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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
March 5, 1947 (Thursday)
Successful bidders for Camp
White buildings will be an-
nounced next week, according
to the war assets administration,
Portland.

20 YEARS AGO
March 5, 1937 (Saturday)
Pacific coast pear growers
meet to discuss a campaign to
reduce present top-heavy stocks
of canned Bartlett's.

30 YEARS AGO
March 5, 1927 (Sunday)
M. D. Field, general auditor
of Copco, elected secretary of
the company.

40 YEARS AGO
March 5, 1917 (Tuesday)
Miss Anna M. Turley, exten-
sion specialist in home econom-
ics of the Oregon Agricultural
college, is spending four weeks
in southern Oregon.

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

1. What color shirts were worn
by Adolf Hitler's original fol-
lowers?
2. What sort of plane is the
Gloebster?
3. Bible: Was Hezekiah a
prophet?
4. Name the capital of Ar-
kansas.

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to their opinions.
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same category as those of the men who ridiculed
Columbus, James Watt, the Wright brothers, Thomas
Edison, and a host of others who had "crazy ideas"
which later proved practical.

Eisenhower's Cough
Said 'Little Better'
Washington — (U.P.) — White
House Press Secretary James C.
Hagerty said Tuesday that Presi-
dent Eisenhower's cough seems
to be "a little better."

"Monogamous" Youth

Our Potpourri column Sunday quoted "Informa-
tion," a magazine of the Catholic Paulist fathers, to
the effect that the church is increasingly concerned
about the "going steady" habits of American youth
today.

This comes at the same time as an article in the
current Harper's magazine along somewhat the same
lines, entitled "American Youth Goes Monogamous."

The latter article, by Charles W. Cole, president
of Amhurst college, records pretty much the same set
of circumstances, but is less concerned than the author
of the church article over the results.

DR. COLE declares that a definite pattern of
"mores" has arisen around the fact of "going
steady" among college young people, and that they
are as rigorous in their observance of this code as our
Victorian grandparents were in the observance of
theirs.

The free-wheeling days of competition for dates,
of the stag-line, of the "wallflower," are now gone,
Dr. Cole states, and references to them in the pres-
ence of today's youth are met by incredulous and rather
disapproving reactions.

DR. COLE concludes that it is too early to tell what
effect the new unmarried monogamy will have on
the stability of families, while the church publication
saw in it "a serious occasion of sin," robbing young
people of a variety of companionships, stunting emo-
tional development, and paving the way for unstable
marriages and broken homes.

The college president sees a different possibility—
that the "fiercely monogamous premarital folkways"
may serve to strengthen later marriages.

Only time, and statistics, will show who is right.
—E.A.

Imaginings Coming True

Is mankind, in the foreseeable future, going to
break the bonds of gravity, solve the innumerable
problems of space flight, and take off for the moon
and points outward from there?

There is a growing body of scientists and engi-
neers who not only declare he is, but are hard at work
toward that end. Development of the dreaded ICBM
(intercontinental ballistic missile) is bringing the day
closer. And an Air Force general the other day pre-
dicted that before long, any future battles are more
apt to be fought in space than on the surface of the
planet.

He finds a strong seconder in the editor emeritus
of the Salem Capital Journal, who comments:

"Yet numerous pseudo scientists have gone nutty on this
crazy idea and even books and magazines are printed in a
lingo of their own on alleged adventures in space flights
where human existence is impossible for lack of oxygen
to breathe. And the gullible have even bought 'first trip
tickets to the moon' and areas in its sterile craters have
been sold at fancy prices. And from there, of course, it will
be easy to fly to Jupiter and cruise the Milky Way 'sailing
like the little stars round about the moon' with Mother
Goose at the throttle."

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And the Jules Verne simile was unfortunate, too—
for his best known work was "20,000 Leagues Under
the Sea," a title which recently came true as the
atomic-powered Nautilus completed just such a voyage
without refueling.

Soaring to the moon is no crazier an idea, to us,
than soaring through the skies was to our grandfa-
thers.

IF IT IS a crazy idea, there are a lot of hard-headed
men who are crazy, and who are spending a lot of
hard cash to bring it true, including the armed forces
of the United States.
More than a dozen commercial firms, such as Bell
Telephone Laboratories, General Electric, and the air-
craft companies, are working in areas which contrib-
ute to the knowledge of space travel. At least one
firm, Systems Laboratories, was founded for that pur-
pose alone. And the department of space medicine
has been established by the Air Force at the school of
aviation medicine at Randolph Air Force base.

About One-Half of President's
Requests to Congress Old Ones

By Congressional Quarterly
Washington — (CQ) — Almost
half the requests in the program
President Eisenhower has asked
Congress to approve this year
are old ones.

Congressional Quarterly re-
ports that 77 of the 156 legisla-
tive requests the President has
made in the seven weeks since
Congress convened were sought
in previous years.

However, the President, based
on past performance, still has at
least 50 more requests to submit
to Congress. He already has in-
dicated he will send special mes-

sages to the Democratic-control-
led Congress concerning foreign
aid, the Post Office Department
and veterans.

These and other Presidential
requests—some of which also
will be repeated—are expected to
push the total number above
200, a mark surpassed in each of
the last three years.

Mr. Eisenhower has indicated
he will press harder this year
than ever before to get Con-
gressional approval of his pro-
gram. His legislative batting aver-
age has been declining steadily

since 1953 when he "batted"
.727. The Republicans controlled
Congress in 1953-54 and the
Democrats have been in control
since. Congressional Quarterly's
figures show the success of Presi-
dent Eisenhower's program in
Congress:

Table with 4 columns: Year, Number of Requests, Requests Granted, Percent Granted. Rows for 1953, 1954, 1955, 1956, 1957.

Already Congress appears less
receptive of Mr. Eisenhower's
wishes than it had been in the
past. A possible additional ob-
stacle to the President's attempt
to raise his "batting average" is
his ability to succeed himself,
thus theoretically diluting his
influence over Congress.

Two Turned Down
But only two of his legislative
requests have been turned down
and they still may get approval
on the floor. The House Veter-
ans' Affairs Committee ignored
those requests by refusing to re-
port out a bill to raise the inter-
est rate on GI mortgages from
4 1/2 per cent to 5 per cent.

One request already has be-
come law. It increases the total
limit of Small Business Admin-
istration loans from \$150 million
to \$230 million. One of the five
Presidential requests that has
passed one or both chambers but
is not law yet also deals with
the SBA. It would authorize an
extra \$45 million in loans for
this fiscal year for the SBA and
has been approved by the Senate
and House.

In the Day's News
By FRANK JENKINS
As this is written, Prime Min-
ister Ben Gurion of Israel has
just taken matters into his own
hands and ordered Israeli troops
out of the Gaza and Aqaba areas.

His action follows a hectic
week-end of battling to comply
with United Nations withdrawal
demands without toppling his
own government into the ditch—
for getting out of this strategic
territory that was won in battle
by Israeli troops naturally
arouses violent opposition in
Israel.

BEN GURION called Israeli
ministers and political lead-
ers to his home—one at a time.
After conferring with them, he
sent the withdrawal order to his
chief of staff without the formal-
ity of seeing either his cabinet
or the parliament.

Jerusalem news sources say
his decision was based largely on
an assurance contained in a mes-
sage he received from President
Eisenhower on Sunday.

HE describes his order as an
"act of faith in United Na-
tions."
Well, under the circumstances,
it seems impossible that his
faith could be misplaced. Presi-
dent Eisenhower has gone far
out on a limb in practically or-
dering Israel to GET OUT with-
out guarantees that she wouldn't
suffer by her action.

It seems inconceivable that if
Israel does get out she will be
thrown to the Arab wolves.
It must be remembered that
there are TWO sides to this Mid-
dle East trouble—the Israeli side
and the Arab side. Before any-
thing constructive can be done,
mutual faith must be established.

Russian Authorities
Make Divorce Harder
Than Staying Married

Moscow — (U.P.) — There is an
old Russian saying that "To
marry is not as simple as putting
on your slippers."

In present day Russia, neither
is divorce.

Times have changed in the
Soviet Union since the early days
of the revolution when getting
a divorce was as easy and nat-
urally accepted as telephoning a
friend.

A married person did not even
need the permission of his
spouse, he simply notified the
authorities and moved out.

Divorce bureaus virtually
competed with marriage bureaus
for customers. The story is told
that after the 1917 revolution an
eager marriage bureau received
permission to hang out a sign
reading: "Workers of the world,
unite."

Indonesia's Chief
U.N. Delegate Sees
No Civil War There
By RALPH TEATSOPH
United Press Correspondent
United Nations, N. Y. — (U.P.) —
Indonesia's chief U.N. delegate
said today his people will never
resort to civil war.

Communism, he asserted, has
little chance of overpowering In-
donesia. The Indonesian masses
would block it, he said.

These opinions were given by
Dr. Abu Hanifah, chairman of
the Indonesian delegation, in
response to questions during an
interview with the United Press
Personal View.

He emphasized that he was
giving his personal opinions and
was not speaking as an official
of the Indonesian Foreign Min-
istry or as a U.N. delegate.

Hanifah was asked about In-
donesia's so-called "Red menace,"
which is causing concern in
Western countries.

"The Communists have no
chance on their own to overcome
the government," he said. "The
key words are 'on their own.' I
don't believe I should go beyond
that."

"It would be difficult to make
the Communist issue a general
problem because of the reluc-
tance of the people to accept
Communism. It's up to the peo-
ple whether they like it or not."

He said 80 million Indonesians
would have the last word on ac-
ceptance or nonacceptance of
Sukarno's concept of a "guided
democracy" under which the
Communists would be represent-
ed in the government.

He noted that the people were
"not yet too willing to agree
totally with the president."

Hanifah said he looked at the
present Indonesian crisis some-
what as a physician looks at a
patient.

"As a doctor, I must not look
at one symptom only but at the
disease," he said. "In that way
the therapy can be found."

Bills Provide
For Suspension
Of Public Officers
Salem — (U.P.) — Two bills
providing for suspension of any
public officer against whom an
indictment has been returned
for corruption or malfeasance in
office, any offense involving
moral turpitude or violation of
oath, have been introduced in
the Oregon House.

One of the bills from the com-
mittee on state and federal af-
fairs deals specifically with dis-
trict attorneys and authorizes
the attorney general to assume
the duties of a suspended district
attorney.

Gov. Robert D. Holmes has
asked for legislation embodied in
today's bills.

Under the district attorney
bill the attorney general also
would have power to suspend or
remove deputies or other em-
ployees and to appoint substi-
tutes.

The district attorney or any
other suspended public officer
would still receive pay until he
was convicted of the offense.

The governor would have the
power to appoint public officers
pro tem until the indictment had
been disposed of. He could de-
clare the office vacant upon
conviction or upon expiration of
time for appeal.

Excluded from the list of per-
sons the governor could suspend
would be civil service em-
ployees.

PICKED WRONG CAR
Denver — (U.P.) — Eleven-year-
old Richard Jackson faced with
a whipping for naughtiness, de-
cided to hitch-hike to New York.
Four miles out Smith road, with
50 cents in his pocket and a 60-
pound knapsack on his back, he
gratefully accepted a ride from
motorist Gordon Dolliver. Dolliv-
er drove him to the Denver coun-
ty jail, where Dolliver is
warden, and called the worried
Jackson parents.

Bonneville Reports
Top Gross Revenue
Portland — (U.P.) — Bonneville
Power administration Tuesday
reported the largest gross power
revenues for one year since in-
ception of the system.

Administrator William A.
Pearl reported to the Interior
Department that gross revenues
totalled \$60,992,823. Net revenues
were \$5,949,412 after all
expenses including interest and
depreciation BPA reported a
gross capital investment of \$1,
288,752,939 in the U.S. Colum-
bia river system, including the
transmission facilities. Capital
payments to date, including
\$247,512,964 in current operat-
ing expenses and interest of
\$202,176,121 for the fiscal year
ending last June 30 represent
15.69 per cent of the gross cap-
ital investment.

Industrial customers account-
ed for more than 46 per cent
of the revenue dollar of which
aluminum industries represented
\$32.9 per cent.

Hillsboro Food Service
Plant Wrecked by Fire
Hillsboro — (U.P.) — Jossy's
Food Service plant on Tualatin
Valley highway in Hillsboro was
destroyed by fire last night and
owners estimated damage at
close to \$75,000.

Roseburg Man Sent
To State Hospital
Roseburg — (U.P.) — Lloyd
Geisler, 33-year-old Roseburg
man, yesterday was committed
to Oregon state hospital at Sal-
em.

Geisler Saturday was found
innocent by reason of insanity
on a charge of murdering his
wife. Circuit Judge Charles S.
Woodrich ordered Geisler com-
mitted to the hospital until doc-
tors there judge him fit to return
to society.

Approximately 4,000 separate
operations are required to manu-
facture the parts needed for a
watch.

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ANNIVERSARY
We again renew a pledge
which was first made 22 years
ago, and repeated each year
since. We regard this pledge
as a sacred obligation.

LITWILLER
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Home
Mountain View Chapel
Hwy. 66 at Normal
Office—88 N. Main
ASHLAND
We Never Close

"Always to serve our clients as their needs require and their wishes
dictate; to put service before price; quality before profit. To be guides
and counselors to those we serve, seeking always to act in their best
interests. To be honorable and fair in all our dealings and never to
violate what once we have promised."

"It is better to know us and not need us,
than to need us and not know us."