

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

Published Daily Except Saturdays by MEDFORD PRINTING CO. 27-29 North Fir St. Phone 2-6141

Subscription Rates: By Mail—In Advance: Per copy 10c. Daily and Sunday—One year \$12.00

Official Paper of the City of Medford, Oregon, under Act of March 3, 1907.

Advertising Representatives: WEST-HOLLIDAY COMPANY, INC. Offices in New York, Chicago, Detroit, Los Angeles, Seattle, Portland, St. Louis, Atlanta, Vancouver, B.C.

NATIONAL EDITORIAL ASSOCIATION AFFILIATE MEMBER

NEWSPAPER PUBLISHERS ASSOCIATION

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 22, 1945 (It was Sunday) A six-point \$1,000,000 improvement program for Medford outlined by city officials, to be submitted to voters for approval.

From Arthur Perry's Ye Smudge Pot column: The pear orchards of the valley are now in full bloom. Natives with both cars and gasoline say they never looked and smelled so beautiful.

20 YEARS AGO

April 22, 1925 (It was Monday) A total of 41 Jackson and Josephine county men, many from Medford, report to Camp Wimer.

A moderate frost predicted and all orchards in full bloom.

30 YEARS AGO

April 22, 1925 (It was Wednesday) The Medford Chamber of Commerce favors air mail service between Seattle and San Diego.

The city council passes ordinance raising from \$50 to \$100 a day a license fee for carnivals.

40 YEARS AGO

April 22, 1915 (It was Thursday) From the Local and Personal column: The Bullis street car jumped the track near Jayne's crossing this morning at seven o'clock. The car escaped the control of the motorman on a curve and was derailed, the trolley wheel dropping off.

Equipment added to Western Union's Ashland office, the only one between Portland and Sacramento.

What's the Answer?

(Can You Get 4 of the 7?) Copr. 1955. Editorial Research Report

- 1. Changes in the U.N. charter can be vetoed by any one of five states; right or wrong? 2. There are three, four, five, six or seven makes of General Motors cars? 3. Patriots' Day, Apr. 19 in Maine and Massachusetts, celebrates the battle of Bunker Hill, Concord, Saratoga, Yorktown, New Orleans, or Bull Run?

ALL Oregonians should take a personal interest in conservation for it is something which touches practically all of us, one way or another, and only by understanding and practicing it can we continue to have and enjoy the advantages which are now ours.

Conservation Week

It wasn't so many decades ago that Oregon had an abundance of everything, trees, range, soil, minerals, water, fish, wildlife—all the good things which nature provides. Oregon was a young state then—young that is as the life of states is measured—only a few generations removed from the wilderness the Indians and the first settlers knew.

As these activities have expanded there has been gradual depletion of our natural resources. Today, we still have plenty of almost everything, but not on the generous scale which once prevailed, and the time has come when only by giving thought to more wise use and careful safeguarding of our remaining natural wealth can we assure for our children and for the generations yet unborn at least a semblance of the valuable heritage still ours to enjoy.

Wise leaders, mindful of the need to avoid dissipation of our wealth have sought and obtained laws setting up agencies, both state and federal, assigned to the protection and preservation of natural resources and the efforts of most of these regulatory or improvement bodies have been of great value.

Among such agencies, those dealing with the wise use and propagation of our forests have been particularly successful. By setting up rules for sustained yield and selective harvesting of trees on publicly owned lands and by re-planting where timber has been cut or destroyed by fire or disease, vast areas are contributing and will continue to contribute their wealth to our economy.

THROUGH these same agencies and the cooperation of private industry much of the world which formerly was wasted is now being utilized in one form or another.

The great waste from unused Douglas fir is an example. Within the last decade laboratory technicians have perfected means for extracting valuable tannin and many chemicals from the bark. Plyboard, hardboards, interior finishing and other items are being produced from mill residues not long ago earmarked for the burners.

A new and enlarged source of timber supply is being fostered through the planting of tree farms. Oregon's Douglas fir region, lying west of the summit of the Cascade range, has 1,757,071 acres of private forest land under tree farming. Another 1,474,317 acres of tree farms are growing timber in the state's pine region, lying east of the Cascade summit.

Farmers and other owners of smaller woodlands hold six million acres, nearly two-thirds of the private commercial forest land in the state. Last year, an estimated four billion board feet of timber came from these woodlands.

ANOTHER important resource which has come under regulatory attention and efforts for improvement of supply, is water. Action in this direction was becoming increasingly necessary because of expanding use. In western Oregon alone the number of acres under irrigation jumped from 76,000 in 1949 to an estimated 115,000 in 1954. Many streams in the state are today over appropriated and many cities are in need of increased domestic supplies.

SOIL preservation has been practiced for some time through the formation of conservation districts—between 30 and 40 of which are in operation in all sections of Oregon. Aid and advice from the Extension Service in selection of crops best suited to the various soil types has been an important factor in obtaining good crops and the building up of soil values.

IN addition to their primary objectives these agencies have worked to bring about greater public consciousness of the need for sound management and conservation of all our resources.

As a means of assisting in this focusing of public attention, Governor Patterson recently designated May 1 to 7 as Conservation Week and asked conservation minded men throughout the state to participate in programs calling attention to what has been done and is being done in the way of conservation, and objectives which it is hoped may be reached in the future.

During Conservation Week pastors will discuss the subject, it will be presented by speakers at service club meetings, school children will be told the values of conservation and newspapers and radio stations will do their part along the same line.

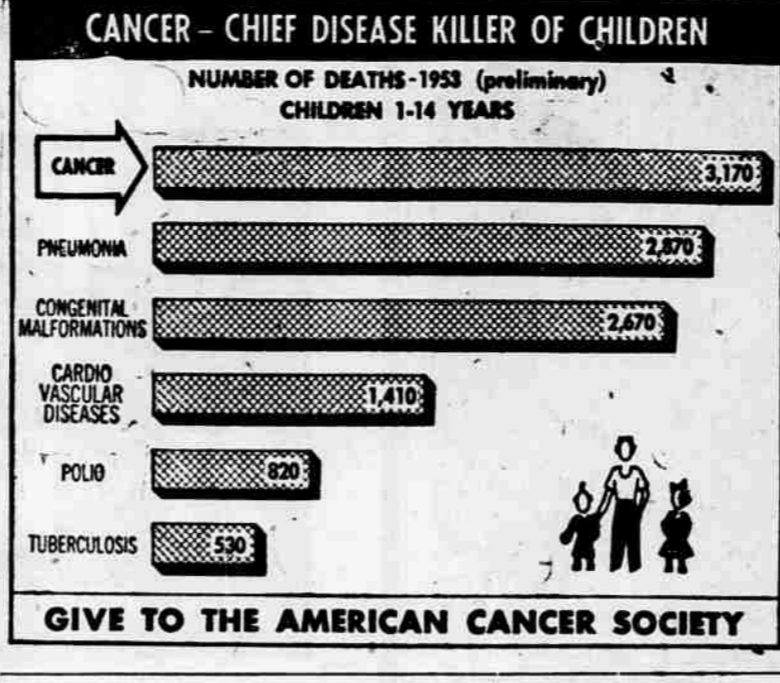
ALL Oregonians should take a personal interest in conservation for it is something which touches practically all of us, one way or another, and only by understanding and practicing it can we continue to have and enjoy the advantages which are now ours. And only by such interest can we hope to pass them on to future generations. E.C.F.

Navy Requests Hillsboro Funds

Washington—(U.P.)—The Navy has told the House Appropriations committee it needs \$8,598,000 to begin work on a naval air station at Hillsboro, Ore., airport.

Total cost of the project, which would replace facilities now being used at Spokane by reservists, would be \$12,476,000, according to Capt. Warren W. Jones, chief of the bureau of aeronautics' shore station division.

The funds requested in testimony released yesterday would provide for land acquisition and easements for the new runway, parallel taxiway system, lighting and drainage; a reserve training hangar; supply facilities and utilities; roads and services; fuel storage; aircraft parking apron and an access taxiway.



GIVE TO THE AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY

Babson ... Cutting School Taxes

By ROGER W. BABSON Babson Park, Mass. (Special To Mail Tribune) One of the critical problems facing every voter today is how to pay for the mounting cost of education without taxing property holders into the poorhouse.

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS In the Italian island of Sicily—where, I hope, it is sunny and warm and springlike—Sir Winston Churchill arose at a leisurely hour the other day, ate his breakfast, read the papers, smoked a cigar, then got out his case and his paints and settled down for a good morning's work.

IF you do any creative work—such as writing, or painting or thinking up speeches for delivery to the Rotary club or the Kiwanis club, or reviewing a book—I imagine you will know just how Churchill felt at the moment. There he was, all steamed up, the picture he wanted to paint clear and sharp in his mind's eye and his fingers fairly itching to get it all down on canvas.

At that particular moment an interruption was about as welcome to him as a case of poison oak.

He did NOT. He doffed his hat and listened all the way through the serenade. Then he thanked the serenader and went back to work.

He will tell the story to his grandchildren and they will tell it to their grandchildren.

SIR WINSTON IS a great man, you see. Little things like that are a part of the quality of greatness.

LET'S get back to the grind of everyday affairs in a period of cold war between two idealogues.

In London, allied officials disclose that Russia has called for a Big Four declaration guaranteeing the independence, integrity and neutrality of Austria—after a treaty for Austria is signed.

IT sounds wonderful, doesn't it? Especially for Austria. Under the setup that is proposed, Austria would become another Switzerland. She would forswear WAR. She would forswear offensive and defensive alliances and would settle down to running her own affairs, untouched by wars and rumors of wars.

WHAT is Russia up to? Well, she isn't just doing a kindly deed for the Austrians. She isn't setting up an area of peace and tranquility in the hope that the rest of the world will be impressed to the extent of giving up the idea of war.

The chances are she is saying to West Germany: "See what WE are doing for Austria. We are preparing to make of her a land of peace and plenty, where the dread specter of war will be unknown. These Western nations you are palling around with want to ARM YOU so that in the future you will be doing THEIR FIGHTING FOR THEM."

House Votes Thanks To Lausmann Brothers Salem—(U.P.)—The House yesterday approved a resolution expressing the state's appreciation to Anton and Joseph Lausmann for the tract of land in the Columbia gorge which they gave to the state in memory of their father, the late Vinzenz Lausmann.

Bandung Conference Unexpected Turn on Reds Features News

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

THE GOOD

1. The 29-nation Asian-African conference at Bandung in Indonesia took an unexpected turn when speaker after speaker denounced Communism. It had been feared the meeting might take an anti-Western tone, partly because of the presence of clever Chinese Communist spokesmen.

2. Some hope was held in Western capitals that Russia might be ready at last to sign a treaty restoring to Austria the sovereignty it lost when Nazi Germany seized it in 1938. First, Chancellor Julius Raab of Austria reached agreement with Soviet Foreign Minister Vyacheslav M. Molotov on the terms of a treaty. Then Russia proposed a conference in Vienna with the United States, Great Britain and France to negotiate a final pact.

3. Britain, America's chief ally, showed a sound financial position when Chancellor of the Exchequer R. A. Butler presented his budget for the fiscal year which started April 1 to the House of Commons. Butler was able to announce a substantial reduction in income taxes and to estimate a surplus for the new year of \$414,000,000.

1. Street fighting broke out in Saigon, capital of Southern Vietnam in Indochina, between the forces of Premier Ngo Dinh Diem and those of the rebellious Binh Xuyen political sect. The threat of civil war was so great that Gen. J. Lawton Collins, President Eisenhower's special envoy, flew to the United States for conferences.

2. Adm. Arthur W. Radford, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and Walter S. Robertson, assistant secretary of state for Far Eastern affairs, were sent suddenly to Formosa "in view of the tense situation which continues in the area," as an official statement put it. The trip was decided upon after Secretary of State John Foster Dulles reported to the President a big Communist air build-up opposite Formosa. The build-up, Dulles said, had "grave implications."

3. The Communists stubbornly refused to reduce the exorbitant tolls they imposed on trucks which take supplies to West Berlin along highways through the Soviet occupation zone. There was increasing fear in West Berlin that the Reds might clamp on a new blockade in revenge for the proposed arming of Western Germany.

Lincoln's birthday was first observed as a legal holiday in Washington, D.C. in 1868.

CAA Installs New Regulations as Result of Ditching

Seattle—(U.P.)—The Civil Aeronautics Administration announced new airline safety regulations it is putting into effect as a result of the ditching of a Pan-American stratoscruiser in the Pacific March 26 as a hearing on the incident ended here yesterday.

Ray Brown, CAA international region coordinator, disclosed the new regulations when he testified into the crash which cost the lives of two crewmen and two passengers in the waters off the Oregon coast. Nineteen persons survived the ditching.

1. An engine alteration to allow an engine to fail without affecting speed control on the other three engines of Stratocruisers went into effect as of midnight last night.

2. There must be tighter, more thorough inspection of propellers on commercial planes. James Conner, maintenance manager for Pan-American's Pacific-Alaska Division, San Francisco, said his company had put the engine speed electrical circuit alteration into effect since the ditching. He said Pan-American also had intensified pre-flight inspections of propellers and was studying the mountings of engines in stratoscuers.

3. Crewmen Questioned Coast Guard Cmdr. Lionel de Santy boarded the Parramatta as she entered Los Angeles Harbor. He said he questioned crew members "and lined up certain ones to appear as witnesses."

Neither Capt. A. C. Ericson or the officers and men of the Parramatta would discuss the crash with reporters. An insurance investigation was also expected to be launched.

Only one body, that of Ralph Cooper, Burlingame, Calif., was recovered. Others lost were the Suomi's owner, Henry Meiggs, San Francisco mortgage and Loan company president; his brother, William L. Meiggs, Beverly Hills, Calif., an architect; Col. W. S. Conrow, Menlo Park, Calif., and Sandy Wilson, a New Zealand yachtsman and newspaperman.

The collision occurred at 4 a.m. and the Parramatta at once put a life boat over the side to search for survivors, but without success. The Coast Guard, notified of the crash by radio, dispatched two boats to the scene, one of which recovered Cooper's body.

The search was discontinued after 10 hours in the rough seas. About 6,500 Americans drown each year in accidents, and there are six times as many male victims as female.

TESTIFIES—Former President Herbert Hoover tells a Senate foreign relations subcommittee that the United Nations "has not fulfilled our hopes" but "I have no notion that we can abandon any organization of nations that makes for peace." The subcommittee is studying proposals for UN charter revision.



FAREWELL smile is flashed by Adlai Stevenson, 1952 candidate for President, before embarking from New York for Africa via Italy on combined business-sightseeing tour. (International)

Committee OKs Basic School Plan

Salem—(U.P.)—The Senate Education committee has voted out favorably Senate bill 333 which would make considerable change in apportionment of basic school funds.

Supporting the bill, one of the major education measures before the 1955 session, were Sens. Husband, Hatfield, Holmes and McMinine. Opposing it were Sens. Steen, Allen and Merrifield.

Proponents say that in recent years increased school costs and changes in assessments and county ratios has destroyed the equalizing formula of the distribution formula.

They contended that in 1948 a total of 21 per cent of the fund was distributed as formal equalization and the remainder as flat grants. Now, they say, only 4 per cent is distributed as equalization.

What the bill would do, in effect, is to take from the wealthier districts and give to districts which have a higher proportion of school children to the assessed value of property in the district.

MAKE A PROFIT

that's worth while. Have extra dollars in your billfold later... by putting savings to work with us.

FIRST FEDERAL SAVINGS & LOAN ASS'N of Medford 27 North Holly An Institution Dedicated To Those Who Save

Heartburn! - and Dam the Luck, I Forgot My TUMS



When Acid indigestion strikes, nothing beats a handy roll of Tums in pocket or purse. For Tums give fast, on-the-spot relief from gas, heartburn, acid stomach. No water, no mixing needed. Take Tums anywhere. Tums can't over-alkalize—can't cause acid rebound. Get a roll today!



Advertisement for The MEAT CENTER. Features prices for Pure Lard (17c/lb), Beef Roast (33c/lb), Pork Roast (39c/lb), and Sliced Bacon (39c/lb). Address: 231 East Sixth St.