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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.

20 YEARS AGO March 30, 1936 Mrs. Elwood Hedberg, president of Jackson County Public Health association, announces tickets on sale for annual meeting.

From Arthur Perry's Ye Smudge Pot column: Jackson K. Frost had not yet arrived in the valley on his annual visit, and is tardy. In normal years at this time, he has killed all the apricots, and ruined an overwhelming majority of the pears.

20 YEARS AGO March 30, 1936 Improvements on Medford army started by WPA crews; total cost expected to be about \$4,000.

F. C. Reimer, head of Southern Oregon experiment station, inspects damage from cold weather; says about 90 per cent of blossoms remain on pear trees.

30 YEARS AGO March 30, 1926 Ralph P. Cowgill of Medford recommended by Republican pre-primary convention for senator.

First forest fire of season reported on Ward's creek between Gold Hill and Rogue River; covers about 50 acres.

40 YEARS AGO March 30, 1916 Tungsten ore strike at Sylvanite, three miles upstream from Gold Hill, reported to be extensive vein.

Talent Farmers' club votes to form irrigation district; J. W. Miller of Ashland, R. E. Robinson and A. L. Manning of Talent nominated as trustees.

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

- 1. Total number of electoral votes for President is (a) 135, (b) 351, (c) 531, (d) 1350 or (e) 5310?
2. Amman is the capital of an Arab state: Iraq, Syria, Lebanon, Jordan or Saudi Arabia?
3. Date of Easter each year depends on the date of Christmas, the calendar, time of full moon, decision of the millinery trade, or long-range weather forecasts?
4. One-fifth, one-third, one-half or two-thirds of the states now forbid discrimination in employment by race, religion or color?
5. The Stock Market usually goes up or down in the second half of presidential election years, or shows no distinct trend?
6. The average age at which women start teaching in city public schools is (a) 17, (b) 20, (c) 23 or (d) 26?
7. The original name of which prominent screen star was Margarita C. Canino?
The answers: 1. 531. 2. Jordan. 3. Time of full moon. 4. One-third. 5. Usually goes up. 6. Around 23. 7. Rita Hayworth.
PEANUTS LACKING Washington—(U.P.)—The Agriculture department had bad news for baseball fans today, but good news for cleanup men—the ones with brooms. Peanuts

"Dime" Flynn

The sudden death of Diamond L. Flynn was shocking to the thousands of people in southern Oregon who were glad to call him a friend. He was doing what he liked best—walking the streets of Medford, greeting people and talking about civic projects—the day before he was carried away by a heart attack.

ASA RESULT, sometimes during his career of public service he was criticized for "sitting on the fence," and "not getting anything done."

It is a tribute to Dime that it was accomplished, and was done without hurting people. His genius for liking others made it possible for him to arrange compromises and agreements, where other men, less skillful in dealing with personalities, would advocate an "all or nothing" approach.

BUT DEMOCRACY IS, by one definition, government by compromise. With a skillful, loyal and dedicated worker like Diamond Flynn as a leader, miracles can be wrought. And they were, in Medford.

Medford, the county, the state and the nation are the better for Diamond Flynn's life and work. His premature death (he was only 59) may well have been hastened by the fact that he could not take it easy when he saw a job that needed to be done.

DIME FLYNN'S death leaves a void that will be difficult to fill. But his work, his service, his dedication to what was good in community life—all done in smiling friendship—will stand as a memorial to him greater than anything that can be said or done in his honor.

Garbage

Adolf Hitler operated under the theory that if you told a lie big enough, and repeated it often enough, it was bound to be believed by some people.

ONE SUCH is the rather stupid and sordid tale marketed under the title of "Maria Monk," or "Secrets of the Black Nunnery in Montreal, Canada, Revealed."

RELIGIOUS diversity is one of America's strengths. Each person is entitled to believe as he must, and decry the beliefs of others if he feels so inclined.

Journalism Dean Several of the state's newspapers have commented on their pleasure over the appointment of Prof. Charles Duncan as dean of the school of journalism at the University of Oregon.

THE ONLY THING wrong with the appointment was that it was so long delayed, for he has been acting dean for almost a year.

Jeanne Crain Files Action for Divorce Hollywood—(U.P.)—Film star Jeanne Crain's suit for divorce against manufacturer Paul Brinkman today stunned Hollywood.

FBI Captures Two Most Wanted Criminals Memphis—(U.P.)—Notorious Nick (The Greek) Montos, only criminal ever to make the FBI's "10 most wanted" list twice, and escaped convict Robert Lloyd Jones were surprised by FBI agents at a motel early today and taken without a shot being fired.

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'Open Sky' Plan, Debunking of Stalin, Top Good News of Week

By CHARLES M. McCANN United Press Correspondent The week's good and bad news on the international balance sheet:

1. Hope was expressed in Allied capitals that the big powers might at last get started on the way toward a disarmament agreement, including the safeguards against violations which Soviet Russia has refused to accept.

2. Communist parties all over Europe showed open consternation over the debunking of Josef Stalin, built up for years as infallible. The Hungarian Reds announced that Laszlo Rajk, their foreign minister, and other leaders were executed on concocted evidence in 1949 in a Stalin-era purge.

3. President Eisenhower's conference with Prime Minister Louis St. Laurent of Canada and President Adolfo Ruiz Cortines of Mexico at White Sulphur Springs, a new kind of informal get-together by "summit" leaders, proved to be a resounding success. There was talk of developing the new techniques. It may be used when Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru of India visits the United States in July.

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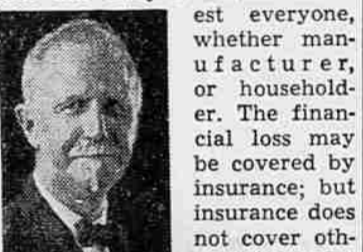
Communications

Letters to the Editor must bear the name and address of the writer, although under certain circumstances the use of a pen name or initial for publication is permissible.

Pure Water To the Editor: Grandma will state her reasons why not to put fluorine in Medford's water system. The chamber of commerce advertised all over to bring strangers into Medford, Oregon, U.S.A. You all praised this pure water that Medford has used the past years.

Fire Losses Greater; Insurance Is Not Full Answer, Babson Says

By ROGER BABSON Babson Park, Mass. — Fire losses have so increased that I feel the subject should interest everyone, whether manufacturer, or household.



Roger W. Babson is the case of a successful business or a happy home. Unfortunately, a certain number of fires are set—by mentally deranged people, or by juvenile delinquents. Other fires are set by unsuccessful businessmen who use the fires "to sell their business to the insurance company."

What About Insurance Too many people take the position, "Why worry, because the insurance company will pay the bill." Although, in case of loss, you get a check from one or more insurance companies, yet this loss is merely collected by the insurance companies from the premiums which they assess plus the cost of operation to all who take out policies.

Three Good Reasons To the Editor: I have three good reasons why I want fluoridation. They are, Dwight, age 7 1/2, Jeffrey, age 3 1/2, and Jimmy, age 1.

From Candidate To the Editor: I want to thank you very much for your story on my being a candidate for delegate to the Democratic nominating convention.

ACTRESS GETS DIVORCE Santa Monica, Calif.—(U.P.)—Actress Ruth Roman divorced radio station owner Mortimer W. Hall yesterday on testimony he had called her "stupid" and said "He wished he'd never married me."

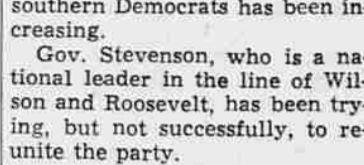
CAUSES Number Per Cent Property Loss Matches—Smoking 666,812 26.90 \$ 453,341,831 Misuse of Electricity 330,047 13.31 405,896,793 Exposure to other Fires 180,220 7.27 270,946,033 Petroleum Products 195,645 7.89 218,625,639 Stoves, Furnaces, Boilers 170,639 6.88 230,158,430 Overheated Chimneys/Flues 115,697 4.67 146,475,730 Spontaneous Combustion 47,127 1.90 140,263,778 Lightning 224,694 9.06 143,601,697 Miscellaneous 88,103 3.55 127,540,039 Friction and Sparks 25,233 1.02 76,251,420 Open Lights 76,653 3.09 73,693,025 Gas—Natural and Artificial 43,505 1.76 70,351,899 Ignition of Hot Grease, etc. 97,143 3.92 50,303,751 Explosions 24,114 0.97 48,793,380 Hot Ashes and Coals 69,782 2.82 54,320,903 Chemical Combustion 25,358 1.02 41,981,665 Sparks on Roofs 38,422 1.55 38,120,602 Rubbish and Litter 56,734 2.29 51,710,806 Fireworks, Balloons, etc 3,326 0.13 2,811,226 TOTAL 2,479,256 100.00% \$2,645,188,650

Today and Tomorrow

By Walter Lippmann

THE DISUNITED DEMOCRATS

The Democratic Party, it is now evident, is in another of those periods of inner conflict which it passes through about once in each political generation.



THERE IS a real and important issue between Stevenson on the one hand, Truman, Kefauver and Harriman on the other. It is not about whether Stevenson is too moderate in his criticism of Eisenhower, or whether he can give the Republicans bigger hell than Kefauver or Harriman.

Or, shall they let the erring southern brothers go Republican or Dixiecrat while they fight the election as a militant northern party appealing to the farm belt and to the big cities? If so, they can make their choice of Kefauver, Harriman, and perhaps some others in an open convention in which former President Truman, the hero of 1948, will be dominant.

Government Eases Pork-Buying Program

Washington—(U.P.)—The government reported yesterday its pork-buying program was eased this week with the strengthening of hog market prices.

Why is this? It is because there is not now any national issue which overrides, as in Wilson's time and in Roosevelt's, sectional and local interests. A united front policy means giving the local interests something less

THE SITUATION could change in the months to come. But on the prospect of an Eisenhower-Nixon Republican ticket, one may have doubts whether any of the leading Democratic politicians in the North or in the South are really interested in the Presidency. In part, that may be because they feel that the Democrats have only an outside chance to win the Presidency.

But it may be also because they have done well enough, very well indeed, with Eisenhower in the White House and themselves in control of Congress and of so many of the state capitals.

They may, in other words, regard the present division of powers between the two parties as not at all unsatisfactory.

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