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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. 10, 1945
(It was Wednesday)
G. B. Goddard, superintendent of Jacksonville schools, announces school lunch program jointly sponsored by U. S. department of agriculture and school district.

From Arthur Perry's Ye Smudge Pot column: The friendly Espee has put on another passenger train to the south, for autoists to try and knock off the crossing.

20 YEARS AGO
Oct. 10, 1935
(It was Thursday)
Total of \$470,444 allotted to Jackson county for WPA work, including \$32,340 for airport improvement; \$437,000 for highway improvement.

Eugene Thorndike, president of the Community Chest, announces fund campaign is gratifying and urges residents to reach quota.

30 YEARS AGO
Oct. 10, 1925
(It was Saturday)
Emily Brown was elected president of Girls League of Medford High school; Mary Edwards, elected vice-president; Helen Lantis, secretary; Ruth Lawrence, treasurer.

Billy Sunday considers conducting an extended evangelistic campaign at Ashland for southern Oregon.

40 YEARS AGO
Oct. 10, 1915
(It was Sunday)
Twelve indictments, 10 of them for selling whiskey to Indians, returned by federal grand jury here.

From Local and Personal column: Many of the farmers of the Rogue River valley are making apple cider, and the home product will soon be on the market. This is the only large apple producing center in the world that does not make enough vinegar for its own use.

Reserve Program Grows

Military reserve activity is undergoing a sharp upswing in the Medford area. It is in large part stimulated by the 1955 Military Reserve act, which gives young men a greater impetus to partake in reserve programs.

We were talking to Col. William Prentice, senior Army reserve officer in the area, about the situation the other day, and he pointed out that, military preparedness considerations aside, the enlarged program will have a considerable economic effect in Medford, as well.

The annual payroll of Army reserve units alone, he said, will total nearly half a million dollars a year—a fairly substantial amount. In all, nearly 500 men will be engaged in the reserve program, with the possibility of later increases.

IN ALL, there will be five Army reserve units and one Navy reserve unit, as well as Medford's two National Guard companies. There is a possibility that another unit, possibly Air Force, can be established here.

Four of the Army units are on an active, pay-earning status; the other is a training unit composed of about 15 officers who receive no pay, but who are constantly studying staff and command procedures to keep themselves in readiness.

HERE is a description of the reserve groups:

Headquarters and Headquarters company of the 417th Aviation Engineering Brigade. Colonel Prentice will command the unit, although the table of organization calls for a brigadier general. The company calls for a complement of 29 officers, 6 warrant officers and 33 enlisted men, a total of 118. The unit's task is to supervise and administer Army construction battalions, as many as 10 of them possibly, or a total of more than 10,000 men. The battalions' mission is to construct and maintain air fields in support of the Air Force.

Headquarters and Headquarters company, 2nd battalion, 413th Infantry regiment, 104th division. Maj. Robert A. Elliott, as battalion commander, will also command the company, which will consist of 125 to 150 men at full strength. The battalion is composed of several rifle companies, which will be administered by the headquarters outfit.

Company G, of the same battalion. Capt. Donald Gray will be commanding officer, and will also have 125 to 150 men. Company G will be a rifle company.

Headquarters and Headquarters detachment, 382nd Quartermaster battalion. This is a "carry-over" unit, as the other three are newly organized. It is commanded by Lt. Col. Jack Hartley, who has 25 men in the detachment. Its task is to serve as headquarters for between four and six quartermaster companies, up to 600 men.

The 6402nd Logistical command (training). This non-pay unit is commanded by Col. Clifford O. Lovejoy, and is active principally in correspondence courses and other forms of military study.

The only Navy unit is Naval Reserve Electronics division 13-5. Commanding officer is Lt. Cmdr. John D. Simmons, who took over command last week from Cmdr. Rodney Keating. There are 59 officers and men in the unit, which is now at full strength.

THE Aviation Engineering Brigade will be activated at ceremonies at the Medford High school auditorium a week from tomorrow evening. The guests of honor will include Maj. Gen. William F. Dean, winner of the Congressional Medal of Honor for his part in the Korean conflict prior to his capture by the Red Chinese, and Gov. Paul Patterson, as well as a number of other military dignitaries, among them Maj. Gen. Lamar Tooze, commanding general of the 104th division.

Colonel Prentice has explained that because Medford is one of the major population centers of this general area, three of the units are headquarters organizations. The units they supervise will be scattered throughout southern Oregon and northern California, and the local units themselves will draw on a large territory to fill their ranks.

THE colonel also said that, as "the word gets around" about the various ways in which young men can fulfill their military obligation, interest in the reserve program is increasing.

Some of the options offer draft-exemption; others offer varying length of active service. But all young men, under the new program, will have a certain period of reserve time to serve, and the units are therefore virtually assured of a continuing supply of manpower.

The reserve plan is one which contributes greatly to national defense. In addition, it offers considerable opportunities to young men of military age, in military preparation, in pay, in vocational skills, and in other ways.

We wish the units success in their tasks.—E.A.

Sun Tan Pills
"WHAT" won't they think of next?" is about the most appropriate cliché we could think of when we learned that doctors at the University of Oregon's medical school have come up with a pill which is supposed to increase one's sun-tanning ability.
Having the kind of hide which burns and peels, leaving only a few freckles, we welcome this gift of science warmly.
WE are glad to report, however, that this discovery was the by-product of research on other types of bodily ills. With all the aches and pains that human flesh is heir to, we would deplore the thought of skilled physicians devoting full time to development of sun tan pills.
Cosmeticians yes; physicians, no.—E.A.
Aviation Cooperation With Russia Studied
Moscow — (U.P.) — The first American congressional committee to visit Russia since World War II made plans today to investigate the possibility of developing cooperation between the United States and the Soviet Union in civil aviation.
The arrival of the eight congressmen, led by Rep. Oren Harris (D-Ark) raised the possibility that American airlines may someday fly direct to Moscow with Soviet airliners landing at U.S. fields.

Adenauer Striving To Keep Army Under Democratic Control

By CHARLES M. McCANN
United Press Correspondent
Chancellor Konrad Adenauer certainly is doing all he can to make sure that the West German army will be kept under democratic control.



In deciding to arm the federal republic, the United States and its allies admittedly took a calculated risk. The danger would start to build up a new war machine was less than the danger that Russia might decide to start a war.

But every move that Adenauer has made has been encouraging. Traditional Prussian goose-stepping and iron discipline have been scrapped.

Every officer of the rank of colonel and upward in the new army is being rigidly screened to keep out men of the war lord type and former supporters of Adolf Hitler.

All appointments to senior rank must be approved by the cabinet. The screening is being done by a special appointments board, made up of military men and civilians, including members of Parliament.

All of them have excellent records. Like Adenauer they are working for full European political and economic cooperation. All have a background of anti-Nazism and anti-militarism.

Some of them were arrested on suspicion of complicity in the 1944 bomb plot which nearly ended Hitler's life.

For instance, the key man on the defense council is Defense Minister Theodor Blank. Short, stocky, hot-tempered, given to using strong language, he is 54. When Hitler got in power in 1933 he was a local labor leader in the industrial Saar. The Nazis at once threw him out. He went to college to study engineering. He was drafted into the army in 1939 and served six years. He was promoted to first lieutenant in the field for gallantry in action. In the army Blank grew to detest Prussian militarism. He is a firm believer in an army run on democratic lines.

Arrested in Bomb Plot
Foreign Minister Heinrich Von Brentano, 51, was an outspoken anti-Nazi. A bachelor, a lawyer, full of nervous energy, he was one of those arrested after the bomb plot.

Vice Chancellor Franz Blucher is one of four Free Democratic party men in Adenauer's coalition cabinet. He risked being thrown out of his party last February because he backed Adenauer in urging that Saarlanders vote for a Europeanized status in the plebiscite to be held Oct. 23.

The other members of the new council are Franz Josef Strauss, minister without portfolio; Gerhard Schroeder, interior minister; Dr. Ludwig Erhard, economics minister, and Fritz Schaeffer, finance minister.

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
Tragic note in the news: Egyptians are giving thousands of dollars voluntarily to buy arms and equipment for Egypt's army.

A delegation of transport workers from Alexandria handed Premier Nasser a check for 2700 Egyptian pounds (\$7749) representing workers' wages for one day.

Another worker sent \$1.50, suggesting it be used to buy soft drinks for the crew of the first ship bringing arms to Egypt.

WHY is that tragic? The answer is tragically simple. These poor devils of Egyptians (90 per cent of whom are poverty stricken beyond American capacity for belief) are digging into their pockets to buy guns and ammunition that may be used to help start another war in the explosive Middle East.

If another war gets started in the Middle East, it could spread into another world war. They'd FAR BETTER be putting their money into a United Fund campaign—as we're doing in Southern Oregon.

HERE in Southern Oregon we'll spend our money for such things as CHARACTER BUILDING for our youth, the Red Cross, which is the ever-present mother in time of dire need, into care of needy and unfortunate children, into health agencies, such as cancer and heart disease research. And so on.

In Egypt, they're going to put their money (some of it raised under a system approximating our payroll deduction plan) into GUNS for another war.

If that isn't tragic, there is no such thing as tragedy. ONE more word: It is this willingness to put our money into funds (such as the United Fund) to make our communities better places to live in that makes America AMERICA.

It is willingness to put money into guns, when people are starving on every side—with nobody paying much attention, because want and misery are accepted as a part of life as it is lived there—that makes Egypt EGYPT.

ECONOMIC note in the news: The U.S. department of commerce reports that publicly disclosed cash dividend payments made by U.S. corporations in the first eight months of this year amounted to five and a half BILLION dollars.

It adds: This was a gain of 7 1/2 per cent over the first eight months of last year.

THAT raises an interesting question: WHO OWNS AMERICA'S CORPORATIONS? THAT question can't be EXACTLY answered because there are thousands of little corporations whose stock ownership isn't listed in existing records that are available.

But the Brookings Institution estimates that the total of individual share owners of publicly owned corporations in this country is now about 7,500,000. In an exhaustive study made in 1952 it was able to track down a total of 6,490,000 persons who own shares in America's better known corporations.

It separated them into family income groups, with this result: Under \$5000 income, 2,050,000 people. Five thousand dollars to \$10,000 income, 2,880,000 people. Ten thousand dollars a year and over, 1,560,000 people.

THAT is the point: America's corporations are no longer owned by a few big shots. They are owned by MILLIONS of Americans of all kinds. This 5 1/2 billion dollar dividend income in the first eight months of this year went into the pockets of MILLIONS of Americans who had been thrifty enough to put their savings into the stock of American corporations.

Matter of Fact

By Joe and Stewart Alsop
THE NIXON CANDIDACY
Washington—In the last fortnight, Republican leaders from every corner of the United States have been telephoning or calling on Vice-President Richard Nixon, either to assure him of their support, or to sound out his intentions toward the coming presidential election.



Nixon has given them all the same answer. According to several first-hand reports, the Nixon answer has run about as follows: "We all hope the President will be well enough to run himself. Even if he decides that he can't run again, I think the party ought to defer entirely to his wishes, as I'm sure you agree. So I don't want to talk about the matter at all."

This answer to the eager politicians is typical of the way Nixon has handled the difficult situation into which the President's illness has automatically plunged him. He has not only been loyal to his chief. He has also been sure-footed and dignified, which is an extremely difficult combination, as anyone knows who has tried to get over slippery ground in a dignified manner.

But it is already transparently obvious, of course, that the Vice-President will in fact be a candidate for the Republican nomination if the President, as is virtually certain, decides he must retire. Unless he is directly encouraged by the President himself, Nixon will not be an active, avowed candidate, engaging in public delegate-hunts in the manner of his great enemy, California Gov. Goodwin Knight. But Nixon will be a candidate all the same.

Furthermore an assessment of the Nixon assets and liabilities clearly reveals that he is, as of now, the leading candidate among the Republicans. He starts, of course, with one very heavy handicap. If Gov. Knight has anything to say about it, and he will have a great deal, no California delegates will be carrying Nixon banners.

BUT Nixon can do what Gov. Knight will have the greatest difficulty in doing. He can obtain heavy support in other states. For example, it is not generally known, but there is a close personal link between the Vice-President and former Gov. Thomas E. Dewey of New York, who may be retired, but will

still have a great deal to say about what happens to the New York delegation at San Francisco. How or when this link with Dewey was established is not quite certain. It may have come about through Nixon's close personal friendship with Deputy Attorney General William P. Rogers, who is the chief political aide of the chief Dewey man in the cabinet, Attorney General Herbert Brownell. At any rate, although Gov. Dewey is abroad, people who invariably reflect his views are already passing the word that "there's no one but Nixon."

By the same token, almost all members of the old Taft group in the Republican party also regard Nixon as entirely acceptable, although they probably feel more real enthusiasm for Sen. Knowland. Almost the only exceptions, interestingly enough, are Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy and two or three of his fellow extremists who cannot forgive the Vice-President for standing by the President in the culminating showdown in the Senate.

Finally, there is no doubt at all that Nixon also has the invaluable asset of the President's warm liking and admiration. Whether Nixon will also have the President's active support is of course another question. Most of those who know Eisenhower best think the Republican leader will be unable to persuade him to designate his successor, although they will certainly try to do so. And there may be other voices to counsel other successors in the White House.

None the less, when the list of Nixon assets is added up, the total is certainly impressive. In view of the relative sparseness of the Republican competition, in fact, one would be inclined to go out on a limb and predict a Nixon nomination, if it were not for one weak point.

As the President's principal politician, Nixon has unavoidably conveyed an image of himself to the public that is strongly political, and nowadays the way to succeed in politics seems to be not to look like a politician. Among many independent voters, and even among certain groups of Republicans, Nixon is decidedly unpopular, in a considerable degree because he has done political errands that Eisenhower wanted him to do.

THIS weakness of Nixon's has shown up strongly, in turn, in the public opinion polls. These have so far shown that whereas Adlai Stevenson would be badly beaten by President Eisenhower, Stevenson would beat Nixon by a heavy majority. If Nixon can project a new image of himself—and he is sure to try to do so—the polls can of course be expected to change if the polls are to be relied on.

But if the polls go on saying that Nixon is a loser, as they said Sen. Taft was a loser, the politicians are likely to end by taking fright. And if that happens, the politicians may perhaps stampee to some dark horse like the President's brother, Milton Eisenhower, or even to Secretary of the Treasury George Humphrey, who has been getting a good many political telephone calls himself recently.

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Is That So?

By EUGENE BURNS
Ranger-Naturalist
Did you know that . . . human embryos a week old are so small that it takes seven of them to cover the period which closes this sentence.

Perhaps the calmest region in the world, considering its great size, is the Arctic. Although there are regions of intense local storms, it is strange how seldom the wind blows and how gently it blows when it does.

The growth of children is far from regular throughout the year, even during their fastest of dogs or chopping of wood at 10-12 miles.

The Amazon river discharges about 40 times as much water as our lordly Mississippi.

If all the corn grown in America were put into one field it would be about the size of the State of California. The seed corn alone consists of 13,000,000 bushels. The harvest therefrom—more than 3,000,000,000 bushels—is enough to fill a freight train stretching halfway around the world.

Fee: By special arrangement with the editors of the Encyclopedia Americana, my panel of judges will award each week to the reader who sends me the best true-life nature adventure, the best nature observation, or the best question on nature and wildlife, a complete 30-volume set of this world-famous reference work in a handsome sealcraft binding. Each week new submissions will be considered. Sorry, I simply can't answer your many friendly letters. Please address your letter to: IS THAT SO? in care of Medford Mail Tribune, Box 575, Sausalito, Calif.

Auto Tour of Russia Refused by Officials
Moscow — (U.P.) — A Chicago dentist who had hoped to tour the Soviet Union in his own automobile was driving back to the Finnish border today after his plans were vetoed by Soviet officials.

"When I came here I thought Russia was ready for tourists," Dr. Brethold F. Schulz said before he left Moscow Sunday. Schulz arrived here two weeks ago, the first tourist of any nationality to reach Moscow by automobile in recent years.

Supreme Court Will Study Legal Appeals
Washington — (U.P.) — The Supreme Court is scheduled to decide the fate of about 300 legal appeals at its first business session of the new term today.

Heading the list is the government's \$2,000,000 anti-trust suit against the General Motors and DuPont Corporations.

Ore Depletion Told by McKay

Las Vegas — (U.P.) — Secretary of the Interior Douglas McKay said today most of this nation's high-grade ores have been depleted and the U.S. now faces a "growing dependence upon imports" to meet mineral needs.

"No longer can we fight a war or sustain an industrial economy without the aid of materials from foreign sources," McKay told the opening of the American Mining Congress convention.

He said the United States is "heavily dependent" upon imports for tin, chromium, nickel, manganese and bauxite.

"We have to learn increasingly to handle economically the submarginal minerals," he said. "We must use newer devices, better instruments. We must look deeper if we are to find new commercial deposits."

The interior secretary warned delegates that this nation's security and survival "depends upon our ability to procure mineral raw materials."

Convicts Thwarted In Escape Attempt

Walla Walla — (U.P.) — Two Washington State Penitentiary convicts were back in their cells today after an abortive escape attempt got them no farther than the prison courtyard.

Convicts Charles Lambert and Cecil King, both faced with charges of being ringleaders in the July 5-6 riot at the penitentiary, cut their way gut of their cells with short pieces of hacksaw blades yesterday morning.

A guard saw Lambert just after he had left his cell and he was apprehended immediately. King escaped after a scuffle with guard Elwood Weathers and hid in a flower bed next to the prison auditorium, but he gave up without a struggle when searching guards found him.

Prison Warden Lawrence Delmore Jr., said the three-inch pieces of hacksaw blades had been smuggled to the pair inside the prison.

EX-GLAMOUR GIRL DIES

Hollywood — (U.P.) — One of the screen's first glamour girls, silent film star Alice Joyce Brown, 65, died of a blood ailment yesterday at Hollywood Presbyterian hospital.

Quick in Results Use Tribune Want Ads

Down Thru Roof

GEO. N. TAYLOR
The crowd outside was so great that the four who brought the paralytic, tore back the roof to let the man down at Jesus feet. Now hear Jesus tell the man, "Your sins are forgiven you." At that the Goody-Goody sitting all about, reasoned as to who can forgive sins except God himself. These Goody Goods had come to trap Jesus for claiming to be the Son of God—a claim punishable by death among those top men. But Jesus read their thoughts and asked which were easier to say?—"Thy sins be forgiven thee" or to say "Rise up and walk." At that Jesus proved Himself to be God by telling the man to rise up and walk. Later Christ died for the sins He had forgiven the man. And you? Receive Christ into your heart as dying for your every sin. At that eternal life is yours. Then be much in Bible and prayer. So you grow Christ-like.

This message sponsored by an Oregon dairy family. —adv.

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