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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 Feb. 5, 1948 (Thursday)

Residents to vote on \$400,000 bond issue for improvement of the city water system at a special election Feb. 24.

20 YEARS AGO Feb. 5, 1938 (Sunday)

Senator A. E. Reames announces that during his absence in Washington, D. C., his law business would be in charge of Medford Attorney Frank P. Farrell.

30 YEARS AGO Feb. 5, 1928 (Sunday)

Membership campaign is underway to swell ranks of the Medford post of the American Legion to 500 members.

40 YEARS AGO Feb. 5, 1918 (Tuesday)

The Beaver Portland Cement plant at Gold Hill starts operations after shutting down last month for reorganization and repairs.

What's Your I.Q.?

- 1. If you broke your clavicle, would that be your collar bone, arm, or nose?
2. Bible: The story of Daniel in the lions den appears in which book?
3. Alaska is about two, three or four, times the size of Texas?
4. Is Red Dog the name of a fish, card game, or Australian bush dog?
5. Name the author of the book "Grapes of Wrath."
6. Is milk, beef, or wheat the largest single source of U.S. farm income?
7. What book do the Gideons place in hotel rooms?
8. What nickname and burglar's tool (for prying open windows) are spelled the same?
9. Which cities in Minnesota are nicknamed the "Twin Cities"?
10. Was Japan atom-bombed once, twice, or thrice?
Answers: 1. Collar bone. 2. Daniel. 3. About two times the size. 4. Type of card game. 5. John Steinbeck. 6. Milk. 7. The Bible. 8. "Jimmy". 9. St. Paul and Minneapolis. 10. Twice.

PSYCHOANALYST DIES

New York—Dr. Philip Raphael Lehrman, 62, a pioneer in American psychoanalysis, died at his home Tuesday. He was clinical professor of neurology and psychiatry at the New York University-Bellevue Medical Center and visiting psychiatrist at Bellevue hospital.

Klamath Solutions

One of the great shames in United States history is the manner in which this country's first occupants, the Indians, have been treated.

The white man's record is spotted with broken treaties and broken promises, with cruelty and double dealing with the people whose first and greatest offense was to be technologically inferior to the invaders.

In recent years, as the passions engendered by battle have cooled, and as the record has become more generally known, the U.S. has had a tendency to do a bit better by the Indians—although just how much is still open to question.

ALL this is history, but it is history that is still being written.

Across the hills in Klamath county there is a problem which is now being debated, not only there but also in Washington, D.C., and which concerns both the future of the Klamath Indian tribe, and the economic well-being of this area for many years to come.

There are many complexities to the problem, but in its simplest terms it boils down to finding a balance between what the Indians have a right to expect in simple justice from the government, on the one hand, and a protection of the state's economy, on the other.

THE Klamath tribe is one of those the government believes is about ready for termination of federal guardianship, as are some others. This involves an end to the reservation, and payment to individual Indians of their pro rata share of the assets of the tribe, which consist largely of a huge stand of prime Ponderosa pine, one of the largest and most valuable left in the U.S.

But the problems involved in such a move are considerable. Some of the Indians want termination; others do not. The tribe is divided approximately 50-50 on the question.

And how to pay the Indians their share of the assets? The forest, which is valued at more than \$118,000,000, is not the sort of thing one can put on the market one day, sell the next and that's that.

IT COULD, presumably, be sold piecemeal to the highest bidder. But if this were done, with some four billion board feet of timber being dumped on the market all at once, the price would more than likely drop sharply, depriving the Indians of the values to which they are entitled.

In addition, such a procedure would violate a principle which, through the years, has come to be a cardinal one in timber management—that of sustained yield, preserving continuing values in the industry which furnishes the biggest payroll in the state.

No, the people of the state cannot afford to have thrown away this asset in such haphazard fashion. Nor would it be justice to the Indians.

WHAT, then, remains?

There is a possibility that some of the large timber companies could buy large portions of the timber tract, with a guarantee that they be harvested on a sustained yield basis.

But there is no guarantee that they will make any such purchase, or, if they did, there is no guarantee that the tracts they were willing to purchase would be of sufficient size to save the major values of the reservation.

In addition, there are the ticklish problems of the Indians' fishing and hunting rights, and the problem of what to do with the other parts of the reservation, including grazing lands, farm lands and marshlands (which are natural wildlife areas).

THE remaining possibility is federal purchase of the reservation, and for it to be administered under the Forest Service policy of maximum beneficial use, with the rights of the Indians to be worked out while the values of the reservation are being preserved.

Both Senator Richard L. Neuberger and Secretary of the Interior Fred Seaton have proposed legislation to this end. The bills differ in some instances with each other, but both recognize the desirability of federal purchase over other methods.

The big question, of course, is whether the Congress can be persuaded to make an investment of the size necessary—probably more than \$121,000,000—at a time when economy in non-defense areas is being stressed.

HEARINGS on this subject are under way in Washington this week. We hope they gain attention from the members of congress, for only if they are fully informed as to the ticklish and difficult problems involved can they be hoped to make an intelligent decision.

The federal government owes to the Indians what is rightfully theirs. They owe them not only the individuals' pro rata share of the tribal assets, but, perhaps more important, they owe them the chance to become educated, responsible members of society—something which so far has been largely impossible through the reservation set-up.

And, while it is largely a federal problem, the government owes this state the consideration of not doing something which could badly damage the local economy by destroying a tremendous asset.

At the same time the obligation to preserve



"ANYBODY WANNA PLAY SOME THREE-HANDED BASKETBALL?"

Syrian-Egyptian Merger is Threat To King Hussein

By HAROLD GUARD, United Press Correspondent

London—The merger of Egypt and Syria into the United Arab Republic is a matter of deep concern for King Hussein of Jordan.

Reports from Amman indicate Hussein already has initiated moves for a "King's Union" with Iraq and Saudi Arabia to counter the "Republican Union" of Egypt and Syria.

Jordan's influential newspaper Falastin urged strongly, in an editorial, union with Iraq. There were reports that Hussein had called for a "summit" meeting with King Saud and King Feisal to discuss their policy toward the Egypt-Syria merger.

Perhaps no other Arab state has greater reason to look askance at the union than Jordan. Hussein has been the favorite "whipping boy" of Egyptian and Syrian propagandists. Egyptians and Syrians were behind the attempted coup d'etat against Hussein last year.

Now, some observers point out, Jordan could provide the link between the Egyptian and Syrian parts of the United Arab Republic.

Authoritative quarters did not expect three kings to be critical of the Egypt-Syria move toward Arab unity. But none of them was expected to fall in with the idea of federation under Egyptian President Gamal Abdel Nasser.

It was believed that the trio would move cautiously because both Saudi Arabia and Iraq depend on Syria for the safe passage of their oil.

From this angle it was expected that the big oil companies would step up their plans to avoid pipelines over Arab soil by linking Persian lines to Turkey at Iskenderun.

In London oilmen said the Kirkuk oilfields in northern Iraq could be joined to this system. They said the big companies were expected now to press for a quick decision.

Turkey and Iran already have reached agreement on the route and on Persian credits to Turkey for building it.

King Saud was believed to have other reasons for caution. His court was understood to be split between those who favor and those who oppose present policies in Egypt and Syria.

Hussein was also said to have reasons to tread carefully. Jordanian exiles in Syria were known to be maintaining contact with Communists inside Jordan.

Hussein's former chief of staff, Col. Ali Abu-Nuwair who led the abortive coup d'etat against the king last year, is in Cairo, urging Jordanians to go the same way as Egypt and Syria.

In the Day's News

President Eisenhower breakfasted the other morning at a downtown Washington hotel with the members of the Republican national committee.

The breakfast led off a highly political day. This, you know, is an election year, with control of the congress at stake in the November voting.

IKE told his hearers there are no secret weapons in politics. The ingredients of success, he said, are GOD CANDIDATES, faith in a good cause and HARD WORK.

He added: "When we have all three, we have the formula for victory."

THEN he gave them the word with the bark on. Thrusting out his chin, he said he has COMPLETE CONFIDENCE IN EACH OF his cabinet officers, thinks ALL of them are doing a fine job and has no intention of replacing ANY of them.

That is to say: He ISN'T going to fire Secretary of Agriculture Benson—who is regarded by weakened Republicans as a liability rather than an asset in the coming campaign.

L'S put it this way: Secretary Benson has honesty and courage. In his own mind, he is certain that the tough and knotty farm problem must be solved the RIGHT way if it is to be solved at all, and he is equally certain that the right way is the HARD way.

He doesn't hesitate to say so. It is interesting to learn that Ike is going to back him to the finish.

IN HIS pep talk at the breakfast, President Eisenhower made a couple of good cracks. Warning against letting the kind of campaign program he had outlined be drowned in "dismal walls of despair" from the demagogues, he defined a demagogue in these terse words:

"A demagogue is a person who ROCKS THE BOAT HIMSELF so as to persuade everybody that there's a terrible storm on the water."

Admitting that the political prophets think the odds are running heavily against the GOP, he said:

"These calculations overlook this decisive element: What counts isn't necessarily the SIZE OF THE DOG IN THE FIGHT—the deciding factor is the SIZE OF THE FIGHT IN THE DOG."

Silverton Scout To Meet President

Silverton—An 18-year-old Eagle scout from Silverton, Robert Vetter, was scheduled to fly to Washington today to meet President Eisenhower and other top government officials as a representative of scout councils in four Northwest states and Alaska.

Vetter won the trip in speaking and essay competition with other Boy Scouts in region 11 composed of 27 councils in Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana and Alaska. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Vetter and a senior at Silverton high school.

White ants are not ants but termites.

Try and Stop Me

By BENNETT CERF

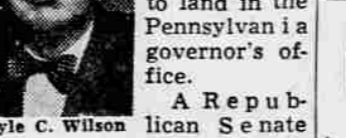
"ONE OF THE BEST laughs I ever got," recalls Jack Benny, "was the time a fellow playing a holdup man pointed a gat at me and barked, 'Your money or your life'—and I took a full minute to decide. A piece of business they also liked was when Rochester was sharpening a pencil and I suggested, 'How's for sharpening that in the fireplace?'"

The new housekeeper, accused of helping herself to the master's liquor when he was not on the premises, waxed properly indignant. "I'll have you know, sir," she declared heatedly, "that I come from honest English parents. 'I'm not concerned with your English parents,'" countered the master. "What's worrying me is your Scotch extraction."

Stassen's Eyeing Governorship Of Pennsylvania Not Surprising

By LYLE C. WILSON, United Press Correspondent

Washington—If Harold E. Stassen is to be dropped, as reported, from his disarmament job with the Eisenhower administration, it is not surprising that he hopes to land in the Pennsylvania governor's office.



A Republican Senate seat will be up for grabs this year in Pennsylvania, the term of Sen. Edward Martin being about to expire. Stassen seems not to be interested in that.

Much glamor and more publicity attaches to members of the U.S. Senate. But more often than not senators, compared to the governors of their states, are political ciphers. Stassen is aware of that. He used to be a governor himself.

He was Youngest Governor in the United States in 1939 after his election by Minnesota Republicans. Stassen was twice more elected, resigning in 1943 for naval service. That is quite a record for a man who now is merely in his 51st year.

As recently as 1941 Stassen still was getting youth awards. The International Society of Christian Endeavor selected him in that year for its international youth's distinguished service citation. Three years later he was seeking the Republican presidential nomination. He then was 37 years old.

Stassen tried again in 1948 but lost the nomination to Thomas E. Dewey of New York, another young man in a hurry. The man from Minnesota then made a move which surprised the politicians but which Stassen may now convert into a very smart maneuver. Stassen abandoned his mid-western political mooring to become president of the University of Pennsylvania.

That connection continued until 1953 when Stassen joined the Eisenhower administration as mutual security administrator, at which point in his public career, Stassen began to fade as a political figure. He began attending Republican National Conventions in 1936 and by 1940 had reached the heights of convention keynote speaker. At the next two he was a candidate

JAMMING STATIONS Berlin—The Soviet Union has told its European satellites to establish more jamming transmitters along the Iron Curtain to disrupt radio broadcasts from western Europe, it was reported today. Information Bureau West, a West Berlin private intelligence agency, said a decision to this effect was made at a meeting of radio experts from Poland, Russia, Czechoslovakia and East Germany last week.

WELL-CHECKED Syracuse, N.Y.—Policeman David Seib and Robert McCabe, sent to investigate reports of prowlers at the home of vacationing Mayor-elect Anthony A. Henninger, found the prowlers—detectives checking the house.

nomination, but in 1956 after transferring his voting residence to Pennsylvania, Stassen was not even a convention delegate. Considering his age and record, it seems obvious enough that Stassen is hoping to be elected governor of Pennsylvania with the White House in mind. Pennsylvania

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. The Mail Tribune reserves the right to edit all letters with a view to clarification and condensation. Letters submitted for publication must not exceed 400 words.

Interesting Hobby To the Editor: An interesting hobby is to clip and date all information coming from the City Hall to compare with future statements they make.

I am curious as to who has stirred the embers that brought out the long article in your paper of Feb. 2, with Mr. Duff trying to explain why we had no insurance re-rating since 1933.

The whole purpose of the Fire department bond issue and continuing levy vote (which has cost several hundred thousand dollars to date) was to secure a re-rating for the city which would have been a saving of many dollars to the property owners in lower insurance rates.

The people voted the money which should have been used at once to carry out the promises made to the people and which were the recommendations of the consultant and fire rating bureau. Instead it was a year before the first station was built and over four years before they rented a house to house the second station although they had the money to build one.

In another talk before a local group Mr. Duff explained how by installing the discarded telephone boxes for a fire alarm system (instead of the system recommended) that they had saved the taxpayers a lot of money. Mr. Duff knew, although he did not tell, that by saving this money we had lost the benefit of the credit that the recommended alarm would have given.

Mr. Duff admitted in Sunday's paper that it is customary for a city to request a re-rating following improvements in the city fire department.

If the consultants' plans had been carried out as soon as the money was voted, and the re-rating requested at that time, we would have the lower rate because it was much later before the grand annexation began.

Mrs. Edward Canoose 55 Ross Court Medford

Cheers For The Team To the Editor: Prospect and St. Mary's were playing basketball Saturday evening, Feb. 1. The first game we won, the second we lost 43 to 48. But what a game that was! I'll say Prospect has a great bunch of boys and I think we should stand behind these boys and support our basketball team. Take Lee Gitchel, who seemed to be on the floor more than on his feet, there he was panting and sweating, determined to win. We have to give him credit. Then there is Craig Gardner little but mighty, and his brother Dave, tall and quick who made quite a few baskets for the team.

What an evening for clean and exciting fun. Then there are the cheer leaders who do a wonderful job to keep the boys' spirits up. Then the pep band. How proud the mothers of these boys should be to sit and watch these boys put every bit of strength that they have to win! Take our coach, who is so patient with the boys, always patting them on the back and saying a few kind words. Though these boys will never get a medal or award, I think they played a wonderful game a Saturday night. Gave power to you, Prospect basketball team and let's show them we can win! Dorothy Jewell Prospect, Ore.

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