

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

"Everyone in Southern Oregon Reads The Mail Tribune" Published Daily except Saturday by MEDFORD PRINTING CO. 33 North Fir St. Phone 5-4141

ROBERT W. RUHL, Editor; ERB GREY, Advertising Manager; FRANK LATHAM, Business Mgr.; ERIC ALLEN, Jr., Managing Editor; CARL H. ADAMS, City Editor; HARRY CHIPMAN, Teleg. Editor; RICHARD JEWETT, Sports Editor; ALIVE STARCHER, Society Editor; DALE ERICKSON, Circulation Mgr.

Subscription Rates: Daily and Sunday—1 year \$15.00; Daily and Sunday—6 mos. 8.00; Daily and Sunday—3 mos. 4.25; Sunday Only—1 year \$4.00.

Official Paper of City of Medford; Official Paper of Jackson County; United Press—Full Leased Wire; MEMBER OF AUDIT BUREAU OF CIRCULATION

Advertising Representative: WEST-HOLIDAY CO., INC., Offices in New York, Chicago, Detroit, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Seattle, Portland, St. Louis, Atlanta, Vancouver, B. C.

NEWSPAPER PUBLISHERS ASSOCIATION; NATIONAL BUSINESS PUBLISHERS ASSOCIATION; AFFILIATE MEMBER

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. 17, 1948 (Tuesday). M. A. (Bud) Adams, Central Point farmer and member of the Central Point school board, announces he will file on the Republican ticket as a candidate for county commissioner.

20 YEARS AGO: Feb. 17, 1938 (Thursday). State Senator George W. Dunn of Ashland "grand old man" of Jackson county politics, announces he would be a candidate for renomination in the May primary.

30 YEARS AGO: Feb. 17, 1928 (Friday). The annual influx of spring catalogues of the big mail order establishments to southern Oregon and northern California starts.

40 YEARS AGO: Feb. 17, 1918 (Monday). The Ashland Civic Improvement club has made arrangements for feeding men who will soon be passing through here as members of the second draft units.

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

- 1. Who was president when the Hawaiian islands were annexed to the U.S.? 2. Bible: Did Paul visit all the Roman provinces during his missionary activities? 3. Correct the following: "He made an awful mistake."

How About Macmillan?

The election, Feb. 12, for a British House of Commons seat from the Rochdale district was described as "the most critical since 1951," but the result does not necessarily offer a dependable guide as to which way Britain may turn in its next general election or even as to what the present current of political opinion in Britain may be. These factors have to be considered:

The Labor Party was confident on the eve of its election victory. Rochdale is the home of the British cooperative movement, and traditionally a center of political reformism. The Conservatives won the seat in 1955 by fewer than 1600 votes out of a total of 51,500.

The constituency is marginal. In this century it has been held at various times by Conservative, Liberal, and Labor candidates. Moreover, the campaign this time was complicated by the fact that the race was a three-way affair. The Liberal candidate, it should be noted, was Ludovic Kennedy, one of the most popular of the newscasters on British commercial television and the husband of the well known actress and ballerina, Moira Shearer, who had been ringing doorbells in his behalf. So it's understandable that Labor is crowing about its "decisive" victory in Rochdale and calling for a general election soon. But neither the Conservative Party nor Prime Minister Harold Macmillan can be counted out this early.

MANY other factors should have pleased Macmillan on his return from his tour abroad. For one thing, in more than a score of by-elections, the Tories have lost only two seats to Labor, and Labor has lost one seat to the Liberals.

On his accession to government leadership a little more than a year ago, Macmillan faced a variety of problems—primarily, (internally) inflation, and (externally) the loss of British prestige in the Suez fiasco of the autumn of 1956. He has since weathered a few storms, particularly the Jan. 6 resignation of Chancellor of the Exchequer Peter Thorneycroft and two treasury ministers in protest over government plans to increase spending.

But Macmillan's government has succeeded so far in defending the pound sterling despite Thorneycroft's fears for the future, and in other ways. Britain's tight money policy, it was announced Feb. 4, helped produce a jump in January of \$131 million in gold and dollar reserves—to put these at \$2.4 billion, the highest level in 2 1/2 years. Also, the U.K. in that month achieved a \$22 million favorable trading balance with Europe, as against a \$13 million deficit in December. Overall, Britain's trade gap widened a bit in January but was still well below last year's average.

THE House of Commons on Feb. 6 rejected, 318 to 25, a Labor motion declaring that the government's policies threatened to provoke "grave industrial unrest." Demand has been so great for the pound in recent days that the Bank of England has had to sell sterling for dollars in volume to keep the pound's value under the official ceiling of \$2.80.

On other questions of fiscal policy in the past month, the government has won three test votes in Commons by more than the Conservative Party's comfortable margin of half a hundred seats. So even if Labor goes on to win a second by-election at Kelvingrove, near Glasgow, next month, Macmillan—whose legal mandate extends to 1960—could be excused for thinking he's not sitting too badly.—E.R.R.

Married Teachers, Pupils

There was a time, and not so very long ago, when, if she married, the public school teacher lost her job. Then it was discovered that the happily married woman was just as good a teacher as the spinster and, if she had young children, was apt to make a better teacher, particularly in the lower grades.

With the increasing number of weddings of classmates before they get their high school diplomas, the question has arisen whether the young married should be allowed to remain in school. The Supreme Court of Mississippi, in the first appellate decision bearing directly on that point, has ruled that students who have married cannot be barred from public schools.

THE argument that marriage brings views about life "which should not be known to unmarried children and should not be passed on to them," was declared fallacious by the Mississippi court. It noted that marriage was an institution "highly favored by law." The court found it praiseworthy that married persons of school age should wish to continue their studies and suggested that unmarried pupils would be "benefited instead of harmed" by association with them.

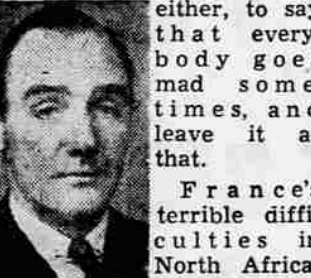
Courses in sex education have not been uniformly successful in keeping adolescents out of trouble and parents as a rule show no great competence in imparting the "facts of life" to their children. It may be that high school students can best acquire the needed knowledge from happily married husbands and wives of their own age.—E.R.R.



"If I drop in ten cents, I won't have enough for the show that I'm calling up my mom to find out if I can go to!"

Matter of Fact

DECLINE, PROGRESS OR BOTH? Paris — In the very midst of the senseless, perilous Franco-Tunisian crisis, it may seem untimely to search for first causes. Yet it is not good either, to say that everybody goes mad sometimes, and leave it at that.



Joseph Alsop

France's terrible difficulties in North Africa, like Britain's lesser difficulty in Cyprus, are the ultimate result of the most interesting, least studied great change in this era of great changes. It is a change that has only occurred among the Western democracies, and it has no past precedent.

In brief, the subjection of weaker nations by stronger nations has been going on unceasingly since the beginning of what we like to call civilization. The dawn-site in the known story of civilization is immemorial Jericho. Most ancient Jericho, which probably flourished towards the end of the ice age, has a strong defensive wall. The implications of the wall are obvious.

As far as is known, moreover, no one seems to have questioned the rightness of one nation subjecting another nation, until the era of the first great religious teachers 500 years before our Lord. From Buddha and Confucius

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

In Washington, D.C., U.S. Attorney General Rogers orders the FBI to investigate charges that Richard Mack, a member of the Federal Communications commission received \$2,650 from an attorney representing a Miami (Fla.) television firm. The charges were made by Bernard Schwartz, chief counsel for a house of representatives subcommittee that has been investigating the FCC. Schwartz told the committee the television firm was a choice TV channel in Miami.

IN MIAMI, the firm's attorney (name of Thurman Whiteside) denies that the money had anything to do with political favors. Whiteside charges that Schwartz trumped up a "scandalous lie." Schwartz has since been bounced from his job with the house investigating committee.

The newspapers are putting big headlines on the story and the radio commentators are commenting on it in excited tones.

WHAT is it all about? Is skulduggery afoot?

I WOULDN'T know. But the Federal Communications commission — along with other federal government regulating commissions, including the ICC, which regulates ground transportation, and the CAB, that regulates civil air transportation—holds a lot of power in its hands.

It possesses the power to issue little pieces of paper that are called licenses. These little pieces of paper are precious. Not only do they confer a license to go into business. They set up a government body, composed of political appointees, and endow it with the power to determine who ought to be allowed to go into the radio or television business and who OUGHT NOT TO BE ALLOWED to go into the radio or the television business.

THAT is a lot of power to be held in a FEW hands. Under such a system, it is little wonder that scandals—or at least ALLEGED scandals—should arise. (C) 1958 New York Herald Tribune Inc.

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 an eye to clarification and condensation. Letters submitted for publication must not exceed 400 words. The letters printed in this column do not necessarily represent the views of the paper, in fact the contrary is often the case.

Bob Smith Corrected

To the Editor: Bob Smith's column generally brings deserved compliment both to himself, the Mail Tribune, and other newspapers he serves. However, correction is needed on his guess of a split on Nez Perce Dam between public power leaders and other conservationists.

As early as December 10, 1954, the Northwest Public Power Association advocated a moratorium on building the Nez Perce Dam, proposed by the Army.

Again on November 6, 1957, our Association adopted a resolution calling on Congress to authorize a two-year Army study looking toward ultimate comprehensive development of the Middle Snake River and "showing the relationship to fisheries and other conservation values."

To my knowledge no one advocates immediate building of Nez Perce Dam. Contrary to Mr. Smith's implication, the National Hells Canyon Association in the Mountain Sheep and Pleasant Valley hearings did not urge immediate construction of Nez Perce Dam.

We want the door left open for comprehensive development in the reasonably near future. Incidentally, the Oregon Water Resources Board has now asked for a moratorium until 1965. We hope a solution will be apparent before that date.

Meanwhile, we join with other conservation groups in urging Congress to authorize a two-year Army study of the Middle Snake River with emphasis on solving the fisheries problem. We think this is in the best public interest. We think all conservationists can be unified in this request. Gus Norwood, Executive Secretary, Northwest Public Power Association, Vancouver, Wash.

Buffalo Meat to Birds

To the Editor: Buffalo meat was the main staple of our Plains Indian. This, just as acorns were the staff of life of California's Diggers. One may be hungry enough, in the high Andes, to eat llama jerky stew and those cornflake-like frozen potatoes, "chuncho." In tropical South America, one has tapioca or cassava. Sometimes parrot squabs are a luxury.

Birding in Latin America is now not only far less strenuous than formerly—it is also much safer. When writer first went birding South-of-the-Rio Grande, one might find himself in a Mexico City street car next to a "walking" death ray was world's second highest. Writer has counted seven funeral street cars in one block. All that is past. Hence, each year evermore U.S.A. Audubonians go down there toward start adding tropical birds to their personal species list. Some Mexican birds like caracara, also the spoonbill, venture into Everglades National Park. Autoing there to study them on the Anhinga Trail or the Gumbo Limbo Trail under a ranger naturalist whets "one's" appetite for Audubonizing in Mexico.

Mexico's avifauna includes some interesting parakeets. In the Acapulco Coastal Plain, where writer did some of his best birding, is the Orange-tanned Parakeet. Near the Tamaulipas Cloud Forest one should find the Green Parakeet. Writer also once saw, in the Canal Zone, a flock of Tovi parakeets in the coconut palm crowns on Colon's waterfront. This bird often is captured and sold to sailors, usually only to quickly die in an unintelligent captivity.

C. M. Goethe, 7th and J sts., Sacramento 14, Calif.

Salem Bypass Wreck Fatal To Woman, 51

Salem — Maude M. Brown, 51, Kent, Wash., died in a Salem hospital early on Sunday of injuries suffered when her car swerved off a bypass east of here Saturday night, struck a tree and crashed into a ditch.

State police said the woman died about eight hours after the accident.

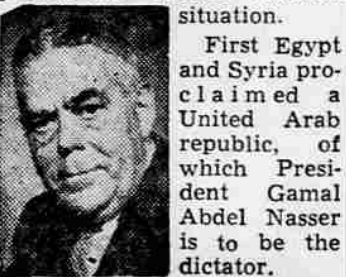
AGA KHAN RETURNS Gstaad, Switzerland

The Aga Khan today resumed the winter sports vacation he interrupted last month to go to Karachi for his enthronement as spiritual leader of the Ismaili Moslem sect. Officials said the Aga would "probably remain here" until the end of the season. He has rented a chalet.

Rival Arab Federations Muddle Complex Mid-East Situation

By CHARLES M. McCANN United Press Correspondent

Two rival Arab federations have now emerged to complicate the Middle Eastern situation.



Charles M. McCann

First Egypt and Syria proclaimed a United Arab republic, of which President Gamal Abdel Nasser is to be the dictator. Kings Faisal of Iraq and Hussein of Jordan have retorted by forming an Arab federation which they will rule jointly.

Both moves were hailed by their sponsors as dramatic steps toward Arab unity. Actually, they appear to be promoting disunity.

The kings of Iraq and Jordan have formed their federation as a defensive move against the ambition of Nasser to make himself the master of the entire Arab world, extending from the Middle East to Morocco on the Mediterranean Sea.

Yemen Will Join: Tiny Yemen is expected to join the Egyptian-Syrian union soon.

The two little states of Kuwait and Bahrain on the Persian Gulf are talking about joining the Iraqi-Jordanian federation.

Just how the two unions could do anything to promote Arab unity, it is difficult to see.

The fact is that there is only one uniting factor in the Arab world. That is bitter enmity toward the state of Israel. Egypt and Syria started the

new situation in the Middle East when they decided to seek arms from Soviet Russia and its satellites.

Naturally, the Arab kings and ruling Sheikhs want no part of Communism. They also have no desire to risk losing their thrones by permitting Nasser to become the dictator of the Arab countries. And Iraq, Kuwait and Bahrain have rich oil resources to protect.

Foreign Countries Unhappy

An interesting feature of the Egyptian-Syrian and Iraqi-Jordanian federations is that no foreign country, West or East, is very happy over them. The United States and its allies, and Soviet Russia, all have said that they welcomed the federations.

Actually, it is pretty plain that they are smiling through their diplomatic teeth.

The United States fears that Iraq eventually may withdraw from the Middle Eastern Treaty Organization and the Baghdad Pact against Communist aggression — of which it is the only Arab

member.

Russia fears that the Egyptian-Syrian merger may harm, and not help, its interests. For one thing, Nasser has done business with Russia for his own interests. He does not tolerate Communist activity in his own country. He is believed to be worried over the strong pro-Communist trend in Syria, and he may do something about it now.

The Egyptian-Syrian merger is rather an artificial one. The two countries are widely separated by Israel and Jordan. Yemen, which may join, is separated from both by Saudi Arabia.

At least, Iraq and Jordan have a common frontier and both adjoin Saudi Arabia, whose King Saud may decide to hook up with them. King Faisal of Iraq and King Hussein of Jordan are cousins.

How the new situation will work out remains to be seen. At least, Nasser's dream of making himself the big Arab dictator seems to be far from fulfillment.

U.P. Correspondents Predict Headlines

United Press correspondents around the world look ahead at the news that will make the headlines.

Backfire

The French cabinet would never admit it, but the Algerian conflict seems on the way to internationalization.

American good offices in the French-Tunisian dispute may end with the establishment of a joint or international police force — the first giant step towards internationalization. The second no less big step could be the planned rebel spring offensive backed up diplomatically by the formation of a nationalist government.

A government undoubtedly would be recognized by many Afro-Asiatic nations supporting the rebels. Any French cabinet which at present would mention internationalization would be overthrown in a minute. But the Sakiet bombing may have set into motion a process which the French cannot stop.

Open Door

King Saud of oil-spouting Saudi Arabia is really the key man to the future of the Iraqi-Jordanian merger. He wouldn't join Kings Hussein and Faisal in the union of crowns proclaimed last week — but the 22-year-old cousins have not given up hope. The new constitution leaves the door open for Faisal of Iraq to step down as "senior king" if Saud can be persuaded to join.

If he does, well over half of the Middle East's vast oil deposits would be "unified" under one loose but potent federation. As a power bloc it would win a loud voice in the East-West politics — and oil economics.

Space Deterrent

Congressional sources in Washington say the United States plans to study the effects of nuclear explosions in outer space during the Pacific test series starting in April. The plan is to hurl at least two nuclear warheads into space above the atmosphere and detonate them there. The theory is that radiation from the bombs would

LITTLE KNOWN FACTS IN HISTORY

George Washington and that Cherry Tree



SNIDER'S DAIRY "Daisyland"

There's No Substitute for SERVICE and EXPERIENCE - - - That's Why Most Folks Call DAVIS - FIRST!

It's a mighty important job moving your costly household possessions. It takes specialized equipment and lots of professional "know-how." You can be assured of both—when you Call Davis!

DAVIS TRANSFER AND STORAGE CO. Crating & Packing. Medford-139 South Fir. Ashland-240 4th St. Phone 5P 2-6273. Phone MU 2-8552. BEKINS AGENT FOR MEDFORD AND ASHLAND