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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 29, 1943
Production of dry ice starts at new gas incorporation near Ashland.

20 YEARS AGO
April 29, 1923
California Oregon Power company loses to Beaver Portland Cement company of Gold Hill, over use of Rogue river water, in a United States Supreme Court decision.

30 YEARS AGO
April 29, 1923
Governor Walter M. Pierce among officials who inspected prospective sites for Southern Oregon Normal school at Ashland.

40 YEARS AGO
April 29, 1915
From the Local and Personal column: May Day will be observed in the schools Friday by special programs and the reciting of Tennyson's May day poem.

What's the Answer?
(Can You Get 4 of the 7?)
1. The refugee relief act gives preferred status to immigrants who are close relatives of U.S. residents; right or wrong?

2. Deepest U. S. canyon is on the Colorado, Snake, Yellowstone or Columbia river?
3. Are there many more breweries than distilleries in the U. S., or many more distilleries, or about the same number of each?

4. The proportion of Negroes to Whites in the South these days is decreasing, increasing or staying the same?
5. More or less than half of all members of Congress listing their occupations are lawyers?

6. Present-day Turkey lies entirely in Asia; right or wrong?
7. A man named Cotton represents a Southern state in the U. S. Senate; right or wrong?
The Answers: 1. Right. 2. Snake (Hell's Canyon). 3. Many more breweries. 4. Decreasing. 5. More than half. 6. Wrong; a small part lies in Europe. 7. Wrong; Sen. Cotton is from New Hampshire.

LEGAL NOTICES
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR JACKSON COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ERICK G. GUSTAFSON, deceased.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has appointed the above administrator of the above estate. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same with proper vouchers within six months from this date at the office of Neff, Frohnmayer & Lowry, Cooley Theatre Building, Medford, Oregon.

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IT HAS been estimated that 43 per cent of the nation's population is under Daylight Time now as compared to 37 per cent in 1948. To make the time matter even more confusing some eastern states are planning to extend D.S.T. an extra month this year, until the last Sunday in October. This will put them out of step with the rest of the nation, where D.S.T. traditionally ends on the last Sunday of September.

The Litster plan, if adopted throughout the country, could serve at least as good a purpose as most of the imprints currently in use. E.C.F.

Billboard Law Approved
The senate has finally approved legislation providing for regulation and restriction of billboards visible from highways and the licensing of boards by the state labor commissioner.

Billboards along thoroughways would have to be at least 1,000 feet apart. On highways, boards of more than 130 square feet would be 500 feet apart, while 300 feet would have to separate those of less than that size. No advertiser would be allowed to have more than one board within a half mile.

Operators of existing boards would have five years to comply with the new law.

A Good Suggestion

John Litster, skipper of the House of Mystery, came in from his Sardine Creek stronghold this week with an idea which he thinks might help to take Oregon out of the confusion which marks the rest of the nation's timetables.

John points out that in most of the principal cities and in at least nine states the people are going and coming on Daylight Saving Time. In 24 states, some are on D.S.T. through and through while some others permit pockets of Daylight Time. In fifteen states adoption of the sun saving schedule is optional.

The Mystery House man encounters thousands of tourists from out-of-state points as they flock in to visit his palace of phenomenon in the summer and he has found in previous years that a large majority do not know what the time is in Oregon and many aren't even too sure whether D.S.T. prevails in their home states.

AT LEAST some of the uncertainty could be removed, believes John, if Oregon state offices, chambers of commerce, business places and others which send out much mail would have the words: "Oregon is on Standard Time" on their outgoing mail.

Where postage meters are used this could be done by having the message included in the meter stamp. Many postage meter users now have advertising matter or slogans on their meter imprint and the change suggested by Mr. Litster would involve only minor expense.

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So far, the efforts of our Medford Fire Fighters have produced the bus necessary to transport disaster equipment. They wish to have continued support to provide this equipment. Once they have attained the goal of a fully-equipped disaster bus a certain amount of upkeep is required.

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President's Optimism On East-West Tension Heads 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. President Eisenhower said at an unusually optimistic press conference in Washington that, make for reduced East-West tension, "I have the feeling that things are on the upswing." For one thing, the President said, more of the world is "beginning to understand the United States is genuinely devoted to peace."

Mr. Eisenhower disclosed that he has been in personal and confidential correspondence within the last three weeks with this wartime friend Marshal Zhukov, new defense minister of Soviet Russia. The President indicated that Zhukov started the exchange.

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In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
President Eisenhower tells reporters in Washington the United States is willing to confer with Red China alone regarding a cease fire in the Formosa area—BUT NOT ON MATTERS AFFECTING NATIONALIST CHINA.

THAT clears the record. Secretary Dulles said this country WILL NOT DEAL ALONE with Red China on ANY matters concerning the Chiang Kai-shek regime. Ike backs up his statement.

Between them, they leave it clear that we'll fight if the Reds attack Formosa.

ANSWERING pointed questions from the reporters at his press conference, the President says he feels peace prospects are getting better.

He adds— It's possible to balance every encouraging development with an ADVERSE development. On the encouraging side, he notes Russia's apparent willingness to agree on an independence treaty for Austria. On the adverse side, he mentions the Red Chinese air buildup on the China mainland opposite Formosa.

LET'S put it this way: If we're to have peace for ourselves, for our children and for our grandchildren we must be ready to fight for it at the drop of a hat—providing the hat is dropped in such a manner as to make it unmistakably plain that the commies want war.

If the Communists WANT WAR, nothing can prevent war.

MEANWHILE— Until we're certain the Communists want war— We must make every honorable effort to keep shooting war from getting started.

THE federal government brings an anti-trust action against the Hilton hotel chain, charging that the Hilton interests violated the anti-trust law when they acquired the Statler hotel properties.

The suit is brought in the federal district court in Washington. It asks that Hilton dispose of some of his properties in New York City, Washington, St. Louis and Los Angeles.

THESE, I'd say, are the questions that need answering: 1. Is Hilton actually MONOPOLIZING THE HOTEL BUSINESS?

2. Or is he merely (in the opinion of the government) GETTING TOO BIG?

IS bigness bad—in itself? I doubt it. It seems to me that in this big country we need bigness. Maybe we don't like it. But in the modern world, with its swiftly expanding technology, it seems to be inevitable. There are big problems in these days and bigness (HONEST bigness) appears to be NECESSARY to handle them.

The problem is WHEN DOES BIGNESS BECOME MONOPOLY?

HERE's a thought: When the filing of the suit became public, Hilton stock dropped up to \$2 a share on the New York Exchange.

Suppose we had dishonest men in our government and before bringing the suit against the Hilton outfit THEY HAD SOLD HILTON STOCK SHORT.

That thought dramatizes our need in these days of bigness in business for ABSOLUTE HONESTY IN GOVERNMENT.

Verdine AWOL Conviction Upset

Frankfurt, Germany —(U.P.)—The U.S. Army Thursday upset the AWOL conviction of Pvt. William A. Verdine, who spent nearly six years in Soviet slave labor camps.

The 28-year-old Starks, La., soldier who was returned by the Russians in January was found guilty of being absent without leave by an Army court martial March 30. He was fined \$396 but was not sentenced to prison on the grounds that he had suffered enough in Soviet captivity.

Maj. Gen. Richard Stephens, the reviewing officer, set aside the conviction on technical

Babson . . . Revolution in Farming

By ROGER W. BABSON
Babson Park, Mass., (Special to Mail Tribune). The small, non-progressive farmer is gradually being forced out of business.

ness. The trend is toward large mechanized farms. I forecast that this trend will continue. The stubborn farmer simply cannot compete, over the long term, with the low-cost mass-production methods of the modern mechanized farm. He has not sufficient land and will not buy the necessary equipment.

Farm income has declined on average about 8 per cent since 1951. This decline has been felt by all farmers, but particularly by the smaller operators whose costs are high. Some have had to close up shop. Those in the Dust Bowl area were dealt another severe blow recently when Federal Crop Insurance was discontinued in certain sections. Withdrawal of this insurance will be felt especially by the small marginal farmer. Banks which heretofore have been willing to make loans to marginal farmers with crop insurance protection are now neither willing nor able to risk their depositors' funds. Someday it may be possible to predict and control the weather. This should be a great help to the farmer, but would apply only to production, not to demand.

Government acreage control has helped the small farmer compete against his bigger brother to the extent that the large mechanized operator has been forced to restrict his output. This, however, is only a stop-gap measure and is unfair to the mass-production farmer because he cannot make full use of his facilities. This reduces his efficiency and ups his costs. Someday mechanized farmers will revolt against this artificial restriction in much the same manner as the discount houses are currently overthrowing the Fair Trade laws.

Push-Button Farming Becoming Possible
Although the day of wholly-mechanized farms is still in the distant future, some amazing devices have been developed and are now in use. The farmer can now push a button to grind, mix, and serve feed to a barnful of cows. Pushing another button changes the feed formula and the machine serves the hogs; pushing a third button prepares and serves feed to the chickens. Talk about the big-city automatic restaurants! Those who have done chores on a farm will readily appreciate the time and back-breaking labor these machines save. I forecast that women will supersede men in running certain farms.

Another valuable machine is grounds. He ruled that Verdine's rights had been prejudiced by the trial officer's failure to admit certain evidence presented by the defense.

"He now has a clean slate as far as the AWOL charges are concerned," Col. G. R. Dougherty, staff judge advocate, said. Dougherty emphasized that Verdine was not acquitted of the charges but added "there will just be no further trial."

Pawnee, Ill. —(U.P.)— Upper grade teachers at a local school had time on their hands today. Pupils of the seventh and eighth grades went on strike because their school stayed on standard time while the town observed daylight saving time.

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the hay and grain dryer, which roughly corresponds to the housewife's clothes dryer. The dryer makes the farmer less dependent on the weather and lets him harvest at his convenience. It reduces spoilage and gives him more value from his crop. In addition, there are machines for planting, spraying, and harvesting, plus countless practical gadgets that make farm work more pleasant and efficient.

Mechanization Impact Expected To Be Gradual
I forecast the future is bright for farmers who have well-located farms and will adopt the new equipment, and for the makers of this new farm equipment, but I fear the days of many stubborn, small marginal farmers are numbered. Fortunately, the impact of mechanization will be gradual, but this is a problem which should be recognized and planned for now by the farmer and his children. Government should get together with industry and try to make this transition as easy as possible. Farm workers especially should face up to the situation realistically.

In industry, the man who finds work in his own line diminishing, turns to another type of business. He frequently does much better in the new endeavor. In this connection, many small farmers and farm workers have nothing to lose. Most farm people have character, courage, and good health. They often have the advantage of being handy with tools. In planning and running their farms they have had valuable administrative and supervisory experience. What does this all mean? To me it means that one of the farmer's sons or daughters might do well to adopt the new conditions and remain with the farm; but the "hired men" with ambition had better get jobs elsewhere. Employers may well use the "Help Wanted" ads in farm areas as job opportunities arise.

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