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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  
Dec. 3, 1948 (Friday)  
A community Christmas tree is to be placed on the Southern Pacific lot on Main st.

20 YEARS AGO  
Dec. 3, 1938 (Saturday)  
A Christmas star constructed of 84 red and green lights hangs over the Main st.-Central ave. intersection today.

30 YEARS AGO  
Dec. 3, 1928 (Monday)  
Santa Claus is to give away 5,000 toys at Medford's Christmas opening tonight.

40 YEARS AGO  
Dec. 3, 1918 (Tuesday)  
An army aviator flying between Sacramento and Seattle passes over Eagle Point, plainly visible and audible to a large crowd there assembled.

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

1. Malaga, Tokay, and Thompson are varieties of what type of fruit?  
2. Vincent van Gogh was noted for his skill in stone carving, oil painting, or wood carving?

3. In the November, 1960, elections, will one-third, two-thirds, or the entire membership, of the U.S. House of Representatives be elected?  
4. Identify the clergyman who founded Boys Town, Nebraska.

5. In the card game Canasta, four jokers are wild; how many deuces also are wild?  
6. What Irish name is associated with a type of folding bed?

7. Before the Panama Canal, ships going from the Atlantic to the Pacific went around which cape?  
8. "The Nazarene," "The Apostle," and "Mary" are novels written by which author?

9. What is the birthstone for December?  
10. What type of book is a "whodunit"?

Answers: 1. Grapes. 2. Oil painting. 3. Entire membership. 4. Father Flanagan. 5. Eight. 6. Murphy. 7. Cape Horn. 8. Sholem Asch. 9. Turquoise. 10. A murder mystery.

SCHOLARLY APPROACH  
New York—UPI—A publisher whose specialty is textbooks has a truck with the word "Pass" printed on the left of its rear bumper and the word "Flunk" on the right.

### Vote "Yes" on Parking

One week from today, Medford voters will have another opportunity to vote on a city off-street parking proposal.

The measure is somewhat similar to one which was defeated at the time of the general election two years ago. Some of the provisions are changed, however, and the new proposal should be more acceptable than the 1956 measure.

The election next Wednesday is the culmination of more than five years of studying, discussing and planning, and represents the best thinking of downtown merchants, city officials, and parking experts it has been possible to bring together.

CHIEF opposition to the plan has centered around the fact that it would permit the issuance of general obligation bonds. Under certain circumstances, this would be a valid objection, but under the proposals outlined, we feel that this criticism will not hold up.

Oregon law permits revenue bonds to be issued for parking purposes, but up to this point no city has successfully used this method because of the fact that revenue bonds are not readily salable. General obligation bonds are.

In effect, then, what the voters are being asked is to approve the use of the city's faith and credit.

It could not mean any general tax levy, except in the event of some sort of major national disaster, such as a war or depression, and probably not even then.

Thus new parking facilities would be paid for by those using them (both the new off-street spaces, and the on-street parking areas which would be easier to find), and the downtown business people who also would benefit.

### HOW would the program be financed?

Of the estimated \$60,000 annual cost for the plan now most favored, some \$18,000 would come from present parking meter revenues (or a maximum of 25 per cent of the annual income from this source); some \$23,000 would come from revenue earned by the new parking facilities themselves, and the balance, some, \$19,000, would come from assessments on business property in the downtown area.

The city has some tentative plans for operation of the parking program, including the assessment district, location of the parking facilities (the so-called "Keeney plan," with an elevated parking ramp over the S.P. tracks, is now favored), but all the details have not been worked out, pending a go-ahead from the voters.

Generally, the assessment district will include only downtown property which would benefit from the off-street parking, and which would pay on a 50-35-15 ratio, depending on the degree of benefit. This would be done only after adequate public hearings.

MUCH of the opposition so far appears to be based solely on suspicion—suspicion that the city has some ulterior motive in the project; suspicion of the objectives of retail merchants; suspicion that the plan is not thoroughly thought-out, or that it really isn't needed after all.

Having followed these plans since their inception, and having participated in many of the discussions and planning sessions leading up to next week's vote, we are positive that such suspicions are entirely unfounded.

What has happened is that the city administration, members of the council, leaders of the retail merchants, and other civic leaders whose only interest is in Medford's progress, have taken a realistic look at the parking situation downtown, have accepted the best possible forecasts, which indicate that it is going to get worse, and have come up with a feasible plan to make the first steps toward solving it.

### SUMMING up:

—The off-street parking plan will cost the general Medford taxpayer little or nothing more than he is already paying.

—It will provide added parking facilities, which will ease current and future congestion in the downtown area, making it easier to do business downtown.

—It will be paid for by those who benefit—those who park, and those who receive their business.

—The charter amendment to be voted on is a "go-ahead" to the city administration to complete working out tentative plans for the program. This will be done in an orderly manner, according to law, and with due regard to the rights of all concerned.

—It will be "good business" for Medford, and for all its residents. It is a progressive step. The Mail Tribune recommends a "yes" vote.

—E.A.

### The Flying Year

Christmas decorations are up. The streets are getting more and more crowded. Parking is harder to find. Christmas carols can be heard. We see reminders that there are only 18 shopping days before Christmas.

The old year is drawing to a close. The clincher came yesterday when the 1959 desk pad calendar fillers arrived from our efficient purchasing department.

This is the year which started out such a seemingly short time ago.

Christmas-to-Christmas used to be the way we measured years, and it still is, sort of. But the wait for Christmas used to be unendurably long. Now it is breath-takingly swift.—E.A.

### Dennis the Menace



"DENNIS, STOP WORRYING ABOUT ME! I'M NATURALLY THIN! AND I'LL NEVER BE HUSKY LIKE COWBOY BOB!"

### Khrushchev Found Well-Informed by Senator Humphrey

By COLETTE BLACKMOORE  
Moscow—UPI—Sen. Hubert Humphrey (D-Minn.) who had an eight-hour talk with Premier Nikita Khrushchev Monday, said today the Soviet leader is a "very well-informed man" who "undoubtedly looks upon himself as a policy-maker and not an administrator."

During their talk, the two men sat at the end of a 25-foot desk in Khrushchev's rooomy office. Decorations included a portrait of Lenin, a model plane and a large plastic container holding several ears of hybrid Iowa corn.

Humphrey said they were served a sumptuous meal at about 7:30 p.m., without vodka or wine.

Through an interpreter, the two men discussed the Berlin situation, foreign trade, religion, communist philosophy and other topics. Humphrey said Tuesday that Khrushchev expressed "enthusiastic approval" of a plan for expanded U.S.-Russian cooperation in medical research.

The senator declined comment on other matters discussed at the meeting, saying he prefers to "begin with areas of agreement rather than discord."

He appeared pleased, however, when he emerged from the talks.

Nixon's Visit Said 'Too Good'  
London—UPI—The liberal Manchester Guardian, in an editorial generally devoted to praise of Vice President Richard M. Nixon, commented today that his visit last week may have been a bit too much of a good thing.

"On his visit, the vice president never put a foot wrong," the Guardian said. "The question is whether he did not put it right a little too often."

The newspaper referred specifically to Nixon's lavish praise of things British, noting that it was "lapped up" by Britons but that was not necessarily to their credit.

"Equal partners do not so thirst for reassurance," the newspaper said.

"Still, the visit has done good. Most of us may still be some way from seeing Mr. Nixon as a human being—as a fascinating politician rather than as an ex-hybrid suddenly removed to Jekyll Island—but we are learning."

"Since Mr. Nixon may yet be president of the United States, it is important that we should."

FAST FINISHER  
Ashford, Conn.—UPI—Jack Barry of Merchantsville, N.J., won the annual nine-mile road race around Lake Chaffee, but he had to outdistance a dog named Popo to get to the finish line safely.

Try and Stop Me  
By BENNETT CERF  
A LITTLE OLD LADY was crying hysterically in the aisle of a Pullman car. There was a mouse in her drawing room, it seemed. The porter and conductor finally calmed her. Furthermore, she was absolutely right. There was a mouse in her drawing room. She had brought it aboard herself—in a shoe box—and released it when she deemed the moment ripe.

The railroad police maintain a protective section to round up just such petty chisellers as the frail little lady. She had collected "nuisance fees" from a dozen railroads for this same "mouse" dodge before they got wise to her little act.

Tide reports a Wisconsin furniture emporium that inserted this plaintive ad in a local gazette: "Will the mother whose little boy laid his half-sucked lollipop on a mahogany end table please come in again? She can have the end table for exactly one dollar, with the lollipop still intact."

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### Future Power of Negro Voters Forecast By Senator Javits; Officeholders Seen

By LYLE C. WILSON  
Washington—UPI—The immediate goal of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) is stated to be the election in 1960 of:

—Three Negro congressmen from Mississippi.  
—One each from North Carolina and South Carolina.  
—Authority for that political projection is Sen. Jacob K. Javits (R-N.Y.) who wrote for the Christmas gift issue of the magazine "Esquire" an article on racial integration in its broadest phase.

Javits speculated on what he regards as the likely possibility that a Negro will be appointed to a top cabinet position or be elected president or vice president of the United States by the year 2000—42 years hence.

The senator hopes and believes these events will transpire, explaining that he applies very practical considerations to the matter of Negroes and U.S. politics, as follows: "Once the civil rights fight has won for Negroes in the South their constitutional right to vote," Javits wrote, "and once they learn to take the full responsibility of voting, this country may well witness a ballot box revolution in many Southern states."

Another NAACP immediate objective is to increase several times over the registration of Southern Negroes. The second session of the 106th U.S. Congress will convene in January, 2000, Javits believes between 30 and 40 negroes will be elected to the House in that year. Negro leaders

leaning toward the Strong Man idea, they are playing with fire. They've had strong men before. The Bourbon kings, for example. They cut off the head of one of them and cluttered the streets of Paris with the heads of the nobles who backed him.

Then they turned to ANOTHER strong man—Napoleon Bonaparte. They sickened of him and sent him into exile.

And—They then turned back to ANOTHER Bourbon because they could think of nothing better to do.

What will happen when they again lay their lives and their fortunes in the hands of a Strong Man?

AGAIN I wouldn't know. But—Maybe the French will learn this time that that only a constant, unceasing interest in THEIR OWN GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, accompanied by thoughtful, intelligent VOTING by all the people, can insure good government.

Strong Winds Along Coast Halt Boats  
By United Press International  
Strong winds Tuesday halted shipping at the mouth of the Columbia river and damaged small boats on the southern Oregon coast.

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CITRUS SQUEEZE  
Lakeland, Fla.—UPI—The Florida citrus industry, reeling from last winter's freezes, is seeking to develop an orange tree that is cold resistant. But there's a danger—the citrus industry might then move north from Florida.

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have told him that it will be possible to nominate a Negro to the Supreme court in about 10 years and that there may be a Negro U.S. senator by then—1968.

In fewer than 50 years, Javits expects a Negro to be elected mayor in New York, Chicago, Philadelphia or Los Angeles. By 1965, Javits expects school integration to be completed throughout the South.

The senator's practical political considerations likely are based on expectation of a great and steady increase in the Negro vote for local and

hatten island, the one the Indians sold.

There is a great concentration of Negroes in New York City and on the record of performance, so far, it will become greater over the years.

"It is perfectly possible," Javits wrote for Esquire, "that by the year 2000, one out of every four New Yorkers (city) will be Negro. In Chicago, the ratio could be one out of every three, and in Los Angeles half the voters might be Negroes."

Javits has not overestimated the powerhouse possibilities of the Negro vote.

frequency but in the absence of the doppler effect, a waning tone caused as the signal approached and receded from the listener as it traveled around the earth.

Moe said the lack of waver could be accounted for by the fact that the missile from which the signal came—if it was a missile—was shooting straight away from the earth instead of circling it.

"Mind you," he said, "I do not say this is what we heard or this is the explanation. I only say it could be.

"Actually, we simply don't know where the signal came from. It could be right here on earth."

He and his associates added it was highly unlikely that the signal could have come from any of the Russian or U.S. satellites now in space.

In Pittsburgh Tuesday, Erick Bergaust, a Norwegian rocket expert and editor of Missile and Rockets magazine, said the Russians fired last September a missile that passed the moon and went out beyond Mars.

He said that U.S. receivers picked up the Soviet moon rocket signals for three days. Official Washington sources emphatically denied knowledge of any such Russian missile.

Dr. John P. Hagen, director of the Vanguard project in Washington, said "as far as we know, there is nothing" to indicate the Russians have a new rocket in space.

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