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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

Sept. 24, 1947 (Wednesday)

A Jackson County woman, Mrs. Effie Birdseye, has been selected by the Oregon Historical society to represent the state at the world premiere of the movie, "Unconquered."

From Arthur Perry's Ye Smudge Pot column: "The first day of autumn in these parts was the best summer day since the last day of spring."

20 YEARS AGO

Sept. 24, 1927 (Friday)

A huge and colorful public patriotic program in honor of the 150th signing of the constitution will be held in city park tonight as one of the features of the state Elk convention.

From Arthur Perry's Ye Smudge Pot column: "The president and retinue are now on a tour of inspection, to see how all the happy hallucinations are coming along."

30 YEARS AGO

Sept. 24, 1927 (Saturday)

Efforts were being made today by the Red Cross to ascertain the identity of a man and a woman who left a 12-month-old baby at the home of a local woman.

Traveling across the continent with an Indian princess is even more interesting than it sounds, according to Miss Avis Lobdell, director of the welfare bureau of the Union Pacific, who is visiting here.

40 YEARS AGO

Sept. 24, 1917 (Monday)

Oregon Bartlett, which usually commands the top-notch figure in eastern markets, have brought the lowest figures this year, according to recent reports.

A war picture will be shown locally for the benefit of the Sacred Heart hospital.

What's Your I.O.?

Nine or ten correct is superior; seven or eight is excellent; five or six is good

1. Bogata is the capital of which South American country?

2. Name the New York Herald reporter who greeted a Scottish missionary in deep Africa with these words, "Dr. Livingstone, I presume?"

3. Bible: "God said to Noah 'rooms shalt thou make in the Ark and thou shalt pitch it within and without with'—what?"

4. The spring equinox occurs in March; when does the autumn equinox occur?

5. The "hand," used in measuring horses, is equivalent to how many inches?

6. Is a bimonthly magazine issued once every two months, or twice a month?

7. Who was called the "Maid of Orleans"?

8. Trans-Jordan is a government in North Africa, Asia Minor, or the Far East?

9. Did Alexander Graham Bell discover the telephone?

10. "I know a maiden fair to see, / Take care! / She can both false and friendly be, / Beware! Beware! / Trust her not, / She is fooling!"—who?

Answers: 1. Colombia. 2. Henry Stanley. 3. "pitch." 4. September. 5. 4 inches. 6. Once every two months. 7. Jeanne d'Arc. 8. Asia Minor. 9. No. He invented it. (To discover is to find what already exists). 10. "Thee."—Longfellow.

Phoney Faubus

"I told you so," cries jubilant Governor Faubus as white children smear, riot and jeer at the few blacks entering the Little Rock High School "this is just what I called out the National Guard to prevent."

Did he?

Not according to "Time" which in its last issue printed the results of some careful on-the-ground researching into the Arkansas defiance of the Supreme Court and the Constitution.

IT SEEMS that on August 20th Governor Faubus called on U.S. Deputy Attorney General Rogers of that state, regarding the question about enforcing the law to prevent "bloodshed" over school integration.

Mr. Rogers asked the Governor why he thought violence might occur and the Governor's answer was, the evidence was "too vague and indefinite to be of any use to a law-enforcement agency."

But again quoting Time, the very next day he went into a state court testified that integration in Little Rock would mean "bloodshed," won an injunction on that basis, which was promptly overruled by U.S. District Judge Ronald Davis.

It was then that Winthrop Rockefeller, now a resident of Arkansas, pleaded with Faubus for over two hours to drop the crazy idea but Faubus, according to a close associate of Rockefeller said:

"I am sorry but I am already committed. I am going to run for a third term and if I don't do this Jim Johnson and Bruce Bennett (segregationists who are his probable opponents for Governor next year) will tear me to shreds."

IN OTHER words there was nothing to justify the calling out of troops when Governor Faubus did so, except his own self seeking political ambition. This is not according to the word of his enemies, but the Governor's own admission.

However, as a result of that incendiary and subversive action, of course racial hatreds and prejudices were so aroused, that any effort subsequently to enforce the law, was certain to arouse violent opposition.

For Governor Faubus to blame this on his opponents is about as reasonable as to blame the owner of a hay-barn to which the Governor had set the match, for calling out the fire department!—R.W.R.

Ike's Golf is OK

We have never joined those who criticize President Eisenhower for playing golf.

Golf is a wonderful game to take one's mind off one's troubles. To play it at all requires such concentration, that worries are forgotten—or if they aren't there is no point in playing.

Which reminds us of that ancient story about the golfing pastor. "His Grace" missed the ball, hit a tree and broke his favorite club. Whereupon his usual piety and self-control vanished in an apoplectic rage; he jumped up and down, flung his arms about, even made passes at his caddy, but made no articulate sound. The youthful caddy was so alarmed, however, that he asked if "His Grace" intended to quit the game.

"Niver!" was the answer "I am quittin the meenistry!"

YES, it is a very absorbing and catalytic sport. And there is little doubt the President's medical advisers prescribe it. Moreover the more acute the burdens of office, the more strongly such an outdoor diversion is indicated.

So by all means let the harassed chief-executive enjoy that recreation, so long as it doesn't interfere with his official duties—and as far as this department is concerned we have no fear of that.

OUR guess is an absorbing game of golf would be particularly welcome at this time.

For a person so sensitive to criticism and so weary of combat, political or otherwise, this Little Rock mess must be especially disturbing.

No doubt when the President sighed and said he was greatly disappointed by the intransigence and irresponsibility of Governor Faubus, he was guilty of gross understatement. Everybody likes Ike, but our Five Star General doesn't like insubordination or double dealing.

It would be interesting to know what he said about the Governor of Arkansas in the semi-privacy of the locker-room.

Then the President in a special broadcast after the National Guard had been removed urged the white citizenry of Little Rock to keep away from the High School when it opened yesterday.

According to press reports over a thousand of them refused to pay attention to this plea of the head of their government.

That discourtesy could hardly have reduced the presidential blood pressure.

NOW tomorrow in New York City the hearing of a claim for \$3,500,000 by the Dixon-Yates company will be held before a U.S. Commissioner, representing the U.S. Court of Claims, and according to press reports there will be written briefs, sworn testimony and all the details of this somewhat unsavory transaction presumably will be revealed.

If this happens there will be another "cross to bear," another embarrassment to suffer.

But the President, of course, will not have to attend. After he holds his regular Wednesday press conference tomorrow—if he holds one—we trust he will hop in his helicopter and come nearer breaking par at the "Burning Tree" or Newport Navy club than ever before!—R.W.R.



"Wanna see what my birthday looks like?"

August Price Index At All-Time High; Food Costs Rise

Washington — Consumer prices climbed to a record high in August for the 12th consecutive month, the government announced today.

The Bureau of Labor Statistics reported that its consumer price index, a monthly sampling of prices for 300 goods and services across the nation, stood at an all-time high of 121.

The August index figure was 2 per cent higher than that of July.

BLS Commissioner Ewan Clague said food contributed mainly to the August increase, climbing 4 per cent during the month. He said the price of fruits and vegetables dropped but failed to offset increases in the cost of other foods.

Food Prices Rise
Egg prices climbed 10.2 per cent and all cuts of meat were higher. Bacon was up 8.4 per cent, ham 3.5 per cent, frankfurters 2.8 per cent, and steak, roast, and hamburger 1.5 per cent.

Clague said he could not say whether the index would continue its long upward climb this month.

"While food looks more hopeful," he said, expected price increases for such items as new fall clothing might offset any declines in September.

The index began its latest climb in September, 1956, and each succeeding month established a new cost of living record.

But the overall climb of 3.2 per cent for 12 months fell short of previous records on two counts. The increase was smaller than the 12-month rise after World War II and prices climbed steadily for longer periods after the war and again in 1950-51.

Stock Market Drop Wipes Out Gains Made Early in Year

By ELMER C. WALZER
UP Financial Editor

New York — The stock market has all but wiped out its steep rise of five months from Feb. 12 to July 12.

In that period, the market rose \$31,678,000,000. In the period from July 13 to the close Monday, the market declined \$30,268,000,000.

Hence at the opening today the market was only \$1,410,000,000 above its year's lows on the basis of valuation of all listed issues.

Many reasons have been given for this drop, which is one of the most severe since the bull market started on June 13, 1949.

There was a more severe one on President Eisenhower's heart attack just two years ago.

Reasons Cited
These reasons include tight money, government economies in the talk stage, the Middle East uncertainties, foreign financial difficulties, notably in England and France, and a profit pinch on American corporations.

There were many others but the first one that seemed to rock the market was the profit pinch which became apparent at mid-July when reports of earnings for the second quarter were beginning to appear.

Since then the experts have been making predictions on a letdown in business for the fourth quarter and for next year.

The worst that has been said for 1958 is that the nation will operate on a high plateau with the boom slackening in pace. Employment is expected to remain high and so is national income.

DEMON-USED SLAVE GIRL
Geo. N. Taylor

A demon indwelt this slave-girl and by the demon, she told fortunes and brought her owners much gain. As the Apostle Paul and his companion passed by, the girl cried out: "These men have the secrets of the most high God and they show the way to salvation." At that, Paul, the Apostle commanded the demon to leave the girl. When her owners learned that through Paul and Silas, the girl spoke well of Christ, the two men were brought into court to be stripped and lashed.

This message is by God's people who affirm that they who spread the message of salvation, must pay the price.

Tiny Liberal Party Dreaming Of Political Miracle in Britain

By CHARLES M. MC CANN
United Press Correspondent
Great Britain's tiny Liberal Party is dreaming of a political miracle.

Once dominant, the Liberals have but five seats now in the 630-seat House of Commons.

They were crushed, after World War I, between the Conservatives, their historic rivals, and the upstart Labor Party.

But in recent months there have been some important shifts in voting in "by-elections"—elections held in individual districts to fill Commons seats left vacant by death or other causes.

Conservatives Losing Strength
Though Prime Minister Harold Macmillan is personally popular the Conservatives have been losing strength. The Laborites have increased their majorities in those seats they have won. The Liberals also have gained heavily in voting strength.

One reason for this is that a lot of Conservatives have been staying away from the polls. It is largely because of this that the Labor vote has increased relatively as compared to the Conservative vote.

But Liberal candidates have been polling votes so large—even though not enough to win elections—that both Conserva-

tive and Labor party leaders appear to be somewhat worried.

It seems inconceivable that the Liberals can make themselves again a real power, in House of Commons representation, for a long time.

Young, Enthusiastic Leaders
But their new, young, enthusiastic leaders believe they are on the way and that their party will become a "third force" in British politics between the right-wing Conservatives and the left-wing Laborites.

The Liberals are aiming at presenting candidates in about 200 districts in the next general election, which may be held at any time up to May, 1960.

By spotting their men in close districts, they hope to win enough seats to put them on a long, slow rise to future power.

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

There has been a lot of talk lately—especially in the payroll short state of Oregon—about getting new industrial development. Much of it has been poorly informed and wide of the mark.

IF NEW industries are to be attracted to ANY area—city, county, state or region—there are four essentials that must be present—in about this order:

1. Adequate markets for the produce or products to be manufactured.
2. Suitable raw materials in abundance.
3. Transportation.
4. Power.

NOTE that adequate markets are given first place in this list. It has to be that way. If you can't sell it at a profit, why make it? In these modern days, you can't sell at a profit unless you can reach fairly large markets.

For a century, industrial growth on the Pacific Coast was handicapped by the market situation. The BIG markets were clear across the country from the Pacific Coast. By the time West Coast products reached the East, they had cost too much to be competitive. That was the cold logic of the situation.

All that has been changed. It has been changed by the big growth that already has come to the 11 Western States. It will be changed even more radically by the fabulous growth in population that is impending in the next two decades.

LET'S take a look at the growth that is yet to come. It is anticipated that by 1975—only a scant 18 years away—the 11 Western States will have 42 million people. The huge industrial development in the East got its start on a population of LESS than 42 millions.

THE large industrial development that has come already to California, Oregon and Washington has been based on this growing WESTERN market—NOT on any delusion that products manufactured in the Far West can be marketed in heavy volume back on the Atlantic seaboard or even in the Middle West.

The bulk of the market for our Western industries—both those already established and those yet to come—will be found in these rapidly growing 11 Western States. It is to serve this Far Western market that most of our new industries are being established.

Some specialty products, of course, will cross the Rockies, but the bulk of our Far Western industrial production will be consumed right here in our own Far West.

SPEAKING of transportation, we howled for decades about high freight rates to the East. That situation also is changing. From here on out, high transcontinental freight rates will help us more than they will hurt us, for they will tend to shut Eastern competition out of our desirable Far Western market.

HERE in Southern Oregon and Far Northern California, we

Matter of Fact By Stewart Alsop

LITTLE ROCK AND THE PRESIDENT

Washington — Will there be violence in Little Rock? This is now the central question, on which the issue of the grave constitutional crisis which faces the nation may well rest.

Gov. Orval Faubus, in his Friday night radio speech, spoke many fine words about the need to "preserve the peace." But he was also at pains to make it very clear that, if the peace were not preserved, it would not be his fault: "Now that my authority to preserve and maintain the peace and good order of this community has been so curtailed, I can only offer a fervent prayer that the same thing will not happen here that has happened in other states in recent days."

However fervent Governor Faubus' prayers may be, one fact is entirely clear. There is just one way in which his original order to the Arkansas National Guard to prevent integration can appear to be justified. That is by serious disorder in Little Rock.

ANOTHER fact is just as clear. If there is violence in Little Rock, and if as a result the Negro children are prevented, by whatever means, from entering the school, the cause of the all-out segregationists will have scored a major victory. The so-called Mansfield Plan, named after the Texas town in which integration was prevented by the threat of violence, will then in all likelihood form the pattern of segregationist strategy in the South.

The Mansfield Plan is very simple. Violence or the threat of violence is generated in a town in which schools are due to be integrated. The local or state police authority is designated to preserve order. Order is preserved by returning the Negro children to Negro schools and keeping them there.

But the Mansfield Plan is not only simple but very dangerous. Unlike other southern plans to resist integration by various legal devices, the Mansfield Plan is based on violence or the threat of violence to resist the Supreme Court decision and the Federal authority. A widespread

are realistic about new industrial development. We know the new industries that will come to us will make their products out of our native raw materials, using our local labor, using our power, using our transportation (which will expand as there is need for more of it), and selling its products in the Far Western market.

We have plenty of all these essentials.

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HE GAVE the Justice Department free rein to use all the power of the Federal government to support Federal Judge Ronald Davies in his battle with Faubus, and the Justice Department has done an efficient and effective job. At the same time, the President himself deliberately adopted a mild and conciliatory tone. His purpose has been to avoid a showdown which would have terribly damaging consequences. The President had excellent reason, until a few days ago, to believe that Faubus would accept a face-saving settlement.

Instead, Faubus chose the role of Samson in the Temple, and in this writing there is thought to be a real danger of violence in Little Rock. The President was no doubt right to seek to avoid a showdown. But in the situation which has now developed, it is essential, both in terms of his own prestige and the prestige of the Federal government, that the President shed the role of amiable vacationist, and assume the role of resolute national leader in time of crisis.

For if the worst comes to the worst in Little Rock, resolute national leadership may be badly needed, to avert the ugly prospect of widespread violence throughout the South for years to come.

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