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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
 March 4, 1925
 Miss Helen Parish succeeds
 Mrs. Arthur M. Cannon as president
 of Medford branch, American
 Association of University
 Women; other new officers in-
 clude Mrs. Paul McDuffee, Mrs.
 W. Alex Kuhlthau, and Mrs.
 Maynard Bush.

From Arthur Perry's Ye
 Smudge Pot column: Tree sur-
 geons have been operating on
 the limbs of trees all week.
 Some of the patients are old
 enough to be logged off to make
 room for gas silos.

20 YEARS AGO
 March 4, 1915
 Jackson county Boy Scouts
 receiving awards at Court of
 Honor include Earl Harnish and
 Elmer Harnish, Eagle Point; and
 Robert Deaver, John Eads, Bob
 Densmore, Irwin Doty, Shirrell
 Doty, and Earl Wheelock, Med-
 ford.

Novelty number, "There's a
 Tavern in the Town," sung by
 Betty Johnson with Fred Woi-
 cott's orchestra, wins enthu-
 siastic encore with crowd at Dream-
 land.

30 YEARS AGO
 March 4, 1905
 (It was Wednesday)
 E. E. Gore and Myron C. Gas-
 ton of Medford appear in Rose-
 burg to explain plans for sending
 Medford Dokkey band to Impe-
 rial palace convention at
 Providence, R. I.

A. D. Collier, Medford man-
 ager for Western Union, returns
 here from four-day meeting in
 Portland.

40 YEARS AGO
 March 4, 1915
 (It was Thursday)
 Former Governor Oswald West
 visits in Medford in connection
 with construction of Siskiyou
 highway.

Harry H. Hicks, former city
 editor of The Mail Tribune and
 now manager for General Film
 company in Los Angeles, visits
 his brother, Elmer Hicks, in
 Medford.

What's the Answer?
 (Can You Get 4 of the 7?)
 Copr. 1935, Editorial Research Report

1. U. S. consumers as a whole spend more money every year on autos and parts or on clothing and shoes, or about equally on each?
 2. Which has the most stockholders: American Telephone and Telegraph, Du Pont, General Motors, Standard Oil of N. J., U. S. Steel?
 3. The District of Columbia is larger than the city of Washington, or Washington is larger, or do the two occupy exactly the same area?
 4. Number of men on an ice hockey team is 5, 6, 8, 10 or 11?
 5. The Radical Socialist party in France is more radical than Socialist, more Socialist than radical, or is it neither one nor the other?
 6. School teachers with a college degree start out at more or less than \$3200 a year in U. S. cities on the whole?
 7. The Statue of Liberty in N. Y. harbor was presented by the Canadians, French, British, Japanese or Russians?
- The Answers: 1. More on clothing and shoes. 2. American Telephone and Telegraph. 3. They occupy the same area. 4. Six. 5. Neither Socialist nor radical. 6. At slightly less. 7. The French.

Schoth Reports From Europe

Work of the Foreign Operations Administration through which the United States is trying to help European nations to develop their own agriculture and industry would be much simpler if all governments and personnel could agree on procedures, according to Harry A. Schoth, senior agronomist of the department of agriculture, who is now in France. Schoth, who left his home at Corvallis some months ago on an assignment from the agriculture department to duty abroad under the FOA, is well known here, especially to farmers, through his having helped to develop alta fescue and other new varieties of turf grass and forage. His present trip is his second in connection with the American effort to aid the economy of the free nations rather than contribute only money toward that purpose.

A RECENT letter from Schoth to C. C. Hoover, of Medford, excerpts from which are given below, gives some interesting details of the agronomist's work and his observations as to conditions over there and the progress being made:

The main objective has to do with seed increase of the varieties of field crops adapted to north Europe in which seed production is seldom a success. This means that breeders' seed is taken from the north to south Europe for increase. After considerable work this project is now going ahead as far as alfalfa seed is concerned.

England, Sweden, Germany, Holland and northern France are supplying seed of northern adapted strains and varieties to be seeded in Portugal, south France, Italy, Greece and maybe Turkey. Some seedlings have already been made and more will be made shortly. These seedlings are in from one to several hectares each—not little 10-foot rows. A hectare is 2.5 acres. This same sort of program is in process of development for red clover, vetch and sweet lupines.

It is too bad that the Rogue River Valley didn't have four or five hundred tons of Talent alfalfa seed to sell last fall. The Greeks would have bought it all at a good price. They like the variety.

The weather since I have been in Europe has been lousy. Rain, snow, fog, smog and most everything but sun. Here today the ground is covered with snow, and it isn't the warm kind. Everyone says spring is around the corner but no one seems to know which corner. The Seine and Marne rivers have been flooding for several weeks.

Have done a lot of traveling since coming here and a lot more is on deck. Took in Germany again. That country is sure building up. Everybody busy.

Went to England for a spell and took on some more education by going through Cambridge University—in one door and out the other. Didn't see the queen or duke but did hear Big Ben.

Put in a week in Holland taking in an all-European meeting on "hybrid maize." Representatives from every European country except Belgium were present. There were four Russians also representatives from four North African countries.

Shortly I shall go to Portugal, Italy, Greece, Turkey and perhaps Jugoslavia.

The number of Americans in Europe having to do with various phases of economic improvement is on the decrease and I guess rightfully so. I suppose Uncle Sam will continue to supply dollars, however. There is much that could be said on this subject, but not here.

I suppose you read about former premier Mendes-France's milk drinking edict. Well, it didn't and won't work because the domestic milk isn't fit to drink unless sterilized and then it isn't milk any more. A little milk is drunk but most of it comes from Holland. There is plenty of wine and everybody drinks it. The water is no good and beer and whisky are too costly. There is a surplus of wine right now. Living costs are very high here. Much lower in other European countries. The French have sure learned the art of tourist picking and are now applying it to everybody regardless of whether they are tourists or not.

I suppose the Hoover lakes filled up with water this winter and fishing and hunting have been good. It is quite a sight to watch the natives fish here in the rivers. The prize sites are the sewer outlets. Now and then someone fools a poor fish and hauls it in. They keep everything caught and seldom hook one over six inches long. When they get one everybody knows about it and all yell "u-la-la, u-la-la, we-we."

This is quite a region for game and there is a lot of it in the markets including pigeons, doves, snipe, ducks, geese, rabbits, deer, elk, wild boar and pheasants. In fact in England the government furnishes the farmers with ammunition for shooting pigeons and rabbits because they are really destructive to crops.

Paris is a great place for automobiles, and they have the right-of-way. When a person starts to cross a street they want to be sure their shirttail is well tucked in because if it isn't, even if he gets across chances are his shirttail won't. They do not allow horn blowing except in emergencies but there are lots of emergencies.

Give my best to Ben Tucker, Bob Fowler and "Brook" Brockway.

—E.C.F.

Wanted: Conventions

That Medford will have a larger number of visitors this year than usual is indicated by the impressive list of forthcoming conventions, meetings and sports events compiled and recently made public by the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce.

Playing host is stimulating and interesting—also profitable. That is why the more alert cities make considerable effort to attract such gatherings.

CALIFORNIA cities having always been tourist minded, are probably more convention conscious than most others of the nation. San Francisco, in particular, makes a great effort to lure these affairs.

Last year the city by the Golden Gate played host to 208 conventions, trade shows and other large events and this year's business promises to be even better. The General Motors Motorama this month is first on the San Francisco list and thousands will be pouring into the city throughout the summer to attend other attractions.

MEDFORD hasn't fared too poorly in the way of conventions in the past, but with completion of the big new armory and auditorium we will be in better position to really go after such gatherings as might be interested by reason of availability of such a mass-meeting place.

Transient housing facilities have been greatly expanded here in recent years, we have the climate and the scenic attractions in close proximity, and all these considerations should give us a better than even break in competing for the role of host city.—E.C.F.

America's Lead in Atomic Race, Formosa Stand Top Good News

By CHARLES M. McCANN
 United Press Staff Correspondent

The week's good and bad news on the international balance sheet:

THE GOOD
 1. President Eisenhower and Prime Minister Winston Churchill agreed that the Western World has a big lead over the Soviet Union in the nuclear weapons race.

Churchill said that the United States has "many times the nuclear power of Russia" and is "the only country which is able to deliver today a full-scale nuclear attack with hydrogen bombs at a few hours' notice."

Mr. Eisenhower said that "the Western World" has a big lead. Both Churchill and the President warned that the allied superiority might not be maintained and Churchill emphasized that the West must try to keep the lead as a deterrent to any Communist plans for aggression.

2. The United States further clarified, for the benefit of the Chinese Communists, its policy on Formosa. President Eisenhower said that the United States "is not going to be a party to an aggressive war." He made it plain that he referred to any attempt by the Chinese Nationalists to attack the Communist-held mainland. At the same time Secretary of State John Foster Dulles, after conferring with Nationalist Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, warned the Chinese Communists not to be too sure they would be immune from American attack if they tried to take the Quemoy and Matsu Island groups immediately off the coast.

3. The Communists suffered a big defeat in legislative elections in the State of Adhra in India. There had been serious anxiety lest the Reds win control of the state, with a population of about 22,000,000, lying on the Bay of Bengal. But with the returns nearing completion, Prime Minister Jawaharlal's Congress Party was winning by a landslide.

THE BAD
 1. The most serious incident since the Arab-Jewish war occurred in Palestine. Egypt complained to the United Nations Security Council that Israeli armed forces, invading the Gaza area, killed 39 persons and wounded 32 in an unprovoked attack. Israel said Egyptians invaded its territory. A meeting of the Security Council was called for this afternoon in New York City to consider the Egyptian charge.

2. The lower house of the West German Parliament approved the Paris treaties providing for German armament and the French-German agreement on control of the Saar coal area. But opposition to the Saar agreement is so bitter that Chancellor Konrad Adenauer's coalition government is threatened. The Saar dispute might still further delay final French

ratification of the Paris treaties.
 3. King Norodom Sihanouk of Cambodia, one of the three states of Indochina, abdicated because he said his political opponents were obstructing his policies. The fun-loving young king's action shocked the Western allies, who regard him as stabilizing anti-Communist influence. There is some belief that Norodom may be induced to reconsider and reascend the throne.

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.

Freedom for Vox Populi

To the Editor:
 Editor Ruhl's editorial, "Why Not Scatter the Fire?" is written in all good humor, yet it prompts the query: why be so sensitive about a critical letter? As I see it, that is why "vox-pop" columns were created—to publish a diversity of views. Letters to the editor are safety valves for people who have no other outlets of expression. They relieve the old pressure. This angle is not fully appreciated by the press.

You lads of the fourth estate always have a handy outlet for your vapors. You don't realize how fortunate you are, unless somebody tries to curtail the privilege, whereupon all hands leap to the front yelling about "freedom of the press."

Well now, what about freedom for vox populi? If letters are merely abusive, you can easily ignore them. If written in good humor and a modicum of commonsense, they might contain a cogent thought or two by which even editors may profit.

No one can ever be 100% right. (No, not even us old wisemenheimers at seventy.) On most questions of the day, I believe the great majority of your readers will agree. The Mail Tribune maintains a high batting average: better than most newspapers I know, and right up along with the top sheets mentioned by Editor Ruhl such as the N. Y. Times, Chicago Sun, St. Louis Post-Dispatch and Washington, D. C. Post. (with all of which I am familiar.)

Speaking of the Chicago Sun, which has always tried to maintain a fair attitude, I have often razzed my midwest relatives and friends about their Bigshot McCormick and his Chicago Tribune, which is by all odds one of the world's worst newspapers. And McCarthy is one of McCormick's pets. (Now there, my friends, is a sweet pair to draw to.) McCormickism, of course, is even worse than McCarthyism because McCormick was peddling his brands of poison for many years before the loose-mouthed, blatherskiting Joseph appeared on the scene.

J. E. F. name on file
 Ashland

Soldier Wins Prize; Won't Be Too Happy

Oakland, Calif. (U.P.)—The mother of Pfc. Peter B. Biro, predicted today her son will be "mad" when he hears about the prize he won.

Mrs. Julius Biro was referring to the fact her son was awarded first prize in a civilian necktie designing contest sponsored by the First Army Division in Wurzburg, Germany.

Biro is due in New York today en route to his Oakland home to be discharged. He does not yet know he won.

Before leaving Germany, the 21-year-old soldier spent most of his Army pay on a three-day visit to Garmisch-Partenkirchen, an exclusive winter resort. He wrote his mother that it cost him a lot of money but it was well worth it.

First prize in the contest that Biro won is a three-day expense paid trip and free room and board in the best hotel in Garmisch-Partenkirchen.

The human optic nerve is made up of approximately 1,000,000 strands.

Hitler is Quoted
 To the Editor: If there's any panacea, elixer, or a cure—all that the American people do like and will take without much coaxing it is propaganda, malarkey, and confusion. They love it, and lap it up like a cat laps warm milk.

Now if the evil forces that are working so secretly and so diligently to either pass referendum or to attach the sales tax measure to an emergency measure for education in order to steam-roller it over the Oregon voter would adopt the old Hitler-Rosenberg method of "confusion" and conflict of opinion, Oregon's voters will just inhale the sales tax.

Hitler said: "In order to control public opinion the people have to be stirred up. Keep them milling. Cause them to argue amongst themselves over many conflicting opinions. Appeal to them through patriotism, love of family, and in the name of God. People will finally get lost in the confusion and conflict of opinion and decide that their leaders know what is best for them."

Earl Allon
 176 So. Stage rd.
 Medford, Ore.

Babson.. Should US Attack?

By ROGER W. BABSON

Babson Park, Fla. (Special to Mail Tribune). In view of the latest news from Russia, businessmen and investors are much excited regarding the new book published by D. Van Nostrand Co., Inc., New York City, entitled Influence of Force in Foreign Relations.

As the author, Captain W. D. Puleston, is a neighbor of mine and recently gave a most dynamic address at the Webber College Winter Conference, I must comment thereon and advise everyone to read it.

Captain Puleston told me last spring of 18 "fatal mistakes." Shortly thereafter, Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, the late President's wife, was visiting my home in Wellesley Hills, Mass. I asked her what she thought of these "mistakes" for which the Democratic Administrations were reported responsible. Mrs. Roosevelt answered: "Well, notwithstanding Captain Puleston's so-called 'mistakes,' we won two wars, didn't we, Mr. Babson? Perhaps someone should now write a book on the Eighteen Master-Strokes which won these two wars!"

Personally I believe that, although a fearless critic, Captain Puleston is eminently fair in his judgments. He emphasizes mistakes made by Republican statesmen such as Root, Hughes, Kellogg, Stimson, and President Hoover equally with those made by Presidents Wilson and Roosevelt. He points to Wilson's statesman-like, but unheeded appeal to European leaders in 1916 to seek a "peace without victory." Similarly, Puleston has pointed to mistakes made by military as well as diplomatic leaders. He carefully cites proof showing the undue "subordination of the trained military to untrained civilians. Politics, between 1909 and 1941, by weakening our armed forces, caused first Germany and then Japan to attack us on the incorrect assumption that they could defeat us before we could prepare to fight.

Should Increase Defense Against Air Attacks

Businessmen and investors want to know what Captain Puleston thinks we should do now. This is it:—Increase the nation's defenses, particularly the strategic industrial areas, against air attacks; devise more efficient methods to prevent delivery of bombs, or retention of any such bombs now held in the county by enemy agents; keep a large proportion of our land, sea, and air forces, particularly fighting planes, always on the alert; prohibit the entry of unidentified planes into certain important areas; finally, and most important, decide now that we will never again await an "overt enemy attack."

Americans have been led to believe that their government is committed to awaiting an enemy attack with nuclear bombs. Puleston points to an honorable and long-accepted middle course, namely, if an enemy nation, possessing the ability to destroy us, disposes its forces in position to do so, we should immediately mobilize and station our forces in position to strike the enemy and defend the United States. When in all respects we are ready, inform the hostile government that if within 48 hours it does not mobilize its forces, we will take any or all measures to protect our country. If the potential attack should be immediately delivered, as mobilized, we would get an even break; if the enemy then demobilizes we can prevent war. If, in spite of our warning, it continues to hold its forces ready to spring surprise attacks, we then should strike first. Under International Law, having given the foe fair warning, we would be fully justified, claims the Captain.

Presidential Election Complicates Situation

In case we are in World War III or "sitting on a keg of uranium" in November, 1936, it seems as if President Eisenhower would be certain of reelection. I cannot imagine a better-trained man for the Presidency under such a condition. Whether or not the Republican strategists have this in mind, I leave to you readers to decide. The Presidential election coming next year certainly complicates the situation. Certainly, the character and location of each industry should be most

carefully considered. Also read "The Natural Cycle of Government," an important mimeographed brochure, written and published by Edison E. Shrum of Farnfield, Mo.

Readers should study the history of Formosa before deciding what attitude the United Nations will take. The fact is that Formosa was a part of China for centuries until 1895, when China was forced to "give" it to the Japanese. The Japanese developed Formosa and made it what it is today. At the close of World War II, the Japanese were compelled to give up Formosa and return it to China. Strictly speaking, there are two Chinas today—the mainland under Communist Administration—and Formosa under the conservative Chiang Kai-shek. Both claim sole representation in the United Nations. Thus far only Formosa, ruled by Chiang Kai-shek, is a member of the United Nations.

Compromise Government For Chinese Predicted

Although we should hold Formosa for the present, I forecast that Formosa will sometime again be an integral part of China which will have a compromise government such as General Marshall recommended. Before then both Chinas will be members of the United Nations. I further forecast that World War III will be avoided for this year at least. Even though Captain Puleston seems logical in saying that only by "striking first," after fair warning, can we avoid being destroyed, I doubt if the American people would support "striking first" based only on Formosa. Yet, the recent vote of Congress indicates that we might. Certainly, we are in a very critical situation.

Businessmen will be tempted at least to postpone capital expenditures until the air becomes clearer. Investors will consider the stock market very selective. Even now investors are purchasing mainly the air-crafts, metals, and oils, together with certain other stocks which should prosper as "war babies." Wise investors will probably not buy stocks of companies in large cities vulnerable to bombing. Furthermore, all investors should keep in mind the probability that prices, wages, and money rates would probably be "fixed" immediately at the start of any World War III, and a severe profits tax be reenacted. President Eisenhower might veto some of this legislation; but with the Democrats in control of Congress it could be passed over the President's veto in view of Russia's attitude.

Grandview Water District Vote Set

Directors of Grandview water district have set Friday, March 25, as the date for a special election on a \$85,000 bond issue. It was announced yesterday. Funds derived from sale of the bond issue would be used for installation of a water system for the district, which is located north-east of the Medford city limits.

Polling place for the election will be the home of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Richardson, 2133 Crater Lake ave., has been appointed chairman of the board, succeeding William Auel, 2155 Roberts rd., who resigned because of business. Fogelquist will serve until the next regular election, scheduled for late this fall.

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

Prime Minister Churchill talking—to the house of commons:
 "ONLY the U.S., Britain and Russia have the knowledge and power to make nuclear weapons."
 "The United States is OVERWHELMINGLY in the lead."

"ONLY the United States at this time could deliver a full scale hydrogen bomb attack with only a few hours notice."
 "Thus—
 "The threat of a hydrogen attack on the British Isles LIES IN THE FUTURE."

HE MEANT by that, presumably, that Britain has information that the Russians DO NOT HAVE THE POWER TO DELIVER SUCH AN ATTACK NOW.

HE WENT ON:
 "In the event of war, the United States and Britain must be able to deliver a paralyzing blow to a number of communist bases in a few hours."
 "There is no DEFENSE—no absolute defense—against the hydrogen bomb."

THAT is to say—
 "So far as the hydrogen bomb is concerned—
 The only defense lies in OFFENSE."

We must at all times be able to deliver a fatal blow to Russia before Russia is able to deliver a fatal blow to us.

ONE more from Churchill:
 He told the house of commons:
 "IT WILL BE AT LEAST THREE OR FOUR YEARS BEFORE RUSSIA IS IN A POSITION TO LAUNCH A HYDROGEN BOMB ATTACK AGAINST NORTH AMERICA."

SUMMING UP:
 The United States is in a position now to launch a full scale hydrogen bomb attack.
 Russia ISN'T. It will be three or four years before she is.
 Britain is joining us in preparations for nuclear warfare.
 The United States and Britain MUST stay so far ahead in nuclear weapons that Russia won't be able to catch up. It is probable that they can do so.
 In that event, Russia may not attack.
 So—
 There may be no nuclear Battle of Armageddon.

IT IS a hopeful picture.
 It is, of course, one man's picture.
 But the man is Churchill.
 Such is the quality of the man that when he speaks WE BELIEVE HIM.

Bank Addition Work Reported Progressing

Dismantling of wall structure and other preparatory work have been completed on the United States National bank expansion program which will provide for walkup after-hours deposits and drive-in service for patrons.

H. C. Goldsmith is the general contractor. The project was begun in early February and the approximate time set then for the completion was 60 days.

Dead line Sunday. Classified is at noon Saturday; 10 a.m. Monday for Monday; other days 5:30 previous day.

FLAVORITE OF THE MONTH
CHOCOLATE CHIP MINT ICE CREAM

Snider's

Oregon Oil News

February edition just out. Includes state map showing locations of the 8 big "hot spots" where one million acres just leased for oil, IN OREGON.

Ten major oil companies active here now. Upon request free copies of oil newsletter will be mailed, also my booklet, "The Story of Oregon's Oil Prospects," Manning Barber, Rhy. Broker, licensed 30 years, (Specializing in Oil Lands and Leases 2126 AB, East Burnside, Portland 15, Ore. Ph. VE-2707

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