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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
Oct. 3, 1945
(Sixty-one building permits issued in September, greatest monthly total since July, 1943.)

From Arthur Perry's Ye Smudge Pot column: The Republican party has been advised to lay out a labor relations program, that will not lay out the Republican party.

20 YEARS AGO
Oct. 3, 1935
Community Chest campaign to get underway Oct. 9, General Chairman M. N. Hogan and Chest Manager Frank Hull announce.

Annual Jackson county Teachers institute for more than 300 teachers to start tomorrow.

30 YEARS AGO
Oct. 3, 1925
California Oregon Power company and Eagle Point assure people Medford has all the water rights of Big Butte Springs. Jackson county sheriff's deputy indicted by grand jury on charges of malfeasance and neglect in office and receiving and delaying service of arrest warrant.

40 YEARS AGO
Oct. 3, 1915
Medford loses suit with California Oregon Power company in Portland federal district court; company granted right to purchase city's power plant for \$20,000.

Jackson county district attorney, E. E. Kelly, warns hunters shooting from highways.

What's the Answer?

Can You Get 4 of the 7?
Copr. 1955, Editorial Research Report
1. Are delinquencies in payments relatively high, low or average in this period of record high installment credit?
2. Community Chests and similar Funds plan to raise this year a total of \$0, 100, 200 or 300 million dollars?
3. Largest U.S. food chain is the A&P. Second largest is First National, Safeway, Giant, Kroger or Food Fair?
4. Babe Ruth played in 10 different World Series, averaging one home run to a series, or less or more than one?
5. Which one of these states is perfectly rectangular: Massachusetts, Tennessee, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Colorado.
6. Less than half, about half, or more than half of all Americans belong to some church?
7. "Love apples" is an old term for Grimes Golders, mistletoe, sweet potatoes, grape fruit, tomatoes or persimmons?
The Answers: 1. Relatively low. 2. \$300,000,000. 3. Safeway. 4. More than one (15 in 10). 5. Colorado. 6. More than half. 7. Tomatoes.
FUTURE FARMERS LEAVE
Portland (U.P.)—Some 95 schoolboys from Oregon and Washington will leave here Friday for the 28th annual national convention of Future Farmers of America. The meet will be held in Kansas City, Mo., Oct. 10-13.

A Broader Base

Medford is no longer a little town. With a population estimated at about 20,000, it is now a small city.
This growth is being reflected in many ways, but the one we wish to speak of today is in "municipal administration." That rather pompous phrase simply means the things that city officials do to get along, and to meet the changing problems posed by the growth of a city.

THERE have been several progressive periods during the history of Medford (the far-sightedness of earlier public servants in providing us with what is probably the best city water supply in the nation is an example), and we would judge the past half-dozen or so years to be another similar period of progress.

During that time a new water pipeline has been provided to insure our continued supply of water; the fire and police departments have been expanded and modernized; a library annex has been placed in service; traffic and street surveys have been made and a long-range program of improvements begun; the airport has been vastly improved and a beautiful administration building constructed; the city administration itself has been revised, and the old mayor-council form of government has been supplanted by the council-manager type.

THESE changes have not been without municipal aches and pains. There have been occasional battles and disagreements, with their attendant bitterness and recrimination.

But in the main, Medford has developed and grown with relatively little fuss and bother—compared to some other cities we could name. That it has done so is to the credit of those who have accepted the responsibilities of city government, and of those voters who have had the foresight to "go along" with the improvements, some of which have been expensive.

SOME of the difficulties which underlie the problems themselves were pointed out in a recent issue of the American Municipal News:

Local governments are smack up against construction needs more urgent than those facing the federal government or the states. It is the counties, school districts and municipalities that bear the brunt of population shifts and that mirror the results of the nation's rapid urbanization and expanding population.

The capacity of local government to finance the needed improvements is adequate from an economic point of view. Hampering tax rate limits, outmoded debt limits and restrictive state control of local finances gum up the works in preventing local government from utilizing its basic fiscal ability. Needed are new thoughts and concepts on local financing and a broadening of the market for local bond issues.

But the problems are not all financial (although it must be pointed out that none of them can be solved without adequate supplies of that very necessary ingredient—money).

SOME of the problems lie simply in the mechanisms upon which we depend to get the work done. The change to the city manager form of government in Medford, for instance, is a step forward. But that in itself does not guarantee good government.

In making the change, all those involved must understand the new lines of responsibility and authority. There are signs that this is being done in Medford.

At the same time, as the executive authority is centralized, it is to the advantage of the city to broaden the base of participation and understanding. As the city council becomes more acquainted with its role as a policy-making body only, it finds an increased need for advice from a broader range of the citizenry than can serve in an elected capacity.

THE growth in stature of the city planning commission, which more and more is assuming an important role not only in technical matters of zoning but also in long-range planning and research, is an example of this broadened base, and a healthy one.

The same applies to the move which has resulted in the citizens' budget committee deciding to hold monthly meetings throughout the year—not just a few meetings at budget-making time. By doing this, the members can gain a greater understanding of the needs of each city department; they can find out if there is any surplus "fat" being appropriated, and, conversely, they can find out in what areas, if any, the city is suffering for lack of appropriations.

It appears obvious, for instance, that the city, to keep up with the physical needs of growth, is going to have to ask the people for a tax increase next year. It will be up to the people to decide whether or not they are willing to pay for the continuation of progress which has marked the city in the past few years.

THE budget committee, in dealing with the problems of finance on a monthly basis, and with "nothing to lose," so to speak, except their hours of service, will be in a better position than the elected members of the council to assess these needs, to interpret them to the voters, and to make recommendations based upon a solid acquaintanceship of the actual problems.

We have a healthy respect for the basic horse sense of the voters of Medford, and would be willing to stake a lot on their ability and willingness to assume the responsibilities of citizenship, provided only they have adequate information.

By widening participation in the affairs of the city, we are hopeful that everyone will be able to gain a keener awareness of what is needed, and the sacrifices which will be required to fulfill the needs.—E.A.

Matter of Fact By Stewart Alsop

HAS THE KREMLIN MELLOWED?
Washington — If there is one sentence which describes the basic underlying assumption of American policy throughout the Cold War, it is this:



"The United States has it in its power to increase enormously the strains under which Soviet policy must operate... and in this way to promote tendencies which must eventually find their outlet in either the break-up or the gradual mellowing of Soviet power."

The sentence comes from the famous "Mr. X" article by former policy planner and Ambassador to Russia George F. Kennan. The article, which first outlined the "policy of containment," was written in 1947. Ever since, with some twistings and turnings, containment of Soviet power has been the policy of the United States.

This seems a good time to ask, therefore, whether the containment policy is actually working—whether the "gradual mellowing of Soviet power" foreseen by Kennan has actually begun to happen. And a good man to ask seems Kennan himself, the author of the containment policy.

This reporter accordingly made Milan, where Kennan was attending a meeting of the Congress of Cultural Freedom, his last port of call in a three-month tour of the Soviet Union and Western Europe.

The Congress brought together 150 or so leading intellectuals and political thinkers of the non-Communist world.

The Congress was worth attending because, although those present disagreed strongly and articulately about every other matter, they were almost unanimously agreed on two points:

First, there has been a real change in the Soviet Union. But second, this change confronts the West with a period of very great danger.

To understand both points, it is necessary to examine the real nature of the change that has taken place. To use Kennan's phrase, the "morbid and irrational" aspect of the Soviet regime have largely disappeared since the death of Joseph Stalin.

THE morbid and irrational aspects of the regime were in part the products of a quarter-century of ruthless one-man rule; in part, of the increasingly neurotic fears and suspicions of the aging Stalin. The results of the sweeping away of these aspects of the regime are obvious, both internally and externally.

Internally, the experts at Milan agreed, the most striking post-Stalin phenomenon is the downgrading of the power of the secret police. The MVD is now headed by a career man, who reports to the President as a whole rather than to any individual.

To emphasize the dominance of the party over the police, the MVD has been publicly stripped of the power to arrest a Communist Party member, without the prior approval of the local party committee.

In the Day's News
By FRANK JENKINS
President Eisenhower's condition continues to improve—which is wonderful. Every day that passes takes another day from the two weeks the doctors say will be the critical period. Hopes are running high.

BUT—There's always a cloud on the horizon. The dispatches report that Egypt's decision to BUY ARMS from Communist Czechoslovakia has brought grave concern in Washington. The United States is described as having the makings of a first class crisis on its hands in the Middle East with the danger of a new Arab-Israeli war in the background.

I SUPPOSE things like that just HAVE to go with world leadership. It's too bad we can't turn both of them over our knee for a good spanking.

THE National Safety Council reports that heavy summer vacation travel has boosted the nation's TOTAL traffic death toll for the first eight months of this year. The figure up to Sept. 1 was 23,470 as compared with 22,430 for the same period in 1954.

On the basis of mileage the council reported a more favorable figure. For the first seven months of 1955, the death rate was 5.8 for each 100,000,000 miles, which is the lowest seven-month figure on record.

THAT is to say: MORE PEOPLE have been killed in traffic this year, but MORE PEOPLE have been traveling MORE CAR MILES.

WHAT is the answer to the traffic hazard? THE BEST ANSWER is BETTER DRIVING. That is up to each individual driver.

Party Committee. At the same time, there is hard evidence, much discussed at Milan, that the whole labor camp system, which used to be a special empire of the secret police, is being reorganized root and branch. Thousands of prisoners have been amnestied and the living conditions of the others rendered more tolerable.

The subordination of the secret police power has in turn led to an easier atmosphere of life for the ordinary Soviet citizen. But this does not mean for a moment that the Soviet system will not be abandoned, to use Party Secretary Khrushchev's colorful phrase, "until shrimps learn to whistle." The new regime has merely shuffled off those internal aspects of the Soviet system which were irrational and therefore unprofitable.

The "new" Soviet foreign policy is equally no more than a shuffling off of the irrational and the unprofitable. It was a simple act of reason on the part of the new regime to end the incredibly stupid Stalinist policies toward Yugoslavia and Austria. In the same way, it is no more than rational to wish to avoid any major risk of nuclear war and the new Soviet rulers undoubtedly do want to avoid this risk.

In this sense, there has been a "mellowing of Soviet power," internally and externally. But is a return to reason in the Kremlin really an undiluted blessing for the West? Is it not possible that an intelligent and rational Soviet policy will hold far greater dangers for the West, and especially for the United States, than a morbid and irrational Soviet policy?

The majority of those gathered at Milan believed that the answer to both questions was "Yes." They believed that, under the new circumstances, to paraphrase the sentence quoted above, "The Soviet Union has it in its power to increase enormously the strains under which American policy must operate."

Among those who so believed was the author of the famous article on which American policy has so long been based. (Copyright, 1955, New York Herald Tribune Inc.)

SP Official Slates Talk on Car Supply

Robert H. Holmes, Medford district freight and passenger agent for the Southern Pacific railroad, will speak at a meeting of the Medford Junior Chamber of Commerce at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, at the Jackson hotel it was announced today.

Holmes will discuss the freight car supply situation in southern Oregon. Gordon Klope, a member of the club and an SP employee, will introduce the speaker.

Final plans for the Jaycees fall board meeting at Ontario, Ore., on Oct. 6, 7, and 8, will be given by Dick Bowers. Some 50 Jaycees from the state will attend. The meeting will serve as a kick-off for a number of Jaycee projects. Tom Reeder, a Medford Jaycee, is state safety chairman.

EXPRESSWAY OPENED
Portland (U.P.)—The 14-mile Banfield expressway was opened Saturday from Troutdale to NE 42nd ave. here. When completed the route, designed to speed flow of traffic just east of Portland, will have cost \$17,000,000.

Brazilian Election May Lead To Period Of Political Turmoil

By CHARLES M. McCANN
United Press Correspondent
Brazil, the largest country in Latin America, may be in for a period of political turmoil.

About 10,000,000 of Brazil's 54,000,000 men and women are voting for a president today.

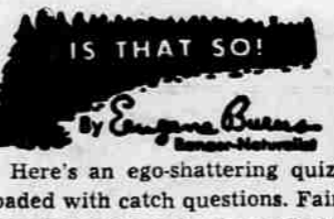
But the Army may prove the determining factor. It was the Army that forced out President Getulio Vargas on Aug. 24, 1954, and caused him to shoot himself through the heart.

Generals Watching Vote
The generals are watching today's vote closely. If they do not like the way things go, they may step in. That might mean a military dictatorship and consequent trouble.

There are four candidates for the presidency. The leading one is Juscelino Kubitschek, candidate of the Social Democratic, Labor and Republican parties.

The Army does not like Kubitschek, though it probably would tolerate him as president—a watchful toleration.

But the Army detests the



Here's an ego-shattering quiz, loaded with catch questions. Fair warning: read each one carefully before you embark upon the answer. Get three right and you're normal; six makes you a wizard. You'll find the bad news after the questions. All Set? Let's go... but take it easy.

1.—Two fathers and two sons went for a walk in the woods and each saw a squirrel yet none saw the same one. Only three squirrels were seen. Why?

2.—What is the smallest number of geese that could possibly swim in this formation: two geese in front of a goose; two geese behind a goose; and a goose between two geese?

3.—The number of eggs in a basket doubles every ten minutes. The basket is full of eggs in one hour. When was the basket half full?

4.—If five cats can kill five rats in five minutes, how long will it take 100 cats to kill 100 rats?

5.—Take five oranges from seven oranges and what have you got?

6.—A rope ladder seven feet long is hanging over the side of a boat. The rungs are a foot apart and the bottom rung is resting on the surface of the ocean. The tide rises at the rate of six inches an hour. When will the first two rungs be covered with water?

Answers: 1.—They were grandfather, father and son—the father being both a father and a son.

2.—Three in a row, one goose behind the other.

3.—In 50 minutes. If the basket is full in 60 minutes, it was half full ten minutes earlier, or at the end of 50 minutes.

4.—It takes each cat five minutes to kill a rat, hence five minutes.

5.—Naturally, five oranges.

6.—The ladder which is attached to the ship rises with the tide—hence, never.

Hate me? Well, I've saved the real monster to spring on your friends. A man lives on the eighth floor of an apartment building which has a self-service elevator. Each night he invariably rides up to the fourth floor, gets out and walks up the remaining four flights to his apartment. In the mornings he always rides down all the way. Why? Answer: The man was a midget. He could only reach as high as the fourth floor push button when it came to going up. Coming down, he could push the first floor button easily. That even things up, doesn't it?

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Putnam Mourns Death Of Judge TouVelle; Describes His Career

(Editor's Note: This is another in a series of articles by George Putnam, editor emeritus of the Salem Capital-Journal and former editor and publisher of the Mail Tribune, reprinted from the Salem newspaper. Today he recalls some of his memories of Judge Frank L. TouVelle, Jacksonville, a long-time personal friend, who died last week.)

By GEORGE PUTNAM

A distinguished pioneer and builder of good highways in Oregon, Judge Frank L. TouVelle passed away at his residence in Jacksonville Wednesday evening from a heart attack at the age of 85. Though born in Kansas he spent his early years in Ohio, where at the age of 20 he was elected treasurer of Mercer county, serving from 1892 to 97. TouVelle was a graduate of the Cincinnati Law school when William Howard Taft, afterwards president and chief justice of the United States, was its dean and a member of the legal fraternity Phi Delta Phi.

TouVelle came to Medford in 1905 and invested heavily in apple and pear orchards. During the fruit boom that followed he reaped a small fortune. His shrewdness and good judgment won him the nickname of "Lucky TouVelle." He still owns one of the finest come pear orchard in Rogue River valley. Elected County Judge

TouVelle was elected county judge of Jackson county, 1913-1919 on a good roads platform, after a hot campaign. After prolonged attempts the state constitution was amended to permit both state and counties to vote bonds for highways and the Jackson county voters authorized a \$500,000 bond issue to construct and pave the first unit of the Pacific highway between Central Point and Ashland and the grade over the Siskiyou mountains to the California line. Gov. Oswald West and Samuel Hill stumped the county for good roads.

TouVelle declined to seek reelection. In 1935 he was appointed by Governor Martin as state highway commissioner, resigning when Martin met defeat in the Democratic primaries. While he was on the commission, Highway 99 over the Siskiyou was relocated and constructed on its present route, as was Highway 101 along the Oregon coast.

Adopts Youths
In 1916 TouVelle married Elizabeth Blosser of Chillicothe, Ohio. She died in 1932. After her death TouVelle's greatest hobby was in semi-adopting training an educating neglected and underprivileged youths and giving them a chance by their own development and industry, and sending those qualified to college. Those so helped justified his efforts and are a credit to their benefactor whom they idolize.

When the Potter Palmer estate of Chicago decided to sell their huge ranch and orchard property on the Rogue river near Medford, TouVelle purchased over a thousand acres, mostly rich river bottom land on both sides of the Rogue above and below Bybee bridge for a mile.

TouVelle State Park
Some of the land was taken over by the government for Camp White during World War II but a 50-acre tract of river point from Bybee bridge to the mouth of Bear creek was donated to the state as a tourist and campers park, a beautiful spot, with swimming and camping facilities—a fitting memorial for the donor and his wife and named TouVelle State park.

The writer has known Judge TouVelle nearly half a century,

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in daily contact with him for the first dozen years and seen him frequently since. He was sincere and generous to a fault "with charity to all and malice towards none," true to his friends and will be greatly missed by those who really knew him. He was a successful orchardist and farmer and knew how to make a profit all along the line. In politics he was a Democrat and in religion a Methodist and his demise a state and community loss. "Green be the turf above thee Friend of my better days, None knew thee but to love thee Nor named thee but to praise."

Order of Arrow Conference Calls Local Scouters

Ten Medford Boy Scouts and Scouters last week end attended the annual conference of the Order of the Arrow, the honor camping organization of the Scouts. The meeting was held at the Eugene council camp at Siltcoos lake, near Florence.

Those from here are members of the Mazama lodge of the order. Craig Phillips, Medford, has been state lodge chief of the order for the past year, and presided at the session. Jim Boyd, also Medford, was one of the discussion leaders. About 200 boys and men from throughout the state attended.

Three Honored
Three Medford scouters, Scout Executive Cliff Hanson, Field Executive Larry Lundin, and volunteer leader Martin Johnson, were honored by the "vigil" honor, which is national recognition of outstanding leadership in the order. Seven men were so honored this week end, and only 14 in the state have earned the award. Hanson has been state leader of the Order of the Arrow for four years.

Others attending the conference from here were Byron Schroeder, Mike Forbes, Randall Stothers and Dick and Jim Corum. Next year's meeting will be near Portland.

The conference dealt with the purpose of the order, how it benefits scouting and scouts, its relationship with scouting, and similar topics.

What Healed the Boy?

GEO. N. TAYLOR
"Come heal my son or he will die." So said the nobleman to Jesus. At that Jesus answered the man—"Except you see signs and wonders you will not believe. So it was that Jesus must go to the boy and do some miracle or the man would not believe. But instead of that, the man came back with "Come at once or my boy will die." Jesus saw faith in the man and honored it with "Go your way, your son lives." So the man went and he found that his boy had come out of the fever at the very time that Jesus told him the boy lived. Seeing the miracle the man and his whole household believed. John 4:46-53.

You also have God's gift of eternal life when you receive Christ into your heart as the Eternal Son of God who died for your every last sin. From then on God builds you up by His word, the Bible.

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