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Editorial Correspondence . . .

Boston, Mass., June 13th: Have been travelling too much to keep up our "home work." Drove Monday to catch the 10 o'clock bus from Saranac Lake to Plattsburg, N.Y.

Never visited Plattsburg before, but had several friends who took officer's training at Plattsburg just before the U.S.A. declared war on Germany in 1916. It is on Lake Champlain and now the site of a U.S. jet-plane base.

Did you ever hear of Count Charles D. Fredenburgh? Neither had we, but it seems he built one of the most attractive red brick residences in Plattsburg, where he died in 1787.

We have always been a bit skeptical of American histories of this war and one of these days intend to read some British ones. We suspect that England gained many victories on land and sea.

Before leaving on the Delaware and Hudson for Montreal we were treated to something new—a blizzard of dandelion seeds. We might have suspected snow had it not been so hot and humid.

Montreal is the reverse of northern New York state. Its business section is most impressive but the residence sections have been seen not. In fact, we would say that Canadian residences as a whole are most uninteresting and commonplace.

Came here via the CPR and Boston Maine, seeing so many pulp mills and the rich pulp-wood along the Connecticut river with apparent normal life going on, that we wondered if the talk about noxious odors was all a myth, or do Connecticut Yankees suffer from olfactory insensitiveness.

Coming through Vermont the train passed close to a village named "Glenn Jackson." (If anyone doubts this let them look up a railroad map.) Much to our disappointment we did not stop.

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The chances are almost 50-50 that the Father honored on June 16 is a war veteran. He is much more likely to have worn the uniform in World War II than in World War I.

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"I DON'T KNOW THE NAME, BUT IT SMELLS AWFUL!"

Matter of Fact By Stewart Alsop

Washington — Now that the scientists have had their say about the radiation effects of nuclear weapons tests, the confusion is worse than it ever was.

Some people have been led to believe that the tests will give everyone a cancer, or that the next generation will consist largely of monsters.

One reason why the confusion is worse than ever is the simple fact that the scientists themselves do not really know what the ultimate effects of the monstrous weapons they have created may be.

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Byrd May Let Chips Fall Where They May In Financial Probe

Washington (CQ)—The record of Sen. Harry Flood Byrd (D-Va.) indicates he will conduct a "let the chips fall where they may" investigation of the Nation's financial system.

Byrd heads the Senate Finance committee which has voted to put public and private revenue, debt, interest rates and credit under a microscope. The committee then expects to make recommendations to Congress early next year.

The probe will be far more than a clinical study of national finance. Democrats see it as loaded with political capital. They will try to show that the

Press Corps Likes Ike's Limited Use Of 'No Comment'

By A. ROBERT SMITH, Mail Tribune Correspondent
Washington—One thing members of the press corps here appreciate about President Eisenhower is that in answering questions at his news conferences he seldom reverts to that familiar dodge, "no comment."

Quite the opposite, the president sometimes gets wound up and spins out quite an answer. Often he is extremely lucid and informative. But sometimes he uses many words to say very little, in the manner of the practiced politician.

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POTLUCK (By M-T Staff and Contributors)

The annual National Rooster Crowing contest was held yesterday in Rogue River. A Mail Tribune reporter, covering the event, noted:

"With about 20 minutes of crowing time gone, a three-diesel Southern Pacific freight rumbled through on the tracks closely and issued a few ineligible blasts."

That same reporter brought back a souvenir toy rooster, which, when a handle is turned, crows. During the afternoon, when the office was still (which isn't too often) he got a notion to liven things up.

He took the rooster, concealed in a magazine, to a spot behind our city editor, who, like other members of the staff, was busy at the time.

The crow echoed off the office walls, and even into the "back shop" over the intercom. All but one staff member was shaken up by the noise.

Without fluttering an eyelid, our city editor slowly looked around to see the cause of the noise.

Shades of individualism! The manager of the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce rolls his own.

So does one of our staff members (who recently returned from the University of Oregon for the summer), but not as efficiently as the Chamber's manager.

One of our staff members (who is now at the National Guard summer camp) sees at least one drawback in the Mayflower II landing at Plymouth: "It will mean the creation of a whole new generation of sailors for bluebloods to descend from."

A staff member and his wife faced almost bare food supply shelves when they returned from a mid-western vacation recently. After considerable discussion as to what to prepare for dinner, they decided to dine out instead of eating the only available food at home: Hot beans and cold sardines.

Boyer Lists Gains In 1957 Legislature

Rend — Robert Boyer, Democratic state chairman from Medford, Friday listed several "important gains" of the 1957 Democratic legislature Friday at a central Oregon conference of party leaders here.

Boyer said the gains were in the fields of agriculture, education, social welfare, labor, Oregon development, election laws and local property tax relief. He especially praised the leadership of Gov. Robert D. Holmes during the legislative session.

Referring to the need for increased financing, Boyer stated, "The party which has elected two senators, three representatives, a governor and a legislature, must be solvent. It must also remain unified, refusing to fragment itself out of existence as has the Republican party of Oregon, where the Arlington Club boys sit back like spiders in a web laughing at the 'modern Republicans' who are bright, beaming and bankrupt."

Judge Crawford to Hear Schunk Trial

Portland — Judge James W. Crawford Friday was assigned to preside over the perjury trial here Monday of Mayor Terry Schunk. The trial will begin at 9:30 a.m.

Presiding Circuit Judge Charles Redding, who made the Crawford assignment, at the same time denied a defense motion for a transcript of the mayor's testimony before the Multnomah county grand jury.

Judge Redding said there appeared to be no unusual or exceptional circumstances which would justify his allowing the motion.

Mayor Schunk is accused in a grand jury indictment of lying when he denied that he accepted a bribe from an operator of an after-hours night spot.

Four Injured in Car Crash in Redmond

Redmond — Four persons were injured here Friday when a car driven by Eldon Lee Tompsett, 22, Madras, Ore., struck a car driven by John L. Campbell, 68, also of Madras.

State police said that the accident occurred when Campbell and his wife, Ella Elizabeth, 64, were turning off the highway to enter a park. Tompsett's car struck them dead center critically injuring both of them.

Tompsett was treated for head injuries and his passenger, LeVonne Ethelyn Jennerjohn, 19, was hospitalized for shock.

Police said Tompsett's car skidded 200 feet before striking Campbell's car.

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

10 YEARS AGO
June 18, 1947 (Monday)
Members of Rogue Valley Radio club return to Medford following 11th ARRL field day at Prescott park on Roxy Ann.

20 YEARS AGO
June 16, 1937 (Wednesday)
If Medford's million dollar investment in paved streets is to be saved, repairs must be made without further delay, according to Fred W. Scheffel, city superintendent.

30 YEARS AGO
June 16, 1927 (Thursday)
Fears in the Rogue valley will provide a good crop this year though not as good as last year, according to W. H. Gore, Medford banker.

40 YEARS AGO
June 18, 1917 (Saturday)
Local Red Cross organizes solicitation teams that will canvass Jackson county to fill chapter's quota for "war funds."

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

1. Did the Ancients, to whom the earth was a disk, believe there was land beyond the Atlantic?

2. Who was Vice-President during Franklin D. Roosevelt's first term as President?

3. Bible: "The Lord our God shall deliver us out of the of"—was it Assyria, Persia, or Greece?

4. The Republic of the Philippines gained its independence on January 1, 1946; July 4, 1946 or January 1, 1947?

5. There were three U. S. Presidents who were born in February; name them.

6. February 2 is associated with a weather legend concerning what animal?

7. Hypnosis is a disease of the hip, true or false?

8. Does human hair grow from the roots or from the ends?

9. How do you pronounce "exemplar"?

10. "Arrestment, sudden really as a bolt out of the blue has hit strange victims."—Carlyle, "The French Revolution": To what substance was he referring?

Answers: 1. Yes. The kingdom of the dead. 2. John Nance Garner. 3. Assyria 4 July 4, 1946 5 George Washington, (February 22, 1732); William Henry Harrison, (February 9, 1793); Abraham Lincoln, (February 12, 1809) 6. Ground hog or wood chuck (who is said to emerge from his burrow to see whether the weather is good; if he sees his shadow, he will retire for six weeks more of winter sleep). 7. False: it is a state resembling normal sleep. 8. From the roots. 9. Eg-zem-pler or eg-zem-plahr. 10. Lightning.