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

10 YEARS AGO
Dec. 13, 1946 (Friday)
Robert Elder, Jackson county juvenile officer, asks people of county for donations of toys for dependent and neglected children of pre-school age.

20 YEARS AGO
Dec. 13, 1936 (Sunday)
The need in Medford is for homes costing \$5,000 or less, according to Bruce Bauer, manager of the real estate department of Timber Products company.

30 YEARS AGO
Dec. 13, 1926 (Monday)
Medford's new aerological weather station, for coast-air flights, is being moved through the city, will be in operation next week with Dr. M. Little, formerly of the N.Y., in charge.

40 YEARS AGO
Dec. 13, 1916 (Wednesday)
The coming of farmers in the Medford vicinity to organize a National Farm Loan association will be held Saturday.

50 YEARS AGO
Dec. 13, 1906 (Thursday)
Greek letter fraternities at University of Washington agree not to admit Japanese students to membership.

What's Your I.Q.?
Nine or ten correct is superior; seven or eight is excellent; five or six is good.

1. What is the appropriate metal gift customarily given at a person's 21st wedding anniversary?

2. Has the District of Columbia a total land area of either 48 or 681 square miles?

3. Kish was the great-grandfather of Esther. Was Mordecai a descendant of Kish?

4. Were Gohang and Richard Strauss, composers, related?

5. Is the middle initial of President Eisenhower the same as the initial of his first name?

6. During what season were the Dionne quintuplets born?

7. Can the falcon hover mid-air without apparent motion of its wings?

8. In Eugene Fields poem: Wynken, Blynken, and—name the other character.

9. "Git" is colloquialism of "to get" as well as "eat": true or false?

Answers: 1. Tin. 2. No. 81 square miles. 3. Yes. Grandson. 4. No. 5. Yes. 6. Spring. May. 7. Yes. 8. No. 9. True. 10. A foundry term. 10. Yes.

Sowing Dragon's Teeth

We may be overly optimistic today. But, as we see it, "the bear that walks like a man" is going the way of the dinosaur. As has often been remarked the dinosaur was broad of beam and a super-tank in strength, but it lacked brains and that lack brought its downfall.

NOT that we expect Russia to disappear. But we do expect so long as Russia remains under its present leadership and ideology and persists in its belief that it can shoot loyalty to communism into its satellites, via superior strength in tanks and machine guns, it is riding to a fall, and sooner or later, a fatal one.

THE Kremlin can no more conquer the world by force, than Hitler did or Napoleon tried to do, and if its brain power matched its firing power it would long ago have realized this.

But instead of doing so, Russia has blindly followed the time-honored tradition of violence since the days of Rurik and the early Czars, considering submission through fear preferable to devotion through belief and proceeding to secure the former by butchery and brute force.

IT can't be done, particularly in this modern world. And if the present Kremlin leaders had the brain power to devote to a study of human nature, they have to devote to a study of Karl Marx and Lenin they would know this.

But apparently they haven't, as their inhuman treatment of Hungary indicates.

That they will eventually give a temporary submission is almost certain, for unfortunately there is no force available to combat force. But the dragon's teeth of hatred they are sowing will be planted deep and wide and eventually, we predict, yield a harvest that will give this tiny but fearless state, the freedom and liberty so many of its citizens have been willing to fight and die for.

Also unless the Russian bear changes its head and heart in the meanwhile, it will at long last retreat within its borders licking its wounds and be forced to admit that God no longer follows the heaviest battalions, and that the moral condemnation of the civilized world, can't be disarmed or shot down and silenced, as can the defenseless women and children in the streets of Buda Pest.

"Though the mills of God grind slowly, yet they grind exceeding small."—R.W.R.

Old Man Ox Again

The Mail Tribune opposed the constitutional amendment that confined a President of the United States to two terms.

It was at the time a product of G.O.P. hatred for F.D.R. and his "New Deal" and as we stated at the time, it was up to the people of the country to decide at the polls whether or not they wanted a certain person for President, regardless of how many terms he may have served—or any other consideration.

But the "spite" amendment was put over and there it stands. Now it is amusing to note that some of the distinguished gentlemen who were so hot and bothered about the establishment of a permanent (Roosevelt) dynasty in this country, have no such fears regarding President Eisenhower and a third term.

So they want the amendment repealed, so if President Eisenhower continues to improve physically—and according to all reports from Atlanta that is the case—there will be no legal obstacle, at least, to his carrying the Grand Old Party to a stupendous victory again.

AS so often remarked in this column it "always makes such a difference whose ox is gored."

When a Democrat was the "menace" the country had to be saved, but when his place was taken by "the most popular Republican since Teddy Roosevelt," no menace exists.

WELL, as far as that goes, this paper is all for such a repeal. The fear that gave the amendment birth was really the fear of a basic principle of democracy, that the people of the country ARE qualified to rule, that this IS a government of the people, by the people and for the people in fact as well as theory.

As long as we have elections that are free, and a ballot that is really secret, we have no fear of the voters marking their ballots for some one they DON'T want.

And a candidate they DO want is the candidate they should have regardless of his tenure. As a practical matter of course it is extremely doubtful that at his age General Eisenhower will ever agree to be a candidate for a 3rd term. But if he should, then there should be no constitutional prohibition against the Republican party nominating him, and the people of the country deciding whether they wish his administration for four more years or don't.

They have this right and there should be nothing in the constitution or elsewhere to prevent it.—R.W.R.

Earthquake Recorded Not Far From San Diego

San Diego—(AP)—An earthquake strong enough to be felt but not strong enough to cause damage was recorded here at 5:17 a.m., Fred Robinson, amateur seismologist reported.

Robinson said the quake lasted 14 minutes and appeared to be centered not too far from San Diego in an undetermined direction.

West Germany, Turkey Showing Concern Over Russian Position

By CHARLES M. McCANN United Press Correspondent



Charles M. McCann, United Press correspondent, is seen here in a recent photograph.

West Germany and Turkey have put their Allies on the spot in the North Atlantic Treaty Organization talks in Paris.

West Germany wants to know what NATO would do if a revolt broke out in East Germany and Russia threw its armed forces against the rebels as it did in Hungary.

Turkey wants NATO to build up its strength in the Eastern Mediterranean—including a fleet of atom bomber planes—in view of Russia's belligerent attitude in the Middle East.

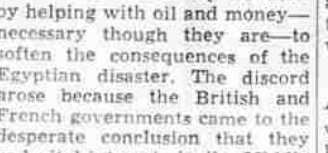
West Germany and Turkey have good reasons to be concerned over the position of their countries at the moment.

Today and Tomorrow

By Walter Lippmann

A STITCH IN TIME

Everything is being said in fact everything has been said by everybody, about the importance of repairing the NATO alliance.



Walter Lippmann

Merely to go on passing resolutions do not gather force and effectiveness good enough. These resolutions do not gather force and effectiveness by being repeated. They do not liberate anyone. Nor do they reduce the threat of a European explosion which lies under the surface.

A EUROPEAN policy is urgently needed to provide a framework of guarantees within which the occupied European countries can be made safe against their neighbors and safe for their neighbors. It is impossible to imagine the end of the military occupation, which remains from the World War, except within a European system of security.

What is only too easy to imagine is the disorder and danger that may break out in Europe if the NATO governments just drift along, repeating their old state shibboleths about Germany and the satellite countries.

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threat of Russian aggression has been increased if anything, not diminished, by the surge of revolt in the Soviet satellite countries.

West German Foreign Minister Heinrich Von Brentano told the NATO Council of Foreign Ministers Wednesday that Hungarian-style rebellion in Eastern Germany could bring Europe to the brink of World War III.

Turkey was quite naturally alarmed over the bellicose position Russia took after the British-French invasion of the Suez Canal Zone. It also is alarmed over the situation in Syria, on its southern border, where a pro-Russian faction dominates the government.

It happens, unfortunately, that the anxiety of West Germany and Turkey over the threat of Russian aggression comes at a time when the NATO alliance has been weakened.

The Paris talks are concerned in great part with an attempt to restore relations between the United States and Britain and France, strained by the Suez invasion.

But the United States and Britain also are talking about reducing the strength of their forces in Germany after getting West Germany to enter NATO

Matter of Fact

By Joe and Stewart Alsop

NIXON'S FRIENDS AND ALLIES



Joseph Alsop

Washington—A re-shuffling of the top-administration posts is now in prospect, as always after an election.

Secretary of Defense Charles E. Wilson's departure is also expected, perhaps in the late spring. His former Under-Secretary, General Motors man Roger Keyes, has already been tentatively sounded out to replace him.

Within the next several months, there may be six new faces in the Cabinet—in the State, Defense, Justice, Post Office, Commerce and Treasury places. And of the six new faces, the Vice President will in all likelihood recognize in three, and perhaps four, either a close personal friend or a powerful political ally.

Secretary of State John Foster Dulles is expected to be among the first to depart. Until recently, Dulles had wanted to stay on until his 70th birthday, in February, 1958. But in the nature of things, Secretaries of State are expendable. Dulles' personal relationship with the leading foreign figures with whom he must deal is now strained, to say the least.

To take only one example, Dulles and British Prime Minister Eden are both firmly and mutually convinced that he was tricked by the other in the Suez crisis. (One recalls the little couplet in George Orwell's "1984": "Underneath the Greenwood tree, I sold you and you sold me.") Even so, Dulles might have stayed on if it had not been for his serious illness. Now, although he has recovered with his usual astonishing vitality, the word is being passed that Dulles will bow out in six months or less.

His heir apparent is, of course, Gov. Christian Herter of Massachusetts, who is to replace Herbert Hoover Jr. as Under-Secretary. As Under-Secretary, Herter will serve a sort of probationary period. But he is a most capable man, with a deep knowledge of foreign affairs, and he will almost certainly pass the test with flying colors, and become Secretary of State.

Herter is very close to the Vice President. They became intimate when they served together in the House, and traveled abroad together, and their friendship survived and was strengthened by Harold Stassen's abortive putsch to replace Nixon with Herter in the Vice Presidency. It is significant that when Herter decided he did not want to run for Governor again, he turned to Nixon, and asked him to intervene with the President, to beg the President, not to put pressure on Herter to run again, and to indicate that Herter would be interested in a foreign policy post after his term ran out.

ON the domestic front, Nixon is likely to find an even closer friend in a key Cabinet spot. The present Attorney General, Herbert Brownell, is expected to return to New York before too long, to mend his personal fortunes. His deputy, William Rogers, will almost certainly replace him. Rogers is Damon to Nixon's Pythias—it was to Rogers that Nixon instantly turned the night he learned of the President's heart attack.

The ailing Arthur Summerfield is also expected to bow out as Postmaster General, and Republican Chairman Len Hall (if he does not run for Governor of New York) is a leading candidate to replace him. Hall and

Nixon are not particularly close personally, but Hall did as much as any other man to assure Nixon's renomination. And the astute Hall is an ally well worth having.

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From a Presley Fan

To the Editor: Would you please put this in the Communications?

Mr. Noel E. Kookan, I think you are down right unfair with what you say about Vic, I know Vic very well and he did not steal your old gun. As him having a "Elvis Presley" hair cut to show how much trouble they can get into and not be caught, well that is a lot of phony. Maybe you can't remember far back enough to when you were a teenager, but I am sure that you had a singer that you worshiped as we worship "Elvis Presley." Yes, they have hair like that to show they are a "Presley" fan. I suppose you want all the girls to get a pig-shave too, because their hair is too long. I am a "Presley" fan and I am very proud that I am. The only reason you don't like "Elvis" is because you are jealous of him, and that you can't be like him. Oh, by the way since when did the D. A. start telling the kids how to wear their hair? You don't see him telling some adult how to wear his hair. But he sure can tell us how to wear it, just because we are teenagers.

I thank you very much. Sandy Boies 1280 Sunset ave. Medford, Oregon (McLoughlin Junior High.)

BUSY AS BEAVERS

Potsdam, N. Y.—(AP)—Beavers confiscated a weeping willow tree on the Arthur McRobbie grounds to build a dam across a pond, also on the property. The artificial pond is fed from a small stream. McRobbie hadn't noticed the beavers at work until he discovered the 12-foot high tree was missing.