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Flight of Time: Medford and Jackson County History from the files of The Mail Tribune 10, 20, 30 and 40 years ago.

10 YEARS AGO Nov. 22, 1945: Willard Eberhart, former city editor of Ashland Daily Tidings, named manager of United Press in Honolulu.

20 YEARS AGO Nov. 22, 1935: From Arthur Perry's Ye Smudge Pot column: Leading editorials of the day in the upstate press, deal with "The Big Burn."

30 YEARS AGO Nov. 22, 1925: (It was Friday) Dr. L. D. Inskip, city health officer, says polio epidemic possibility diminishes with no new cases reported in three days.

40 YEARS AGO Nov. 22, 1915: (It was Monday) J. A. Westerlund returns from National Apple show at Spokane; announces plans for national advertising campaign for western apples.

From Local and Personal column: The ballroom of the old United States hotel at Jacksonville will again resound with dancing feet and laughter when a Thanksgiving ball is held there next week, if plans materialize.

From Local and Personal column: Senator H. Von der Hellen of Wellen returned Monday from Eugene where he witnessed the football game.

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

- 1. The state of Israel now does or doesn't have a security treaty with the U. S. for mutual defense? 2. An old car is traded in on less than one-third of all used car purchases...

Speed versus Safety

According to report the F.B.I. and certain federal airplane experts are getting together to devise ways and means to protect airplane passengers against bomb explosions. That ghastly and inhuman crime in Colorado a few days ago, is the cause.

THE airplane industry has made sensational advances in making airplanes faster, but little, if any, in making them safer.

ACCORDING to army and navy officials thousands of lives both in peace and war have been saved by making parachutes attached to flying personnel compulsory.

Why not give civilian air-passengers at least the privilege of parachutes if they wish same. It has also been suggested that huge parachute attachments for planes, would save many lives when a plane for some reason is forced down out of control.

IF these companies refuse to do something about making travel on land and in the air, less hazardous, in the direction of devising safety equipment, safer designs, etc., on their own initiative, then laws should be passed to make them do so.

WE grant the human factor is the most important single element in the increased casualty lists.

Is Adlai a Demagogue? As usual praise for ex-Governor Stevenson's speech at the recent Democratic banquet did not proceed from Republicans. And some of the Democrats did not sound particularly enthusiastic.

THE reason for the demagogic charge is of course that Mr. Stevenson dared to suggest the Republican party is the party of Big Business while the Democratic party is more interested in ALL business including big, little business and the "little man."

WELL, why SHOULDN'T they? One reason is there are times when the interests of Big Business and the interest of the people are not identical. In fact they sharply conflict as was true in the tidelands oil case.

MR. STEVENSON doesn't like that. And a great many other citizens don't. Feeling as he does he will no doubt make this GOP doctrine one of the major targets of his campaign.

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Rhee Not Softening With Advancing Age But Getting Tougher

By CHARLES M. McCANN United Press Correspondent

Advancing age does not seem to be softening up President Syngman Rhee of South Korea. Rhee was 80 years old last March.

He has been active in politics since he was 19. It might be thought that by now, he would be getting into a philosophical state of mind.

On the contrary, he seems to be getting tougher and tougher. Many Allied leaders fear that some day he will start to back up his frequently angry words with deeds.

Every now and then Rhee demands that the United Nations cancel the Korean armistice and start the war again.

In fact, he threatens to attack North Korea himself, knowing that he would bring in Communist China against him.

Now Rhee is involved in an increasingly bitter dispute with Japan. It was announced last Thursday that South Korean naval vessels would fire on any Japanese fishing craft that violated what is called the Rhee Line of territorial waters.

South Korea is never going to be the dominant power in East Asia. Maybe Rhee ought to make Japan a friend instead of an enemy.

In The Day's News: By FRANK JENKINS. Out of a week of hearings conducted in Southern Oregon and Northern California by a congressional investigating committee, this interesting, if not too palatable, fact has been developed: The capacity of our existing sawmills exceeds the supply of mature sawtimber that is readily available.

WHAT should be done about it? That is a most important question, and no pat answer is at hand. But it does seem clear that the federal government, which owns a large share of the remaining supply of virgin timber, should proceed without delay to get a more up-to-date inventory of the merchantable timber it has on hand and should then take steps to make it timber that is ready for market more accessible.

HOW can the supply of merchantable timber in the possession of various government agencies be made more readily available to the mills that need it? The answer to that question seems to be MORE ACCESS ROADS. The government owns the timber. Before the timber in the more inaccessible areas can be brought out, roads must be built. There are two ways to get them built.

One way is for the government itself, which owns the timber, to build the roads. That, of course, will require money, and the money will have to be appropriated by the congress. The bulk of this government-owned timber is located in the West, and it hasn't been too easy to convince members of congress from the Eastern states that the government should put up the money to make the timber accessible to market.

THE other way to get access roads built is to sell government stumpage cheap enough to make it profitable for potential purchasers to build the roads to get at the timber.

FROM the standpoint of the Western communities in which the mills that need the timber are located, selling government

Matter of Fact By Stewart Alsop

"MOST ORANGES ARE ROUND" Chicago—This reporter's non-journalistic younger brother, who invented the repellent political epithet "egg-head," and who has a good deal more practical political experience than the authors of this column, developed an interesting theory during the 1952 campaign.



His theory was that the real popular appeal of any politician could be measured by his manner of saying some such meaningless phrase as "most oranges are round." If he could say "most oranges are round" with obvious sincerity and a sort of determined earnestness, however brilliant his qualifications and eloquent his oratory.

During Adlai Stevenson's press conference here on Wednesday, this theory kept coming to mind. No one who witnessed Stevenson's performance could doubt that he has a first class intelligence. He was nervous at first—and who can blame him? For the press conference, in which a man can inadvertently destroy himself with a few ill-chosen words, is surely a more cruel institution than the rack or the thumb-screw.

But he soon relaxed, and he deftly and shrewdly avoided a number of perilous pitfalls, including a question by a correspondent from Communist Poland, and another about politics and heart attacks. And, especially when he made one of his small jokes, and smiled his wry smile, the human likableness of the man shone through—those who have been advising him to wear a mask of permanent solemnity must be secret agents of the Republicans.

What was lacking was lacking. What was lacking may be suggested by a comparison between Stevenson's press conference performance and President Eisenhower's. Stevenson expressed himself well, in grammatical sentences. The President's grammar is often totally non-existent, and he is capable of saying almost nothing at all at considerable length.

YET when the President says what he has to say, even if it is only the equivalent of "most oranges are round," he does it with a sort of explosive sincerity and earnestness. When Stevenson has to say the equivalent of "most oranges are round," he does it as though he were quite sure that most oranges really are round (and strictly speaking, of course, they're not).

Politically, his inability to express the accepted banalities with table-thumping earnestness is the curse of Adlai Stevenson. His friends argue that it is also one of the great strengths of his character and in a way, this is true.

Take his press conference reply to a question about farm policy. He said, in effect, that neither flexible supports nor high fixed supports were the complete answer, and went to great pains to demonstrate that his essential position on the issue had not changed.

All very true, no doubt, but hardly the sort of response that makes political hay in the farm belt. As anyone who has spent even a few days there can testify, there are great mounds of political hay to be made in the farm belt. A real instinctive politician—a Harry Truman, if

you will—would have been in there pitching as soon as he heard the word "farm," blasting the Administration for gigglingly incompetence and promising the farmers a new deal all down the line.

Or take Stevenson's performance at the "Bonds of Israel" dinner here last week, which still has his supporters wringing their hands. Sens. Everett Dirksen, Hubert Humphrey, and Estes Kefauver spoke at length first, and they all took the line obviously appropriate to such an occasion—that Israel is the bastion of democracy in the Middle East, to be defended at all costs.

Stevenson then got up and spoke only a couple of sentences, to the effect that the American strategic interest in the Middle East demanded stability, and that the United States must therefore use all its influence to make certain that the Arabs do not attack the Jews, nor the Jews the Arabs. These remarks notably failed to bring his audience to its feet, cheering wildly.

TO a remarkable extent Stevenson lacks the political instinct for saying the things his audience wants to hear. One feels, instead, that his audience is inside his own head, and that he is saying the things that Adlai Stevenson wants to hear. This is no doubt admirable. But one also has the feeling that Stevenson, an honorable man in an uncertain age, is not very sure what he wants to hear Stevenson saying.

Perhaps it would help if Stevenson were to practice saying "most oranges are round," with great earnestness and sincerity, every night before he goes to bed.

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Russian Leaders Visit Bhakra Dam: Nangal, India—(U.P.)—Two of the Soviet Union's top leaders today visited the site of the Bhakra Dam and discussed the merits of peaceful competition with a California engineer helping build the giant structure.

Premier Nikolai Bulganin and Communist party chief Nikita S. Khrushchev arrived here from New Delhi by private train and walked over the site of the dam which will be the second largest in the world when it is completed in 1969.

The two Soviet leaders, escorted by Punjab Governor C. P. N. Singh and S. D. Khungar, general manager of the dam, were introduced to American engineer Harvey Slocum of Alhambra, Calif. "We at one time had American aid," Khrushchev told Slocum. "We are grateful to the Americans for helping us build our country. Now we are building ourselves. We are in competition with you and will soon pass you."

"Competition breeds friendship," Slocum replied. "That is a good idea," Khrushchev said, "and it brings peace." Slocum is the chief American consultant at the dam and has been working on the project for five years. Sixty other Americans also work on the dam but none were seen in the party greeting the Russians.

The cement industry in 1954 used almost one-third of a ton of coal for every ton of cement produced.

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Lost Cabin Mine: To the Editor: We were much enthused to read Mr. Nealon's item Sunday concerning the Lost Cabin mine, estimated to be around 90 miles northeast of Jacksonville. Thirty-five years ago the Portland Oregonian ran a story and fair description in its Sunday supplement of the Lost Cabin mine. It is a well known fact, the Klamath county Indians had access and packed considerable quantities of the gold nuggets and traded it off to friends from time to time, that was from the seventies and late as 1911.

We think the distance of 99 miles is nearer the actual location, according to some information that has been given out. These mountain miles are twice as long, and chances are when the discovery is made, it will be in a mineralized belt of Douglas county, yet unknown to present day prospectors. The terrain is rugged and probably has changed in appearance the past 45 years.

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