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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. Dec. 20, 1945. (It was Thursday). Flu epidemic closes Phoenix and Gold Hill schools.

From Arthur Perry's Ye Smudge Pot column: The eclipse of the moon Tues. eve was widely observed. It was an artistic, but not financial success.

20 YEARS AGO. Dec. 20, 1935. (It was Friday). Federal aid projects under way in Jackson county include Bear Creek bridge at McAndrews rd., flume drainage project in Eagle Point, and rehabilitation of the county farm.

Jackson county physicians organize the Southern Oregon Medical Service association to provide medical service for all industrial and commercial firm employees.

30 YEARS AGO. Dec. 20, 1925. (It was Sunday). Deilia Stevens, Jackson county clerk, elected treasurer of state organization of county clerks.

Icy highways across Siskiyou result in 13 automobile accidents in two days.

40 YEARS AGO. Dec. 20, 1915. (It was Monday). Jackson County Taxpayers league organized at meeting Saturday; officers nominating committee appointed by J. A. Westlund, acting chairman.

From Local and Personal column: Miss Mabel Scudder, when off her guard Saturday evening, was caught by the beauty judges and named the prettiest young lady present at the Catholic bazaar. The judges were Judge Kelly and A. L. Rosenbaum.

What's the Answer?

- Can You Get 4 of the 7? Copr. 1953, Editorial Research Report. 1. A higher percentage of the farms have TV sets in the East, South, Middle West or West? 2. Average costs are higher for boys in Ivy Leagues colleges or girls in better known Women's eastern colleges, or is it about 50-50? 3. Title of the wife of an earl in England is Duchess, Countess, Lady, Dame, Viscountess or simply Honorable? 4. More roads in the U. S. classed as "rural" are surfaced or unsurfaced, or is it about 50-50? 5. Gen. E. L. M. Burns, U. N. truce negotiator between the Israeli and Arabs, is an American, Britisher, Canadian, Australian or South African? 6. U. S. visitors to Russia get Russian currency for dollars at about two-thirds, one-half or one-third of its actual purchasing value? 7. Head of our International Cooperation Administration (for foreign aid) is Harold E. Stassen, Allen W. Dulles, John B. Hollister, Paul Hoffman, or Nelson Rockefeller? The Answers: 1. East. 2. Higher for the girls. 3. Countess. 4. More are surfaced. 5. Canadian. 6. About one-third. 7. Hollister. Supreme Court. Alfalfa has a better chance of survival when seeded the first week in August than when seeded in September.

How About Dixon-Yates?

The sensational charges of "crime," "fraud," and "perjury" that have sprung from congressional investigations into the controversial Dixon-Yates contract will almost certainly be aired in open court. Edgar H. Dixon, head of the company formed to carry out the power contract with the Atomic Energy Commission, said on Nov. 23 that his group would go to court for settlement costs arising from the cancellation of the contract ordered by President Eisenhower on July 11. The suit was filed Dec. 13.

The A.E.C. on Nov. 23 had declared the contract invalid because of a probable violation of the federal "conflict of interest" laws in its negotiation. These laws provide in effect that a federal employee may not serve both the government and a private employer in the same matter.

THE employee involved is Adolphe H. Wenzell, formerly a senior vice president of the First Boston Corp., a New York investment banking firm, and now an International Bank official. Wenzell acted as a temporary consultant to the U.S. Budget Bureau on the contract while retaining his connection with First Boston. This corporation was named financing agent for the contract, though refusing to take a fee.

Wenzell's role in the Dixon-Yates negotiations was one of the factors leading to the President's executive order of Nov. 28 tightening restrictions on government "dollar-a-year" men.

SEN. ESTES KEFAUVER (D., Tenn.), who has been pushing the Dixon-Yates investigation, said on Nov. 25 that the A.E.C. ruling that the contract was invalid "amounts to a declaration that the contract reeks with fraud." Moreover, said Kefauver, "There is most certainly a criminal side to this case also."

Dixon on Aug. 1 had testified that neither Wenzell nor any First Boston official "sat in a single" meeting in which the contract was negotiated. Sen. William Langer (R., N.D.) promptly shouted, "I think you've committed perjury right now." Sen. Kefauver noted "glaring conflicts" in testimony by Dixon and Wenzell before his subcommittee and before the Securities and Exchange Commission.

PRESIDENT EISENHOWER in his January 1954 budget message suggested that the A.E.C. use power purchased from non-government sources to replace 600,000 kilowatts of power it was getting from the Tennessee Valley Authority. The idea of having a private company provide the power, it was later disclosed, was originated by Director of the Budget Joseph M. Dodge, who resigned before the contract was negotiated.

A proposal was made by the Dixon-Yates group on April 10, 1954, after the government turned down an earlier one. President Eisenhower on June 16 ordered A.E.C. to negotiate under terms of the Dixon-Yates offer.

DEMOCRATIC National Chairman Stephen A. Mitchell set off fireworks on Aug. 16, 1954 by referring to the "Dixon-Yates scandal" in a speech at Chicago. The Joint Senate-House Committee on Atomic Energy on Nov. 13 voted to allow the A.E.C. to go ahead with the contract, but on Jan. 28, 1955, after party control in Congress had shifted, the committee called on A.E.C. to cancel it.

Wenzell's role in negotiations was disclosed in testimony before the Kefauver group after the contract had been ordered cancelled on July 11. The subcommittee on July 21 was told that Wenzell's name had been omitted from an Aug. 21, 1954 official account of negotiations issued jointly by the A.E.C. and Budget Bureau on request of the Budget Bureau. The omission was despite the President's order to make public a complete history of the contract.—E.R.R.

Rep. Martin Predicts Ike Will Run Again

Washington—(U.P.)—House Republican Leader Joseph W. Martin Jr. has predicted in some of the strongest terms so far that President Eisenhower will run again.

The Massachusetts Republican said he is convinced Mr. Eisenhower will get a "certificate of health" from his physicians and will be reelected next fall.

Won't Fall Country. "He will not fall his country when they call upon him," he said.

Other political developments: 1. Sen. Walter F. George (D.-Ga.) 77-year-old dean of the Senate, announced he will run for a seventh term. The veteran chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee is certain to be opposed hotly for the nomination by 42-year-old former Gov. Herman Talmadge of Georgia. George said at a press conference at his home in Vienna, Ga.: "I'm feeling fine."

2. Sen. Estes Kefauver (D.-Tenn.) is understood to have decided to challenge Adlai E. Stevenson in Florida's Democratic presidential primary May 29. Kefauver already announced he will enter primaries in New Hampshire March 13 and California June 5. Stevenson also will enter the California contest.

3. The Democratic Digest monthly publication of the Democratic National Committee, said President Eisenhower's heart attack has plunged the Republican party "into the churning waters of factional warfare." The magazine predicted without elaboration the "return to the political battles" of former Gov. Thomas E. Dewey of New York.

Some Siskiyou Jails Listed As 'Disgrace'

Yreka—Some of the jails in Siskiyou county are a "disgrace," a county grand jury declared in a report this week.

Not all the jails were condemned in the report, but several of them were found to have "deplorable" facilities and conditions. The report added:

"And how such a situation could have been tolerated so long is inconceivable." Particularly mentioned was the fact that there were no facilities for women and children's care at the Yreka jail.

The jails at McCloy, Duns-muir and Weed were given approval, but others in the county were criticized on several counts.

Missing Sergeant, Payroll Object of Hunt

Frankfurt, Germany—(U.P.)—A \$50 reward was offered today for information leading to the apprehension of a U. S. Army sergeant who "went over the hill" with an \$18,400 payroll. Sfc. Donald F. Molter disappeared last Wednesday with the payroll for German employees of American-run hotels in Frankfurt.

SUGGESTED BIBLE READING VERSES

The Medford Council of Church Women each year between Thanksgiving and Christmas sponsors a program of daily Bible reading, recommending a different verse of the Bible for each day during that period. In cooperation with the American Bible association, the Medford Ministerial association and the National Council of Church Women.

Following are the passages recommended for today: I John 4:1-21.

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

How highway trouble starts: In heavy Chicago traffic, a man named Janetzke bumped the rear end of the car ahead of him. The bump wasn't a very husky one, but it roused the ire of the bumpee. He stopped his car and got out to tell Janetzke off.

In the ensuing argument Janetzke stepped too far to one side and was hit by a passing car. He was knocked to the pavement and when he got up he walked into the path of an oncoming trailer truck. The truck driver, quick-witted, as truck drivers have to be, braked with all his might, but the street was slick and his big rig skidded and jackknifed.

The following car, driven by a man named Sabo, smashed into the truck. Sabo got off with shock and bruises, but a passenger riding with him was KILLED.

AND so—Another death was added to the staggering annual total of America's highway fatalities.

THE moral? It is this: On our danger-laden highways, as in this danger-laden cold war world, eternal vigilance is the price of safety.

I THINK perhaps there's another word—on a wider scale. If this short-tempered motorist whose car was bumped from the rear in heavy and complicated traffic had KEPT HIS SHIRT ON the fatal sequence on the slippery Chicago street would not have started.

In this trigger-happy cold war world things are constantly happening that MAKE US AMERICANS MAD. We'd better keep our shirts on. Otherwise, we may start a sequence that will end in a third world war.

We need to remember that "whom the gods would destroy they first made mad."

MORE on this modern world—this one on the brighter side. A British research engineer says he has invented a new type motor that will revolutionize the automobile industry. His new power plant is only one-third the size of a normal auto engine. He says it develops 30 per cent more power, weighs 70 per cent less and runs on ANY liquid fuel. It has only NINE moving parts. Its inventor says it will last more than 200,000 miles without an overhaul.

He tells a reporter: "Leading engineers to whom I have shown my new engine agree it will revolutionize the automobile industry in the same way that the jet engine has changed the scene in aviation."

ANOTHER screwball? Let's take a look at him.

His name is Granville Bradshaw. During World War II, he was chief research engineer for Britain's royal navy. He designed the world's first RADIAL airplane engine. The radial engine gave a terrific lift to airplane progress.

So we can't write off as moonshine what he says about his new automobile power plant.

ON BEHALF of the oldsters,

I'd like to add that Bradshaw is 67. But, instead of climbing up on the shelf at the normal retirement age and settling down there, HE KEPT HIS FINELY TRAINED BRAIN AT WORK.

He began designing his new auto engine AFTER he had reached the normal retirement age. If his new engine works, we'll all be glad he went on working.

TURNING to another angle of the modern world, the Oregon Voter—founded 40 years ago in Portland by C. C. Chapman and now edited by Walter Morgan—says this week that Oregonians pay just slightly less than a BILLION dollars a year in federal, state and local taxes.

It adds that this is about ONE-THIRD of the income of Oregon residents.

HERE'S a thought you might toy with in your idle moments—you might even take it with you to the voting booth at the next election: The more the state (meaning government) DOES for us, the more it will have to TAX us. There is only one place for tax money to come from, and that is out of the pockets of the people.

Portland—(U.P.)—The State Highway commission has denied the application of Lee Mantes, Enterprise, for a horse riding concession in Wallowa state park.

Sudanese Independence Action Declared Bad News for Egypt

By CHARLES M. McCANN United Press Correspondent

Sayed Ismail El-Azhari, prime minister of the Sudan, has decided that he likes independence so much that he must have it right away.

Great Britain and Egypt, which had long controlled the Sudan, agreed on Dec. 3 that its people would hold a plebiscite to determine their future.

But Azhari announced last week that he intended to proclaim complete independence immediately.

As the result, the Sudanese Parliament yesterday proclaimed the complete independence of the 987,500 square mile territory and established a republican form of government.

There is nothing either Britain or Egypt can do about it, so apparently a new nation has been born.

It is quite a blow to Egypt. Agreement Canceled

One of the chief complaints Egypt had for years against Britain was that under what was called a condominium, or joint control arrangement, Britain actually was dominant in the Sudan.

In 1951, former King Farouk canceled the condominium agree-

ment and assumed the title of king of the Sudan as well as of Egypt.

But Britain would not consent, and Farouk's proclamation did not stick.

Farouk lost his throne in July, 1952. Britain and the new Egyptian government agreed that the Sudan should have the right to determine its own future, subject to a three-year transitional period.

Egypt had expected confidently that the Sudanese would agree to unite with it.

In fact, under an agreement which Britain and Egypt signed early this month the Sudan was to hold a plebiscite in which the choice would be complete independence or union with Egypt.

Egypt made a big play to sell the Sudanese on the union plan. Some Americans may remember the photograph, published all over the world, showing Maj. Salah Salem, Egyptian minister for national guidance, dancing with Sudanese tribesmen in a pair of loudly-colored shorts during a propaganda tour.

Favored Union

Azhari himself, when he became Premier early in 1954 as leader of the Sudanese National Unionist Party, was on record as all in favor of union.

But as happened in other territories like the Sudan, the granting of a little independence led to the strong desire for more.

Dispatches from London and Cairo say that yesterday's action

by Azhari and his Parliament is illegal and unconstitutional.

But neither Britain nor Egypt seems in position to interfere. Their troops have left and Azhari is in control.

Azhari's dark-skinned, rugged face shows his determined character. Now 53, he was graduated from the American University in Beirut, Lebanon. He became a school teacher. In 1946 he entered politics as an unconditional Nationalist, to work for independence. He served short jail terms in 1948 and 1949 for his activities.

But he is head man now, and it looks as if he may soon ask for admittance to the United Nations.

Junior Red Cross Collects Food

Junior Red Cross members at McLoughlin Junior High school are collecting canned food for needy families for Christmas.

McLoughlin, along with other schools in Jackson county, collected enough food for 14 families at Thanksgiving, and members have collected seven dozen cans of food for Christmas baskets.

Last week, members of the Junior Red Cross helped decorate rooms at Camp White.

Training School Held For Shell Dealers

A four-day training school for Shell Oil company dealers and service station attendants was held recently in Medford. The school was to provide personnel with latest developments in servicing vehicles and included automatic transmissions and tubeless tires.

John Boyd and Roy Raphael, both of Eugene, conducted the school. Both are merchandising representatives for Shell Oil company.

Ed Parsons Elected Jersey Club Head

Ed Parsons, Foothills Creek, was elected president of the Rogue River Jersey Cattle club at a meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Moore near Eagle Point Sunday.

Parsons, who formerly was president of the Coos County Jersey club, will assume his duties in January. Other officers include Delbert Mongold, Eagle Point, vice-president; Mrs. Mary Mongold, secretary; and E. B. Poyer, Ashland, treasurer.

Roy Mitsche, manager of Monarch Seed and Feed company, Medford, discussed weed control and soil feeding. Larry Tweedy, field representative for the company, showed films of the subject. Nat Etzel, vocational agriculture instructor at Eagle Point, discussed his work as instructor.

Annual reports were submitted by department heads, and recommendations for work for the club during the new year were made by the retiring president.

Looking Ahead with CHARLES E. JONES

Most of us are reluctant to face unpalatable truths. That sensitive spot on our molar is probably just a temporary irritation; that twinge of pain in the region of the heart will no doubt go away if we put it off. Too many of us put off seeing our dentist or consulting our physician for a periodic check-up. Similarly, possibility of early death is an unpleasant fact that we try hard not to think about. Yet only two categories of people can afford to disregard such a contingency—those who have no dependents and those who have made, through life insurance, sufficient provision for their loved ones against the chance of untimely death. If you cannot conscientiously claim to be in either of these categories drop me a line—or telephone.

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Camp White Legion To Hold Initiation

New members of the Camp White American Legion post will be initiated at a meeting at 8 p.m. today at the Domiciliary theater building.

Medford Police Chief Charles Champlin will give the welcoming address, and district 13 commander, Gene Orr, will report on rehabilitation program of the department of Oregon American Legion. Orr was a member of the state and National rehabilitation committee of the Legion for four years, and is now a member of the national executive committee.

Entertainment is planned following the business meeting.

Salem Syndicate Buys Alberta Woolen Mill

Magrath, Alberta—(U.P.)—Attorney-General E. W. Hinman of Alberta today announced the sale of a woolen mill here to a syndicate headed by Chester A. Page, Salem, Ore., for \$35,000.

The syndicate plans to install new equipment and have the plant in operation next spring.

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A Merry Christmas to all of our friends at this season with the fond hope that the year has been happy and successful for all.

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