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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 28, 1948 (Wednesday)
Pacific northwest orchardist Wednesday were surveying their fruit trees for possible damage by the unseasonable April cold front.

Jackson county residents this morning were surprised to awaken and find a white blanketed valley.

20 YEARS AGO
April 28, 1938 (Thursday)
City, state and county authorities continue search for lone gunman who held up the Midway service station on the Butte Falls highway.

From Arthur Perry's Ye Smudge Pot column: "Midwest farmers are now in revolt against the crop control efforts of the New Deal. The movement will not get serious until the tillers start tearing up the checks."

30 YEARS AGO
April 28, 1928 (Saturday)
The public market sold large stocks of late vegetables, dressed poultry and homemade foodstuffs this morning.

From local and personal column: "Salmon fishing in the Rogue is now approaching its prime, according to Fred Merrill, game warden, who has been checking the catches of these big Chinooks."

40 YEARS AGO
April 28, 1918 (Monday)
From local and personal column: "W. Beeson, a pioneer resident of Talent, left for his home this morning after investigating requirements for taking railroad grant lands."

Monday was a quiet day in the Liberty loan campaign, but quota has been exceeded by over \$10,000.

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

1. Name the late war correspondent whose writings as a roving reporter are compiled in a book, "Home Country."

2. Bible: What was the first creature to leave Noah's Ark?

3. Alligator pear is a common name for which fruit?

4. William P. Rogers holds which position in the President's Cabinet?

5. "Charge of the Light Brigade" was written by which British nobleman?

6. What is the name of the instrument that measures wind velocity?

7. What is the missing letter in this scrambled word beginning with S; Sivece?

8. Is the marimba a bird, tropical vegetable, or musical instrument?

9. Gold is weighed by the fluid ounce, Troy ounce, or avoirdupois ounce?

10. Which of the oceans is the largest in area?

Answers: 1. Ernie Pyle. 2. A raven. 3. Avocado. 4. Attorney General. 5. Alfred, Lord Tennyson. 6. Anemometer. 7. R (Service). 8. Musical instrument. 9. Troy. 10. Pacific.

Every day the American public buys more daily newspapers than all the paper match books given away free.

"Pooh Bah" Office

The following concludes a series of editorials briefly describing the offices and candidates at issue in the May primary election.

The county clerk is sort of a Pooh Bah—the Lord High Everything Else of the county.

Apparently in the early days, when a new function of government came along, and no one knew quite who should do it, it was added to the duties of the clerk. These jobs now range from issuing dog (and marriage) licenses, to writing checks for the county, keeping all the records, and conducting elections.

A combination of tact, diplomacy, kindness and desire to be helpful is an asset to the office.

FOUR people are candidates for the Jackson county clerkship—two Republicans and two Democrats.

Neither Democratic candidate has had prior political experience. They are Mrs. Nita Zumwalt, of Medford, and Ernest Marvin Madden, Phoenix. Both, however, have had business experience, Mrs. Zumwalt both as an employee and as a business operator, and Madden as head of his own small business.

The Republican candidates are Mrs. Bereth P. Hopkins, the incumbent, and Mrs. Anna Scott, who has unsuccessfully sought office before.

Mrs. Hopkins has run an efficient office. In the course of doing so, she has made some enemies, for she has a sharp tongue on occasion. Her experience ranges from school teaching to business experience, and the time she has spent in the present job.

Mrs. Scott, too, has had experience both in business and in public administration, much of it in Hood River. She and her husband now operate a ranch in the Applegate, and Mrs. Scott has been active in Grange circles. —E.A.

For County "Judge"

The office of county judge, (in Jackson county, anyway,) is almost a complete misnomer, as, indeed, is the county court.

The judge has no judicial functions in this county, and the court isn't a court at all—it is a three-man administrative body.

Once the judge did have a judicial function, largely in probate work and juvenile matters, but these duties were long ago transferred to the circuit court. (In a few of the smaller counties, the county judges still have some judicial functions. In Multnomah and Lane counties, on the other hand, the county court is now called the board of commissioners.)

THE judge, as one member of the court, then, with powers equal to those of the two commissioners, has a one-third responsibility for the administration of those county functions which are not assigned to one of the other offices.

This includes supervision of road construction and maintenance with the county engineer; preparation of the budget (probably their most important function, performed in conjunction with the budget committee), general supervision of some of the taxing procedures, and a wide variety of lesser duties.

The court is neither fish nor fowl: It cannot be a true administrative body, for it has no jurisdiction in county functions conducted by other elective officers, and no legislative powers.

Even though it is an anachronism, we have to live with county government as it is, at least until it can be changed. And to do this, we need the best men available to serve on the court; men skilled in governmental techniques, men with knowledge of how to get things done, and how to get along with others; men of integrity and stature.

THERE are six candidates for county judge, two Republicans and four Democrats.

The Republicans are the incumbent, Rodney Keating, an orchardist and former Navy reserve officer (commander) and oil industry lobbyist, and Earl Miller, automobile service garage operator and former councilman, budget committeeman and ex-mayor of Medford.

Keating is running on the record of the court since he has been in office, and Miller is campaigning on the basis that a more businesslike approach is needed in county government.

THE four Democratic candidates are Franklin Girard, Ashland; Scott Hamilton, Central Point; C. L. Hockersmith, Medford, and K. C. Wernmark, Central Point.

Girard is the only one with prior political and public office experience, having served two terms as secretary of state of Idaho. He also has been a forester, both state and federal. His campaign has emphasized the growing need for recreational development, for conservation, and the county's role in both.

Hamilton is a well known orchardist and rancher, and at present is a school bus driver. His campaign has emphasized the need for more representation of the Democratic party in county government.

Hockersmith, who ran unsuccessfully for county commissioner ten years ago, is a farmer and is active in Grange work.

Wernmark is a building contractor. It was his action in filing for judge which brought on the court action declaring the judge's term of office is four, rather than six, years. —E.A.

Dennis the Menace



"Boy, I'll bet you wouldn't have any mice with him around!"

Matter of Fact

By Joseph Alsop

JOSEF-NIKITA?
Washington—With extraordinary abruptness and considerable brutality, the Kremlin has now reversed the policy of friendship toward Yugoslavia which was the first fruit of Nikita Khrushchev's rise to power.

The most curious aspect of this important event is the timing. The pretext for the new Soviet excommunication of the Yugoslavs was the "draft program" of the Yugoslav Communist Party. This document, which was published at the beginning of March, has just now been discovered to be crammed with intolerable heresies.

The question at once arises, why these intolerable heresies were not spotted much earlier. All of March and early April passed by in peace and amity, with the heretical program already starting the Kremlin in the face. In this period, Nikita Khrushchev even requested Marshal Tito to accept a visit from his Hungarian stooge, Janos Kadar, and Kadar was duly invited for a jolly week end in Yugoslavia.

Then something happened in the Kremlin, presumably about mid-April, for a denunciation of the Yugoslav program was passed for publication in the Soviet paper, "Kommunist," on April 15.

Thereafter the Soviet Party theorist, Pospelov, delivered a stinging attack on the Yugoslavs as his contribution to the celebration of Lenin's 88th birthday. Finally the Soviets organized a general boycott of the Yugoslav Party Congress at Ljubljana by all the states of the "Socialist camp."

THE Yugoslavs were frankly taken by surprise by the boycott, which again underlines the last-minute, wholly unexpected character of the squabble. And just to round out the mystery, "Pravda" published a renewed and very venomous attack on old Molotov and his allies, who had opposed Khrushchev's pro-Yugoslav policy, at almost the same time when Pospelov was attacking the Yugoslavs.

Concerning this intensely significant and intensely bewildering sequence of events, there is only one point of general agreement among the experts. All agree that the sudden Soviet-Yugoslav break is a by-product of another inner struggle in the Kremlin. But as usual in these cases, no one can tell who is kicking whom.

One thesis is that the neo-Stalinists, Pospelov and the high and dry doctrinaire, Mikhail Suslov, have at last organized a successive opposi-

tion to Nikita Khrushchev. It is a tempting thesis. Condemnation of the Yugoslavs after all implies condemnation of the very first major Soviet policy decision that has a clear Khrushchev label.

THE opposite thesis sees the master-hand of Khrushchev behind the new development. When Marshal Zhukov was destroyed, the Yugoslavs themselves at first argued that Khrushchev had been "pushed by the Stalinists," such as Suslov. But in the end, the Yugoslavs concluded that the real prime mover in the destruction of Zhukov was the very man whom Zhukov had just saved from destruction, Nikita Khrushchev himself.

In the present instance, Khrushchev again has to deal with one of the forces that sustained him in his long and devious rise to the supreme position. Zhukov and the Communist Party apparatus were his twin supports throughout the whole elimination contest in the Kremlin. Zhukov asked too much reward, as saviors will, and Zhukov was taken care of—with the help of the party apparatus. More recently, the party apparatus has shown signs of getting above itself, particularly by obstructing Khrushchev's immensely radical agricultural reforms. So may not Khrushchev be preparing to teach their proper place to the party bureaucrats, as he taught his place to Zhukov?

THE trouble with this thesis is obvious enough. The condemnation of the Yugoslavs must surely be pleasing to the party extremists like Suslov and Pospelov, as Pospelov's role indicates. At best, therefore, it would be an astonishingly devious maneuver in a Khrushchev game to defeat the party bureaucrats.

But Khrushchev is just the kind of wrestler who gets his stranglehold by seeming to give way. Furthermore, the Yugoslavs themselves plainly blame Khrushchev personally for their condemnation. At Ljubljana, they have attacked Khrushchev personally instead of denouncing "Stalinist survivors who still cause tragic distortions," as they would otherwise have done. In fact the Yugoslavs see what has happened as another stage in the transformation of Khrushchev into a somewhat jollier image of Josef Stalin.

As between the two theses, you can pay your money and take your choice.

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MAGAZINE EDITOR DIES
Riverside, Conn.—Philip W. Swain, 68, who retired in 1954 as chief editor of Power magazine, died Sunday of a stroke.

Try and Stop Me

By BENNETT CERF

A WEALTHY GAMBLER knew he was sinking fast. He also had a pretty good idea where he was going. "No use putting any clothes on me when I cash in my checks," he told his wife. "Bury me in my birthday suit, so I'll be as comfortable as possible in the climate down below."

The wife faithfully observed his wishes, but one week to the day after his burial, his ghost seeped through the window, and his hollow voice pleaded, "Darling, give me every suit and heavy overcoat I've left. There's been a big change in Hades. There are so many big shots down there now that the devil has put in air conditioning."

A foreign correspondent, admitted to a satellite country in Eastern Europe, wanted to know why there were so many breadlines. "We Communists have so much bread these days," explained a government official glibly, "we have to give it away to the people!"

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In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

In the news, there are two related items:

(1) Senator George (Molly) Malone of Nevada says in a speech in the senate that the reciprocal trade act divides American DOMESTIC markets with 36 foreign competitive nations and thus makes the United States a colony of Europe. He thinks the act should be done away with so as to give American businessmen the inside track in our domestic market.

(2) The head-mistress of an exclusive girls school at Hastings, in England, gets into the British courts with a violent protest against locating industries near the school. Her lawyer says: "Bringing hordes of virile young bachelors here is not viewed by my client with any enthusiasm."

A WORD to both of them:

What you have in mind CAN'T BE DONE — at least in the modern world.

Nations must TRADE. Young women must MARRY.

If nations can't trade legally, they will trade illegally — by smuggling, if there is no other way. If young women aren't allowed to pick their

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.

Faith and Reason

To the Editor: With your indulgence I would like to say a few words in answer to the letter of E. L. Sackett, and all those sent to me personally. None of you have presented me with anything new, anything that would in any way induce me to change my views on the Bible and religion.

All your tenets and premises are, as usual, based on belief only. Some of the printed matter you sent me contains the following statement: "A Christian faith is based on the supernatural from beginning to end and makes no attempt to satisfy man's intellect, rather it satisfies the heart. There is no place for rationalism."

Well, right there is the basis of the age-long struggle between truth and surmises — facts or delusions, the difference between certified knowledge and the faith of religion, the question of progress and the dark ages. As for my part, I prefer to be guided by the light of reason, as Thomas Jefferson so aptly put it: "Fit reason firmly on her seat and call to her tribunal every fact, every opinion. Your own reason is the only oracle given you by heaven and you are answerable not for the rightness but the uprightness of the decision."

Personally, I would rather study the writings of the great thinkers and dissenters than all the Bibles in the world, although all of them contain many good and elevating precepts, as the advice Buddha gives his students, I quote: "Believe nothing, oh monks, merely because you have been told it . . . or because it is traditional, or because you yourself have imagined it. Do not believe what your teacher tells you merely out of respect for the teacher. But whatsoever, after due examination and analysis, you find to be conducive to the good, the benefit, the welfare of all beings — that doctrine believe and cling to and take as your guide!"

Now I think that is as good as any advice you find in the Christian Bible. A good maxim for all of us, young and old, to live by.

In conclusion, let me quote John Burroughs: "If we take science as our sole guide, if we accept and hold fast that which is verifiable, the old theology must go."

William Krauss, Route 1, Box 373, Gold Hill, Ore.

Wish To Apologize

To the Editor: The Unander-Governor Committee wishes to apologize to those people who called in questions for Mr. Unander's TV panel last Tuesday. We were utterly swamped with phone calls and questions and consequently could not get all of them on the program. We want to thank you for your interest and hope you will understand the limitations of our TV time.

Mary A. Ragland, Treasurer of Unander For Governor Committee

Sukarno Takes Definite Step To Align Indonesia With Reds

By CHARLES M. MCCANN
United Press Correspondent

President Sukarno of Indonesia has taken a definite and disturbing step toward aligning himself with the Communist view of things to come.

In a speech last Thursday Sukarno predicted the inevitable fall of "capitalism" and the certain emergence of "socialism" as the dominant political force in the world.

That by "socialism" Sukarno meant communism there seemed to be no doubt.

"In this century the people living in 13 socialistic nations total one third of the human race," he said.

Just why Sukarno picked this particular time for his speech is puzzling.

Resistance Near End
Indonesian government troops are pressing the rebel forces in Sumatra hard, and organized resistance there seems to be nearing its end.

Nothing Sukarno could have said would be more certain to insure that resistance to his regime by all conservation elements in Indonesia will continue.

Socialism, Sukarno said in his speech is a "historical certainty" and capitalism and imperialism are destined to fall.

"We live in a transitory era," he said, "in a transitory period from old to new. The new era will be marked by socialism, the brotherhood of man and the fall of capitalism which is a historical certainty."

Ever since Indonesia obtained its independence in 1949, Sukarno has cooperated with and encouraged the Indonesian Communist party, which claims more than one million card-carrying members and ran fourth in the 1955 elections by polling six million votes.

In February, 1957, Sukarno proclaimed his conception of "guided democracy" in which the Communists would play a full part in government. Conservative elements saw the making of a dictatorship in

mates and marry in the normal way, they'll pick mates and elope with them.

The pages of history prove that this.

SENATOR Malone is proposing that we take the easy way out of what is becoming a difficult situation.

Here in the United States years of inflation are beginning to come home to roost. Because of rising costs of production our prices are getting to be disturbingly high. Production costs aren't rising as rapidly abroad as they are rising here at home.

As a result, the American market is increasingly attractive to foreign producers, who are finding a profitable market in America. Foreign-built automobiles are a good example of what is happening. There are signs that we are beginning to price ourselves out of foreign markets.

As Senator Malone suggests, we can build a tariff wall around our borders and live on our own fat. But I doubt if we would like that.

THE budget session of the California legislature has finally adjourned without making any provision for MORE WATER FOR USE IN CALIFORNIA — either to the north or to the south of the Tehachapi.

But—South of the Tehachapi—MUCH more water is wanted. Much more water is undoubtedly needed.

HERE is a basic fact:

The only way to get more water for use in California, both in the south and in the north, is to SAVE UP more of the winter precipitation that now runs away to the sea and is LOST in the season in which it is needed.

It will take more STORAGE facilities to do that. The bulk of the surplus precipitation is in the north. Since the south wants the water, it is up to the south to provide the storage facilities.

That's about the long and the short of it.

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nia by a detailed program of infiltration and subversion.

Officials in the Pentagon and State department in Washington expressed alarm in March at the extent of Soviet military aid to Indonesia.

Sukarno has long been called East Asia's second-ranking "neutralist" leader, with Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru of India as the No. 1 man.

Now, he seems to be passing from neutralism to open pro-communism.

Director of Budget Warns of Dangers In High Spending

By LYLE C. WILSON
United Press Correspondent

Washington—That folding money in your pocket and your balance at the bank are going to take a bad beating if the politicians you elect to run the country continue their spending spree with your dollars.

That's the Lyle C. Wilson said word from a man who should know better than most what he is talking about. The man is Maurice H. Stans, newly appointed director of the Bureau of the Budget.

Stans was in Houston, Tex., the other day speaking before the American Society of Chartered Life Underwriters. What he had to say should curl the hair of any U. S. taxpayer.

Stans' criticism of U. S. government spending was directed primarily at Congress and, therefore substantially against the Democrats who control the Senate and House.

Big Spenders
Democrats have distinguished themselves as spenders over the years, but the spending buck cannot be passed to any single party. President Eisenhower and the Republicans have done some fine wheeled spending, too.

The net result of it all is that the U. S. dollar is shrinking in value at an alarming rate. In a short span of years the dollar has lost half its value in purchasing power, the

grandest larceny of all time, no doubt.

In the words of the late Al Jolson, Stans says: You ain't seen nothing yet! His most shocking prediction was that spending may go to 80 billion dollars a year and for some time to come. If so, the U. S. buck will be busted beyond repair. No balanced budgets are in sight, Stans reported. And unbalanced budgets are what currently inflation feeds on.

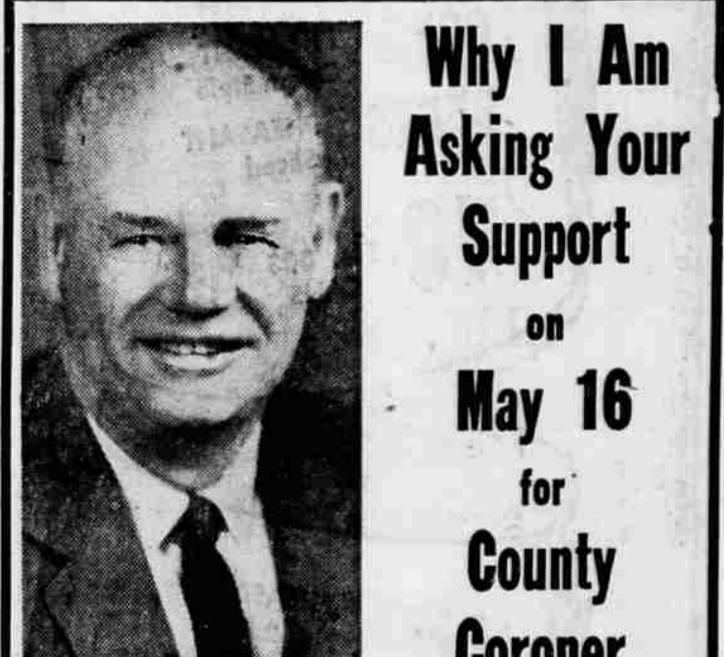
Out of Balance
"But turning on vast new programs for spending," Stans said, "it (Congress) has moved away from any hopes of balanced budgets for 1959 and possibly for several more years."

"What happens now? We must guard against the tendency to think that the way to start the economy upward again is for the government to go on a spending spree. Just last year we moved into a \$70 billion budget and there was great public outcry.

"Now, with the programs Congress is considering, we are threatened with \$80 billion budgets for the next few years, which could well mean extended deficit spending."

Stans said large public works programs acted too slowly to do the recovery job, even if they were within the nation's means. He would prefer a selective tax cut if a large-scale shot in the arm became necessary.

If a tax cut failed to spark the national economy, Stans would try public works—but not until then.



FRANK PERL

Why I Am Asking Your Support on May 16 for County Coroner

MY REASONS ARE:

1. I am for keeping the dignity of the Funeral Profession.
2. I would cooperate 100% with the District Attorney, all Law Enforcement Officers, our Pathologist and the Medical Profession for any cases coming under jurisdiction of the Coroner's Office. All inquests and autopsies are authorized and ordered by the district attorney.
3. I am Qualified, Open Minded and Enthusiastic for filling this Responsible Office.
4. I will work for the combined interests of the Five Mortuaries in Jackson County.
5. I feel that after Sixteen years of a One Firm Monopoly locally, it is time for a change.
6. I thank you for being a Fair Minded Voter.

VOTE 29X FRANK PERL

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