dam would have a maximum height of 100 feet and a length of 400 feet and would divert water into a tunnel approximately four miles in length.

EXPLAINING its opposition to the plan, the State Game commission has pointed out that the Illinois is the most important spawning tributary of the Rogue system. It is popular for steelhead as well as silver salmon angling.

The commission said it has expended considerable money in screening irrigation diversions on the stream and that plans are under way to improve the Illinois for fish passage.

Such a development as proposed would raise havoc with the runs of fish in the Illinois and would have an adverse effect on the fishery resources of the entire Rogue basin, the commission contends.

—E.C.F.

Kids Learning About Cops

Medford kids are learning that policeman aren't the blue-clad ogres they are sometimes thought to be and that, instead, the officers are really their friends, more interested in helping them to avoid accidents and trouble in all forms than in giving them a bad time when they get out of line.

THE new conception is being helped along by the safety program which the local police department has been carrying on in cooperation with school authorities. Four members of the force have been visiting classrooms in each of the city's grade schools, giving brief talks on bicycle safety, the necessity for observing traffic rules and, among other things, the advisability of refusing to accept rides, candy or money from strangers.

In the course of the talks—perhaps visits with the students would more accurately describe the police officers' classroom calls—the youngsters have not only been given some highly valuable advice but also been encouraged to discuss any safety or deportment matters concerning which they feel the opinion of the law men might be helpful.

According to Chief of Police Charles P. Champlin the students have shown so much interest in the talks by officers that he is now planning to invite groups to visit the police station, watch operation of the short wave radio, the various routine duties of the force and inspect the extensive filing system by means of which records are kept of every incident coming under police attention.

The program will undoubtedly help to make the children more safety minded and should also prove to be a helpful influence in promoting desirable behavior patterns.—E.C.F.

A Song Is Born

Have you ever wondered who dreams up the so-called popular songs one hears played, sung and shouted on radio, juke boxes and TV? The songs are blared into the public consciousness almost overnight, are repeated over and over until everyone is thoroughly sick and tired of them and then, as suddenly as they came, they are gone and few people know who wrote them—or care, for that matter.

OUT of curiosity we read through a press agent's blurb on the current hit song "This Ole House," just to see who wrote the ditty, and discovered that it was none other than Stuart Hamblen, the 1952 candidate for president on the Prohibition ticket.

Hamblen, according to his press agent, has had a somewhat fabulous career having been a school teacher, cow puncher, rodeo champion, radio singer and race horse trainer, in addition to his excursion into politics.

The "Ole House" song was born about four years ago when its author was returning from a hunting trip in the High Sierras. Riding along a trail, he came on a little old cabin that looked like it was just about to cave in. On the porch was an aged hound dog, just lying there and not barking. Hamblen, being a hound dog man himself, sensed something was wrong so he dismounted and went into the broken down shack. There he found debris all over the floor and cans that the poor old dog had been gnawing at, trying to find some food . . . and in the bedroom, an old prospector lying dead.

The song writer took the dog and rode into town and notified the sheriff and while on the way home jotted down the words of "This Ole House" on the paper sack in which he had brought his lunch.

OF course, that wasn't the only song hit from Hamblen's pen, his "It Is No Secret" has been a big favorite too. He has written hundreds of songs since starting in show business way back in the early days of radio.

In addition—all this is according to the press agent—Hamblen for some years had whatever inspiration one may gain from the flowing bowl, having been a confirmed alcoholic until joining the prohibition ranks.

So now we know how at least one popular song came into being, if the press agent's version is accepted.—E.C.F.

Is That So?

By Eugene Burns
Ranger-Naturalist

Answer 12 out of these 15 nature quiz questions correctly and you are an expert; nine is good; six only fair. Answers follow questions.

1. When squirrels lay up a larger store of nuts, beavers put on a heavier coat of fur, and bees put up more honey, a hard winter is in store. Is this true?
2. Which of these animals—cats, sheep, hogs, cows—can supply all of the following products: catgut, lanolin, drumheads, beeswax?
3. All professions have their jargon. As for us naturalists, what do these words have in common: sett, redd, form?
4. Does the vampire bat suck blood from its victims?
5. Do monkeys form chains to swing across raging torrents?
6. Do animals such as the snowshoe hare, ermine and Arctic fox change the color of their fur from brown to white to fit the appropriate season?
7. Which of these creatures is able to assist plants in cross-pollination: bees, bats, hummingbirds?
8. In the bat family, which of these statements is false? It cannot walk on all fours? It cannot mate in the fall of the year and



avoid pregnancy until spring? It does not have a supersonic radar system which assists it in flying? It cannot see by daylight?

9. Which mammal has longer front legs than hind ones? Which has no hind legs at all?

10. Do vines north of the equator twine from left to right, and south, right to left?

11. In the course of a day, the human heart pumps approximately the following amounts of blood: enough to fill a 500-gallon tank; to fill a railway tank car; to fill an oil tank on a tank farm?

12. When a day old, which of the following animals can exceed a speed of 20 miles an hour: antelope, megalop, rabbit?

13. In which of these animal groups does the male predominate beyond the mating season: wasps, deer, pheasants?

14. What do these animals have in common: phoenix, unicorn, basilisk?

15. Which of these attributes are true of the hummingbird family: It can fly sideways? It is native alone to the New World? It can eat twice its own weight in a day? Its wing beat exceeds 3,000 vibrations a minute? It flies 500 miles nonstop over water? Only the female which is larger sits on the eggs?

Answers Listed
Answers: 1. No animals are clever interpreters of the present, and the immediate future, but they cannot predict what is going to happen months ahead.
2. Sheep alone can supply all

these products.
3. These are all nests: the sett is a den; redd a fish's nest—such as salmon's; the form is a rabbit's hollowed out resting place, and sometimes its nest.

4. No. The vampire bat laps up its blood. The bite, inflicted with its razor-sharp teeth, is almost painless—a person can sleep through it, and its saliva contains a noncoagulant so the blood keeps flowing.

5. No. Monkeys like most animals, are good swimmers. Besides, think of the poor "end" monkey, supporting that impossible chain.

6. No. These animals grow two sets of hair—shedding each in the appropriate season.

7. Members of all these animals assist in cross-pollination of some plants.

8. In the bat family, every one of these things is possible.

9. The giraffe and moose have longer front legs than rear. Among those having no rear legs are whale, porpoise, and dolphin.

10. Right, vines north twine left to right; south, right to left.

11. The human heart pumps approximately the equivalent of a railway tank car full of blood every 24 hours.

12. Only the rabbit cannot cover 20 miles an hour within 24 hours of birth. The antelope can make about 24; the South Seas' megalop flies the day it is born.

13. Only the pheasant—the cock dominates the roost.

14. All are imaginary animals and never existed.

15. Members of the hummingbird family can do all these things.

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Malenkov Suggestion For Easing Tension Tops News for Week

By CHARLES M. McCANN
United Press Foreign Analyst
The week's good and bad news on the international balance sheet:

THE GOOD
1. A few hours after a United States reconnaissance plane was shot down by Russian MIGs over northern Japan, Soviet Premier Georgi M. Malenkov suggested to the American and British ambassadors in Moscow that old-fashioned practical diplomacy be used to ease East-West tensions. Later President Eisenhower discussed the attack on the B-29 with great moderation in a press conference. He said also that he detected a softened attitude in a Soviet reply to a State Department protest against the attack. As a result, it was expected that a new American note will be tempered down considerably. There seemed some reason to hope that the Kremlin itself might try a little moderation for a change.

2. Premier Pierre Mendes-France won a vote of confidence by 320 to 207 on the budget in the French National Assembly with the aid of the Socialists, who hold 104 of the 627 seats. Two days later the Socialists threw their support behind the arming of Western Germany. Their decision practically ensures French ratification of the Paris and London treaties by the assembly.

3. The United States and its allies, with the aid of free countries all over the world, moved in the United Nations to get President Eisenhower's "atoms for peace" plan going. The Western atomic powers introduced a resolution calling for an international scientific conference on the plan to be held not later than next August. Russia's participation was not yet sure. At least, the momentary attitude of Soviet Delegate Andrei Y. Vishinsky was friendly.

THE BAD
1. Six Arab nations accused the United States and Great Britain of a "flagrant breach" of U. N. resolutions by permitting their new ambassadors to Israel to present their credentials in the holy city of Jerusalem. The Arab governments pointed out that the U. N. has decided repeatedly that Jerusalem shall be an international city under U. N. control. The Israelis nevertheless have established their capital in Jerusalem. Heretofore, the United States and Britain have refused to recognize this action.

2. Chancellor Konrad Adenauer was still beset by West German parliamentary opposition to the concessions he made to France over the Saar territory in order to get French approval of the agreements to rearm his Bonn Republic. It was indicated that Adenauer would be able to forge through ratification of the treaties, but only after a big fight.

3. The situation in Indochina was complicated when the new Communist government of northern Viet Nam, in violation of agreements, tried to keep Catholics from fleeing to southern Viet Nam. France sent warships to rescue refugees who managed to escape in small boats along the Red river delta. The Reds protested angrily.

BALDOCK REELECTED
Seattle—(U.P.)—George T. McCoy, California state highway engineer, was yesterday elected president of the American Association of State Highway Officials for next year. Oregon highway Engineer R. H. Baldock was reelected to the Executive Committee.

Four years after the American flag was raised at Monterey, California was admitted into the Union, thereupon becoming the 31st state.

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 initials for publication is permissible. The Mail Tribune reserves the right to edit all letters with an eye to clarification and condensation. Letters submitted for publication must not exceed 400 words.

Calls It a Crow Sandwich

To the Editor: Do you recall the "Morseburger" sandwich the Republicans were having so much fun talking about before the election?

Well it turned out to be a Hamburger sandwich filled with crow, made especially for Republicans.

C. T. Hamilton,
Route 1, Box 790,
Central Point

Paper Drive

To the Editor: Local Voiture, No. 165 of the 40 et 8 will hold a paper drive Sunday, Nov. 14. Paper is desperately needed to fill present orders. The 40 et 8 has made arrangements to furnish all the paper for Bliss Heine's junior drum corps. Many of his pupils earn the money for their tuition by bundling and shredding this paper.

All the money earned from the paper is used for child welfare in Jackson county. These funds go into a special bank account administered by our child welfare chairman, Clyde Fichtner.

In order to carry on this program we must have more paper. All residents of Medford are urged to bundle up their paper and have it on the front porch or at the curb.

If you have a large amount stored in a garage or some such place call us on the phone and we will pick it up. All calls should be made to Weeks and Orr Furniture Company, phone 2-9351. If you live outside the city limits and have a sizable amount of paper we will be glad to pick it up on your call.

A paper club will be set up in the near future and papers will be picked up at all homes registered every two months. However, it is urgent that we have paper now to fill the present orders and to replenish our child welfare fund.

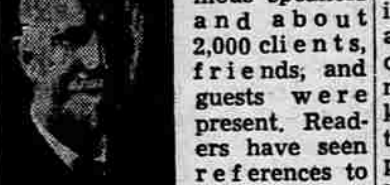
The 40 et 8 is the honor organization of the American Legion and has as its sole project the child welfare project.

Gene Orr,
Chairman.

Babson...Monte Carlo

By ROGER W. BABSON

Babson Park, Mass. (Special to Mail Tribune) Last week the Babson Organization celebrated its 50th anniversary. Famous speakers and about 2,000 clients, friends, and guests were present. Readers have seen references to these addresses



Roger W. Babson in the press, but I have saved my remarks exclusively for this column of my 418 newspaper clients. Here is the story:

When I last visited Monte Carlo, Monaco, to look on as a spectator, I was required to give my business card before entering. The only card I had referred to me as a statistician. As a result, I did not get into the gambling casino. I tried a second and third time, but with no better results. I then went to the general offices of the company to find out the reason why I was not admitted. This is what I found:

The French government had learned that the German Chiefs of Staff, just before the German armies collapsed in 1945, had made marked studies in what is known as psychological strategy. It is said that this is what enabled the Germans to nearly break through at the time of the famous "Battle of the Bulge," which was stopped by Montgomery and Patton. The super-mathematicians of Germany had figured out in advance that it would be possible to break through at that time, in view of what the American generals were thinking and counting upon.

What the French, Russians Are Doing

The French are now making great progress in such studies. It was because of these known studies that the "Bank" at Monte Carlo was becoming frightened of statisticians and mathematicians. I now learn that the U. S. Navy and Air Force have taken up these studies, with the help of the Princeton Institute for Advanced Study. In fact, from this Institute, President Eisenhower has just taken the super-mathematician John von Neumann and appointed him to the Atomic Energy Commission.

While these super-mathematicians have been studying how to ascertain in advance what the Chiefs of Staff of enemy armies are thinking and planning to do, a group of younger statisticians led by J. C. C. McKinsey has been studying games—from poker to chess. McKinsey has even written a book on the subject entitled "Introduction to the Theory of Games." Next to the possibilities of uranium, this ability to figure out in advance what your enemy is going to do is the hottest subject in Washington today.

Forecasting Business And the Stock Market

The past 50 years I have given to the study of charts, tables, earnings, and other tangible records of past events. From now on my able associates, who now know more about such things than I do, will carry on this orthodox work. I will devote the next 50 years to the study of the fundamentals.

While the super-mathematicians are learning how to tell what enemy admirals, generals, and strategic boards are thinking and going to do, I want to learn what consumers, investors, and labor leaders are thinking and what they are going to do. This will enable me and my successors to forecast correctly what business, commodity prices, and the stock market will do. It will also enable the forecasting of style changes, political events, and even crime waves.

National Business Cycle To Flatten

Most present forecasting will be scrapped. The stock market will then fluctuate only a little more than the bond market does today. Individual corporations, separate industries, and even some localities will continue to suffer from the law of cycles. These will have big "ups and downs" but, with this advanced knowledge, the national business cycle will be flattened out.

Remember: Newton's Law of Equal and Opposite Reaction does not state that the reactions will come or how big they will be. His law simply says that to the extent that we go above normal—mechanically, chemically, socially, politically, and economically—we must rest a corresponding amount in area. This will continue to be true.

Merger of Oregon Lumber Firms Told

Portland—(U.P.)—Merger of Oregon's two oldest operating lumber firms was reported yesterday in Chicago.

Charles M. Hines, president of the Edward Hines Lumber company, announced that his firm this year would purchase the capital stock of the Oregon Lumber company. Financial consideration was not revealed.

The Hines firm will acquire four Oregon lumber installations, a hardwood plant and Douglas fir sawmill at Dee in Hood River county; a ponderosa pine sawmill at Bates and a fabricating plant at Baker.

Ford Boosts Most Automobile Prices

Detroit—(U.P.)—Ford Motor company hiked the prices of most of its models today in announcing prices for its 1955 automobiles.

The price of two of Ford's station wagon models was cut slightly. But the low-priced Mainline and Customline passenger cars were hiked from \$30.66 to \$36.97. Biggest price jump was on the eight passenger country sedan station wagon which was boosted \$64.32.

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