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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. 12, 1945. Mr. and Mrs. John Cupp return from 30-day trip to Tennessee, where they purchased 32 registered Tennessee walking horses for their Snowy Butte ranch.

From Arthur Perry's Ye Smuggler Pot column: New honors have come to this county. It has the second best jail in the state, not to get into. To get into a better one, a sinner has to journey to Portland.

20 YEARS AGO: October 12, 1935. (It was Saturday) George Coddling, Jackson county district attorney, elected commander of Crater Lake Veterans of Foreign Wars post.

Jackson County Chamber of Commerce approves proposed \$145,000 water reservoir for Medford.

30 YEARS AGO: October 12, 1925. (It was Monday) Representative of west coast colleges and universities attend annual Jackson county teachers institute.

From Local and Personal column: According to county and state officers, the dances given in Eagle Point district have improved a hundred per cent, not one arrest for alleged bootlegging or speeding having been made last Saturday night in connection with the regular dance there.

40 YEARS AGO: October 12, 1915. (It was Tuesday) Petitions circulated for recalling four city councilmen because of objections to rebonding proposals are almost complete.

From Local and Personal column: Stockmen of the valley will ship another trainload of cattle next Monday to California. Cows are bringing 4 cents a pound on the hoof, and steers bring around 5 to 5 1/2 cents a pound. Hogs are bringing 5 cents a pound, undressed, a very low figure, and the hog raisers are holding their stock for higher prices.

What's the Answer? Can You Get 4 of the 7? Copr. 1955, Editorial Research Report. 1. The U. S. has spent on the Korean war much more or much less than it spent on all World War I, or about the same? 2. A captive mine in coal is one owned by the United Mine Workers, a Wall Street bank, a steel Co., or the Government? 3. The mental disease sometimes called "split personality" is or isn't schizophrenia? 4. Hostilities have been going on for almost a year in the Aures Mountains of Malaya, Argentina, Cyprus, the Middle East, or Algeria? 5. If a candidate for public office gets free radio or TV time, his opponent must by law get equal free time; right or wrong? 6. The type of violent storm known as a hurricane in the Atlantic is called what in the Pacific? 7. Gen. Eisenhower saw military service in Europe during both World Wars I and II, or only the latter?

The Answers: 1. Much more. 2. A steel company. 3. Is. 4. Algeria. 5. Right. 6. Typhoon. 7. Only World War II.

SMOKING LIMITED: London (U.P.)—Milkman Sam Stanley, 41, was ordered by a judge Tuesday to cut his smoking from 60 cigarettes to 16 a day. Stanley admitted embezzling collections from his route to buy smokes.

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Ooops! - Air Force Too

"Hell hath no fury like a woman scorned." Maybe so, but members of the United States Air Force Reserve come in a pretty close second, in a polite and gentlemanly sort of way, of course.

IN THIS space Monday we commented on the expansion of the Army reserve program, and discussed reserve activity in general. In the course of this discussion, we omitted mention of a large Air Force reserve program. Worse than this, we hinted that there was no such thing by saying that the "possibility" existed that some such Air Force program would be started.

This error-by-omission was speedily—and forcefully—called to our attention.

Lt. Col. Manville Heisel (who was promoted to that rank only this week), commanding officer of the 9417th Air Reserve squadron, called to express his unhappiness. When he called, another reserve officer was sitting in the office, politely but pointedly expressing his. This was followed by a call from Capt. Donald P. Hemingway, Air Force unit instructor here, who brought along facts and figures to correct our lapse.

THE fact is that there are two Air Force reserve units in Medford, Group Headquarters of the 9091st Air Reserve group, and the 9417th Air Reserve squadron.

The first of these two units is commanded by Col. Elmer H. Stambaugh of Medford, who is commanding officer of the group as a whole. He has about nine officers on his staff, and is responsible for the administration of three squadrons, the 9415th, 9416th and 9417th. The last-named is the Medford squadron.

THE 9417th has about 48 men from Medford in A flight; about 40 from Klamath Falls in B flight, and about 14 in Grants Pass in C flight. Each flight meets four times monthly for two hours of general training, in military courtesy, administration and other types of knowledge needed by all ranks.

The Air Reserve activity here is on a non-pay status (which, coupled with the fact that no flying is involved, may have contributed to the fact that it was not on the list of units published Monday).

CAPTAIN Hemingway explained that the Air Force reserve units have three primary responsibilities—training, holding and accounting. Specifically, this includes general training of the type mentioned, the processing of periodical physical examinations, processing officers and men for active duty periods, processing promotions, and keeping and surveying each member's records for the Air Force.

The captain also explained that it is hoped the organization can go on to a pay status by next February, which would mean that Air reservists could take two 2 1/2-hour training periods each month, and receive two full days pay. It would serve to give the Air Force program a big boost in this area, he said.

(There are some members of the 403rd Troop Carrier wing in Medford, but that is technically a Portland unit. Members fly there periodically for training.)

WE ARE sorry we skipped the Air Force, and hope that this recounting of its activities here will make up for it.

If there's a Marine Corps reserve unit in town we don't know about, representatives can call at the office, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. any day but Sunday.—E.A.

Is There A Moral?

The jobs public officials are called on to perform are many and varied. Not all of them see print, because, for one reason or another, they do not constitute "news"—a little boy is missing a few hours, but is found safely and without drama; a family fight is settled; a burglar alarm turns out to be the wind in the trees—that sort of thing.

SOMETIMES they almost get into news story form, as was the case in one incident yesterday. The story was all written and ready for Page 1.

This is what it said:

A boy who appears to be about 3 years old, and who can't tell police much about who he is or where he lives, was being cared for by city officers this morning. He was "found" at 8 a.m. today, sitting on a stool at Dad's Hideaway on Court st., and no one seems to know how he got there—whether he just wandered in, or was abandoned.

The youngster, who is blond and blue eyed, told officers in a little-boy voice, difficult to understand, that his name is . . . That's about all solicitous officers could get out of him. He is dressed in blue jeans, a yellow-striped T-shirt, plaid coat-jacket and sandal-type shoes with no socks. His clothes are dirty.

Mrs. Kay Crowell, county juvenile officer, this morning was attempting to find a temporary foster home for the boy, since no one had reported missing a child up to about noon.

IT ONLY need be added that the boy's uncle heard a radio bulletin at about 11:30 a.m. that the youngster was at the police station, and went over to the lad's parents' home, to find his mother had just started searching for him. He had apparently dressed himself early and wandered away.

We are pointing out no particular moral in this story. We leave that to our readers, and to the conscience of parents everywhere.—E.A.

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Rogue River's Scenic Beauty, History, Discussed by Writer

(Editor's note: This is another article by George Putnam, editor emeritus of the Salem Capital-Journal and former editor and publisher of the Mail Tribune. Today he discusses the history of the Rogue River, the origin of its name, and its scenic beauties. The article is published by permission of the Salem paper, in which it first appeared.)

By GEORGE PUTNAM

Rogue river of Southern Oregon rises in the extreme northwest corner of Klamath county at Boundary Springs near the northern boundary of Crater Lake National Park and flows through Jackson, Josephine and Curry counties to empty into the Pacific ocean at Gold Beach.

The claim that it got its name of Rogue from the French word Rogue on account of the alleged red color of the water during flood seasons brought the following spirited reply from Harvey W. Scott in the Oregonian of December 20, 1904, giving the real origin of the name as follows:

"This is fanciful, purely so, though the Rogue story is off. There would have been reasons for calling the Klamath river, Rogue river, or Red river, for its water are much discolored by the marshes of the lake basin which it drains. But Rogue river is one of the clearest of streams, and even in flood its waters are not red.

Origin of Name: "An old French map has been mentioned—though no such map is known now to be in existence

Communications

Letters to the Editor must bear the name and address of the writer although under certain circumstances the use of a pen name or initials for publication is permissible. The Mail Tribune reserves the right to edit all letters with an eye to clarification and condensation. Letters submitted for publication must not exceed 400 words.

Red Hat And A Prayer

To the Editor: He goes forth the mighty hunter to get himself a deer. Now don't you worry mother, this red hat will shine bright and clear. I have my gun, shells, knife, ax, socks and matches. Here's my first aid kit for cuts, bruises, sprains and scratches.

Yes, father, she says your red hat can be seen far and near but in her heart she says "Dear God I'll put my faith in a prayer."

Returns the mighty hunter proudly showing off his deer. Well here I am mother, just as I said safe and sound.

She smiles and in her heart she says "thank you God" till another hunting season comes around.

Mrs. (Name on File).

Likes By-Pass

To the Editor: Will you please publish this editorial from the Oregon Journal of Oct. 10. Those of us who live in this beautiful city should fight this proposed highway going through our town and cutting into it on the east side as it is on the west by the railroad.

I propose that they continue from the new Blackwell Hill freeway right on across the west hills with a clover leaf each for Medford and Ashland and towns in between, and along the west slope to the Siskiyou.

We have been over the new bypass at Oakland and Sutherland (it is wonderful) and can hardly wait to see the others.

Why must we always be governed by greed, and take away old peoples' homes and income by coming down Genesee and Tripp streets? This city would grow if certain people would let it do so.

Let's put the highway where it will do the most good with the least harm.

Mrs. Betty Morrow, 16 Tripp st. Medford, Ore.

(Editor's note: The clipping referred to in Mrs. Morrow's letter said in part: "In many instances . . . it has been proved that release from congestion of through traffic (through use of a by-pass) actually benefits a city. It is made more attractive for those living in the trade area, the ones who really spend the money. The city is given more room for expansion. Only those businesses beamed at the traveler suffer. Most through highways provide attractive entrances for those who really want to stop." The Journal editorial went on to quote comment favorable to a new Roseburg bypass from the Roseburg News-Review, which was reprinted on this page Oct. 5.)

SUCCESSFUL LIVING

starts with saving. Have the things you want through systematic savings. Don't just dream . . . or wish, but have the things you want in life by saving for them. Start with any amount.

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whereon the Klamath and Rogue rivers are united and called Rouge-Clamet, or Red Klamath. But Rogue river, as an individual stream, has been known by its present name ever since white men first visited the country.

"Bishop Blanchet's account of the Catholic church in Oregon says the French were first to call it by this name. The Indians there were a peculiarly troublesome lot, hence, says Blanchet, the name 'es Coquins' (the Rogues and 'La Riviere aux Coquins' (The Rogue River) was given to the country by men of the brigade.

"So far, then, it is from the fact that Rogue river is a corruption or change from the alleged Rouge river of the French. The actual truth is that the French called it Rogue river themselves. Everything is against the assumption that it once was 'Rogue river'—changed by Missionaries to Rogue river on the theory that 'them French couldn't spell'."

Rogue Hudsons Bay Name

John Work of the Hudsons Bay Co. in his journal for Monday, September 16, 1833, uses the name River Coquin, referring to the Rogue river, and the text indicates that the name Coquin was already in use by the brigades. In September, 1841, Henry Eld of the Wilkes expedition, used the names Rogue river and Rascally river in his journal, says McArthur's Oregon Geographic names. It adds that it was chartered as Rogue river by the U.S. Coast Survey in 1850. It was called by the Indians "Trashit" and by act of the territorial legislature January 12, 1854, Gold river. The old name was restored in 1855.

The name of Gold river was probably applied because of the discovery of gold at Jacksonville in 1852 and an influx of gold seekers stimulated the Indian wars, for which the whites shared the blame with the Indians, according to official reports, owing to "mutual misunderstanding." Governor Lane finally succeeded in making peace at a Table Rock conference in 1854 whereby the Indians were confined to reservations with a cash bonus, but war renewed on the lower Rogue ending in 1858.

Rogue River Indians

Rogue river Indians and their neighbors, the Pit river, Californians, were probably racially connected with the Apaches of Arizona, according to classification of the American Indian into 58 distinct families. A third of the groups was represented in Oregon and California tribes.

The Rogue river ranks as one of the most picturesque rivers in the Northwest and because the Crater Lake highway follows its climbing curves for many miles, thousands of tourists view it annually. How it impressed the writer when he first saw it nearly a half century ago is told in his editorial in the Medford Tribune when fly fishing for steelhead in its swift and turbulent waters was an additional asset—but "them days are gone forever."

As Seen Nearly 50 Years Ago

"The Rogue is a stream of wild beauty, the most beautiful of the many beautiful rivers of Oregon. From its source amid the snowy sentinels of the Cascades through inaccessible canyons, verdant valley, precipitous gorge, and awesome palisades,

to where it spills its mad waters into the heaving sea, everywhere it charms the eye and fascinates the fancy.

"The Rogue rises in one of the world's wonder spots, amid scenic attractions few regions surpass. From its source to its mouth its torrents are precipitated vertically a mile and a half, wasting more power than Niagara. Its countless falls and cascades, its rapids and riffles, are exquisitely framed by nature to delight the artist and appeal to the poet, that, latent, lurks in all of us.

Upper Rogue River

"The upper Rogue tunelessly tumbles and tears its way through an unfrequented wilderness. Floods of many centuries have cut and carved its bed in the solid lava that poured from the once majestic volcano, whose burned-out bowl is now filled by the blue waters of Crater Lake. Over and under and through this once river of molten rock dash the swirling waters, churned to a foaming frenzy. In a whirl of abandon, the stream in a continuous series of cascades, plunges 600 feet in less than a mile, and as it falters in its mad career, a turbulent tributary leaps 300 feet to meet it.

"Stately forests of pine and fir line the banks of the Rogue, and where the trees are missing, the rocks are picturesquely painted in many colors. Where it pauses in its tumbling flight, verdure-clad valleys widen and fields of green and fragrant orchards are replacing the tangled forest. But the shimmering, glistening, murmuring flood is never still, but always restless, moving toward the sea.

Lower Rogue River

"The lower Rogue is no less picturesque, wild and inaccessible than the upper stream. From Hell Gate to the ocean, it dashes in a turmoil of trouble through a precipitous gorge. High palisades rear their rocky, barren heads, hundreds of feet above, projecting over the narrow channel. Like a silver ribbon, the roaring river far below winds its tortuous, tumbling way until lost to view in the purple haze of distant mountains through which it hastens to the sea."

Firemen Miffed; They All Resign

Clintonville, Wis.—(U.P.)—The entire Clintonville Fire department has resigned because the firemen's feelings were hurt by complaints over their noisy ways.

The 18-man volunteer force handed in the resignations Tuesday and Fire Chief Edward Du Frane said the mayor and two aldermen should apologize for what they've been saying.

Du Frane said the officials had criticized the "speed and noise" made by the firemen when they "tear out" of their station to answer alarms.

Mayor George Meggers said he and the aldermen certainly hadn't intended to be critical. Since the firemen's resignations won't become effective until Saturday, Meggers scheduled a meeting on the matter for Friday and said he was sure "everything will be ironed out."

Use Tribune Want Ads Quick in Results!

Is That So?

As it affects our day-to-day existence, weather is sadly misunderstood and loaded with popular fallacies. What better than, than to test current beliefs with answers I got from experts—climatologists:

Belief: Humans tend to do their best work in good weather.

Fact: Inspiring as a bright, clear day may be, studies show that we accomplish most on dull

days—when it is damp and raw, regardless of how much we may grumble and complain.

Belief: Children born during the warm months of summer—say July, August, and September—tend to live longer.

Fact: Children born during the coldest months of the year—January, February and March—tend on the average to live some three years longer than those born in July, August and September, according to a study made by Professor Ellsworth Huntington of Yale.

Belief: "A green winter makes a fat churchyard" is an old saying—in other words, a mild winter is unhealthy.

Fact: A mild winter is accompanied by a big drop in mid-winter ailments according to city health department studies made in northern U.S. cities. It is the violent, weather-changing winters which really fill churchyards.

Belief: Spring fever is nothing more than a state of mind.

Fact: Physiologists state that spring fever, with its accompanying symptoms of listlessness, low vitality and a desire for sleep, is a real malady. In adjusting to the sudden seasonal rise in temperature, the body must work extra hard to throw off the heat. Sweat glands, primarily, are not yet functioning smoothly—and the body's natural cooling system is out of kilter.

Belief: Time of year has nothing to do with a baby's weight.

Fact: Quite the contrary—babies conceived in the fall and winter tend to be heavier than those conceived in spring or summer. It's because the mother's

building-up power—anoabolism—which influences the weight of her child is greatest at this time of the year. What's more, these babies tend to hold their relatively higher weights right on through their school years.

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By EUGENE BURNS Ranger-Naturalist

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REVIVAL CENTER ESQUIRE THEATRE Main Street at the Bridge WILBUR A. HENRY, DIRECTOR BY FILM 7:30 P.M. FRIDAY 7:30 P.M. ORAL ROBERTS PREACHING ON - THE BURNING BUSH. ALSO WILL BE PRAYING FOR THE SICK 7:30 P.M. SATURDAY 7:30 P.M. JACK COE PREACHING ON THE JOY OF THE LORD ALSO PRAYING FOR THE SICK 2:45 P.M. SUNDAY 2:45 P.M. WILLIAM BRANHAM SUBJECT: "THE DEEP CALLETH UNTO THE DEEP" 7:30 P.M. SUNDAY NIGHT 7:30 P.M. REV. W. DeVRIES BEGINS A SALVATION HEALING REVIVAL COME EARLY FOR A SEAT