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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.

40 YEARS AGO
May 20, 1918 (Thursday)
About a 60 per cent vote
for the primary election in
Jackson county tomorrow pre-
dicted by County Judge J. B.
Coleman.

O. H. Bengtson and William
H. Fluhrer, candidates for
state senator, queried by Med-
ford League of Women Voters
concerning views on cer-
tain issues.

40 YEARS AGO
May 20, 1918 (Friday)
An aged Jacksonville pros-
pector, despondent and griev-
ing over the death of his wife,
is being sought today.

From Arthur Perry's "Ye
Strange Pot" column: "The
people around here have start-
ed to turn sour on long wind-
y talks about Bonneville
power."

40 YEARS AGO
May 20, 1918 (Sunday)
The meeting of the state
editorial association will be
held in Medford and at Crater
Lake on June 29 and June 30.

From local and personal
column: "Petitions against the
proposed change of the Pacific
highway which would route
the tourist traffic into
Medford over Main st. are
gaining in strength."

40 YEARS AGO
May 20, 1918 (Monday)
Residents and businessmen
were surprised this morning
to find large red crosses painted
on the windows of every
business place with the word
"Give" in white letters under-
neath.

From local and personal
column: "The Southern Pa-
cific company has adopted the
plan of making up the
salary checks of employees
of the Portland division from
Portland to Ashland."

What's Your I.Q.?

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

1. All mammals have hair;
true or false?

2. What substance required
in the manufacture of explo-
sives is extracted from scrap
greases, fats and oils?

3. Venison is the meat of
what animal?

4. How many guns com-
prise a presidential salute?

5. What nationality was the
designer of the Statue of Lib-
erty?

6. The Panama Canal has
been opened to traffic since
1904, 1914, or 1924?

7. "Eureka" is the motto
of which western State?

8. Cleopatra died as the
result of a knife wound, a
poisoned drink, or the bite of
an asp?

9. Painters are the experts
in the culinary art; true or
false?

10. Which holiday is cele-
brated in France on July 14?

Answers: 1. True. 2. Gly-
cerine. 3. Deer. 4. Twenty-one.
5. French. 6. 1914 (Aug. 15).
7. California. 8. The bite of an
asp. 9. False. 10. Bastille Day.

ON VACATION
New Delhi — Prime
Minister Jawaharlal Nehru
flew today to the Kulu Val-
ley in the Punjab for a 10-day
vacation. He was accompanied
by two personal servants, a
security officer, his secretary
and his daughter Indira.

The Wrong Man

Voters of Jackson county cast a majority of their ballots for a man for district judge who had announced his withdrawal from the race and moved from the county.

The fact had been publicized, repeatedly, on the front pages of the county's newspapers, over the air, and elsewhere. But, apparently, this didn't sink in.

When they went to the polls and received their non-partisan ballots, voters were faced with two supreme court and two circuit court races—all of them widely publicized and discussed. At the bottom, however, were two names as candidates for district judge.

Beside the fact of one of the candidates' withdrawal, the race had received relatively little publicity, since there was no controversy.

SO THE voters proceeded to elect the wrong man. Why?

Lack of proper information, obviously, was one cause. But we have a hunch something else entered into it.

And we believe that something else was the fact that Roy Bashaw, the able city attorney for Medford who was the active candidate, decided not to use the "ballot slogan" which Oregon law allows all candidates. Robert Danielson, the former Ashland attorney, designed a high-sounding slogan to go beside his name. The ballots were printed before Danielson announced his withdrawal from the race.

So the voter, alone in the voting booth, was faced with two names. Presumably he was not more than fleetingly familiar with either. He could either take the slogan at face value, or assume, because Bashaw had no slogan, that he was the one who had withdrawn.

In either case he would be apt to vote for Danielson. And a majority of voters did so.

WE DO not consider the results as a repudiation of Roy Bashaw, who is both competent and personable. Using hindsight, it is easy to say he should have campaigned a bit more than he did. But without opposition, who would have thought he'd have to?

Ballot slogans are of questionable value anyway, and in this situation we believe them to have been responsible for a miscarriage of proper election procedure. The qualified man who wanted the job was defeated; the man who didn't want the job, and who had moved from the county, won.

It all adds up to just one more argument in favor of appointing judges, rather than letting them scramble for jobs in a confusing political campaign.—E.A.

Charles DeGaulle

An implacable foe—and an extremely difficult friend; these are the potentials of Charles Andre Joseph Marie de Gaulle. He was a hard ally to deal with in World War II, and since then his avowed friendship for the United States has been almost that of an aloof, self-contained cousin.

The first U. S. gesture in World War II toward the De Gaulle Free French movement was the opening of lend-lease facilities by order of President Roosevelt on Nov. 11, 1941. But the State Department, still trying to maintain relations with the Vichy government, was painfully embarrassed when the Free French forces on the following Dec. 24 unexpectedly occupied the islands of St. Pierre and Miquelon, off Newfoundland, ousting the Vichy regimens.

De Gaulle in turn was by-passed when the Allies invaded North Africa in November 1942. He protested vigorously when Gen. Eisenhower established Admiral Darlan, former Vichy premier, as "responsible for French interests in Africa."

THESE frictions continued throughout the war and after it. De Gaulle suspected that the United States might attempt to retain certain French African territory for postwar air and naval bases. There were difficulties over military currency. Above all was what Gen. Eisenhower described as De Gaulle's desire "to be clearly and definitely recognized by both the Allied governments as the ruler of France"—recognition which both Churchill and Roosevelt refused to extend.

Even before the war ended and he was made head of the provisional government, De Gaulle envisioned a permanent alliance with "dear and powerful Russia." For postwar France he proposed "socialization of economic, financial, and commercial enterprises essential to the life of the nation."

But in October 1947 he observed that only U. S. power could restrain Soviet ambitions. "There is not one free man in the world," he said, "who does not hold as salutary this American will."

NEVERTHELESS, he opposed the European Defense Community plan in 1954, arguing that France should regain freedom from U. S. "interference" to foster co-existence between Russia and the United States.

This stiff, uncompromising man has twice admitted planning a coup d'etat. Perhaps he has best described his own type in his book "The Army of the Future," (1934):

"The depth, the singularity, the self-sufficiency of a man made for great deeds is not popular except at critical times. He is seldom liked. Moreover, his faculties, shaped for heroic feats, despise the pliability, the intrigue, and the parades through which most brilliant careers are achieved in peacetime."—E.R.R.

Dennis the Menace



'NO! NOT EVEN IF YOU USE YOUR OWN PAINT!'

Russia Obtains New Allegiance From Nasser in Mid-East Step

By CHARLES M. McCANN
United Press Correspondent

Soviet Russia has taken a big new step in its program of interference in Middle Eastern affairs.

Premier Nikita S. Khrushchev has promised President Gamal Abdel Nasser of the United Arab Republic the help he needs in trying to make himself the dominant leader of the entire Arab world from the Red Sea to the Atlantic Ocean.

Khrushchev and Soviet President Klement Y. Voroshilov have accepted an invitation by Nasser to visit Egypt at a date to be named.

Nasser, in turn, has announced his acceptance of Russia's foreign policy including immediate suspension of nuclear weapons tests, opposition to U.S. military bases

in foreign countries and admission of Communist China to the United Nations.

These developments came about during Nasser's visit to Russia, which ended last week.

Rebellion in Lebanon Since then, Russia has started making threats that the United States had better not go too far toward intervention in the affairs of Lebanon, where pro-Nasser elements started a serious rebellion against the pro-Western government.

A statement issued through the official news agency Tass has denounced the Eisenhower Doctrine as "an open program of colonial plunder."

This statement mentioned the activities of the U.S. 6th Fleet in the Mediterranean as an example of pressure and intimidation of the Arab people.

"Any attempt to use internal developments in Lebanon for interference from outside creates a dangerous situa-

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Heretical Benefactors

To the Editor: Now since you have returned to normalcy, I presume you will not mind to print this last letter of mine concerning the subject involved.

Referring to Mr. Beverly's comments, will say that according to my observation you will never be at a loss to find some biblical phrase or verse that can be made applicable. Mr. Bailey is convinced that events are now rapidly shaping up for the final consummation, within the next five years. Well, my allotted time is supposed to be almost up. I hope I'll be here that long to see how things turn out. However, I venture to predict that even should Israel and the human race through its ignor-

ance and folly be destroyed, this old ball of dirt will still continue to whirl through space for millions of years to come.

Now as to Mr. Beverly's question: Why did the world lie dormant for hundreds of years, then make such gains in knowledge in such short time? Well, that certainly is not difficult to answer. It was orthodox religion, the very religion you and many others are still propagating today in face of all the facts of science to the contrary, that held mankind in bondage. During the dark days of Christianity, nothing was invented, nothing discovered, calculated to increase the well-being of mankind. Superstition was universal. The church was triumphant. But in spite of all, a few men began to think, they were not satisfied with the assertion of the church. The first great step in the emancipation of the people came about when Galileo put a crude telescope to the sky and removed our earth from the center of the universe, as it was supposed to be, to the tiny insignificant speck in a mighty realm of space that it actually is. If you impartially study the history of the last 400 years, you will find that it was not the Bible, but the heretics and infidels who were the great benefactors of mankind at the cost of their lives. It is to them that I owe this expression of freedom without having to face the fate of a Bruno or Servetus.

William Krauss,
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Gold Hill

From Bereaved Parents
To the Editor: This is probably somewhat delayed. However, we desire to express our appreciation for the manner in which the Mail Tribune went "all out" to rectify the misleading first report of the



Charles M. McCann

Matter of Fact

By Joseph Alsop

'BUY NOW? HELL!'
Chicago—"Buy now? Hell, I'm not spendin' a dime, because I don't know how long it'll be before we have to dig into our savings to pay for the groceries."

The speaker was the brisk, grey-haired wife of the owner of a small job-printing plant, whose comfortable little house and admirable garden might have served as models for ideal way of life of the American lower-middle-income group. Moreover all of it, including the well-kept 1957 model car, was paid for in full except the house itself.

"I need a car so bad it hurts, and the wife needs every kind of appliance, too. But with no more overtime work and prices the way they are, how am I going to buy? I ain't, and that's that."

The speaker was a skilled mechanic. He did not seem to realize it, but he had already performed a notable feat of capital accumulation, partly by a fairly big house for himself and his family. He had been "driven to it" when rent controls went off in 1951. He now owned only \$2,000 on a house that must have been worth at least \$17,000. But the remaining house payments, the grocer and the children's shoes took all the money he could earn.

WHY, I don't see why you even ask. Everyone has everything they need now. All my friends are just like us—they've got cars, washer-dryers and all like that for the house, just everything that's important. A couple of years ago they didn't even have bank accounts, but now a lot of them are saving money. Of course, I'd like some more furniture. We're thinkin' of gettin' a livin' room couch this autumn, if there's plenty of work until then."

The speaker was the pretty young wife of a construction worker, who added that they "had the saving habit, because in construction work you never know what the winters'll be like." She remarked that their car "was kind of beat up, because my husband's hard on a car, but we think we can keep it rollin' another two years anyway."

The point about these three citizens was that they covered virtually the entire range of economic attitudes discovered by this reporter in a couple of days of intensive doorbell ringing hereabouts. There were, indeed, only two variants in 65 persons polled.

ONE was a disabled veteran, whose pension had shrunk in the price rise to the point where the family was really badly off. The other was a junior industrial executive, already the owner of a 1955 Cadillac and another, cheaper car of the same vintage. He would have been looking for a new car this year; but I guess we'll wait until they slim them down a bit and get some chrome off them."

It was an extraordinary and eye-opening experience to go down those prettily tree-shaded, comfortable-looking streets in Harvey, Ill., and Gary, Ind. They were not poor people in these streets. They were workers in the more highly skilled and better paid specialties, with a sprinkling of small businessmen and retired people. None of them wanted a job as actually unemployed, although the incomes of many had been cut by shorter hours, and a fair number had relatives who were jobless.

A year ago, two years ago, indeed at any time since the end of the last war, a doorbell-ringer in these streets would have heard about plans to purchase some major piece of mechanical equipment in a very high percentage of the houses visited. Six of those polled had in fact bought cars in the last 12 months. But none were planning any replacement.

IN FACT—and it is an almost incredible fact—only one of the 65 persons polled was planning to purchase, or even seemed to desire to purchase, a single item in the consumer-durable goods category. The exception was a hard-working plumber who was "figuring to buy a new house because it don't cost any more than my rent, so naturally I'll need some appliances."

They had what they needed already. Or they wanted to buy but were caught in the price squeeze. Or they were able to buy, but were frightened by the recession. Or they were now more interested in what might be called the icing on the cake of the lower-middle-income way of life—new furniture, or a living room carpet, or a power-mower, or that "little summer home" that had tempted an Allis-Chalmers accountant who formerly got a new car every two years.

Since the American economy has been so largely governed by the consumers durable goods industries, one has to hope that the sample was somehow distorted, although the people polled looked as typically American as apple pie. Otherwise, the famous

accidental death of our son, Elvise Snow.

The next issue, April 17, gave a most satisfactory report of the accident, which was followed in the editorial column of April 20 under "The Press' Calculated Risk."

May we also express our gratitude and admiration to the many friends and even strangers to us for their much needed aid and sympathy, which will ever remain priceless memories to us after our deepest sorrow.

Richard and Elvise Larson,
Shady Oaks Trailer Court,
Central Point

Council Criticized
To the Editor: At the last council meeting the T.V. ordinance was again considered by the council.

Dr. Fowler submitted a thought on behalf of our local PTA to the effect that the council should delay long enough before enacting the ordinance to give thought to some regulation of the type of program to be piped or cabled to the homes of citizens. Whether one should think at all on the subject of who is to say what we want to see when we pay for it is of no consequence here; the thing we are interested in is the reason that the council gave no consideration to Dr. Fowler's request.

Councilman Dunlevy stated in brushing off the requested consideration, that "regulation" of the proposed T.V. ordinance was beyond the province of the council; and the council did then and there approve the T.V. ordinance.

I would like to point out that it is not only within the province of the council to "regulate" the T.V. ordinance, but it is their duty to see that a regulatory provision is contained in that ordinance.

In my opinion T.V. is an amusement.

Chapter 4, of our city charter is: "The City Council—Its Powers and Duties"

Sec. 25: "The City Council shall have power and authority, within the limits of the city of Medford, to enact all ordinances and adopt all regulations . . . as shall be needed or requisite to maintain and establish the peace, good order, health, cleanliness, prosperity, and general welfare of the city."

Sub. Sec. 35: "To license, tax and regulate theatrical exhibitions and other shows or public amusements."

In view of our city charter it would appear to me that when our council and mayor enact an ordinance that could be detrimental and injurious to the welfare of our city and its citizens and children without regulations and in fact refuse to consider regulations, they act wrongly.

This is my own thought on the matter and it is likely I could be wrong; in that event I would appreciate a public showing to that effect. I am but interested in honest and economical city government that serves for the interest of all the people and its general welfare.

Ray O. DeMarrs,
139 North Central ave.,
Medford.

God's Word on Clothes
To the Editor: We have noticed the articles on the "coming out gowns" recently in your paper, and feel we should add our part too by telling what God said in His word about them.

We notice that too many come out without their gowns. Just in their under clothes without their gowns. When Peter came in contact with the Lord in St. John 21-7, he was naked, but he girt his fisher's coat unto him and cast himself into the sea. Too bad more of the nudists and

theory that the recession is "bottoming out" is going to operate mightily slowly at best. (Copyright 1958, New York Herald Tribune, Inc.)

semi-nudists don't come in contact with the Lord and cloth themselves.

In Leviticus 18-6, God forbade them to approach to any that was near of kin to them, to uncover their nakedness. Verses 17—to end show it applied to others too. Verses 26—to end called such abominable customs. So God is not pleased with us looking upon nakedness.

Paul received his gospel by the revelation of Jesus Christ, Gal. 1-11-12. Then in 1 Timothy 4-9—he (Christ, thru Paul) said for the women to adorn themselves in modest apparel, and shamefacedness. He did not say to undress to indecent apparel. Titus 2-3-4-5—the aged women are to teach the young women to be discreet, chaste, and good. Verse 7—and to be a pattern of good works. Under the Law of Moses it was an abomination for women to even wear that which pertained to men, Deuteronomy 22-5. How much more of an abomination it is to wear no clothes. Since that was a pattern and example for us then, God still has many abominations to look upon since so many go nude, or semi-nude or in men's apparel. The things that are highly esteemed among men are an abomination to God, Luke 16-15. And the flesh is contrary to Him, Gal. 5-17.

If people will not believe and obey God he will send them a strong delusion and turn them over to reprobate minds, 11 Thess. 2-9-10-11, Romans 1-24 to end. So if they will not cleanse themselves of all filthiness (II Cor. 7-1) he will and has already done so to them, and will allow them to believe there is no harm. When grandparents and parents do so, the children will too.

Mrs. G. C. Cunningham,
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Central Point

Farm Loan Boost Set For States

Fresno, Calif.—20—An increase up to 25 per cent in farm loans in four western states has received final approval of directors of the Farm Credit banks at Berkeley.

Directors took the action Monday at the opening of their three-day session here. The states are California, Arizona, Nevada and Utah.

Directors said the loans will vary with the quality of the land and farm involved.

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