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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. June 3, 1945. (It was Sunday) Weather bureau officials report total rainfall for May of 4.58 inches, the wettest May ever recorded here.

From Arthur Perry's Ye Smudge Pot column: A news item from Canyon City, in the heart of the cow country, reads: "Though there are thousands of cattle in the hills of Grant county, there is an acute shortage of beef here." Add that up and see if it makes sense.

20 YEARS AGO. June 3, 1935. (It was Monday) Osteopathic clinic and hospital on East Jackson st. to open in three weeks.

Eleven Medford youths receive diplomas at Oregon State college at Corvallis.

30 YEARS AGO. June 3, 1925. (It was Wednesday) State teachers examinations to be held at court house in Jacksonville June 10-13.

California places quarantines of Oregon cherries and potatoes.

40 YEARS AGO. June 3, 1915. (It was Thursday) Jackson county sheriff's officers find burglar's cache on Bear creek near McAndrews rd. believed to belong to robbers of Rogue River bank and Grants Pass depot.

Organization of Water Users' league to be considered at meeting of Rogue valley residents.

What's the Answer? (Can You Get 4 of the 7?) Copr. 1955, Editorial Research Report

1. The Salk polio vaccine is made from live or killed virus? 2. There are now five, four, three, two, one or no Negro members of the U.S. Senate?

3. The engine in a German-made Volkswagen car is cooled by air or water? 4. Evangelist Billy Graham held revival meetings the last week of May in London, New York, Edinburgh, Paris or Chicago?

5. The right not to incriminate oneself is guaranteed in the original Constitution or in an amendment? 6. Hudson seal fur comes from seals; right or wrong? 7. Gerrymanders are animals, political maneuvers, fixed horse races, British army officers, or South American dances?

The Answers: 1. Killed virus. 2. No Negro members. 3. By air. 4. London. 5. In the 5th amendment. 6. Wrong (from muskrats). 7. Political maneuvers.

Tape Recorder Used To Boost Record Sales. Mountain View, Calif.—(U.P.)—Jake Buhler, who sells records and recording machines, has come up with a neat advertising gimmick that whets the appetite of music-lovers.

Each week Buhler makes a master tape recording of musical and religious programs and then invites owners of tape recorders for a re-recording session free of charge.

Through a "patch" system, Buhler can handle six recorders working off his master tape.

Glimpses of the Future

One of mankind's chief preoccupations is attempting to foretell the future. Soothsayers, stargazers, fortune tellers—all have catered to man's insatiable curiosity about what is to be.

The best of the prophets of the future have been those who base their predictions on the present and the past, constructing an extension of things as they now are.

These extensions can be logical, as in the case of the economists (who are, after all, cast in the role of prophets), and statisticians, or intuitional, as in the case of the poets.

REMBER, for instance, what Tennyson had to say in "Locksley Hall"?

For I dipt into the future, far as human eye could see. Saw the Vision of the world, and all the wonder that would be; Saw the heavens fill with commerce, argosies of magic sails.

Pilots of the purple twilight, dropping down with costly bales; Heard the heavens filled with shouting, and there rain'd a ghastly dew

From the nations' airy navies grappling in the central blue; Far along the world-wide whisper of the south-wind rushing warm,

With the standards of the peoples plunging thro' the thunderstorm; Till the war-drum throbb'd no longer, and the battle-lags were furld

In the Parliament of man, the Federation of the world. There the common sense of most shall hold a fretful realm in awe,

And the kindly earth shall slumber, lapt in universal law.

TENNYSON'S predictions, made during the last century, have about 50 per cent come to pass. It is to be hoped the rest of his vision, too, will come about.

The prophecies of the economists and statisticians, while phrased in more prosaic form and usually covering a shorter period of time, have more currency these days than do those of the poets.

But still they are often looked upon with suspicion.

HOW can they know, for instance, that the population of the United States in 1975, 20 years from now, will be 220,982,000, as has been predicted by the U.S. bureau of the census?

They can't, of course, know, down to the last decimal point, but the actions of large groups of people are predictable, to a high degree (barring unforeseen circumstances—such as an atomic war, for instance).

The pattern of age groups within this country's population is revealing, too, of changes which are going to take place in the economy—how the working force will or will not meet the productive needs of the nation, as an example, or how the schools and universities are going to have to meet a fantastically huge growth in enrollments.

IT was only last week that the population of the United States hit the 165,000,000 mark, according to the census bureau's estimates. The forecast of an increase of some 33 per cent in the next 20 years brings up other questions which are even more basic and puzzling, in the long run, than those of the schools and employment.

One writer, in a half-serious, half-fanciful vein, took as a presupposition the theory that the earth's population of about 2 1/2 billion will continue to increase at its present rate of about 1.2 per cent each year.

At this rate, he says, in 7,000 years the resulting population would total some ten billion trillion-trillion men, women and children. That many bodies, he concludes, would fill all the space in the known universe.

FANTASTIC? Surely. But it gives a hint as to that long-range problem. At the present rate of increase, mankind before too many years will face overcrowding. At the present rate, it will face starvation.

The problem is not immediate, to be sure, but barring a reversal of the population trend, or the decimation of war or disease, it is a problem which will increasingly face our children, and theirs.—E.A.

The Home Inspections

Medford firemen this week are winding up a month-long project which has as its aim the prevention of future fires, and the resulting loss of property and, possibly, of lives.

We refer to the program of home inspections which they have been offering to every resident of the city. It's been a big job, and in our view an important one.

IT would be pleasant to report that they have met with 100 per cent cooperation from Medford homeowners and occupants, but the fact is that a small percentage have refused the firemen admittance to their homes—for what reason we have no idea.

Other than that, however, the record is good. Many of the homes inspected were free from the most common causes of fire, and in many others one or two hints by firemen caused them to be removed.

The program should pay off in fewer fires, and the department has earned compliments on this prevention job.—E.A.

Judge Asks Help On Juvenile Problems. Chicago—(U.P.)—Judge Harold P. O'Connell of family court has asked 22 prominent persons on university staffs and members of civic organizations to help him with juvenile problems.

The judge said he wants a committee to work out better ways of handling the cases of youngsters. He also said he hopes that training courses can be given him by probation officers.

IS THAT SO!

By Eugene Burns. Boston-Naturalist

Oslo, With SAS—Delayed—Who am I?

To give life, almost all of us die—our bodies providing food for our young. During our most strenuous months, we fast—losing up to 45 per cent of our weight. During our early years, we have a distinctive coat: as we approach the end, females become plumper while males become slender, take on a bright hue, and occasionally develop a grotesque jaw. Females build nests.

Our native home is in northern waters. Our mature weight may run from 4 to 40 pounds, and in rare instances, 80. We are cold-blooded, and have a two-chambered heart, many prize us for our flesh.

Along my sides I have a set of pores through which my nerves "feel."

Except for those confined in lakes, all of us pass our first few months or years in fresh-water streams where we grow slowly; our middle life is spent in the

ocean where we grow tremendously fast; and we always come back in our old age to our parent river, in fact to the very spot where we were infants. To do so, we overcome rapids, cataracts, and unbroken falls as high as 12 feet.

When the female deposits her comparatively large eggs in the nest by the thousands, the male simultaneously spreads his milt. The embryo bursts out of its elastic shell in early spring. For the next six weeks, it is nourished by the yolk sac which it absorbs.

Although I am among man's most valuable crops, in many areas he has destroyed me with dams which I cannot surmount, by diverting and polluting the water, destroying my spawning grounds, and netting too many of my numbers. Besides there are my natural enemies—otters, ospreys, fishers, seals and such. I'm lucky if one adult results from 3,000 eggs.

I am: A. Eel. B. Salmon. C. Porpoise. D. Lamprey. E. Sea Otter.

I am B, a salmon. (Released by McClure Newspaper Syndicate)

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When Jack London Was Here. To the Editor: Needless to say we were always an admirer of the late novelist and author of Western and Alaskan gold-rush and dog stories by the famous writer Jack London, who's earthly abode ended sometime in the year 1916.

We suspect there are yet quite a number of people here who remember some of London's exploits through the Rogue River valley in 1909, driving four gray horses to a reconstructed stage coach.

We stopped off at Glen Ellen, Sonoma county, Calif., one time to see his much adored Valley of the Moon ranch as he had named his last hideaway and writer's den on the acquired ranch. In Jack's last years he did not find much time for leisure or to relax due to the fact he so enjoyed riding horses around the big farm daily. We had a letter from Mr. London in the early part of 1916, saying he simply "was worked to death." Somehow we lost that much prized letter, but Jack London's name and books will always remain in our memory and live with us.

London also wrote some very interesting short stories in Sunset magazine about persons and places he visited in southern Oregon. As some of the best "shorts" were written in 1912 that are referred to here, we regret now not saving some of those old stories enjoyed in years past in Sunset and others. Perhaps all collectors' items now.

Bert Kissingmer, 520 Boardman Medford, Ore.

Release of Airmen By Red China Tops Good 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. The Chinese Communists freed four United States Air Force officers whom they had

imprisoned for more than two years in flagrant violation of the Korean armistice. The Reds said they took their action in a move toward reducing international tension. There were indications that the Communists soon would free 11 more airmen whom they had sentenced as "spies." Encouraged by the new atmosphere, the United States tried to get the release also of 52 additional Americans—41 civilians and 11 Navy and Coast Guard men—believed still held in China. President Eisenhower, however, urged caution in assessing the motives of the Communists in their altered attitude.

2. Nikita S. Khrushchev, Russian Communist Party boss, and Premier Nikolai A. Bulganin failed in an attempt to get President Tito of Yugoslavia to return to the Soviet bloc of nations. Tito is now arranging to tell the United States, Britain and France about the visit and it is understood, to ask additional military aid of them.

3. Russia and Japan opened negotiations in London for a

Japanese peace treaty. Russia had to seek the negotiations in an attempt to keep Japan from rearming as an ally of the free world. Japan, which needs foreign trade, would establish good relations with Russia. But there was every indication it would remain allied with the west.

THE BAD. 1. Queen Elizabeth II proclaimed a state of emergency in Britain because of a strike by 70,000 railroad engineers and firemen. The strike threatened to paralyze British industry and even to endanger the food supply. A strike by nearly 20,000 dock workers made the situation more serious.

2. France faced a new crisis in North Africa. Seeking to end the terrorism which has swept the protectorates of Tunisia and Morocco since the end of World War II, Premier Edgar Faure negotiated a home rule agreement for Tunisia. The agreement could be a model for a similar one in Morocco. But Faure may not be able to get the Tunisian agreement through Parliament. He is also confronted by serious terrorism in Algeria, which is a part of France itself politically.

3. The Communists, in a new move in their "baby blockade" of West Berlin, cut the telephone lines which link the stations of the important elevated railroad operating in West and East Berlin. Red East Berlin controls the railroad. By cutting the telephone lines, the Communists endangered passenger and freight service in West Berlin. The elevated line serves 15,000,000 West Berlin passengers a month.

On The Side

By E. V. Durling

(Distributed by King Features Syndicate, Inc.) If one should give me a heart to keep, With love for the golden key, The silver might live at ease or sleep; It should ne'er know pain, be weary, or weep. The heart watched over by me. —O'Shaughness Shavehness

Members of the Lucy Stone League retain their maiden names after marriage. For example Lucy Stone, the founder, was married to Henry Brown Blackwell. She never used the name Mrs. Blackwell. Always adhered to Lucy Stone. Said she retained her maiden name as an indication she had not lost her individuality by marriage. Now some career women are going even further as to the name angle. Take Dr. Edith Summerskill, celebrated British career woman. She is married to Dr. Jeffrey Samuel. The couple have two children, Michael and Shirley. And so what? Well, sir, even though their parents are still living together the children have passed up their father's name and taken that of their mother. That is, they are known as Michael Summerskill and Shirley Summerskill. By the way, Mister, does your wife ever worry about marriage having stifled her individuality?

Asking. Queries from clients. Q. Is there such a name as Jacquenetta? That's what my wife wants to call our first girl baby. A. Jacquenetta is the name of a Shakespearean character in "Love's Labor Lost." Never knew anybody having that name. It's a nice name, but it will make no difference if your daughter is so named—everybody will call her "Jackie" anyhow. . . . Q. What major league ball player was known as "The Tabasco Kid"? A. Norman Elberfeld. He played shortstop for the New York American League team.

Sidelights. Nina Wilcox Putnam once reduced 56 pounds in seven months and tells how she did it in a book titled "Tomorrow We Diet" . . . U. S. Army engineers who constructed a two mile highway in Korea named it "Marilyn Monroe Road." It has 23 curves.

That Bite. In Chile the tax on pari-mutuel race track wagering is 27 per cent. Those Chilean horse players must be gluttons for punishment. Here in the United States it is 15 per cent plus breakage at New York tracks. In Maryland, lowest of all States has to pari-mutuel "bite," it is only 10 per cent. Except at half mile and harness tracks, where it is 12 per cent. Should be 5 per cent and no breakage at all tracks. Which, in fact, it was in Maryland not so many years ago.

Among the Married. It was Dr. Edmund Bergler, author of that extremely interesting book titled "Fashion and the Unconscious," who said for a husband to call his wife "baby" is ridiculous. The husband, says the good doctor, is always the "baby" of the family. Horses & Women. Suppose a young woman whose height is around five feet two wants to appear much taller. First, of course, she uses three or four inch heels. The second thing to do is to hold the head high. Surprising what an illusion of height that can give.

Eisenhower Given Jewish Honor for Role in War II

Washington—(U.P.)—The United Jewish Appeal presented its first Humanitarian Achievement Award to President Eisenhower today "for his help to survivors of Nazism" during World War II.

The award was an ancient clay lamp "from the land of the Bible" recovered during archaeological excavations in Israel.

William M. Rosenwald, general chairman, and 11 other national officers of the Appeal made the presentation in recognition of Mr. Eisenhower's "liberation of the victims of Nazi tyranny."

They cited Mr. Eisenhower for his "inspiring and unforgettable role in that great event."

Led Allied Forces. A citation read by Rosenwald said in part: ". . . you led the Allied forces to victory, threw down the gates of the concentration camps and helped to save from extermination the remnant of the once-great Jewish populations of Europe.

By your sympathetic understanding of the problems involved and by your effective action, you set a pattern of humane and helpful treatment. Your example prevailed in the American zones of occupation and served to revive and restore the newly liberated Jews of central Europe and those who sought haven there."

UJA will open a two-day national conference Saturday to plan its 1955 nationwide drive for funds. It describes itself "the major American agency providing funds for distressed Jews overseas and immigrants to Israel."

Four Outstanding Farmers Selected. Minneapolis—(U.P.)—Four young men who made a success of farming against heavy odds were named by the Junior Chamber of Commerce last night as America's four outstanding young farmers of 1955.

They were Homer R. Beedle, 31, Cle Elum, Wash., Alvin H. Hanson, 34, Stanton, Mich., Clinton J. Harbers, 33, West Point, Tex., and Jack G. Thomson, 32, Buttonwillow, Calif.

Beedle was chosen because he developed a top dairy farm in an area classed by loan institutions as "uneconomical." Hanson built up a rundown 560-acre farm worth \$40,000 into a \$250,000 business. Harbers ran a top-grade 620-acre farm while caring for a family of seven and sending two brothers and two sisters through college. Thomson achieved an outstanding truck farm on alkaline land in San Joaquin Valley.

It was the first time the organization has chosen outstanding young farmers on a national level. Farmers between the ages of 21 and 35 were eligible.

Low-Grade Roughages Urged in Sheep Feeding. Chicago—(U.P.)—Sheep can be self-fed without danger of enterotoxemia, or overeating disease, if a high level of salt, ground corn cobs or low-grade roughages are added to food concentrates, according to a University of Illinois scientist.

C. E. Schoettle of the veterinary medicine college said that, in addition to requiring less work, self-feeding did not cause any cases of pregnancy disease.

Bred ewes, Schoettle says, should have one pound of concentrate per head per day in addition to a good quality leached hay or silage.

DOUBLE JEOPARDY. Knoxville, Tenn.—(U.P.)—Mrs. Mae Rhoden divorced Charles Rhoden twice within three years, both times on the grounds he has another wife. Mrs. Rhoden said he tricked her a second time after their first breakup, pretending he had obtained a divorce.

WHAT of the dams that are being built (and planned) to convert falling water into power? Will they become outdated and useless? I doubt it. As power becomes more abundant—and therefore cheaper—the USES OF POWER will expand fantastically. I have a notion that we will need, and use, ALL KINDS OF POWER.

A thought in closing: The bill to ask the federal government to do more research in converting salt water into fresh water was introduced in the California legislature by a woman—Assemblywoman Sandra Sankary, of San Diego.

We're ADDING THE POWER OF WOMEN'S BRAINS, you see, to the power of men's brains. That should mean something. There was a time in the world when women weren't supposed to have brains.

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BRITISH SAID DISSATISFIED. Moscow—(U.P.)—The Soviet magazine Literary Gazette charged today that the British rail strike was a direct result of Britain's "unbearable military expenditures." It said it was "a question of the British people's dissatisfaction with their situation, a result of the country's economic difficulties."

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