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10 YEARS AGO: Jan. 18, 1947 (Saturday). Don Whalin is installed president of Medford Active club.

20 YEARS AGO: Jan. 18, 1937 (Monday). Ray F. Baker named successor to William S. Bolger, as manager of the local J. C. Penney store.

30 YEARS AGO: Jan. 18, 1927 (Tuesday). Starting next Thursday motorists violating new parking rules and traffic ordinances will face arrest, police department announces.

40 YEARS AGO: Jan. 18, 1917 (Thursday). Eight farm loan associations of Jackson county elect T. E. Scanlon of Phoenix as president and C. A. Meyers of Medford, secretary.

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

1. At the outbreak of World War II did Gamelin or DeGaulle command the French forces? 2. Wisconsin was carved from which territory? 3. Give another title for the Biblical Book of Ecclesiastes.

Woodburn, Clatsop Armory Funds Released: Washington—(U.P.)—The Army today released funds for construction of armories at Woodburn and Camp Clatsop in Oregon, according to Rep. Walter Norblad (R-Ore.)

Visionary Picture?

Picture this: Medford merchants are holding their annual "spring opening" showing of merchandise in connection with the Pear Blossom Festival in April.

THIS is fantastic, isn't it? But they're seriously suggesting that very thing for Eugene come their spring opening, with most of Willamette street (their main thoroughfare) closed off (although cross-streets would be operating).

WELL, why not? Downtown areas are getting less and less inspired and less and less interesting, anyway, as traffic congestion continues to get worse.

And perhaps the visionary idea of a University of Oregon landscape architect, Fred Cuthbert, isn't so visionary after all.

THE Eugene Register Guard says: "As time goes on, we think, businessmen are getting over the idea that it helps them to have all the traffic in town passing their shops.

Babies and Lumber

Young people aged 20, 21 and 22 were born in 1937, 1936, and 1935, when the United States was just beginning to climb out of the Great Depression.

DURING the late war years and the early postwar years, the lumber market boomed as the demand for lumber remained high and steady in the attempt to "catch up" with the building which was not done during the war.

IN ANOTHER few years, however, say by 1960, the new homemakers will be those born in the years 1938, 1939 and 1940, when the birth-rate in the U.S. started its swing upward.

THE outline above is not, of course, the only reason for the lumber market slump. There are other economic factors too complicated for ready analysis and explanation.

But, as the saying goes, "That's another story." The point at the moment is that the present slump, regrettable as it may be, cannot in the nature of things last very much longer.—E.A.

Chou, Khrushchey, Macmillan, Nasser Figure in Week's News

By CHARLES M. McCANN United Press Correspondent

The week's good and bad news on the international balance sheet:

Chinese Red Premier Chou En-lai visited Poland and Hungary, in Soviet Russia's behalf, trying to establish a new united party line in the Communist countries of eastern Europe.

Reports came Eastern Europe that Nikita S. Khrushchey, the Russian Communist leader, might soon take over the prime ministry.

Harold Macmillan, Britain's new prime minister, completed his cabinet. He received a cordial message of good will from President Eisenhower.

Egyptian President Gamal Abdel Nasser announced the "Egyptianization" of all British and French banks and insurance companies in his country.

Chou En-lai's mission to Poland and Hungary was a confession of Russia's anxiety over the situation in satellite Eastern Europe. Chou was called urgently to Moscow for consultation.

Chou then went first to Warsaw, then to Budapest, on what constituted a "trouble-shooting" mission.

He spent five days in Warsaw, conferring with "independent" Polish Communist leader Wladyslaw Gomulka. It took him but one day to fix things up in Budapest with Puppet Premier Janos Kadar.

Chou succeeded in working out a formula under which Moscow is supposed to remain the fountainhead of Communist doctrine.

The most significant thing about Chou's mission, however, was a joint declaration which

he and Gomulka issued. This declaration said that Communist countries were "independent and sovereign" nations. It thus upheld Gomulka's freedom from Russian dictation.

The reports that Khrushchey might become premier implied that he retained the No. 1 position in Russia's collective leadership.

Macmillan's assumption of the prime ministry. President Eisenhower sent him "warmest congratulations" and expressed "warm admiration" for him.

Nasser's "Egyptianization" of British and French banks and insurance companies means that their stockholders and directors must by Egyptian citizens.

Conn. Every state has one or more of such cities. However, your future depends upon you, rather than upon where you are located.

President Eisenhower sends to the congress the biggest peacetime budget in American history. It calls for expenditure by the government of the United States of 71 billion 800 million dollars in the 12 months of the year beginning on July 1, 1957.

That is two billion nine hundred million dollars more than was budgeted to be spent in the current fiscal year, which will end on the 30th day of this coming June.

SO much for spending. Let's take a look now at the amount of tax money expected to be taken in.

The President anticipates that the government's income in this period will come to about 73 billion 600 million dollars. If all goes as planned—that is to say, if the government spends no more than the President estimates—there will be a surplus of about one billion 800 million dollars.

This surplus could be applied—if it materializes and if it were decided to do so—to the reduction of our rather staggering national debt.

It's better, of course, than going further into the red. But it would be better still, everything considered, if we spent less and paid off more.

HOW much will this budget cost YOU, as an individual? Its average cost to every man, woman and child in the United States will be \$416. It will be divided this way:

Out of each tax dollar, 59 cents will go for national security (armaments and military and economic aid to our allies). Ten cents will go to pay interest on the national debt.

Wages are higher when work is plentiful in some cities, but such work is likely to fluctuate more. Statistics indicate that the total yearly "take home" wages, adjusted according to living costs, are about the same in all 48 states.

Of course the future value of land varies with different states. Probably the best purchases for speculation are in the West Coast States and the Southern States.

To those who are determined to move, I suggest you consider for investment or employment a capital city of one of the 48 states. None of these 48 cities have ever defaulted on their municipal bonds.

Cities having State Universities are also to be chosen. These likewise are supported by taxes from all the state. They are rapidly growing. Your children get a college education at a low cost—as well as a good "boy or girl friend."

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San Francisco—(U.P.)—The Securities and Exchange Commission has charged that the J. Henry Heiser and Co. investment counselling firm had failed to comply with a federal order in its dealings with some 6,000 clients.

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.

U.S. Need Is Repentance: To the Editor: The furor over the so-called Eisenhower policy for the Middle East reminds one more and more of the fable of the Emperor's New Clothes.

When one stops to analyze it, there is really nothing new or dynamic or dramatic about it—in short, there's just nothing there. The United States is already ready committed by endless pacts, agreements, and alliances to defend virtually any nation attacked by the U.S.S.R., and to undertake to buy friends through economic aid is a bankrupt and hopeless idea.

Notwithstanding our recent actions in the U.N. and elsewhere regarding Suez, we are still indubitably tied in with Britain and France in the minds of most Arab peoples, and justly or not, share the undying hatred they harbor for colonial powers.

Their proverb, "The enemy of my enemy is my friend" is very revealing, where their attitude toward Russia is concerned.

We live in a new era of evolution in which men of every race and creed seek to cast off the chains that bind them and to establish once and for all the supreme dignity and worth of the human individual.

The spectacle of state governments once more defying federal authority as they did in pre-Civil War days, while Christian clergymen are imprisoned and their homes and churches dynamited for the "crime" of seeking by legal and non-violent means to secure and establish justice for their people, presents a sorry picture which even the most backward and illiterate nations of the earth can interpret without difficulty.

Our paramount need is not for a new policy but rather for acts of individual and collective repentance. Without them, no doctrine for darker-skinned people will ever achieve the ends we desire.

Grace N. Pearson, Route 2, Box 50, Jacksonville, Ore.

How About Diet Problem? To the Editor: In Sunday's Potpourri Mrs. Starcher mentions that American homemakers are reputed to have scant knowledge of good nutrition.

The reason for this she has actually given a few lines earlier when describing the constant bombardment of contrary opinion concerning proper eating.

Someday, perhaps, some enterprising college graduate in dietetics instead of accepting a conventional position in hospital or school, will open up a private office where for a fee, a housewife can check her daily menu by telephone to ascertain if she is feeding her family correctly.

It could even be part of the Public Health service with housewives, restaurateurs, etc., buying memberships for, say, ten dollars a month for ten calls for

advice: "Hello, this is Mrs. McSwat. The men of my family want corn beef and cabbage for dinner. What shall I serve with it to have a balanced meal?"

We have public stenographers, consulting engineers, bookkeeping service, even people to advise us how to decorate our homes, why not a service for our health? Think about it, you students who are mulling over the choice of a career.

Jean Benjamin, Gold Hill, Ore.

A Hot Tip From B. K. To the Editor: One of the little-known mineralized regions in Jackson county is the Wagner butte area, especially at its higher elevations, although it has been known by former prospectors for yielding both quartz and pocket gold for nearly a century.

One of the hazards is the short season that is free from snow in the summer months. In former years, old miners have ground sluiced on the slopes of Wagner with good results, using snow water available from the early spring run off.

Some areas are as much as six miles by foot or trail from end of a dirt road, so consequently a thorough job of scientific prospecting has lagged. Only the harder old time mountain men have really spent any amount of time to scratch the surface of the area yet.

Adventure and reward await the prospector. Bert Kissinger, 520 Boardman Medford, Ore.

Lutherans Render Thanks: To the Editor: We are indeed very grateful to you and your staff for the fine services you have rendered our newly established congregation—Ascension Lutheran.

We have passed the Christmas and the New Year's celebration and perhaps can get down to a normal way of life. We realize that without the fine cooperation from your paper we would be quite helpless in our campaign. As humans we, too, are rather slow in recognizing the importance of a local paper such as yours in assisting the work of the Kingdom of God. We, too, deal with human beings and since we are in the same category, the tendency to err is still the same.

We desire to continue calling upon your assistance in the advertising of our church's program in this community and hope we may have the same cordial spirit in 1957 as was shown so generously in 1956.

On behalf of Miss Ruth Zacher, our parish worker, and myself, we say thank you for every consideration. Elvin S. Tollefson, Pastor, Ascension Lutheran Church, Medford, Ore.

Population of U. S. Set at 169,419,000: Washington—(U.P.)—The population of the United States reached 169,419,000 last Dec. 1, the Census Bureau estimated Thursday.

The preliminary figure, which included members of the armed forces serving overseas, was more than 2.8 million higher than at the same time last year. The bureau estimated the U.S. population has increased more than 18.2 million since the last official census in 1950.

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