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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 23, 1948 (Friday)

Budget committeemen last night approved a city tax levy of $225,158 for the 1948-49 fiscal year and set June as a hearing date.

White City Lumber company began operation at the Camp White industrial area this week.

20 YEARS AGO
April 23, 1938 (Sunday)

Hall S. Lusk, state supreme court justice, was the principal speaker at the regular meeting of the Southern Oregon Bar association last night at the Hotel Medford.

From Arthur Perry's Ye Smudge Pot column: "The pear trees are all abloom and J. Kort Hall, the fretting horticulturist is having a fine time fearing the worse."

30 YEARS AGO
April 23, 1928 (Monday)

Taking advantage of yesterday afternoon's warm sunshine, the Jackson Hot Springs swimming pool was liberally patronized by Medford swimmers.

From local and personal column: "A few of the new Southern Pacific booklets which contain a beautiful half-page cut of Crater Lake and another of Mount Shasta, arrived here today."

40 YEARS AGO
April 23, 1918 (Tuesday)

Restrictions against sale of live or freshly killed hens were lifted on April 20, the food administration announced.

From local and personal column: "The senior class of the high school has decided to purchase $100 worth of war stamps from proceeds of the class play."

What's Your I.Q.?

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

1. In which country are the "Halls of Montezuma?"
2. Bible: How old was Methuselah when he died?
3. Is it necessary for a Presidential candidate to win a majority of the States of the Union in order to be elected?
4. Name the famous pass from Afghanistan into India.
5. Is the capital of Chile Concepcion, Valparaiso, or Santiago?
6. Was Walter Camp an authority on golf, hockey, football, or tennis?
7. Earl Warren was the governor of which state?
8. Is the airline distance from Honolulu to Tokyo greater or less than that from New York to Paris?
9. Is a bat a bird or a mammal?
10. Pizarro was the Spanish conqueror of which South American country?

Answers: 1. Mexico. 2. 969 years. 3. No. 4. Khyber Pass. 5. Santiago. 6. Football. 7. California. 8. Greater. 9. Mammal. 10. Peru.

Legislative Candidates

(This is another in a series of editorials briefly reviewing candidates in the May primary election.)

Jackson county is represented in the state legislature by three persons — two members of the house of representatives, and one in the senate. Senators serve four-year terms; representatives two-year terms.

There are eight candidates for the three positions. Three of them are Democrats and five are Republicans. There is no contest among the Democrats for the nomination, with one candidate for each position.

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FOR the senate, the Democratic candidate is Gordon Hudson, who is running for political office for the first time. He is owner and operator of three drug stores in Medford and Central Point.

The two Republican candidates for Senator, one of whom will be nominated in May, are John W. Snider, the mayor of Medford, and Dr. Edwin R. Durno.

Snider served 6½ years on the Medford city council prior to becoming mayor two years ago. His term will end next December. He has been active in the League of Oregon Cities, and is on its board of directors.

Dr. Durno is a physician and surgeon in active practice here. He has not run for public office before, but has been active in the work of a number of organizations, among them medical groups.

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THE Democratic candidates for the house are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Duncan.

Duncan, an attorney, is now completing his first term in the house. He has been prominently mentioned as a potential candidate for speaker of the house if reelected. In 1957 he was on the ways and means and judiciary committees.

His wife, who served as Duncan's secretary at the legislature, was a "last-minute" candidate when it became apparent no other Democrat would file for the office.

Since the Duncans have no opposition in the primary, they both are assured of a place on the ballot in November.

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THE three Republican candidates for the house are O. H. Bengtson, Melvin Lattie and Mrs. Stephen Nye.

Bengtson is the only one of the three with prior legislative experience, having served in the house from Jackson county in the 1940s. An attorney, he has been campaigning on the basis of his support for the use of Camp White as a veterans domiciliary center. He was a candidate for district judge two years ago, but withdrew from the election, and now has been using advertising to assure voters he will not withdraw this time.

Lattie, an unsuccessful candidate for county commissioner two years ago, is a rancher and businessman. He is an active Granger, and has been prominent in other organizational activities.

Mrs. Nye recently resigned from the Medford school board, of which she was chairman, after serving nearly two terms. Her resignation was caused by her moving from the district. She was active in the Oregon School Boards association, and was an officer in it. She has also held office in a number of other organizations.

The two Republican candidates who gain the largest number of votes will appear on the general election ballot.

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BOTH senators and representatives receive the same salary, $600 per year, which does not even meet their expenses during a three-month session in Salem every two years. A proposal to increase this to $1,200 per year will be on the ballot in the fall.

Meanwhile, Oregon has been fortunate that public-spirited people have been willing to make the financial sacrifice to run for the legislature. It is a difficult, demanding and exacting job, requiring long hours of study, committee meetings, letter-writing and sessions of the two houses.

Integrity, intelligence and the willingness to work hard are important requisites of a legislator. It takes all three to be a good one.—E.A.

County Commissioner

The county court seat now held by Commissioner Chester Wendt this year is the only one for which there is no contest in the primary election among either Republicans or Democrats.

Wendt, a farmer, is a candidate to succeed himself for a second term. He is a Republican.

The Democratic candidate is Frank Christian, mayor of Talent, a businessman.

Unless a write-in candidate succeeds in defeating either of them, a highly unlikely event, they will face each other on the general election ballot in the fall.—E.A.

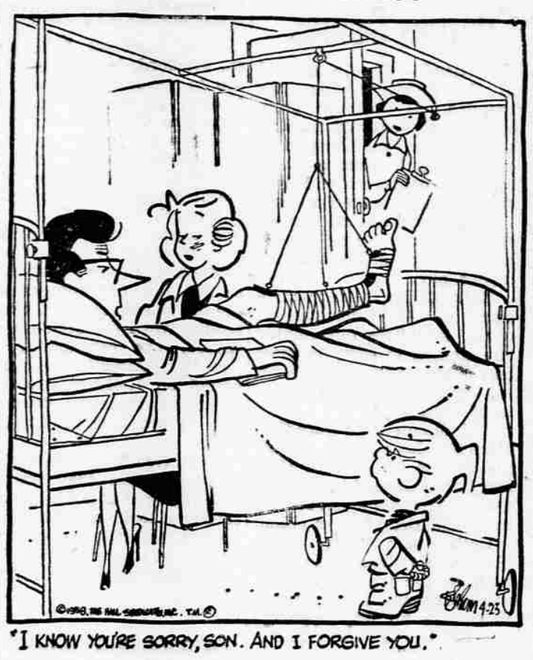
County Coroner

There are two Republican candidates for coroner and no Democratic candidates.

The two have each had experience in the job, both are funeral directors, and both are likeable men of ability and honesty.

The candidates, Carlos Morris, the incumbent, and Frank Perl, have so far been debating a so-called "rotation plan," which seems of concern to the undertakers in the county, but which, so far as we can see, leaves the average voter both confused and apathetic.—E.A.

Dennis the Menace



"I KNOW YOU'RE SORRY, SON. AND I FORGIVE YOU."

United Press Head Notes Progress, Growth of Service

New York —(UP)— The United Press has become bigger than ever in every respect during the past year, Frank H. Bartholomew said today.

Bartholomew, who is president of the wire service, presided at the annual meeting of UP executives here. He urged those attending to give first attention to the future, to plans for meeting the needs of a changing world.

He said it was gratifying to report the progress of the past year but added it "is of greater importance for us to propose and plan for the year ahead."

"I do not recall a time when there was greater need for continual appraisal of our goals and methods," he said. "Somewhere and sometime, it seems to me, the effects of the great stories we are covering are going to be felt in our own profession.

"We newspapermen become so accustomed to reporting the drama of other people's lives, we are apt to forget these things can happen to us, too," said Bartholomew.

Old Order is Passing

"This is not a forecast of spectacular changes to come overnight in our way of operating," he said. "It is a plain statement that the old order is passing in many places and there is no reason to think we are going to be altogether exempt.

"On the technical side of the UP operation which chiefly concerns transmission, we have set up a department of research and development. Our purpose is to follow up each major development in this field, and experiment with any that look promising for our purposes.

"On the news-side, these changing times are felt, too, as they react on reader-interests. People want to know more, they need to know more, about the events and forces shaping their lives. I do not believe we can overestimate the appreciation of readers for stories that tell why an event occurred or that explain its meaning," said Bartholomew.

"Journalism is living through exciting and demanding days," he said. "They are days filled with opportunity for those with the imagination, the sagacity and the freedom to break new ground. The United Press possesses all of these qualities in good measure. Our achievements show that; but let us regard them only as preparation for what is to come."

Record Growth

Mims Thomason, vice president and general business manager, said that the UP has 230 more clients than a year ago. He said the total now is a record 5,063, compared with 4,833 in April, 1957. The figure comprises both news and newspictures services and applied to newspaper, radio, television and special clients.

"To meet the requirements of this growth, PU has added five more bureaus to lengthen its global chain to 210, and more than 28,000 miles of leased wires, bringing the total mileage of news and photo networks in the U.S. to 425,413, another new high," Thomason said.

Earl J. Johnson, vice president and general news manager, cited several outstanding examples of enterprise and initiative on the domestic scene that, he said, "make up the PU report the pacesetter it is."

"The most recent is the revelation that the Strategic Air Command has been flying hydrogen bombs on radar alerts," he said. That dispatch was written by UP President Frank H. Bartholomew, and led the Russians to protest to the United Nations.

"Another example is the group of stories by Al Kuttner on the New York school situation. Kuttner, a southerner and prize-winning journalist, clearly and logically reviewed a 'northern' problem."

Johnson also cited the reporting and writing job by Jack V. Fox on the John Stompanato inquest in Los Angeles as an example of skill and speed. Additionally, he mentioned the emphasis on religious news. Louis Cassels, UP reporter in Washington, who specializes in the religious field, has recently won two awards for excellence.

Spanish Cellist Gets Standing Ovation

San Juan, P. R.—(UP)—Spanish cellist Pablo Casals got a five-minute standing ovation Tuesday night from a capacity opening-night crowd at the Casals Festival here.

The 21-minute performance of a Beethoven sonata was the first public appearance here by Casals, 82, since he suffered a heart attack recently.

Lions Plans Work at Rogue River Library

Rogue River — The Rogue River Lions' club has voted a work project within the next 30 days for installation of a tile floor in the city library in the city hall.

Plans are under way for purchasing the tile and necessary materials.

Try and Stop Me

By BENNETT CERF

VANCE DAILEY has a new interest in life. A past master in chemistry, Vance crossed an intersection with a brand new convertible and came up with a blonde. Vance isn't one of those dangerous one-arm drivers, however. He's taught the blonde to drive—and now he can use both arms.

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John Straley describes marriage as a 50-50 proposition. 50 percent of the time the wife's right, and the other 50 percent the husband's wrong.

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The owner of a big hotel and movie chain in Florida is named Schine, and Jack Paar is dying for him to take a horseback ride on a horse named Harvest Moon. Parr wants a photograph of this happenstance. The caption he has in mind for it, as you've undoubtedly guessed, is "Schine on Harvest Moon."

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In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

Gov. Averill Harriman of New York tells the house banking committee in Washington the other morning that the ADMINISTRATION is to blame for the current recession.

He warned that the government must ACT QUICKLY to reverse the economic trend. He put it this way: "Failure to act vigorously now plays directly into the hands of the Kremlin."

He proposed to the committee a counter-recession program based upon (1) an emergency tax cut and (2) a large and diversified program of public works.

THAT is to say:

Governor Harriman says he thinks we should:

1. TAX LESS.
2. SPEND MORE.

WHAT is he?

A screwball? A demagogue? A flannel-mouthed politician who doesn't hesitate to stand up in front of us and declare that black is white or that white is black?

No, he is none of these things. He is a very rich man who has turned away from the fascinating business of getting richer still and is devoting his life to public service.

OUR system of government is based upon two major political parties. The two-party system is all in all the best system of popular government yet devised. Under the two-party system, one party is IN POWER. The other party is OUT OF POWER.

In the two-party system, the job of the party out of power is to VIEW WITH ALARM. Governor Harriman is a Democrat. The Democratic party is out of power—that is, it is out of administrative power. So he is viewing with alarm—which is what he conceives to be his duty.

IN THIS world, we must deal with the facts of life. Here is one of the political facts of life in a democracy: Before a statesman can BE a statesman he must GET ELECTED.

Many politicians — even HONEST politicians—believe that what one does to get elected doesn't matter much. What counts, they maintain, is WHAT ONE DOES AFTER GETTING ELECTED.

Governor Harriman may believe that.

WE COME now to the nub of the situation:

What is OUR duty as voters?

THIS, I think, is the answer: Our duty as voters is to hear both sides, to listen to everything that is said and then apply to it the acid test of our own intelligence.

After all, a river can't rise above its source—and in a democracy such as ours the voters are the SOURCE of government.

Search Continues For Missing Plane

Pendleton, Ore. — (UP) — An aerial search resumed today for a plane missing on a flight from Fresno, Calif., to Spokane with orchestra leader Bruce Davis and his wife aboard.

Fifteen planes searched a 100-square mile area Tuesday but had no luck in finding the Cessna 182.

The search spread over Eastern Oregon and nearby areas of Washington and Idaho.

The Davises were last heard from at 3:15 p.m. Monday when they radioed they were getting low on gas and flying in a thick overcast at 15,000 feet. They said they thought they were over Pendleton or Condon.

The Davises were from Fresno.

Work Planned at Phoenix Cemetary

Phoenix — A work project for the cleaning of the Phoenix cemetery will be held by the Phoenix Lions' club Sunday, April 27.

About 20 Lions started the project last Sunday. Permission of each lot owner is required before work can start, according to officials.

Lions invited all community members to take part in the clean-up drive. Interested residents should contact E. R. Claflin, cemetery board member.

The group hopes to have all graves cleaned up by Memorial Day, May 25. Claflin said several lots have been long neglected and need much work.

COMPANY OFFICIAL DIES

New York—(UP)—Vice President George Vincent Slottman, 54, of the Air Reduction Co., Inc., died Monday in Memorial hospital.

Summit Prepartions Again Bog Down Over Procedural Haggle

By CHARLES M. McCANN
United Press Correspondent

Preparations for a summit conference on world tensions have bogged down again on a question on procedure.

Charles M. McCann

Negotiations were supposed to start in Moscow last Thursday in talks between the United States, British and French ambassadors on one side and Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei A. Gromyko on the other.

The three Allied powers had taken it for granted that Gromyko would call in their ambassadors for a joint meeting to get things going.

Instead, Gromyko summoned American Ambassador Llewellyn E. Thompson Jr., to his office on Thursday for the first talk.

He did not call in British Ambassador Sir Patrick Reilly and French Ambassador Maurice DeJean until next day. Then he talked to them separately.

Interjects H-bomber Charge

On Friday also, Gromyko interjected the Soviet charge that U.S. planes equipped with nuclear bombs were flying over the Arctic "in the direction of the borders of the Soviet Union."

Gromyko forced a meeting of the United Nations Security Council on his complaint that the planes were a danger to peace.

The Council met in New York on Monday. Arkady A. Sobolev, the chief Soviet U.N. delegate, found himself alone. Eight of the 11 nations on the council, in addition to the United States, made it plain they would vote against Russia's complaint. The 11th member, Sweden, took no stand.

Sobolev as the result angrily withheld his resolution of complaint, without awaiting a vote which he knew he would lose.

Gromyko's tactics in receiving the Allied ambassadors separately, and his U.N. complaint, caused speculation in Washington that perhaps Russia did not really want the summit meeting for which it has been clamoring since last December.

Wants Talks Limited

A more logical explanation seems to be that Gromyko is simply sticking stubbornly to the Soviet insistence that the ambassadors, in the preliminary talks, and the "Big Four" foreign ministers in a later formal conference, must confine themselves to making the physical arrangements for the summit meeting—time, place and participating countries.

The Allies in turn insist that the ambassadors and the foreign ministers must discuss the actual problems involved in the present world tensions.

In any event, it appears that the summit negotiations are stalled again. What the next move will be, and who will make it, is uncertain at the moment.

The Soviet government seems to be confident that because of world pressure for East-West negotiations to reduce the threat of a nuclear war it can force the Allies into a summit meeting on its own terms. Whether it can do so remains to be seen.

Heavy Pressure on Congress Forecast Anti-Obscenity Bill

Washington— Under heavy pressure from irate civic and religious groups, Congress is moving to enact an anti-obscenity bill described by some lawyers as "probably unconstitutional."

The measure, aimed at persons who purvey pornographic matter through the mails, would permit prosecution of offenders in any jurisdiction through which the mailed matter passed. At present prosecution is, for all practical purposes, confined to the point of mailing.

Some fine legal points are involved, but the situation responsible for the disputed bill is simple. The Post Office Department knows that much of the flood of pornographic matter now circulating through the nation emanates from a relatively small number of mail-order operators in Los Angeles and New York. But experience has shown that judges and juries in these cities do not always agree that the allegedly nonmailable matter is in fact obscene.

Change Proposed

To correct this situation, the House Judiciary committee April 17 approved a bill amending the law against the mailing of obscene matter, to extend the crime from the "deposit" of such mail to its "carriage in the mails." A similar bill is before the Senate Judiciary committee. If enacted, this amendment would permit the government to go "forum shopping," in the words of one critic.

Supporters of the change contend that, as in the case of fraud by mail, the real damage done by the mailing of obscene matter is at the point of receipt, especially when it falls into the hands of juveniles. They cite FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover's view that "the flood of pornography . . . is a major factor in today's rapidly rising rate of sex crime." And as Rep. Jack Dowdy (D-Tex.), told a House Judiciary subcommittee, "judges and juries who can see at first hand the results of such immoral, and amoral, reading matter may take a more serious view of the matter."

This probability frightens reputable publishers who, although they hold no brief for pornography, know from experience that opinions as to what constitutes obscenity in literature vary widely. As a spokesman for the American Book Publishers Council told the House subcommittee, the proposed law would allow the government, in prosecuting a publisher, to "choose a community whose standards are far more rigid than in any other. Yet a conviction in such a community would constitute a determination that the publication is obscene for mailing purposes in all other sections of the country."

Doubt Constitutionality

The American Civil Liberties Union, citing the Sixth Amendment's right to trial "by an impartial jury of the State and district wherein the crime shall have been committed," sees possible "constitutional doubt" in the proposed law. But there is no evidence that any Member of Congress is sufficiently impressed by these arguments to register formal opposition to the pending measure.

On the contrary, support for the measure has been fanned by a barrage of mail, much of it bearing the earmarks of an organized lobby campaign. The legislation has been urged by such groups as the Churchmen's Commission for Decent Publications, National Women's Christian Temperance Union, General Federation of Women's clubs, and National committee of Catholic men. Opponents of the controversial bill admit that pressure for its enactment is so strong as to leave little doubt about the outcome.

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German Expelled For Opposing Arms

Muenster, Germany— (UP) — Prof. Walter Hagemann, head of Muenster University's Journalism Institute, has been expelled from the Christian Democratic Party apparently for his support of a campaign against nuclear arms for the West German Army.

Hagemann has appeared at several rallies of the "Fight Atom Death" campaign which is backed by the opposition Socialists, many churchmen and scientists and the labor unions. The campaign is opposed by Chancellor Konrad Adenauer's Christian Democrats.

Navy Finishing Work On Vanguard Rocket

Cape Canaveral, Fla.—(UP)—Navy crewmen put the finishing touches today on a Vanguard rocket scheduled to carry a fourth U.S. satellite into space.

The Air Force, meanwhile, worked on a rocket consisting of an intermediate range Thor with a modified Vanguard second stage on top to be used in a re-entry experiment.

There are almost five diesel vessels to every steam vessel in operation on U. S. inland waterways.

Portlander Gets Deportation Stay

Portland — (UP) — The U. S. Court of Appeals in San Francisco Tuesday ordered an indefinite stay of the deportation of William A. Mackie, 49-year-old Portland house painter who is a native of Finland.

Mackie was to have been flown out of Portland Tuesday night en route to the country he left while still an infant. Mackie was accused by the immigration service of Communist affiliations from 1937 to 1939.

His attorney, Gerald H. Robinson, won the stay in a telephone conversation with Judge Albert Lee Stephens in San Francisco. Mackie has waged a five-year legal batle against the deportation order.

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