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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. 14, 1945 (It was Sunday) High scorers in Medford pistol shoot include Gene Thomas, 236; Jimmie Bolton, 222; Bren Starcher, 211; Capt. S. M. Tuttle, 207, and Clyde Richmond, 196.

From Arthur Perry's Ye Smudge Pot column: Collection of dog taxes has started by the county. It is estimated there are more than 4,000 dogs in this region, most of which do their barking at night.

20 YEARS AGO

Jan. 14, 1925 (It was Monday) Nick Kime, valley's champion old time fiddler, who cut off the first finger of his left hand while chopping wood, will still be able to play his violin.

City police records show that 384 persons were lodged in the city jail during 1934.

30 YEARS AGO

Jan. 14, 1925 (It was Wednesday) More teachers needed in Medford city schools, Superintendent Aubrey Smith reports.

40 YEARS AGO

Jan. 14, 1915 (It was Thursday) Gold Hill schools closed because of smallpox epidemic, according to Dr. R. E. Golden, county health officer, who estimates that 50 per cent of the Gold Hill school children have a mild form of the disease.

From the Local and Personal column: A gang of wanderers camped on the southern limits of the city yesterday, and had a hilarious time singing and howling. They came to the city to complete their celebration, and while making an effort to secure alcohol were ordered out of town by the police.

What's the Answer?

(Can You Get 4 of the 7?)

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1. Federal government pay scales have been raised more recently than Congressional salaries; right or wrong?

2. U. S. cigarette consumption was much or slightly higher in 1954 than in 1953, much or slightly lower, or about the same?

3. The most typical new house built today in U.S. metropolitan areas sells for about \$10,000, \$13,000, \$16,000 or \$19,000?

4. House committee hearings this year will or will not be televised; if Speaker Rayburn has his way? 5. Movie actor of most box office appeal is now, say theatre operators, Marlon Brando, Gary Cooper, Bing Crosby, Jimmy Stewart or John Wayne?

6. Which two of these states lie east of the Mississippi: Iowa, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Wisconsin?

7. Antoine's is a famous restaurant in Paris, Buenos Aires, Montreal, San Francisco, Rome, or New Orleans?

The Answers: 1. Right. 2. Slightly lower. 3. For about \$13,000. 4. Will not be televised. 5. John Wayne. 6. Mississippi and Wisconsin. 7. New Orleans.

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Fruit Men Move To Cut Smoke

The Fruit Growers League of Jackson County and the Rogue River Valley Traffic association, which largely represent the fruit industry in this area, deserve a word of commendation. A joint committee named from the two groups has recommended that return stack heaters be used in the annual spring battle with frost in order to keep the objectionable smoke to a minimum.

IN A LETTER sent to all growers the committee urged the replacement of existing smoke-producing pots with the return stack type, or the conversion of their open pots to the smokeless type.

The committee stated that it realized that immediate supplanting of old pots with the new type may be too costly an undertaking for some orchard owners because of the loss of crops in last year's severe frost. It recommended, however, that all growers attempt to buy at least some of the smokeless units and that only the latter be used during periods when it is not necessary to light all their heaters.

Adoption of this program by the growers, it is pointed out, will indicate their desire to cooperate in reducing the smoke nuisance.

Orchardists have already spent around \$44,800 for return stack heaters and continuance of this gradual purchase program may see the eventual elimination of the old heaters.

ADDITIONAL hope for smoke relief is given in the committee's revelation that the Forest Products laboratory at Oregon State College is conducting experiments in an effort to develop a satisfactory substitute for oil heating. Use of waste wood for this purpose, if a burner can be perfected, would prove a great boon not only to the orchard men who would no longer be forced to use the expensive oil, but to lumber concerns which are now shoving most of their off-fall into incinerators, a completely profitless disposal method and one which itself helps to contribute to the smoke nuisance.

Another series of experiments which may produce benefits is planned for this year by O.S.C. and the Experiment station. This work, underwritten by the Fruit Growers league, has as its objective the determining of temperature ceilings which could form the basis for new developments in protecting orchards from frost.

THE joint announcement by the Growers league and the Traffic association indicates that the fruit industry is making an effort in the direction of smoke relief, a move which the general public hereabouts will watch with interest.—E.C.F.

The Jackson County Delegation

Although only one member of Jackson county's delegation in the Oregon legislature could boast prior service in the law-making body, all fared well in the committee assignments announced this week.

Rep. E. H. (Ed) Mann of Medford, who is serving his third term, was named chairman of the elections and reapportionment committee and will also have a place on the forestry and mining, medical affairs and social welfare committees.

Rep. E. A. (Al) Littrell, a first term, received one of the most coveted appointments—on the important highways committee. He was also named to committees on commerce and utilities, labor and industries.

Sen. Philip B. Lowry, Medford attorney making his initial appearance in the legislature, was assigned to the judiciary, taxation, elections and privileges and alcohol committees.

THE Medford men are all given a favorable size-up in the Oregon Voter's "Who's Who in the 1955 Legislature."

"Mann," says the Voter in part, "always has been a loyal supporter of civic, patriotic and community projects. Is an attentive, earnest legislator... sound as to basic problems and voting record excellent."

"Jackson county has been noted for sending able men to the legislature and apparently will maintain that reputation by this time sending E. A. (Al) Littrell as its new house member," declares the Voter and adds some details concerning his outstanding business and civic attainments.

Lowry is mentioned as... "a fairly youthful but highly regarded lawyer... member of the Oregon Bar since 1943, following an LL.B. from the University of Oregon law school and a B.S. in political science..." After citing the senator's war service and other details, the Voter observes that Sen. Lowry was "so well regarded he had nominations of both parties;" and that "those who know him well forecast he will be a high-class legislator."

Timberline Lodge 'In Good Standing'

Portland — (U.P.) — Timberline Lodge, Inc., has been reinstated in good standing as a corporation and a liquor license re-granted, according to lodge attorney Reuben Lenseke.

Lenseke said the reinstatement was made by the Oregon corporation commission following payment of a \$100 license fee.

Lenseke said the corporation also expects to be reinstated as operator of the lodge. The forest service recently announced the corporation's permit to operate the lodge would be terminated April 11.

PRISONER CONFINED

Brantford, Ont. — (U.P.) — A grand jury reported Thursday that farm animals had it better than prisoners in the county jail. The grand jury found that the prisoners had less space than the average animal stall on a farm.

TEENAGERS REQUEST Safe Driving Contest

Ontario — (U.P.) — Teenagers of Malheur county, Ore., and Payette county, Ida., have challenged adults of the two areas to a safe driving contest.

Hope of Success in Hammarskjold Talks 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. United Nations Secretary general Dag Hammarskjold, on his mission to Peiping, failed to gain the outright release of 11 American airmen jailed as spies. But there was hope that his talks with Chinese Red Premier Chou En-lai might lead to diplomatic negotiations which would result in the release of the fliers—provided that the Communists did not set too high a price. Hammarskjold himself was not empowered to negotiate with the Reds, but simply to seek the release of the fliers and all other U. N. military personnel still held in violation of the Korean armistice. Soviet Russia, after freeing two Americans long held as slave laborers, announced it would release a third. It is believed Russia may be giving the Chinese Reds a hint that it would be smart to free the airmen.

2. Turkey and Iraq agreed to conclude a mutual defense treaty, which will be open to other Middle Eastern countries. The pact is the result of a visit to Iraq by Turkish Premier Adnan Menderes, who is trying to bring the entire Middle East into the network of Western anti-Communist alliances. Menderes will now try to bring Syria and Lebanon into the Turkish-Iraqi pact.

3. A feud in the Italian Communist party broke into the open. The feud is the result of a steady decline in the strength and prestige of the Italian party, which is the largest this side of

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

Hazards of modern life note: The Oregon state highway department will dispatch a crew to bury three sharks that washed up on the beach near Gearhart. The supervisor of the crew said the sharks did not appear to have been injured and what killed them is not known.

THE SUPERVISOR EXAMINED THE DEAD SHARKS WITH A GEIGER COUNTER TO SEE IF THEY WERE RADIO-ACTIVE.

He said the results were negative.

WHEN A mother, in the good old days, sent her children out to play she cautioned them to look out for sandbars and rattlesnakes. It's beginning to look like the modern mother will have to see to it that her children take their Geiger counters along when they go out to play.

A HIGHWAY advisory commission headed by retired General Lucius Clay reports its recommendations for a \$101,000,000 road building program (to be spread over 10 years) to President Eisenhower.

Among other things, the commission proposes the setting up of a new federal agency that would issue bonds to raise money.

JUST A thought: BONDS MUST BE PAID. They have to be paid with taxes.

OREGON'S Governor Patterson sends to the Oregon legislature a budget amounting to \$219,614,179. The budget, if accepted as is by the legislature (with taxes remaining as is), would result in a DEFICIT of \$63,870,077. The governor recommends these measures for meeting the deficit:

1. A state property tax to raise \$30,000,000.

2. Remove the federal income tax exemption in figuring state income taxes. This would raise another \$30,000,000.

3. Submit a bond issue to the people to carry out most of the building program for colleges and state institutions. (Let's not forget that these bonds, too, would have to be paid—with taxes.)

INCIDENTAL information: This proposed Oregon budget is TEN TIMES as much as the Oregon budget for 1941, when World War II was getting started.

I can't help wondering if we aren't going to have to ADD TAXES to the hazards of modern life.

WHY HAVE taxes risen so rapidly? There are two answers:

1. WAR.

2. The things that government "gives" us.

THERE ISN'T much we can do about war, because the wars we are paying for now have all ready been fought. We have to PAY for them.

As to the things that government "gives" us, we might well do a little careful thinking. Everything the government gives us IT FIRST TAKES OUT OF OUR POCKETS. Before government can give somebody a dollar it must first take a dollar out of somebody's pocket.

WE HAVE the comfortable idea that the dollar is taken out of SOMEBODY ELSE'S pocket. That is a delusion. Taxes have to be added to the cost of production and therefore have to be added to the prices we pay for everything we buy.

So— EVERYBODY pays his full share of the cost of taxes. If we want government to go on giving us things we'll have to go on punting up for them.

Night Watchman Chases Intruder

Rochester, N.Y. — (U.P.) — Roy Mallory, a night watchman at a local plant, was making his rounds when he came upon a most unusual intruder.

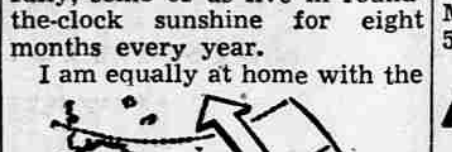
As he entered the factory division, he was surprised by a full-grown deer, running up and down the aisles and obviously wondering how to escape.

Mallory never learned how the animal gained entrance, because the deer dashed past him through the open door, joined a second deer in the factory yard. Both vaulted a fence and fled.

Is That So?

Who am I? When beauty, grace and strength were dished out, I was among the first in line and then got a second helping. No other creature seeks the sun more zealously — nor more successfully, some of us live in round-the-clock sunshine for eight months every year.

I am equally at home with the



penicillins of the Antarctic, the puffins of the Arctic and the inhabitants of even the remotest island. You cannot go near any large body of water without meeting a close relative.

I am pearl-gray above, silver-white below, and I wear a black bonnet. My blood-red sharp bill, my deeply-forked tail, my long narrow wings, all come to such tapering points that mortal man cannot tell exactly where I end against the sky — but make no mistake, I eat heartily.

By the uncounted millions, we draw skeins of flight across the sky from our wintering quarters near the South Polar regions to the Far North — in fact, some of our nests have been found within 450 miles of the North Pole. On these uncharted 20,000-mile rounds, spanning oceans, old birds do not outdistance the young. One youngster landed in Labrador, Canada, was recovered in Natal, South Africa, a mere 10,000 miles away, before he was six months old.

Some Drink Salt Water Our bill of fare consists of fatty little candelfish, sticklebacks, shrimp and such. Insects, too. Some of our slim-winged kinds, wheeling and crying hundreds of miles from shore, drink salt water. Others, adapted to fresh water, prefer that.

Our courtship follows established rules: a bachelor offers a fish to a responsive female and when they exchange it, often until it is bone-dry. I am: Penguin, Skua, Jaeger, hawk, Arctic Tern, Homing Pigeon.

I am an Arctic Tern. (Released by McClure Newspaper Syndicate)

Free: By special arrangement with the editors of the Encyclopedia Americana, my panel of judges will award each week to the reader who sends me the best question on nature and wildlife

As We Live

By ELIZABETH HURLOCK, PH.D. Well-Chosen Clothes Mask Figure Faults

Every teenage girl should learn how to improve on what nature gave her in the way of looks. It can always be done.

(Q) "I am 14 years old and a freshman in high school. I have a very small waist but very large hips. Every time I go on a diet I lose every place but on the hips. Now it has gotten so that I can't buy a straight skirt because my waist is so small and my hips so large. I am only five feet tall, so you can picture how I look. Please help me. I am so depressed about all the girls with beautiful figures."

(A) I suspect that many of the girls you admire have no better figures than you have. They, however, have learned the trick of selecting clothes that makes their figures look beautiful.

Fortunately for girls, there are many different styles from which to choose. For example, you do not have to wear a straight skirt. Relatively few girls, in fact, can wear straight skirts without their hips' bulging out behind.

Why not wear a circular skirt that covers up to size of your hips and makes your waist appear even smaller than it is? Many girls would be only too happy to have a waist as small as yours. Show it off, a circular skirt, or one with some fullness around the bottom, will make you look petite and fragile, not all bulges as a straight skirt will.

Most important of all, don't despair about your size or your figure. At your age you have plenty of time to grow, and as you grow your figure will change. Until you know what your permanent figure will be, learn to dress according to what is becoming at the moment. That is what most girls do, and by doing so they fool others as they have fooled you about their "beautiful" figures.

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Babson... Phone Industry

By ROGER W. BABSON Babson Park, Mass. (Special to Mail Tribune)—Most readers of my column look at times for something in which to invest. It never occurs to them that there may be good local investments under their own noses.

They want to invest in some big company and send their money to Wall Street.

With the exception of your local bank and certain chain stores the telephone company which operates in your territory is probably your best investment, considering safety, income, and possibility for growth. The purpose of this column today is to praise the entire telephone industry, which is one of the fastest growing of all industries.

If you live in Bell territory, then purchase stock of your local Bell company or of the big American Telephone and Telegraph company. This latter supplies the entire nation—Bell and Independents—with "long-distance" service. If you do not live in Bell territory, then consider the stock of your independent telephone system, provided it is one of the 373 which report annually to the U.S. Independent Telephone association at Munsey building, Washington, D.C.

Most Independents Locally Owned

With the exception of the big General Telephone company, which is the largest "independent," most of the 373 independents are locally owned—165 have annual gross earnings of over \$250,000, while 101 of these have gross of less than \$100,000; but nearly all of them show constant growth. Moreover, each has a monopoly which very few businesses have. Their total exchanges number 4,684, with over 9,000,000 telephones, and 100,000 employees.

Let me add that there are 4,850 other little telephone companies in addition to the 373 which I recommend above, plus 60,000 mutually-owned farmers' lines. Altogether the independents have over \$1,500,000,000 invested, with total annual gross of about \$500,000,000, or 10 per cent of what the Bell System has. But of every six telephones being used in the U.S., one telephone is an "independent." This insures complete cooperation from the Bell System with the use of all its connecting lines and facilities. Yes, the independents have "one in every six telephones" covering two-thirds the area of the U.S.

Future Depends on Encouraging Independents

I am especially interested in all "independents," believing that the future of America depends upon encouraging the independents in every line of business. Too many big companies will lead us to socialism. Investors are "cutting their own throats" by buying only the "blue chip" stocks, or the 30 Dow-Jones Industrials. We should give more encouragement to smaller companies—first, for the good of the nation, and secondly, because most new improvements come through the smaller companies.

The first automatic telephone system was installed by a La Porte, Ind., "independent." The first dial system was introduced by an "independent." The first hand-set telephone and selective ringing was introduced by the "independents." Bigness encourages smugness and bureaucracy. Had it not been for the fighting "independents" in every line of business, we would not have the many conveniences which we have today. Yes, and prices for everything would be higher and wages lower.

Big Companies Swallowed Market

The incandescent lamp, the automobile, fountain pens, hearing aids, vacuum cleaners, Kodak cameras, radios, flashlights,

paper towels, electric heating pads, refrigerators, irons, toasters, etc., zippers, frozen foods, powdered coffee, long-playing records, color movies, penicillin, and many other household blessings were invented and first marketed by small independent companies. Then the big companies came along to swallow up the markets.

Furthermore, so long as the advertising rates by magazines, radio, and TV are the same for a small pioneering company as for a great big company, so long will the "independents" be unfairly handicapped, both in selling and in raising capital. One final thought: Although the big Bell companies operate in most of the big cities, yet the independents serve nearly twice as many communities. I am putting my money into "independents."

Blames It All On Drink

To the Editor: In reference to the many drivers being picked up for being under the influence of intoxicating liquor, and hoping this will be read by someone in a position to help do something about curbing it in our city.

After all is said and done, where does the blame really lie, with drivers themselves or on society as a whole which allows the liquor traffic to flourish at the rate of several million dollars annually.

I am inclined to believe the real blame should be placed on our government. Is the revenue we receive from sale of liquor and intoxicating beverages worth the price we are paying in broken laws, broken homes and broken lives to say nothing of all the other evils it causes. Where is it going to end?

As I see it, it is going from bad to worse and no one seems to mind. If half the money used for liquor advertising etc. was spent educating our children and adults against the evils of drinking perhaps this would be a changed world.

Millions are spent every year enforcing the laws, keeping up institutions where a good many of those so-called lawbreakers have to be confined because drink has destroyed their ability to obey the laws of the land.

I have reason to believe that some of our people elected to office also like their liquor and therefore are not inclined to do anything to curb it.

I see by the paper our liquor commission is granting more licenses to sell liquor over the bar. Is this going to help our people to do what is right when they can go into any bar or roadside tavern or even a grocery store to drink or buy it to take along, jump into their cars and drive and then get arrested for drunk driving. What justice is there in this?

Let's hear from other readers who are interested.

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