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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
APRIL 13, 1945
(Cit was Friday)
City hall offices will be closed all day and court house offices will close at 1 p.m. Tomorrow, a day of mourning throughout the United States in respect for the late President Franklin D. Roosevelt.

From Arthur Perry's Ye Smudge Pot column: The fishing season opens tomorrow, and many piscatorial enthusiasts can hardly wait. The annual argument over where the caught fish, if any, shall be cleaned—in the backyard or the kitchen sink is underway.

20 YEARS AGO
April 13, 1935
(Cit was Saturday)
Drastic action is contemplated by the Medford city police in the enforcement of the city ordinance against dogs, licensed or not, running loose in the city during April, May and June.

From the Local and Personal column: The forest service reported a severe thunderstorm, the first of the season, was reported at Elk Creek, Huckleberry mountain and near Butte Falls, but timber was too wet to be set afire by lightning.

30 YEARS AGO
April 13, 1925
(Cit was Monday)
The first \$100 bond in the Lithian Hotel corporation at Ashland subscribed for by David Barron of Ashland.

Local residents urged support of the Crater Lake Temple band when it starts a tour of eastern seaboard cities next fall.

40 YEARS AGO
April 13, 1915
(Cit was Tuesday)
The Ashland city council makes agreement with contractors to develop Ashland's mineral springs at a cost of \$175,000 financed through auxiliary water bonds.

From the Local and Personal column: The weather bureau mast this morning was flying a black and white triangular flag, indicating cold and clear, a sign that smudging will be necessary in the morning unless there is a sudden change in the 10 days are the most critical for the fruit grower.

What's the Answer?
(Can You Get 4 of the 7?)
Copr. 1955, Editorial Research Report
1. "Fair trade" (retail pricing) laws are more or less effective in most states than five years ago?
2. More or fewer than half of our Presidents have been Masons?
3. Average incomes have gone up more over the last 15 years for doctors, teachers, or lawyers?
4. Ulcers from worry have become more a man's or a woman's disease in recent years, or is about 50-50?
5. More Supreme Court justices have been named from New York than from any other two states combined, right or wrong?
6. In the last 10 years total U.S. mortgage debt outstanding on homes has gone up sharply, or slightly, down sharply, or

For Brucellosis Control

Members of the county court and stockmen of Jackson county rate a word of commendation for their action in bringing about reorganization of the brucellosis control program here on a basis which should assure efficient and frictionless operation.

THROUGH cooperation of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, the State Department of Agriculture, the county court, the stock raisers and veterinarians the plan as agreed upon should soon rid the area of all reactors.

The U.S.D.A., through its bureau of animal industry, is shouldering not only the cost of veterinarian service in testing cattle throughout the county and administering vaccine, but the cost of the vaccine itself.

This will mean a considerable saving for beef cattle raisers, the county and for dairy men too. The latter, once the disease is cleaned out, will benefit because their herds will no longer be subjected to the occasional contamination which was always possible while there was insufficient testing of beef cattle. In localities where the number of beef cattle exceeded the dairy type there has been no compulsory testing before.

BRUCellosis, or Bang's disease, is not particularly prevalent in Jackson county—actually, the testers are finding fewer reacting animals than expected—but it is highly desirable for both economic and health reasons that this county get in step with the nation-wide campaign for its complete eradication.—E.C.F.

Congress Added To Tax Headache

Income tax payers trying to whip their reports into shape for filing before the April 15 deadline wonder how in the world the Internal Revenue Service ever managed to get the rules covering dividends so complicated. The tax relief voted by the 1954 congress is welcome enough, but to take advantage of the cuts citizens must go through a tedious additional process of bookkeeping and mathematics which takes much of the joy out of the saving afforded.

Those fortunate enough to have any dividends to take into consideration must:

First, list by name of corporation and amount, all dividends received before August 1, 1954. Then list all dividends received after July 31. Then apply the \$50 exclusion, first to the income from the first seven months of the year, and then, if any is left over, to the income from the remaining months.

From there on they can forget about income from the first seven months of 1954. But on income from the remaining months they are allowed a four per cent credit. Only, this credit cannot be higher than two per cent of their taxable income (next year it goes up to four per cent). Nor may the credit exceed the taxpayer's total tax liability, without the income credit, less credit allowable for foreign taxes.

AS a matter of fact the Internal Revenue Service isn't to blame for the complications. It was the Congress which voted the cuts and it was the Congress which by compromising here and there, also fouled up the law.

The legislative history of the 1954 tax revision law explains part of the complication. The bill was considered under a closed rule of the house. It called for exemption of the first \$50 of dividend income in 1954 and the first \$100 in 1955, accompanied by a credit of five per cent of dividend income in 1954 which would rise to ten per cent in 1955. The Democrats, in a crack at the dividend relief provision, moved to have the bill returned to committee, with instructions to substitute for the dividend relief a \$100 increase in the personal income tax exemption. This move was defeated, 210 to 204. The Senate, after a series of compromise votes, struck out the five per cent credit, leaving only the \$50 credit for 1954 and succeeding years.

The Senate-House conferees then restored a four per cent credit for five months of 1954 and for succeeding years. The final compromise was estimated to afford \$204,000,000 of income tax relief to stockholders in 1954 and \$340,000,000 in succeeding years.

THE aggravations of the present act—and the dividend tax relief, too—may not be around long, however. Sen. Albert Gore (D-Tenn.) has already announced that he will introduce an amendment repealing dividend tax relief to a House-passed bill eliminating "loopholes" in the 1954 tax law and the amendment could not be thrown out on a point of order, for it would be germane to a tax revision bill.—E.C.F.

Downtown OK Rubber Store Sets Opening

Formal opening of a downtown OK Auto Welders tire store at Ninth st. and Central ave., with Harvey Brandau and Walt Kingman in charge, will be tomorrow.

4-H Club News

Howard Club
The Howard Healthy Handy Hands club meeting was called to order by Nancy Barnes. We discussed where we want to go on a tour and decided to go to the Jacksonville Museum and to the rock garden in Central Point.
Maryln Walden gave a demonstration on how to fold a sweater. Sonja Hansen gave a talk on how to hang a skirt. Valerie Ottman will give a demonstration at our next meeting. Lela Crocher and Sonja Hansen will serve refreshments at the next meeting which will be May 9 at Mrs. Walker's.
Inez Viers, Reporter.

Three Developments In Fight for Health Told To Scientists

San Francisco—(U.P.)—Three startling developments in man's constant fight for better health were disclosed yesterday at the annual meeting of the Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology.

The first came from Dr. William Fry, University of Illinois physicist. Fry told some 6000 scientists that a radically new technique for brain surgery has been developed, using ultra-high frequency sound waves instead of conventional cutting tools.

The waves, built into a machine more than two stories high, can be focused into any section of the brain with almost incredible accuracy, Fry said. The only surgery necessary when using the sound waves, Fry said, is removing a portion of the skull itself.

He said brain surgery by knife or wire electrodes often destroys healthy tissue between the diseased area and the surface. Also, brain surgery is often fatal because blood vessels are necessarily severed and hemorrhages can result.

"Both these difficulties are eliminated," Fry said "because the sound waves can hit an area the size of a pin prick without harming the surrounding tissue. So far, the machine has been used exclusively on animals, but Fry said it is now ready for the serious business of saving human lives.

COMMUNICATIONS

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

Hidden Riches
To the Editor—Around the second week in October, 1914, I was returning from a season's employment in Klamath county. A friend was driving over to the Rogue valley for a supply of apples—a lumber wagon load. As the trip would take two days, he suggested I go along and view Crater Lake. We camped there near the superintendent's office.

We arose early to expedite travel at that season of year and when we were nearing a wide place near Union creek on the dirt road, we met up with an old time "hoss trader," who wanted to swap his lone gray to the wagon master, so each would have a color-matched team. After a short exchange of trader's vocabulary, the dicker was closed, my friend getting some cash to boot. (I always will think my friend got the best deal, because the gray horse he got in the exchange, was a typical camp horse and would eat left-over camp victuals or biscuits as readily as grain or hay.)

When we reached the sign of the Rogue "Natural bridge" we rested awhile. A few moments later a posse of nine or ten Indian braves off the reservation on a deer hunting expedition on horse-back rode up alongside the wagon. Afterwards I learned most of them were college grads, some lawyers, doctors, teachers and prospectors. The spokesman ask me if we had any smoking tobacco. Wanting to be polite, before my friend had time to nudge me, I reached in the boot for a sack of "Geo. Washington" brand which the leader generously passed along until the little bag was emptied. (I was left holding the bag then.) But I learned more, a prospector showed us a piece of white float quartz alive with native silver. Upon questioning the finder where he discovered the specimen, he pointed with his hand and said, "mebbe 9 or 10 miles due west of the Natural bridge of lava."

We have often wondered about that story linked with the famous river landmark. How much to believe about it? We have never gone in search for the outcropping yet, for the main reason that there had always been places that had a more definite description of location to look for lost or hidden treasures. Far as I know the territory is quite likely mineralized.
Bert Kissingner,
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Medford, Oregon.

No Rocking Chair Salvation
To the Editor: In Communications, April 10, Mr. Wisam inferred to be a born-again Christian, was to "hate his brother." On the contrary, it causes one to love their souls (but not their doctrine). When I renounced the Jehovah Witness doctrine, and was redeemed by God's Son, I had such a love for my fellowmen, I promised God I would do all I could to help save a lost and dying world.
John 1:7 "If we walk in the light as He is in the light we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanseth us from all sin." There is joy in the fellowship of Christians, and their desire to help others find peace in their hearts through Christ. "Now is the accepted time," 2 Cor. 6:2.
In one of the recent Watchtower papers, all other denominations were condemned by name, and that Jehovah Witness was the only one religion. John 10:16, Jesus said "Other sheep I have which are not of this fold." I have "The New World translation" at hand, it is far from being 99% King James Version. Taze Russell (founder) requested his followers to read his books (Scripture studies) and to ignore the Christian Bible for two years. Recently two women came to our door, when we quoted scriptures to them, one said, "you must use the King James version." We said, "surely." They turned away.
Jesus did not teach a rocking chair salvation, neither do Christians of today. Luke 4:16-20 and John 18:20 tells of Jesus preaching in the synagogues. Acts 11:26 and 1 Cor. 12:28 tells of the assembling with the church. "A laborer is worthy of his hire. Go not from house to house," Luke 10:7.
They oppose voting or paying taxes, but rush to the supreme court when in trouble, as Russell did, with the "miracle wheat scandal" and his imaginary audiences on the Tropical Islands, Jan. 1913 (Brooklyn Daily Eagle, on file). "Russell vs Ross," which he also lost on file in high court of Canada, Mar. 1913. His one aim was to make money. He had no education to interpret the Scriptures, and had to admit in court he didn't know Greek. He was never ordained, but assumed the name of Pastor.
2 Peter 2:1; Matt. 15:14.
Ernest F. Santo,
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Medford, Oregon.

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Is That So? Western Allies To Be Well Represented at Asia-Africa Conclave

By Eugene Burns
Ranger-Naturalist
One of the earliest flags proposed for the U.S. was that of a rattlesnake with the caption: "Don't Tread on Me!" In today's facts vs. fallacy, we're going to tread on some snake tales.

Fallacy: The huge constrictors of South America can swallow deer, horses, and even cattle with little difficulty.
Fact: According to a lot of folk zoology, yes; but experts state that the largest constrictor might manage a goat, an antelope or a small deer at best, or a good-size pig.

Fallacy: Some snakes will milk cows.
Facts: In almost every land where cattle and snakes exist, this belief is current. In America, one beneficial little gray and brown snake has been given the popular, though dubious name of milk snake. This snake, like all others accused of the crime, does not have moveable lips nor a broad, flat tongue. Without these, it would be physically impossible to create the

necessary suction to draw from a cow. Too, the snake's jaws are armed with needle-sharp teeth—and show me the cow that would stand placidly by while these jaws were clamped on to a tender part of her anatomy. Finally, the stomach of the largest snake would hold less than a cupful of liquid—it would take a whole herd of snakes, working in relays, to make a dent in a cow's supply.

Fallacy: Tropical snakes may attain 50, 60, 70 to say nothing of 100-foot lengths.
Fact: First, it must be borne in mind that the total length of a snake's skin means little, if anything. By nature, the reptile's hide can be stretched and a 20-foot specimen can very easily be pegged out and dried as a 26-foot skin.
Recognized herpetologists (snake experts) say that the longest snake ever reliably measured was a reticulated python from the Malay peninsula and it was only 32 feet long. However, one snake specialist whom I consulted said that 36 feet was perhaps the probable maximum length of any snake.
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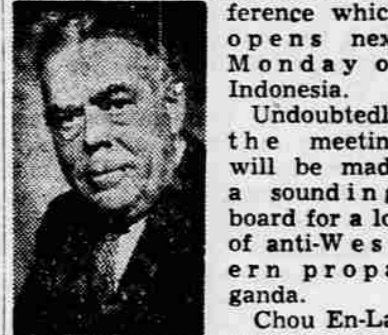
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Comptroller of Currency Requests Bank Statements
Washington—(U.P.)—The comptroller of the currency today called for a statement of the condition of all national banks as of April 11.

The Federal Reserve Board called on all state banks which are members of the reserve system to report their condition as of April 11.

By CHARLES M. McCANN
United Press Foreign Analyst
The United States and the Allies will be pretty well represented at the Asia-Africa conference which opens next Monday in Indonesia.



Undoubtedly the meeting will be made a sounding-board for a lot of anti-Western propaganda.
Chou En-Lai of Communist China and Ho Chi Minh of Communist Northern Viet Nam are hardly likely to pause up the opportunity to denounce Western "imperialism" and "war mongering."

Jawaharlal Nehru of India and his fellow "neutralists" may urge that Red China be admitted at once to the United Nations.

Further, nearly all the countries which will attend the conference have a background of opposition to "colonialism"—the exploitation of Asian and African territories by Western powers.

Western 'Friends' Attend
But there need be little fear that the conference will result in any action which could cause serious trouble for the West.

The chief reason is that the Western Allies will have four valuable friends at the Bandung conference. They are Brig. Gen. Carlos P. Romulo of the Philippines, Prince Van Vaitayakon of Thailand, Mohammed Ali of Pakistan and Adnan Menderes of Turkey.

Romulo, Wan, Ali and Menderes are all good men, able to hold their own in any conference. Any one of them would be a safe spokesman for the free world in its defense against Communist aggression.

Romulo is as good a friend as the United States has in all the world. Publicist, diplomat, statesman and soldier, Romulo is a veteran in world affairs. Aware of Red Threat

Prince Wan, 63, is Thailand's foreign minister. He has served as ambassador in Washington and as his country's chief U.N. delegate. He is thoroughly alert to the Communist danger in Southeast Asia.

Mohammed Ali, Pakistani foreign minister, is 46. He is strongly pro-Western and anti-Communist. He has served as Pakistan's ambassador to the United States and to Canada.

The Philippines, Thailand and Pakistan are all members of the new Southeast Asia Treaty Organization against Communist aggression.

Menderes is 56. He is Turkish prime minister. He and President Celal Bayar brought Turkey into the North Atlantic treaty alliance. Turkey is also allied with Pakistan and has just dealt a big blow to Arab "neutralism" by signing a treaty with Iraq.

Bankruptcies Seen To Surpass Record

Washington—(U.P.)—Bankruptcies during the year ahead are expected to surpass the record set during the depression year of 1932, the House Appropriations committee reported today.

It said the fiscal year starting July 1 is expected to bring "the highest number of bankruptcies recorded in the history of the country."

The committee made the statement, without elaboration, in approving a \$450,398,227 appropriation bill. It is to finance the State department, Justice department, federal judiciary, and U.S. Information service in the coming fiscal year. The total represented a cut of about seven per cent in administration money requests.

Balance of Tax Bill Depends on Conscience

Chicago—(U.P.)—The Internal Revenue Bureau received from a conscience stricken taxpayer today \$400 on an overdue tax bill of more than \$1,000. "If I still can't sleep, I will send you the balance," he wrote.

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