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Flight o' Time: Medford and Jackson County History from the files of The Mail Tribune 10, 20, 30, 40 and 50 years ago.

10 YEARS AGO Oct. 3, 1948 (Thursday) Marriage licenses issued by the county clerk's office during September totaled 58.

30 YEARS AGO Oct. 3, 1918 (Saturday) The only herd of Brown Swiss cattle in southern Oregon is being developed by Dr. I. D. Phipps on his orchard on Crater Lake highway.

50 YEARS AGO Oct. 3, 1905 (Wednesday) Medford city council conducts routine and business, orders bills paid, discusses water rates allowed Iowa Lumber and Box company.

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

1. A President's death has never put into the White House a vice president as young as Nixon now; right or wrong?

2. The U. S. 10 per cent travel ticket tax is now removed for all foreign travel, or only that to distant points?

3. Which one of these is not considered an Arab state: Egypt, Turkey, Libya, Lebanon, Syria, Jordan?

4. Funchal is capital of which large island in the Atlantic Ocean?

5. Eligible disabled annuity payments now even if under 65; right or wrong?

6. Much more or much less is spent on TV or on magazine advertising, or is it about 50-50?

7. Which of these famous generals served as Army chief of staff: MacArthur, Marshall, Ridgway, Bradley, Eisenhower? The answers: 1. Wrong; 2. Roosevelt in 1901 was 2 years younger than Nixon now. 3. Turkey isn't 4. Madeira. 5. Wrong; payments begin next year. 6. Much more on TV advertising. 7. All of them.

"Politics" Is All of Us

The word "politician" is in high disrepute, these days. It is bandied about like an epithet. Which is too bad. Politics is the art or science of government; a politician (in its best and truest sense) is one skilled in that art or science.

It is to our advantage to get the best possible men to make a career of politics. We do ourselves no good by using the term as one of opprobrium.

THE TROUBLE is that we have come to apply the term commonly to the worst, rather than the best, of our public servants. And the phrase, "Oh, he's not but a politician," carries with it the implication that the subject is a no-good feeder at the public trough.

Political partisans refer to office-seekers of the party as "politicians," but to their own as "statesmen" or "public servants."

Silly, isn't it? But the fact remains that each of us is a politician—or should be—if we take sufficient interest in our own government to find out what the problems are, and to vote intelligently regarding them.

WE BLAME the misuse of the word "politics" for another absurdity which is too current. This is the shying-away from "politics" by good, substantial organizations which should know better.

Most of the service clubs have provisions in their charters which proscribe them from taking part in non-political activity, and which require them to remain non-political in nature.

That's all well and good—and probably necessary if the groups are to attract a broad cross-section of the community, as they must do to survive.

But this has led to a curious, head-in-the-sand sort of attitude which results in a pretense that politics—the art, if you please, of governing ourselves—is something apart from everyday life.

THIS pretense has resulted in some colleges and universities prohibiting candidates for office from making "political" addresses on their campuses—with the result that the poor office-seekers talk banalities, and the students are barred by a silly rule from exposure to the very stuff of government.

(This type of hypocrisy has been mercifully absent from Oregon campuses in the past year or two, after a few examples of political censorship were shown up for the absurdities they were.)

It also results in some service clubs insulating themselves from the facts of life.

THE MOST recent instance of this attitude was at a Rotary club meeting in Coquille the other day, where Sen. Richard Neuberger was the guest speaker.

Now Senator Neuberger is a controversial figure in Oregon politics, but he is a United States Senator, elected by a majority vote of the people of Oregon.

His talk was in relation to the Eisenhower administration. People have a right to know how he stands, and then to agree or disagree.

But the Rotary "no politics" rule came in to play, with the odd result that the presiding officer, smack in the middle of the senator's talk, called him "out of order," and told him he could talk about those programs of the administration with which he agreed, but that he couldn't talk about those with which he disagreed!!!

FOR ADULT, presumably intelligent men to permit this sort of situation to arise is a sad commentary in a land where the ballot is the ultimate authority in the conduct of public affairs.

A "non-partisan" rule—listening to both sides—would be entirely appropriate and proper, but a "non-political" rule, particularly when interpreted to mean a silly pretense that politics doesn't exist, or, if it does, is of no importance, is the height of something or other.

Communications Good Record of Canal Piloting Seen Point in Nasser's Favor

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. The Mail Tribune reserves the right to edit all letters with a view to clarification and condensation. Letters submitted for publication must not exceed 400 words.

Hunting "To the Editor: The following Game Laws and Regulations I found amusing, and thought you might like them too:

1. All deer hunters will sound horn at intervals of 10 yards when proceeding through any woodland.

2. Slow-moving hunters will keep to the right and allow fast-moving hunters to pass.

3. A hunter about to stop and shoot will hold out his hand to indicate which direction he intends to shoot.

4. Isolated hunters will be required to send up flares (colored) at intervals of 30 seconds.

5. Others of hunters may shoot at the flares but not at the hunter.

6. All hunters separated from the main body and wishing to move through the brush shall use a banner not less than 8 feet long and 4 feet high with the inscription: "Positively not a deer, elk, moose or other quadruped."

7. Any hunter mistaking a fellow hunter for a deer or other animal, and shooting at him and missing shall forfeit his amateur standing, and be penalized 25 yards for unnecessary roughness.

8. Any hunter shooting at another and hitting him shall be considered guilty of professionalism, and have his license suspended for 60 days.

9. In circumstances where two hunters shoot at each other at the same time and both miss, both shall proceed to the nearest zoological garden and leave it to the keeper to decide which looks the more like that animal.

10. It shall be the duty of the warden to place stuffed heads (deer, moose and elk) on trees at intervals of every 500 yards in all forests so hunters will know what they look like.

11. The placing of soft hats, collars and sports shirts on the animals to confuse other hunters shall be considered unsportsmanlike.

12. Whenever a hunter thinks he sees a deer, elk or moose, he shall blow a police whistle three times before firing. The test is this: If it really is a deer, elk or moose, it will rise and ask for a cigarette.

13. All hunters shall at all times obey the traffic laws governing deer hunting and carefully observe the signals.

14. Red light in the traffic tower shall be interpreted as meaning deer ahead, but only bound up to east or west bound hunter.

15. Green light indicates deer ahead, but only open to north or south bound hunter.

16. No hunter shall bag more than two deer, four game wardens, or five innocent bystanders in one day.

Good hunting. Arthur H. Peterson, Star Ranger Station, Upper Applegate, Ore.

Wanted—Humane Society To the Editor: In most countries, Oct. 4 is World Day for Animals, the day dedicated to St. Francis, the assiduous patron saint of animals.

We are urged by most humane societies to think, speak, act for suffering animals.

Kindness to animals is surely one of the greatest virtues; above all, because of their helplessness and dependence upon man.

All the finest men in history have believed this. The great religions, too, have taught the Oneness of all life and the vital importance of extending love and compassion to every fellow-being without exception even the very humblest.

Unfortunately, much cruelty still persists and is practiced in so many ways. Unwanted pets are dropped on the roadside or left to starve and run wild as an indifferent owner moves to a new residence.

Animals die slowly in traps that torture them. Unenlightened farmers are cruel in exterminating beneficial animals like hawks, skunks and snakes to name but a few.

Cruelty to livestock, kicking, striking and transporting animals in overloaded trucks with sharp corners and protruding nails, is as yet too prevalent.

We had an editorial recently on the cruelties practiced in the slaughtering of animals. Then there is bull-fighting and many other forms of so-called entertainment where helpless animals are exploited.

Progress can be made in reducing pain, neglect and fear imposed upon so many pets and other animals by thoughtful, callous people through a properly functioning humane society. Let us have one.

Mrs. Ruth Johnson, South Pacific Highway, Phoenix, Ore.

CONSTRUCTION SLATED Portland—(U.P.)—Spokesmen for the Lloyd Corp. said today that major construction on the \$25 million shopping park planned for the Holladay center district of Portland will begin early next spring.

About one out of seven workers in the U. S. is rated as skilled labor.

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By CHARLES M. McCANN United Press Correspondent

Egypt will have at least one strong point in its favor when the United Nations Security Council takes up the Suez Canal dispute Friday.

That is, that canal traffic is moving normally under Egyptian direction despite the walkout of about 180 foreign pilots.

It was predicted that calamity would result when the pilots quit on Sept. 15 because of President Gamal Abdel Nasser's demand to seize full control of the world's most important canal.

Nasser was left with about 80 Egyptian and Greek pilots and a scattering of others, not all qualified to handle ships of any tonnage.

Calamity may come, especially when bad weather sets in. But as of now, it has not.

Minor Accidents Occur There have been a few accidents.

Something's cooking at Yalta again. The big shots of communism are ganging up there.

Yugoslavia and Khrushchev and Bulgarian of Russia have had their heads together for days, and they have been joined by Hungary.

Western diplomats are saying the gathering is concerned with D E E P I D E O L O G I C A L C O N F L I C T S within the Soviet bloc of nations.

WHAT'S biting them? This is my (admittedly optimistic) idea of it: They are worried by the knowledge that communism is of itself SO FOUL that in time it must fall of the weight of its own foulness.

A WORD more on Yalta. It rates as Russia's top winter resort. It's where the Russians who can afford it come in the winter season to escape the cold. It is located on the southern tip of the Crimean peninsula that sticks out into the Black Sea. Its latitude is about that of Fargo, North Dakota.

FORMER German Grand Admiral Doenitz (a top bracket member of Hitler's Nazi gang) has just been released from the Spandau war crimes prison after serving a 10-year sentence as a war criminal.

KBES-TV Will Show Educational Programs Portland—(U.P.)—Educational television will come to Oregon for 13 weeks starting Friday on an experimental basis.

The television committee of the state's system of higher education arranged for the kinescope recordings from the national educational television center in Ann Arbor, Mich.

The programs selected are "The Finder," from the St. Louis educational TV station for children 9 to 12 years; "Spotlight on Opera" from the University of California extension service, and "The Painting" featuring creation of a work of art on the air by Artist Siegfried Reinhardt.

Stations planning to show the series are KOIN-TV, Portland; KVAL-TV, Eugene, and KBES-TV, Medford.

Nyssa Processing Record Sugar Beet Crop Nyssa—(U.P.)—Processing of a record-breaking sugar beet crop got underway in the Nyssa Nampa area yesterday when the Amalgamated Sugar factory here started operations for the season.

General Manager Jed Lewis said that indications are that between 500,000 and 600,000 tons of beets will be processed this season.

JOE SMITH ESCORTS ADLAI Jersey City, N.J.—(U.P.)—Adlai Stevenson was escorted to his car after a speech here by Police Inspector Joe Smith.

courses, NMS said, with physics the most popular of the physical sciences.

Oregon winners included: John P. Van Dyke, Medford, Cal Tech, electrical engineering.

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drawal of the proposed United States aid to Egypt in building the great Aswan Dam, Nasser's dream of bringing prosperity to his impoverished country.

Britain and France were ready to use military force to keep the canal open. The United States rejected that idea.

Instead a series of schemes was proposed by Dulles to insure international control of canal traffic and, if Nasser refused to agree, to put an economic squeeze on Egypt.

These schemes have been progressively watered down. Now 15 canal-using countries have formed in London a "Suez Canal Users Association" to handle the Suez situation.

But nobody seems to know what the association is supposed to do or do if Nasser doesn't cooperate.

Solution Appears Dim It is most unlikely that either the Security Council or the U.N. General Assembly, which holds its annual meeting in New York starting Nov. 12, can do anything to solve the dispute.

Russia can veto any action against Egypt in the council. The Asian-African bloc of nations, and the Soviet bloc, can prevent the necessary two-thirds vote by the assembly in favor of any action they oppose.

Hence the outlook is either for a compromise between the canal users and Egypt or a long-range economic battle.

It is indicated that a compromise is quite possible still. But it probably would leave Nasser a happy man and increase the division between the United States and its two chief allies.

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