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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
Jan. 16, 1925
(It was Wednesday)
Second Lt. Curtis E. Hopkins, Medford, assigned to heavy bombardment group in Mediterranean theater of operations as a bombardier on a 19th Air Force Flying Fortress.

From Arthur Perry's Ye Smudge Pot column: The fair sex are now "rolling their own" cigarettes, and a right messy job they are making of it, with a half-sack full of debris left after each operation.

30 YEARS AGO
Jan. 10, 1905
(It was Thursday)
New officers of Medford National bank include J. A. Perry, president; A. C. Hubbard, vice-president; George T. Frey, cashier, and Clara M. Wood, assistant cashier; others on board of directors include George M. Roberts, J. F. Wortman, and C. W. Ashpole.

Dr. Dow W. Stone, prominent Medford veterinary surgeon, dies after brief illness.

30 YEARS AGO
Jan. 10, 1905
(It was Saturday)
Railroad to coast in southern Oregon not mentioned as ICC studies railroad extensions in Oregon; future status of planned coast line in doubt.

Sale of Christmas seals in Jackson county expected to break record.

40 YEARS AGO
Jan. 10, 1915
(It was Sunday)
Porter J. Neff returns to Medford from meeting of Oregon State Irrigation convention in Portland.

From the Local and Personal column: Wood thieves are active in the city and many citizens have installed traps in their wood piles.

What's the Answer?
(Can You Get 4 of the 7?)
Copr. 1934. Editorial Research Report

1. The Constitution requires the President to send a message to Congress on the "state of the union" once a year; right or wrong?
2. Much more or much less than half, or about half, of the total U.S. highway mileage comes under the federal-aid program?
3. In the last four years while the general level of retail prices has gone up, has that of wholesale prices gone up or stayed level?
4. Almost all state legislatures meet this year; right or wrong?
5. The Red Wings and the Bruins are teams in baseball, professional football, College football, professional basketball, or ice hockey?
6. The proportion of Negroes in the whole U. S. population is rising or falling, or staying about the same?
7. A Benedict is a bachelor, a newly married man, a man long married, a widower or a divorced man?
The answers: 1. Wrong, only "from time to time." 2. Much less than half. 3. Gone down. 4. Right. 5. Ice hockey. 6. Staying about the same. 7. A newly married man.

Bank Likes Outlook

The First National Bank of Portland, in building a beautiful, new half-million dollar branch structure here, has made a tangible and important step of recognition that this is a live, prosperous and fast-growing community.

The new bank building opens today, and we are glad to extend our congratulations to the First National.

THE bank, in telling of the reasons why it selected Medford for a new banking building, rather than one of its other subordinate organizations, explained that the Medford branch has been the fastest growing in the entire system.

That's important, of course, but it is also important to recognize, as we are sure the bank's officers did, that this growth is sound and solid. There doesn't appear to be much of the boom-and-bust aspect in southern Oregon's growth.

THE outlook for continued growth is as good, or better, than past accomplishment.

Within the past year construction has been started on two new schools in Medford, and a number of others throughout the county; on a new shopping district south of town; a new courthouse annex; lumber firms have expanded, many smaller businesses have opened, residences have been built.

For the future we can look for additional expansion of lumber plants, including plywood manufacture. Other industrial enterprises to expand southern Oregon payrolls are in prospect. A new hospital will be built, as will a new armory, and other buildings.

Despite present uncertainty about when the Talent project will be constructed, it is almost certain that it will be constructed, sooner or later. Preliminary work has been started, and provision for the most urgently needed section of the plan—rehabilitation of the ditches and canals of the two irrigation districts—is already in the works.

With completion of this work, agriculture in the valley can look forward to a new lease on life. It should permit an expansion in the packaged food industry, which is now limited here, in addition to providing increased harvests of crops already familiar.

ALL this makes for an outlook of solid, substantial growth. The growing amount of private timberland which is now administered as tree farms only adds to this outlook. This movement, organized by men who can never expect to benefit from it themselves, is in large measure "insurance" that future generations can continue to prosper from our lumber resources.

And lumber will continue to be a big item in the economy of southern Oregon. According to a survey compiled for the Weyerhaeuser Timber company, the demand for lumber will continue to grow, although the emphasis will shift from raw wood to a wide variety of processed wood products. And in this, too, is the promise of bigger payrolls and a wider industrial base for wood-growing areas such as ours.

BANKING figures at the end of the year also contributed to the general feeling of confidence here.

Deposits were up; loans were down. This means that the people of southern Oregon are paying their bills more in cash, paying off their debts, and socking away money for future use.

A RECENTLY-ISSUED brochure, prepared by the Chamber of Commerce, emphasizes the fact that Medford is a significantly important center for the warehousing and distribution industry.

While the brochure was designed to lure new companies of that type to this area, in doing so it offered interesting proof that many firms have already recognized the importance of Medford as a marketing center by establishing offices and warehouses here. Some 60 firms which use Medford as a distributing center were listed. And these were only a "sample," and not a complete list.

THE picture is not all rosy, it must be honestly admitted.

There are soft spots. One of the biggest problems is the seasonal nature of much of our industry, both lumbering and agricultural. This is one reason that so much emphasis has been placed on manufacturing, which can maintain a steady pace all year around.

Increasingly, we are dependent on supplies of water, both for residential and industrial use. But here, too, steps are being taken to improve the supplies and distribution facilities.

AND also important is the fact that growth brings problems.

The county, the cities of the county, the fire and water and sanitary districts, all will face increasing demands. Highways and roads will have to be built; schools must go up to furnish education for increasing enrollments. Parking for automobiles, while not the most serious problem in the world, is certainly one which will plague cities for years to come.

Police protection, judicial administration, juvenile delinquency control, jails—all these are things to be considered in planning for growth. They are going to take the best efforts of all those who care about the area in which they live.

IT LOOKS like a busy, prosperous, confusing future, full of problems to be solved and work to be done. But isn't that the way we want it?—E.A.

Matter of Fact

By Stewart Alsop

THE Baffled Democrats

Washington—As the 84th Congress opened there was much back-slapping and other evidences of amiability among the members, and such words as "harmony" and "good will" appeared in the headlines. Yet the fact remains that this Congress is sure to bring forth at least the normal quota of bitter political rows in the coming session. Here are a few predictable battles:

1. Sooner or later, and probably sooner, there is very likely to be a major row about foreign policy in Asia. This seems most likely to happen when Adm. Arthur Radford, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, who is unhappy about the Administration's Asia policy, is called before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. Sen. William Knowland, who shares Radford's discontent, will then have an opportunity to initiate the "great debate" on foreign policy which he has called for.

2. There will be a row about the cut-back in ground forces. The Army Chief of Staff, Gen. Matthew Ridgway, is already scheduled to testify before the Senate Armed Services Committee on this point. Ridgway is expected to record his dissent in no uncertain terms.

3. There will be, of course, a row about tariffs. The protectionist Republican block has already declared war on President Eisenhower's reciprocal trade program.

4. On the domestic side, there will of course be a continuing row about the Dixon-Yates contract. The Democrats think they have a useful issue here, especially in the public power stake, and they are not going to drop the issue.

5. THERE will be a row about the security program. The really unbelievable stupidity with the case of Wold Ladajnsky has been handled by the Agriculture Department gives the Democrats the ideal springboard for an investigation of the whole security program. The Democrats have already had the bright idea of asking Gen. Douglas MacArthur, who wrote five letters of commendation for Ladajnsky, to testify about the case.

This will ensure the maximum publicity for the investigation, which will be conducted by the Civil Service Committee. With this jump-off, the Democrats hope to prove (a) that the majority of the "security firings" were actually hired by the Eisenhower administration, and (b)

that a great proportion were not really fired at all, but simply had the "security risk" tag hung on them after they left the government.

The Administration is sufficiently worried about this issue so that a counter-strategy is being devised. This counter-strategy will probably involve putting three or four "horrible examples"—government employees with real subversive records—on display.

Of course there will be other rows as well. For example, no one expects Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy to sink happily into obcurity. McCarthy is now so utterly discredited that he can only get the headlines by the most violent assaults on the Administration, and this is the course most observers expect him to take.

But the above brief sampling suggests an obvious fact. By a very strange coincidence, the now foreseeable battles likely to take place in this Democratic-controlled Congress are of a sort likely to help the Democrats and hurt the Republicans. But this prospect is not quite as cheering to the Democrats as might be expected.

For the objective of the Democrats is no longer to capture Congress—it is to capture the White House. The Democrats hope and believe that the political battles to come will show the Eisenhower administration and the Republican party in the worst possible light. Logically, this ought to hurt President Eisenhower and thus ease the Democrats' task of recapturing the White House. But even the most sanguine Democrats doubt that whatever happens in this session will hurt the President much, however much the Republican party may be hurt.

THE problem of cutting President Eisenhower down to beatable size is, in fact, far and away the Democrats' most baffling year-old problem. This reporter's nine-year-old son, who received a junior sized printing press for Christmas, may have indicated one reason why the problem is so baffling. He recently produced the first issue of a newspaper with which he hopes to recoup the family fortune. It consisted of a single headline: "PRESIDENT IKE IS GOOD."

While lacking of certain journalistic objectivity, this headline may be a good deal more significant than much that has appeared in this space. For as long as nine-year-old boys—and large numbers of voters—have this opinion of the President, the problem confronting the Democrats will continue to be baffling. It will be baffling no matter how regularly the Republican party attempts to commit suicide.

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In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

The new Congress opened Wednesday with the Democrats taking over from the GOPs in both houses. Democratic Senate Majority Leader Lyndon Johnson pledged there will be neither blind support nor blind opposition to President Eisenhower.

In the House, Democratic Speaker Sam Rayburn put it like this: "We're not going in hating President Eisenhower just because he's a Republican."

WELL spoken, gentlemen—and most praiseworthy. But you aren't kidding anybody. Here's what you MEAN: "We can't afford to get rough with Ike NOW. He's too popular. Just as FDR was too popular back in the 1930s to be tangled with by the wicked Republicans."

"But we'll MOW HIM DOWN in 1936 if we can."

INCIDENTALLY—Add Sam Rayburn to the wise old heads for counsel. He's 75. He has been in Congress for 42 years, and has been speaker of the House twice before. He knows his way around.

VEEP Barkley's back again. He was born in 1877. He was elected first to the 63rd Congress. This one is the 84th. There's a new Congress every two years. Except for time off while he was vice-president, Barkley has been in every Congress since the 63rd. He too knows his way around.

THERE is interesting financial news in the papers these days.

The first business day of 1935, the stock market went on a bender that was reminiscent of 1929—when the country first went hog-wild on speculation and went from there into a tailspin that ushered in the Great Depression.

It scared the Federal Reserve

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Is That So?

By Eugene Burns Ranger-Naturalist

Calling all wits. Here's another Nature Quiz. Score five right and you are an expert; four is mighty good; three only fair to middling. Answers follow questions.

1. Of course the young of a cat is called a kitten, but can you name at least four other kinds of animals whose young are called kittens?

2. In defending itself which animal may spurt out a jet of blood? Which spits at the intruder? Which discharges a spray from twin openings? Which rolls into a protected ball? Which discards a wriggling part of its body?

3. Of these fish, which one builds a bubble nest? Which hatches its eggs in its mouth?



Which has the male incubate the eggs in a pouch? Which lays its eggs high up on a sandy beach? Sea catfish, perch, trout, sea horse, bass, Siamese fighting fish, grunion.

4. Why do the leaves of English ivy persist in growing under shingles and into windows?

5. Which of these plants belongs to the grass family; wheat, rice, corn, barley, rye, oats, millet, bamboo?

6. Are man's cultivated plants more dependent upon him than his domesticated animals? That is, could they survive without him?

ANSWERS: 1. Besides the cat, the young of these animals can be called kittens—beaver, cougar, hare, rabbit, and skunk. The fox's young is called a kit, which is close.

2. The horned toad spurts out a jet of blood from the corner of its eye; the llama spits at the intruder (the camel has the nasty habit of tossing its last meal, as does a vulture); the skunk discharges twin jets of its noxious spray; the porcupine, pangolin, and three-banded armadillo roll into a tight ball; the glass snake, a lizard, discards a sizeable length of its wriggling tail to engage the enemy while it makes good its escape.

Male Builds Nest

3. The male Siamese fighting fish builds a bubble nest. Some sea catfish, male again, carry the eggs in their mouth until hatched. The male seahorse incubates the eggs in a pouch on his stomach. The grunion comes in on the highest mid-summer tides, night time, and deposits the eggs high up on a beach where they are then fertilized. The young ride out on the next set of high tides.

4. The stem of English ivy shuns light which pushes it flat against walls and, alas, into windows and porches and under shingles and tiles.

5. I'll admit this was not so sporting; every one of these plants is a grass, including bamboo.

6. Man's cultivated plants are really much more dependent upon him than are his domesticated animals. Because of cross-breeding of seeds so that they would become larger and not shed prematurely, man has changed their nature so profoundly that with his demise, his cultivated plants would disappear with him. Not so with most of his domesticated animals.

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SEVEN-SEVEN Topeka, Kan.—(U.P.)—Seven is the lucky number of the Edgar Dean's baby daughter. She was born at 7:07 p.m. on the 7th. Her weight? Seven pounds, seven ounces.

Turkey Premier Works To Link Arab Nations With Western Defense

By CHARLES M. McCANN

United Press Foreign Analyst

Premier Adnan Menderes of Turkey has embarked on a determined long-range campaign to link the Arab countries with the Western allied defense set-up.

Menderes has launched his campaign with his current visit to Iraq. Apparently he picked Iraq as the Arab country most likely to favor his plan.

From Iraq, Menderes is going to Lebanon. Later on he intends to visit Egypt.

Menderes wants first to link the Arab nations with Turkey and Pakistan in a regional defense organization.

Wants Iran Included

It is indicated that he would like later to include Iran, now that the British-Iranian oil dispute has been settled.

Turkey has become the key country in Middle Eastern defense. It is a member of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization. It also has a separate alliance with Greece and Yugoslavia, and another with Pakistan.

These alliances have strengthened greatly the Western position.

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.

How To Find Comfort

To the Editor: We are living in a land that is blessed above all other lands. No doubt it was the land that should have the blessings of Heaven above. And the blessings of the deep that lieh under. And it would be unto the utmost bounds of the everlasting hills as recorded in Jacob's blessing on the head of his son Joseph. Gen. 49:25-26.

Jacob could hardly have described America in a better way. And it is not hard now in our day to understand who Moses was referring to in Deut. 15:6.

At any rate under the protecting folds of our beautiful flag, the Stars and Stripes, we have the blessings of freedom and liberty. And where we can worship God according to the dictates of our own consciences. Mrs. Lennie George and her church have these blessings. But it is difficult to understand her line of reasoning in regard to the story of the birth of our Saviour.

Why should Acts 13:18 be compared to Matt. 2: Cha. In Acts 13:10 Paul called the wise man a child of the devil and in Matt 2: Cha. the wise men fell down and worshipped the Christ Child and presented him with gifts.

Daniel Webster says: "Wise, is to judge correctly or possessing wisdom." Surely they were wise in the way of the Gospel. Then she refers to Matt. 2:11 as Jesus living in a house and over two years old.

Webster defines a house as a "building for residence," or "place of abode." So why not believe the manger was in the abode of some farm animals. Then she refers to Isa. 47:13. Would it not have been much better to have referred to Isa. 53 Chapter.

I am sure if Mrs. George will read her bible in the spirit it was written she will find much more joy and comfort and a stronger assurance of a better life after this life where we will all live in love and the teachings of our Saviour who was born in a manger in Bethlehelem.

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tion in defense against Communist aggression. If Menderes succeeds in linking up the Arab countries with the West, through an agreement with Turkey and Pakistan, he would have removed a serious weak spot in the Middle Eastern defense situation.

If Iran also lined itself up with the West, the chain of Allied defense would be complete from Arctic Norway to the Himalaya Mountains.

The Arab countries are Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Syria, Lebanon, Saudi Arabia, Yemen and Libya. These eight countries are themselves linked by the Arab League.

League Formed in 1945

The Arab League was formed in 1945. It provides for cooperation in matters of mutual concern. It was supplemented in 1950 by an agreement for collective defense.

The league serves chiefly to bind the Arab countries together against Israel. It is of little value to them and none to the defense of the free world against Communist aggression.

Partly because of the Palestine situation, the Arab countries have held back from joining the Western defense set-up. Until the Suez Canal dispute was settled, that also was an obstacle.

Egypt tried recently to get Turkey to ally itself with the Arab League. Menderes responded with a forceful policy statement in which he made plain his view that the Arab countries must collaborate with the West if the Middle Eastern defense position is to be strong.

If the Middle East now enjoys relative security, Menderes said, it is only because of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

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He Has His Day
GEO. N. TAYLOR
We of today have Monday, Tuesday and so on for our week. Just so, God has his days. There was the Day of the Law when God put the Hebrews under the Ten Commandments. At the end God sent Christ whose life showed that by keeping the law, men were blessed. When Christ cried—"It is finished," the test under the law ended. Then came this present day of Grace under which we are and now live. This is our day, now 1900 years along. From all mankind, from the good and wicked, God is now calling out a people for his name. The Bible says that this present age in which we live, comes to an end, with the roll call of the saved filled out. Sum it up—Our present day of today is God's time for calling out a saved people. See Acts 13:13-19 and Romans 11:25. Receive Christ into your hearts as dying for your sins. Then by Bible and prayer, grow up. Over and over, the Bible asks—"Where will you spend eternity?" This message sent by a Beaverton, Ore., family. —paid adv.

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