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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
April 22, 1948 (Thursday)

Contract to erect a modern garage building for Greyhound was awarded yesterday to Donald M. Drake company of Portland.

The Southern Oregon Truckers league will meet Saturday to hear a report on a conference with the governor and public utilities commission on some of the objectionable features of the new PUC law.

20 YEARS AGO
April 22, 1938 (Friday)

A special CCC train carrying 273 replacements for camps of the Medford district arrived here last night.

From Arthur Perry's "Frederick Fry, the tonsorialist, is thinking some of again scaling Mt. Pitt."

30 YEARS AGO
April 22, 1928 (Sunday)

A yellow stop sign was placed at the intersection of Sixth and West Main sts. for protection of both pedestrian and auto traffic.

From local and personal column: "The Chamber of Commerce aquarium has been devoid of fish for over a week."

40 YEARS AGO
April 22, 1918 (Monday)

The Rogue River Fruit and Produce association, last winter sent apples to the soldiers and sailors abroad.

From local and personal column: "Sunday's highest temperature of 82 degrees was two degrees cooler than the maximum temperature of Friday and Saturday."

What's Your I.Q.?

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

1. During World War II, which Italian town was called "Little Casino" by the Allied troops during the campaign in Italy?
2. Bible: Who said, "Am I my brother's keeper?"
3. On which continent is Kenya?
4. Which state of the Union has the greatest area?
5. Which amendment of the constitution provided for the direct election of senators?
6. All varieties of lizards are venomous; true or false?
7. Of which state is Jefferson City the capital?
8. Did Hawaii become an integral part of the U. S. by annexation or by purchase?
9. Are import duties collected by the Office of Internal Revenue Service or the Bureau of Customs?
10. Who is known as the "Father of the Navy"?

Answers: 1. Castelforte. 2. Cain. 3. Africa. 4. Texas. 5. Seventeenth. 6. False. 7. Missouri. 8. By treaty of annexation. 9. Customs. 10. John Barry.

DROP PRISON LOOK

London — Postmaster General Ernest Marples today ordered a clean-up, paint-up and smile campaign in order to brighten Britain's drab post offices. Marples said he wants to "cut out the look that makes the man behind the counter appear to be spending six years in prison."

A Battle of Millionaires

If, as seems likely, Nelson Aldrich Rockefeller runs against Averill Harriman for Governor of New York two years hence, a very unusual and instructive campaign should result.

Here are two American millionaires — pardon MULTI-millionaires — who in their backgrounds economically, socially and politically, have much in common.

Their respective plutocratic dynasties were founded by two of the most prominent and affluent "economic royalists" in American history — John D. Rockefeller and E. H. Harriman, one making money beyond ALL dreams of avarice in OIL, the other in RAILROADS.

THEIR differences are superficial, namely, age and political affiliations. Governor Harriman is a son of the Railroad "Little Wizard", whereas Nelson Aldrich is a GRANDSON of "the Croesus of them all", "John D.R."

But their backgrounds socially and economically could rightly be called identical. Harriman outranks young Rockefeller as far as the "Social Register" is concerned, but that is of no importance in ranking them in the area of practical politics.

Here we have Harriman, with a distinguished record of political achievement as a Democrat; and Rockefeller, with no record of achievement as yet but highly regarded in Republican Upper Brackets, a close friend of President Eisenhower, and generally admitted to be a "shoo-in" as the GOP nominee to run against Harriman in 1960.

ON SUNDAY before "Meet the Press" young Mr. Rockefeller had rather a hard time in denying he was seeking — or if drafted, would accept — the Republican nomination. He refused stubbornly to commit himself definitely in either direction, but it was quite evident that if the nomination should come his way "Barkus" would be willing.

We thought Nelson had even a harder time in making it factually clear that, like all other regular and orthodox 100% Republicans, he had no use for the principles of F.D.R.'s "New Deal". Also he could not be termed "liberal" politically speaking, and really felt that Governor Harriman, had NOT, all in all, given the people of New York a pretty satisfactory and business-like administration.

IN ANSWER to a question as to his New Deal tendencies, and the emphasis of government financial aid, both at home and abroad, he tried to draw a distinction between the philosophy of the "New Deal", in its fight to halt the depression of the early 1930's; and the suggestions of the Rockefeller report to halt the present recession by, in effect, denying the latter was "pump-priming" and calling it a viable, adjustable and flexible economy.

If this attempt should be followed in his campaign, we doubt if it will prove very effective.

AS TO Governor Harriman's record in Albany Rockefeller was asked directly if he thought it had had its good points. The young man took refuge in the observation that such an admission for a Republican, would be difficult to make.

In other words the radio audience undoubtedly took this to mean, that the main criticism of his prospective opponents administration was that he was not a member of his (Rockefeller's) party.

AGAIN if this line should be followed in his campaign we fear Mr. Rockefeller, against his more experienced and resourceful opponent would find himself in certain serious difficulties.

IN OTHER words, if this gubernatorial campaign should materialize as everything indicates, it promises to, it will bring into sharper relief than any important campaign in recent years, the fundamental make-believe and sham of partisan politics as it stands at the present time.

With Averill Harriman running against Nelson Aldrich Rockefeller there would, aside from experience and personality, be only ONE issue of the slightest national importance between them.

That would be in the realm of economics. As Governor Harriman so well stated, he believes Big Business has its place in the American economy, but it should be kept IN its place. It should not run the country.

As far as our information goes Nelson Rockefeller has not definitely stated his views in this field. But it is fair to assume we believe, that a young man who asserts with such pride, that he is a Republican by inheritance, training and inclination, who instinctively regards Democrats as somehow inherently "beyond the pale", would follow the traditional GOP line, as upheld and pursued by the "Old Guard" and in spite of his good record as a "liberal", when the chips are down, he would agree that Big Business has its place, and that politically and in our economy it should be a dominant one.

ONLY there the two New York candidates would really reach the parting of the ways. But if they do make the race, the voters will never get the idea this is the only valid issue.

The properties and stage settings and campaign buttons for the familiar sham battles will be brought out, and the two candidates will go to it hammer and tongs — the one to do everything possible to STAY in office, the other everything possible to get IN. — R.W.R.

Dennis the Menace



"DID YA SEE THAT? HE MADE HIS OWN CIGARETTE JUST LIKE A REAL COWBOY!"

Matter of Fact

By Joseph Alsop

THE NEW "MR. REPUBLICAN"



Joseph Alsop

Washington — If you had to choose a single individual to typify the Republican Party, the best choice now-a-days would surely be William S. Knowland. By the same token, Knowland's situation in California beautifully typifies the situations of all the Republicans who are running for election this year.

Over the week end the Senator flew across the continent to appear, like a burly Daniel in a populous lions' den, before a Fresno meeting of the California leaders of Big Labor. His chosen topics were the beauties of the two measures the AFL-CIO chiefs dislike the most, the right-to-work bill and Senator McLellan's new labor reform bill.

"I expect," he said with a grin, "something less than an enthusiastic reception."

THIS defiantly tenacious adherence to established Republican attitudes is what makes Bill Knowland the new "Mr. Republican." In this troubled year, with the threat of joblessness on most workers' minds, another candidate might be inclined to de-emphasize the right-to-work bill. But Knowland points out that Bob Taft beat the tar out of the Ohio labor leaders after he pushed through the Taft-Hartley Act. So he plunges doggedly onward, down the road he chose a year ago.

"I think," he says, with his peculiar, ponderous confidence, "that I'll actually get a fair percentage of the labor vote. I'm going to work for it, anyway."

But what makes Knowland's situation so typical of the situation of all Republican candidates is something that the hardest work by Knowland cannot alter. To be blunt about it, President Eisenhower is by no means the great Republican asset that he used to be. No known Republican candidate anywhere is making his main pitch this year on the basis that he is a hundred per cent Eisenhower man. A few Republicans, in the farm states of the Midwest particularly, are virtually running against their own President, and above all against their President's farm policy.

NOTHING of that sort is to be expected from Bill Knowland, whose party loyalty is as solid as his large physical frame. All the same, if President Eisenhower had sat up all night thinking about the best way to hurt Bill Knowland's chances for the California governorship and Goodie Knight's chances for the senatorship, he could not have found a better method than his veto of the pump-priming Rivers and Harbors bill. The bill Eisenhower vetoed last week included no less than 29 California projects, estimated to cost just under \$200,000,000 of federal funds. Furthermore, development and control of water resources are just about the hottest issues in California today by Knowland's own frank admission.

Characteristically, Knowland is no more than a bit rueful about the President's action. Of his visit to the White House to plead against the veto, he says (and one believes him, strangely enough), "I didn't put it on a personal basis — I just explained the viewpoint of Congress." And of the veto itself he says (sticking out his chin like a bulldog seeking a good, enduring grip), "It may hurt me for the time being; but the

people of my state will remember my own 25-year record on water resources. That's what will count in the end."

YOU catch the same tone in a less marked way in Bill Knowland's discussion of what is for him the real, life-and-death election problem, the recession. He admits that the Eisenhower administration is "taking a bit of a gamble" to adopt a wait-and-see policy toward the current lag in the economy. He personally forecasts an autumn upturn.

Ask him whether there is truth in the theory that the Republicans cannot carry crucial Los Angeles county with unemployment at 7 per cent or above, as it is at present. Then he replies soberly: "I don't necessarily agree with that. Furthermore I think people will feel next fall that we are going ahead again. But if the economic picture gets very much worse, it will be pretty rough. I have to agree."

Yet nothing discourages Knowland, who is already spending all the time left over by his Senate leadership on plans for "my intensive 90-day campaign." After the Senate session ends, he expects to make six speeches a day for three continuous months. He remembers all the other times when he ran against odds, beginning with the very first time in 1932, when he got an 1100-vote majority in a state assembly district that Franklin Roosevelt simultaneously carried by 6,000 votes.

Knowland is not only solid; he is also tireless. He is not only naturally sanguine; he is also firmly convinced that every Republican campaigner is doing the Lord's work. Finally, he likes a fight.

"I think I'll win," he sums up, with stern conviction. (Copyright 1958, New York Herald Tribune, Inc.)

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Criticizes City Dads

To the Editor: In a recent issue of the Tribune we are informed that the mayor and his council had given, or were giving, to a couple of TV companies the franchises for closed TV.

We were further informed that the initial cost would be \$50 plus a monthly charge of \$5 a month.

It seems to me to be a highly cavalier action on the part of such authorities to take at the absurd cost attached. How many of us can take such an expense without some protest? I, for one cannot, and I shall not. I refuse point blank to pay such a price for such questionable entertainment.

Also, we have a very good TV set right here in our city and it is free.

Why pay another Channel for the same programs that we get on KBES-TV?

For many of them will be duplicated. Think it over.

There is another matter which should be brought to the citizens' attention. It is the matter of poor, or no, sewers in certain streets around Hedrick school.

Do we want a typhoid epidemic? Can we afford one? Do we want our children exposed to such a danger?

In the light of such items I am constrained to believe that we should use every possible effort to dislodge the mayor and his council from the city hall and do our best to replace them with men who will harken to "the Voice of the People."

And with them the city mis-manager Duff — excuse me — City Manager Duff. Why not give him a chance to walk away from here? The farther the better.

I, so far, have seen nothing of note that he has accomplished, except, perhaps, to collect his pay each and every month.

It might be a good idea to form a Citizens' club to keep a watchful eye upon city hall doings.

We can congratulate ourselves in that we have a very fine police force. And I believe it to be composed of honest and faithful servants.

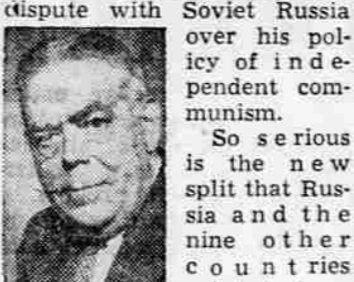
Andy L. Unger, 634 Pennsylvania ave., Medford.

Agnostics Challenged

To the Editor: In reply to a recent letter by Mr. Krauss of Gold Hill, regarding the validity and importance of the Holy Scriptures, may I say this: It has been my experience that the people most often critical of the Bible are those whose basic knowledge of it has been superficial from the outset and who do not take the time or trouble

New Split Between Russ, Tito In Open; Boycott Hits Conclave

By CHARLES M. McCANN United Press Correspondent



Charles M. McCann

President Tito of Yugoslavia is involved in a big new dispute with Soviet Russia over his policy of independent communism.

So serious is the new split that Russia and the nine other countries which have fallen under the heel of communism are boycotting the Seventh Congress of the Yugoslav Communist Party which opened today in Ljubljana.

Advices from Eastern Europe to fully evaluate the claims made by its opponents.

I can well understand and appreciate Mr. Krauss' position as I, too, went through the same embittered "agnostic mill." Assuredly, I steeped myself in as much of Plato, Hume, Berkeley, Kant, James, etc., as eight studious years would permit. I found in Paine's "Age of Reason" and in Ingersoll's works (I thought) the key to Biblical errancy; and I prided myself that I was, to quote Henley, "Master of my fate and captain of my soul."

But I was wrong — dead wrong. Space does not permit a step-by-step analysis of my present position and beliefs. However, I will say this: I would gladly challenge anyone, anywhere who is diligently searching for eternal truths (fall where they may) to open the covers of his Bible and assiduously delve in.

Agnostics Lew Wallace and Hall Caine, among many others, did so in response to a similar challenge; and the result was that each of those authors wrote a great Christian classic, "Ben Hur" and the "Life of Christ."

In closing, I may still be wrong in what I hold to be true; but in the final judgment of God, I think I would find little comfort in having Robert Ingersoll and Tom Paine as my defense counselors.

Ernest L. Sackett, Shady Cove, Ore.

Czech Diplomat Due for Expulsion

Washington — A Czech diplomat was slated today for a quick exit from the United States. He was expelled in retaliation for what the State Department called the "frame-up" ouster of an American diplomat from Communist Czechoslovakia.

The State Department late Monday demanded the recall of Dr. Roman Skokan, commercial attache at the Czech embassy here.

U. S. diplomat Joseph R. Jacyno, 42, of Lawrence, Mass., was expelled from Czechoslovakia last week end on spy charges. Jacyno said his ouster was "an outright frame-up" aimed at warning all Czechs to keep away from Westerners.

weather, is only four points better off in unemployment and March is about the peak of Arizona's resort season.

Nevada, with its year-around gambling specialty, which flourishes in good times and bad, is only 0.2 of a percentage point better off than Oregon.

SENATOR NEUBERGER remarked the other day that in the East, and especially in the nation's capital, Oregon is coming to be known as the TIN CUP state — meaning that it is always coming to Washington and rattling the tin cup for federal alms.

It's high time for Oregon to swear off that bad habit and learn to stand on its own feet. Oregon is a GOOD state, with plenty of resources. With the right kind of leadership, it can go places in the upswing that will follow this present period of slowing down while the country's economy catches up with itself.

made known to Tito and to Communist parties all over the world. The word went out that really good Communists would not attend today's congress, regarded as the most important since the end of World War II.

Extensive Preparations Made
Tito had made extensive preparations to play host to big delegations of Communists and had reserved hotel suites for them in Ljubljana, in hope of mending the breach, he ordered some revisions in the Yugoslav Party's declaration. But they were not radical enough.

Orders went out to the big Communist delegations to remain at home. The Red-ruled countries will be represented merely by observers.

Tito did not help any when in a speech last Saturday, on his reelection by his parliament for a third term as president, he restated Yugoslavia's foreign policy.

Two big points he made were: 1 — "Cooperation with all countries willing to recognize the full equality of partners" and 2 — "Non-interference in the internal affairs of others."

These two points, which were part of first to Tito's insistence on full independence and secondly to his disapproval of Russia's intervention in the Hungarian revolt.

New Bridge, Baker County — Spring is with us once more. The week end was lovely and sunny here. Spring plowing is well started. And our friend Jake Thompson has lettuce and radishes up.

Write-ups and pictures in the Medford Mail Tribune of especial interest to me included one about the early days of the Forest Service. The article states personnel in the first office in Medford including Ira Tungate, George West and several others. Ira Tungate was my father's cousin and George West and his wife Effie were friends of father and mother.

The picture of the old Brown store building in Brownsboro also brought back memories. My Grandfather and Grandmother Woodruff lived in Brownsboro several years, and my brother was born there.

While we are thinking of people and places of earlier years, I wish to mention the Northwest Old-Time Fiddlers contest in Weiser, Ida., on April 26. It is open to fiddlers of all ages regardless of where they are from. The prizes are quite substantial and there are lovely trophies. Full information may be obtained from the Northwest Old-Time Fiddlers contest, Hotel Washington, Weiser, Ida.

I always enjoy a fiddlers' contest. Some old-time Rogue River valley fiddlers I remember.

Civil Service Exams Announced for Jobs

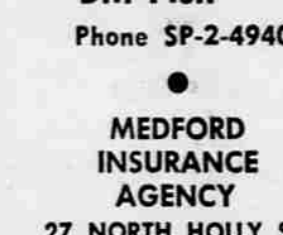
Civil service examinations for engineering draftsman have been announced by the board of civil service examiners, U. S. Army Engineer district, Walla Walla, Wash.

The U. S. Maritime administration in San Francisco has announced examinations for marine surveyor.

Applications and additional information may be obtained at the Medford post office.

As long as free TV networks continue to enjoy the special privilege of monopolizing the air waves, many Americans will be deprived of seeing on their home screens the sort of entertainment they would gladly pay to see. — Bangor (Me.) News.

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In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

Some figures put out a few days back by the federal government departments that deal with employment and unemployment indicate that the unemployment rate is highest in the highly industrialized Northeast, second highest along the growingly industrialized Atlantic coast and third highest in the Pacific Coast states of Oregon, Washington and California, where the relatively new industrialization of the Far West is chiefly concentrated. They show that unemployment tends to be lowest in the agricultural areas of the Middle West.

That is to say, agriculture is a stabilizing influence in our American economy. Except in war booms, it doesn't rise to dizzy heights. But, on the other hand, it doesn't fall to the bottom depths.

THESE figures show percentage of unemployment (that is, percentage of the total labor force that is without jobs) for the month of March. Here they are for the six farthest west states:

Table with 2 columns: State and Unemployment percentage. Oregon 9.5, Nevada 9.3, Washington 8.8, California 8.5, Idaho 7.5, Arizona 6.6

YOU will note, of course, that Oregon heads the list. But, before jumping to the conclusion that Oregon is headed for the poorhouse, let's do a little analyzing.

Oregon, as everyone knows, has too many of her eggs in one basket — the manufacturing of rough lumber. Rough lumber is traditionally up or down. It rides the wave's crest or it wallows in the



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