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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
Oct. 27, 1948 (Wednesday)
Medford Jaycees are sponsor-
ing a Get-Out-the-Vote cam-
paign, and painting re-
minders on downtown side-
walks.
Displays of paintings by
local artists will appear in
store windows here during
National Art week.

20 YEARS AGO
Oct. 27, 1938 (Thursday)
The Southern Oregon Con-
cert association reports great
enthusiasm in its current mem-
bership campaign.
From Arthur Perry's "Ye
Smudge Pot" column: "Many
valley Democrats have vowed
publicly and privately that
they will vote the top of the
Republican ticket on election
day and pray all Republicans
do the same."

30 YEARS AGO
Oct. 27, 1928 (Saturday)
The first walnuts of the sea-
son are in stock today at the
public market.
A Halloween frolic is plan-
ned at the Jacksonville High
school gymnasium.

40 YEARS AGO
Oct. 27, 1918 (Sunday)
The state lime plant at Gold
Hill is now producing, and
farmers are asked to send in
orders to keep it in business.
Drilling by officers train-
ing school and state guard
members is interrupted by the
unexpected arrival of a spent
.45 bullet just a few feet from
Major Crowson.

What's Your I.Q.?

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

1. Which is the only bird that can drink water without throwing its head back?
2. According to the Bible, which was the elder son of Adam and Eve — Cain or Abel?
3. Which of these is the capital of Canada — Montreal, Ottawa, or Quebec?
4. Who wrote the poem, "The Shooting of Dan McGrew"?
5. Rattlesnake meat is edible; true or false?
6. Name the red-haired football player who was nicknamed "Galloping Ghost."
7. Is the city of Cleveland, Ohio, situated on Lake Michigan, Lake Erie, or Lake Superior?
8. Harriet Beecher are the first two names of the author who wrote her noted "Uncle Tom's Cabin" nearly a century ago; what is her surname?
9. Name the patriotic hymn that begins "O beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain."
10. Would you most likely play barnyard golf with croquet mallets, horseshoes, or pitchforks?

Answers: 1. Pigeon. 2. Cain. 3. Ottawa. 4. Robert W. Service. 5. True. 6. Harold (Red) Grange. 7. Lake Erie. 8. Stowe. 9. America. The Beautiful. 10. Horseshoes.

Pittsfield, Ill. (UPI)—U. S. Rep. Sid Simpson, (R-Ill.), 64, collapsed and died Sunday while taking part in a cornerstone-laying ceremony at a hospital.

Nobody Like T.R.

The United States has never yet had, may never again have, another President with interests so diverse as those of Theodore Roosevelt, the centenary of whose birth is today.

Perhaps nearest to T.R. in making the whole world his province was Thomas Jefferson. But the interests of the Sage of Monticello were almost entirely intellectual—in science, philosophy, education, art and, especially, architecture.

THE first President Roosevelt had of course his intellectual side, too. A Phi Beta Kappa at Harvard, he produced some top-flight historical books. Even in the thick of politics he did much writing (more than Jefferson or FDR), and on leaving the Presidency in 1909 turned out a regular column for the Outlook magazine. He was reading the Annals of Tacitus one week, the Paradise Lost of Milton the next.

However, he was as much at home in non-intellectual as in intellectual pursuits. As a young man he bought and operated a ranch in South Dakota. In the war against Spain he led a cavalry regiment, The Rough Riders, in person, and he tried hard to get an active, not a mere arm-chair, command in World War I. He argued about the behavior of wild animals, identified birds of England by their songs.

HE WAS an indefatigable horseman. He took ju-jitsu lessons, had one eye-ball destroyed in White House boxing with a professional pugilist, at some personal danger shot wild animals in African jungles, explored river headwaters in South American jungles, argued military strategy with the Kaiser. But as to music, he said he recognized only two tunes: one was Yankee Doodle, the other wasn't.

Jefferson and the second Roosevelt (whose great hobbies were sailing and stamps) were as popular as T.R. with the hoi polloi. But the Great Unwashed were apt to look up to Jefferson and F.D.R. as high-minded men sincerely interested in their welfare, horizontally across the same personality plane as "Teddy" as one of them.

Chiang at 71

Nationalist China's man of steel, President Chiang Kai-shek, nearing his 71st birthday next Friday, still exercises a controlling—some say dictatorial—voice over the 2 million mainland evacuees and the nearly 8 million natives on Taiwan, the term both the Communists and Nationalists use for Formosa.

Reported in excellent health, he is described by a London Times special correspondent as "stern, bleak, unshaken, uncompromising Methodist"—and always the soldier. On Taiwan as on the mainland, he keeps the Chinese Nationalist armed forces under his complete personal control.

Chiang meets his present adversity with the cold calm of a man who has made a life-long companion of hardship. Born Chiang Jui-yuan (he changed his name after joining the Chinese revolutionary movement) in the town of Chikou, in the coastal province of Chekiang, he early came to know the poverty of Chinese farm life, made more grinding after his father died when Chiang was only nine.

THE young Chiang chose a military career, attending preparatory service schools in China and Japan. He went AWOL from the latter to join the Chinese revolutionary movement of Dr. Sun Yat-sen, whose favor and confidence he early gained. By 1923 he had become Dr. Sun's chief of staff, in which capacity he made a four-month visit to Moscow.

Except for a brief period of retirement Chiang has been virtual ruler of the Chinese Nationalists since 1927, when he split with the Communists. A dramatic reconciliation of Communist and Kuomintang party (Nationalist) leaders was effected by the kidnapping of Chiang at Sian in December 1936, but full-fledged war with Japan in 1937 and the subsequent internecine conflicts of World War II precluded any genuine understanding.

Chiang became titular head of the Chinese state in 1943. He was elected President for a six-year term in April 1948 under a new constitution adopted the previous year; re-elected in 1954. He had voluntarily retired, Jan. 21, 1949 in the face of Communist victories on the mainland. On March 1, 1950, with the backing of the Kuomintang and the Legislative Yuan, he reclaimed the Presidency on the island of Formosa.

AFTER his wedding to Mei-ling Soong, daughter of well-to-do Shanghai Christians, in 1927, the Generalissimo became a devout Methodist. Mme. Chiang frequently has visited the United States to ask Nationalist support—totaling some \$2.5 billion.

Despite his excellent health, Chiang's age is a cause for some concern among Nationalist well-wishers. The Vice President of the Republic of China is Chen Cheng, but Chiang's likely successor is his Russian-trained elder son, Gen. Chiang Ching-kuo, who directs the Nationalist cloak-and-dagger activities and strictly controls the police on Formosa.—E.R.R.

Dennis the Menace



"MOM, WOULD YOU MIND TURNIN' THE TV ON?"

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 a view 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.

Protests Tactics
To the Editor: The following "open letter" has also been sent to Gov. Robert Holmes and Rep. Charles Porter:

Due to the dissatisfaction a number of land owners have experienced in their dealings with the state highway department, we are writing you this letter to inform you of some facts.

We refer to the extension of Highway 99 south from Grants Pass which at this time is under acquisition.

We have been ill-advised and facts have been disregarded in many instances. The tactics of their agents have been so deceptive that many of us now fear to deal with them, which indicates many are ready to no longer entertain them. This would mean that court action would be necessary to bring out all the facts in each respective case. We do not like to be forced to gain our fair and just equity in this manner.

Some of our complaints more specifically listed are as follows:

1. Contradictory and misleading statements regarding information a land owner needs to understand how values are arrived at.
2. Coercive methods apparently intended to frighten client into signing an option without any further dickering or "horse trading."
3. Refusal to discuss comparative values of respective parcels of land even though they are side by side or as identical as two pieces of property can be.
4. Will not submit appraised figures of the M.A.I. appraiser to the land owners that he may know the unbiased figures from which they pretend to arrive at values, whereas the M. A. I. appraisers' fees are paid by the taxpayer and is a public record. It should be available to those concerned.

May I impress on you that we only ask for a fair and just deal.
Henry Corbin,
5664 Foothill Blvd.
Grants Pass, Ore.
and six others.

Claims Misrepresentation
To the Editor: It has been called to my attention that Congressman Charles O. Porter is attempting what appears to me to be a deliberate attempt to deceive the people of this Congressional District

concerning his position and his votes on important farm legislation.

I have carefully checked Mr. Porter's record. Certain statements credited to him concerning his voting record and his position on farm matters are false.

On Oct. 8, the Eugene Register-Guard quoted him as saying, in regard to the so-called "omnibus farm bill," that "I voted only for consideration of the farm bill and when it came up for a vote, I voted against it." This is untrue. Wisser Democrats and Republicans killed this bill in June, 1958, when it came up for a vote to debate it, so Mr. Porter would have had no other opportunity to vote for or against it.

In a letter to the Medford Mail Tribune on Oct. 19, he did "correct" the same erroneous statement which had been made almost three weeks earlier in Medford. He made this "correction" only after he was confronted with his own record. In the same letter, however, he stated "My position has always been against price supports for so-called basic crops." This, also, is untrue. He voted for the continuation of high parity payments in March, 1958. He voted for the Agriculture Act of 1958 in August, 1958. I fail to find in his record even one vote against high price supports. I also fail to find that he ever corrected the false statement made in Eugene.

It seems to me to be a serious matter when a Congressman from the Fourth District of Oregon supports costly, wasteful legislation which would help no farmers or ranchers in this District, but which would help increase our cost of living and which would affect our already high tax burden. It seems even more serious, however, when he deliberately attempts to misrepresent this record to voters of his District, by claiming positions and votes which, on the record, are the opposite of the truth.

I think the attention of the public should be called to this matter.

Glen W. Johnson
Azalea River Ranch
Azalea, Ore.

Mrs. Nye on Taxes
To the Editor: In answer to Mr. M. J. Olson, in the Oct. 22, Mail Tribune, I have come to believe that control is our biggest problem in taxation. As a housewife I have always

solved my budget problems by estimating the amount of money I could expect to have available to run my home and apportioning that money to meet our household needs. I think the state should operate in the same manner. The legislature should, I believe, determine the rate of taxation which is reasonable and fair to expect of our citizens, keeping in mind our per capita wealth and the fact that we must maintain a competitive position with our neighboring states. The amount which such a tax program would raise should then be apportioned among the various governmental agencies. Instead of this, they have allowed pressure groups to build a budget of astronomical proportions, which must then be met by whatever tax rate is required.

As far as a sales tax is concerned, I do not now or have I ever favored it as an additional tax. If a sales tax can be drawn so that it will operate as a property tax off-set, I think it should be considered, but I am a little concerned because some of the big spenders in the legislature who were formerly opposed to a sales tax are now showing an interest in it, and I suspect that they want it as an additional source of revenue. I would want nothing to do with that type of sales tax.

Dr. Sly, of the Princeton Research Department, who has been making a survey of the Oregon tax structure, states that it can stand no substantial increase of expenditures, meaning that our income tax rates are at a maximum now. Further state spending, therefore, can only come from a new source of revenue. In the final analysis, the people of Oregon will decide whether or not they want a sales tax.

Eve Nye
Route 3, Box 203
Medford

How About Oilwell Way?

To the Editor: For several days photographs of unsightly residential and commercial scenes have appeared on the front page of the Tribune in your worthy campaign to "Make Medford Beautiful." Since the cause is of primary value to the community, why not suggest the city take the initiative?

Across East Jackson st. from Hedrick Junior high is "Oilwell Way." You will find this unmarked street on your map of the city one block long joining Jackson and Crown streets. Residences have been built on both street approaches, but the remaining portion of the street is bogged down with a frog pond, tule, and blackberry vine. It wouldn't need to be a major project with asphalt surface, curbing, etc. Just punch the street through, drain the water, surface with gravel and rid the community of a top-grade unsightly mess. Too, this would provide additional car parking space for the public turning out for civic affairs at Hedrick Junior high.

Just one more thought, and I'm sure it hasn't escaped you. Why not take a shot of the picturesque barn across from Hedrick for your campaign?
Jack H. Nichols
232 Oilwell Way
Medford

'Paraphrase' in Verse

To the Editor: The further story of Geddes the gent,
Who now boasts a new accomplishment:
"I offer to my constituency
My shiny new foreign policy!
I just found out the voter
cares
About these here foreign affairs.
The voter's choice is my selection—
At least from now until election."
So now I stay up nights and look
At the pictures in my history book,
And learn about the foreign places
Inhabited by (ugh!) other races.
So friends, if elected, I will stand
Against dictatorship in every land,
But do so diplomatically,
And offend no man who might hurt me,
And when in doubt I'll simply do
The opposite from my opponents who
Don't understand how Roseburg can be
The entire universe to me."
George W. Rode
Fluhrer Building
Medford

Doesn't Like Herblock

To the Editor: I would like to ask if you people at the Mail Tribune honestly feel that Herblock's cartoons are contributing anything to the common good.

In my opinion he is just a clever fellow who has a unique way of signing his name to political cartoons that contribute nothing to freedom and democracy.
Roy F. Thompson
660 Clover Lane
Ashland

Nasser's Sway Seen Long-Term Thing; Greater Influence Due

By WILBUR G. LANDREY
UPI Correspondent

Cairo (UPI)—Things are likely to keep going the way of Gamal Nasser in the Middle East during the coming months and years.

The UAR president is the symbol of Arab nationalism—he may even be its prisoner.

In practice, his non-alignment has meant hostility toward the West while accepting the helping hand of Russia. But Nasser is his own and not the Communists' man.

Any one of several countries could come under Nasser's sway in the coming year, whether he encourages them or not. Nothing succeeds like success.

When Western diplomats talk of the Arab nationalism which Nasser represents, they agree: "You can't stop it." The holdouts against his policy since the revolution chased Western influence from Iraq are isolated and shaky.

Jordan Most Explosive
Jordan is potentially the most explosive. In spite of British troops now on their way home or a United Nations "presence," one bullet could end King Hussein and his regime. Hussein is the poorest insurance risk in the Arab world.

The Middle East has fooled its prophets before, but diplomats believe Hussein may go sooner than later, one way or another.

Nasser probably would prefer to see the West go on footing the bill for impoverished Jordan for the present, taking the political blame and worrying about the long border with Israel. But if a revolutionary government in Jordan asks to join his UAR, he can't say "no."

New Drug To Reduce Blood Pressure Praised

Washington (UPI)—The National Heart Institute today announced "impressive" results with a new drug for lowering blood pressure.

It said research physicians of the institute have found that the drug, known as JB 516, "produces marked and sustained lowering of blood pressure in patients with hypertension." Hypertension is the medical name for the disease commonly known as high blood pressure, one of the nation's leading causes of death.

Formal Paper
The research physicians are Drs. Louis Gillespie Jr., Luther L. Terry and Albert Sjoerdsma. They presented a formal paper on their research today before a scientific session of the American Heart Association at San Francisco. The findings were simultaneously made public here by the institute, a branch of the National Institutes of Health at Bethesda, Md.

The physicians reported that JB 516 does not seem to produce side effects of other blood pressure-lowering drugs now in use. These side effects include sexual impotence, dry mouth and constipation.

Color Blindness
In some patients JB 516 has produced a unique side effect of its own—temporary color blindness. This condition has disappeared upon withdrawal of the drug.

It has been administered to date to 21 patients, of whom 19 responded with "significant and sustained lowering" of blood pressure.

The physicians said however that further clinical tests must be made before the drug's lasting value in treatment of hypertension can be known.

Tyree Appointed Antarctic Commander

Christchurch, New Zealand (UPI)—Rear Adm. George J. Dufer announced today that Rear Adm. David Merrill Tyree had been named to succeed him as U.S. antarctic commander.

Tyree is now commander of the U.S. Navy task force in nuclear bomb tests at Eniwetok.

DIRECTOR DIES

Montreal (UPI)—George H. Richards, 57, senior vice president and director of the Celanese Corp. of America, died Sunday of a heart attack.

Worry of FALSE TEETH

Slipping or Irritating?
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His radio and press continue their attacks against Hussein.

Victory for Nasser

In Lebanon, the appointment of rebel leader Rashid Karami as premier represents a victory for the rebels and at least a moral victory for Nasser.

Lebanon will have enough to do licking its political wounds in the coming months and trying to prevent outbreaks of new trouble.

The monarchy of Saudi Arabia may not be immune to revolution indefinitely. Crown Prince and Premier Feisal, the real power in the country, came here last month and patched things up between the Saudis and Nasser, who earlier this year charged King Saud with trying to assassinate him.

But observers believe revolution in Saudi Arabia is one of those things which could come tomorrow—or in five years.

Roscoe Drummond Reports . . .

(Drummond is substituting for Walter Lippmann, during the latter's trip to Russia.)

THE BIG STAKE IN CALIFORNIA

Los Angeles—Everything—literally everything—is at stake here in the California election this fall. No less than this:

The fate of the Republican party, perhaps for a long time to come, in a state where independent Republicanism has ruled for many years.

The shape of the Presidential tickets of both parties in 1960.

The coloration in foreign and domestic policy alike, of both parties in Congress.

And to a large extent the future of the right-to-work (anti-closed shop) movement throughout the country.

In the whole budget of national politics this year, here in one package is the biggest stake in what in a few years will be the most populous and politically the most powerful state in the Union—the biggest bloc of votes at both conventions, the biggest bloc of votes in the Electoral College, the largest delegation in Congress.

No doubt about it, something big is going to give here on Nov. 4.

LOOK at the stake in terms of its leading personalities:

If Sen. William F. Knowland wins the governorship, particularly with all the odds against him as they are today, he will instantly become a formidable contender for the 1960 Presidential nomination and will provide a focal point for Republican conservative opposition to Vice President Nixon.

If Sen. Knowland wins, Mr. Nixon's prospects for the nomination will be somewhat hurt and his prospects of election, if nominated, improved.

If Mr. Knowland loses, Mr. Nixon's nomination will be nearly assured and his prospects of elections impaired because he will have lost a secure Republican home base from which to operate.

If Democratic nominee Edmund (Pat) Brown wins the Governorship, he will be a power in the Democratic party nationally, can do much to help it win in 1960, will be a big factor at the convention, and a prospect for the Vice Presidential nomination.

AND there are these other consequences:

If the Republicans lose in California, Sen. Knowland will be an extinguished political figure, the party will have lost one of its most vigorous and respected conservatives and the cause of an Asia-first

foreign policy and all-out support of Chiang Kai-shek will have lost one of its most influential advocates.

If the Democrats win, it will probably be a full-scale sweep, including decisive control of the state legislature which will enable the Democrats to re-gerrymander the Congressional districts in a way which will produce a heavily tilted Democratic delegation in Congress for a long time.

If the Democrats win, the right-to-work referendum will probably lose, and if the same thing happens in Ohio—where the anti-right-to-work Democratic nominee for Governor, Mike DiSalle, is visibly running ahead of Gov. O'Neil—then most observers believe it will end for some time attempts to get a national right-to-work law and will likely start a repeal movement in some of the 18 states which have such laws.

THE radiant Mr. Eisenhower and the hard-hitting Mr. Nixon have done their best to kindle fire and force behind the Republican campaign. But they have now come and gone, the voting is near at hand and the factors which still point to Democratic victory remain:

Pat Brown's massive primary majority over Bill Knowland.

New registrations running 3-to-1 Democratic.

A newly united Democratic party and an openly divided Republican party with Goodie Knight unforgiving Mr. Knowland's wresting the gubernatorial re-nomination from his hands and letting it be known that a vote against Knowland—including his own—would be all right with him.

Republican moderates, like Earl Warren and Knight, have been able easily to defeat Democratic Left-Wingers. But now a Democratic moderate is running against an authentic Republican conservative and the outcome on Nov. 4 will be something to watch.

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Try and Stop Me

By BENNETT CERF

TEDDY ROOSEVELT, President, big-game hunter and writer of first-rate biographies and histories, coined many Americanisms that have become part of our language. Examples: pussycooter, weasel words, lunatic fringe, muckraker, square deal, and malefactors of great wealth.

Another TR quote supplied by Herman Hagedorn, director of the Theodore Roosevelt Centennial commission: "A typical vice of American politics is the avoidance of saying anything real on real issues, and the announcement of radical policies with much sound and fury, and at the same time with a cautious accomplishment of weasel phrases each of which sucks the meat out of the preceding statement."

An exam paper at Michigan State included this question: "If having the tonsils removed is a tonsillectomy and the appendix removed is an appendectomy, what is the term for having a growth from the head removed?"
One ingenious student answered, "A haircut."

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