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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
Jan. 7, 1949 (Friday)

A heading is scheduled in Ashland tonight on the suspension of city officials by newly-installed Mayor Tom Williams.

Glenn Jackson is re-elected president of the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce.

20 YEARS AGO
Jan. 7, 1939 (Saturday)

Arrangements are made for a "courtesy in traffic" slogan contest, sponsored jointly by the Mail Tribune and Rogue River Chevrolet.

From Arthur Perry's "Ye Smudge Pot" column: "California now sports the first Democratic governor in 45 years. Early signs indicate it is too soon."

30 YEARS AGO
Jan. 7, 1929 (Monday)

State dairymen will hold their annual meeting here next week.

Kimball Fruit company is to erect a new packing plant.

40 YEARS AGO
Jan. 7, 1919 (Tuesday)

The public market and the stores report a shortage of turnips in the valley.

Victor Bursell, Central Point, ships two carloads of hogs to Portland.

What's Your I.Q.?

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

1. Pan was the Greek god of what?
2. What is the literal meaning of Rio de Janeiro?
3. Complete the following saying: "Many a true word is spoken in ———?"
4. Mt. Vernon, home of George Washington, fronts on what river?
5. "Nutmeg State," is one of the nicknames applied to which State?
6. When Cortez conquered Mexico, who was the Mexican emperor?
7. With what poem by Longfellow do you associate "the forest primeval?"
8. Which is farther south, the tip of Africa, or the tip of South America?
9. What is the name given to a line joining two points on the circumference of a circle?
10. The term 'eagle" is used in what game?

1. Forests, pastures, flocks and shepards. 2. "River of January." 3. "jest." 4. Potomac River. 5. Conneticut. 6. Montezuma. 7. Evangeline. 8. South America. 9. Chord. 10. Golf.

Arizona Columnist Gets Ernie Pyle Award

New York—(UPI)—The Scripps-Howard Newspapers today announced that Don Dedera, 29, columnist on the Arizona Republic in Phoenix, is the 1958 winner of the Ernie Pyle Memorial award.

Dedera will receive $1,000 and a bronze plaque for writing and reporting "most nearly exemplifying the stye and craftsmanship" of the great World War II reporter and columnist.

East-West Roads

While new roads generally benefit an area, some obviously are better than others, and deserve a higher priority.

Most badly needed new road in this immediate area is the new route to Klamath Falls, by way of Lake of the Woods. Work on this will start this spring, with a $600,000 appropriation, and it is scheduled for completion in 1960.

Superseding the twisty and steep Green Springs route, it will provide a far faster and better connection with Klamath Falls, with resulting benefits to both sides of "the hill."

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THE second-greatest road need in the area is completion of Highway 99 to freeway standards. The third priority probably is the betterment of the Crater Lake highway.

But somewhere close behind these is a good road to the coast. Up to this point there has been more talk than action on such, but there are several possibilities.

From south to north, they are:

Improvement of Highway 199 between Grants Pass and Crescent City. Much of this route is of fairly good standard now, but it still leaves much to be desired. However, the California department of highways is now seriously considering improving the California part of the route, at first to high-grade two-lane highway, and later to freeway standards, at a cost of some $30 million, including a tunnel under the Hazelview summit of Oregon mountain.

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A NEW route to the sea by way of Selma, down the Illinois river, and coming out either at Brookings or Gold Beach. Such a road, of forest standard, is actively under consideration.

A new route from either Galice or Glendale through Powers, coming out near Myrtle Point, thence to Coquille and Coos Bay along the existing State Highway 42, and U.S. 101.

Improvement of Route 42 itself between Winston and Coquille, now one of the worst major highways in Oregon.

Improvement of the Sutherlin-Elkton section of State 225, and of State 38 the rest of the way to Reedsport.

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ANY or all of these routes would furnish much more direct routes to the sea than are now available — permitting this area to take greater advantage of low-cost sea transport.

Which of them deserves the support of Jackson county is a moot question, involving a multitude of factors, both practical and otherwise, such as which has the greatest chance of early success, which would provide the best shipping facilities at the other end, which would be the most direct and with the lowest gradient, which would be the least expensive in the long run — and so on.

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IT MAY be that California will do the job first. The Grants Pass Courier reports that the California highway engineer has recommended the 199 project to the commission, which is expected to accept it as part of the general state highway plan.

If it does so soon, it might well stymie for years the development of all-Oregon routes, although pressure for a good east-west route somewhere between Grants Pass and Eugene continues to build up.—E.A.

Thank You; Well Done

We have said before, and it bears repeating, that the life of a public office-holder is no bed of roses.

Most able people could make far more money in private business or employment that they could in political office. And they wouldn't have to take half the "guff," the criticism, the sniping to which servants of the public are subjected.

(The fact that such criticism is sometimes deserved doesn't make it any easier for the individual to take.)

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WHEN a man or woman has held an office, done his or her level best to do the best possible job, and then been rejected at the polls after one or two or more terms, it must have a pretty bitter taste.

But that, as the saying goes, is politics. And, in most cases, it is less a rejection of the person as an individual than it is a change in the opinions of the voters, or the attraction of a new face, or changing circumstances which call for new approaches and new blood.

Politics, despite the rewards from a feeling of public service, can be a pretty cold-blooded thing. And voters seldom are swayed by considerations of sentiment or even gratitude.

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IT IS for this reason that we would like to make a small bow today in the direction of those public officials who left office at the first of the year — either through defeat at the polls, or because they did not choose to run.

We honestly believe that every one of them did the best he or she knew how to serve the public which first placed them in office — and this despite the fact that on some occasions we have had critical things to say about several.

State Sen. Phil Lowry, State Rep. Al Littrell, County Judge Rod Keating, County Clerk Bereth Hopkins, Circuit Judge H. K. Hanna, Sheriff Howard Gault — all of these have earned, at the very least, a "Thank you, and well done," no matter what one's political or personal views.

This is little enough, the Good Lord knows, as a reward for service to the state which has ranged over periods up to nearly 20 years. — E. A.

Dennis the Menace

'WAIT A SEC! I WANT SOMETHIN' BACK!'

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.

Magazine's Offer

To the Editor: Reference is made here to my display ad appearing in Monday's Tribune where I have attempted to make public the most generous offer of cooperation Oregon has received from Joe A. Small, publisher of True West and Frontier Times magazines. Inasmuch as I am passing along any commission to the advertisers, I cannot feel it wise to place large displays in the Tribune regularly as I should in order to make it possible for all advertisers to take advantage of this offer.

Since I have secured the cooperation of Western Publications in helping us to publicize our Centennial plans and our wonderful state, and since I have seen no such cooperation forthcoming from any other nationally distributed magazine, I would appreciate it if you would help get this good news out.

Persons whose business is the lodging, feeding, entertaining and otherwise providing for tourists should by all means take advantage of this limited offer for Oregon advertisers. Absolute deadline for all copy is Feb. 10 when a full page ad will again cost near the thousand dollar mark rather than the $375 as offered, and one column inch will be $50 rather than $12.50.

In addition, and going ALL out, Mr. Small has offered to run, absolutely free, two insertions of any ad placed for three paid insertions, or four free for six paid! (Limit, six paid insertions). And an Oregon story is promised for each issue of both True West and Frontier Times during the entire year. Currently the Whitman Massacre story is in the latter magazine, and such quality advertisers as the Olin Hotel of Denver, Augusta Military Academy, Caravan European Tours, and such that make proud companions to your ad and which you may well be sure are free of cheap sensationalism.

My own lengthy photo-article, "Jacksonville, Living Ghost Town" will be on stands in mid-April, (True West Magazine), and as it amounts to about 10 pages of free publicity for our area, it seems wise that Jackson county and all of southern Oregon have a good representation in this issue.

I am authorized to accept any orders for this advertising during the limited offer, or persons desiring to do so may call me for particulars, (phone SP 2-4304) and mail copy and check direct to the publication. Either way, but do get your space reserved and don't miss the Feb. 10 deadline. If the publication can make so generous an offer then we should certainly show our appreciation by responding with our orders. Let's put Oregon on the U.S. map and mind in 1959.

Virginia D. Card,
P.O. Box 145,
Medford.

History Tapes

To the Editor: Shaping up a New Year's resolution, we are dedicating some of our 'spare time' to tape-record some Oregon Territory history, especially that portion that became Oregon, concentrating on past events of southern Oregon. This idea came a-borning as we read Katherine B. Judson's "Early Days in Old Oregon," one of the best books we have found. We have already made a sizeable start with several reels obtained from old-timers in the valley. But as Author Judson goes along in her early history, with much obtained from Canada and England's Hudson Bay records and writings that other historians have missed, the idea came how interesting and informative it would be to have some of her book verified or commented on by those who were here at the time or handed down by word of mouth. Of course, there will be much "No such a thing, never heard tell of it," and like contradictions as well as agreements. In my past writings, my policy has been to take a middle of road course especially where two or more agree on some event, all of it subject to good grass-root reasoning.

So, we are inviting old-timers and the historical minded to get in touch with us to work out something that will not only interest the youthful mind, but will help us to meet coming events by knowing better what has occurred in the past that constitute a guide-post for the future. For all the happenings that sway mankind to peaceful times or brinks of war follow a general pattern that proves history repeats itself over and over again.

The F. J. Cliffords,
Route 2, Box 200F,
Central Point, Ore.

The official state flag of Texas is the Lone Star flag of the former Republic of Texas. It is the only state flag that was originally the flag of an independent country.

Try and Stop Me

By BENNETT CERF

BEN NOVACK, spectacular impresario of the Fountainbleau Hotel, Miami Beach, had a grandfather who took it for granted that his progeny would achieve success. When Novack was a boy, the grandfather clutched his arm and demanded, "Ben, how old are you now?", "I'm eleven," answered the boy. "Hmph," nodded his grandfather. "When I was your age, I was already fifteen."

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Little Janet had never been on a farm before. Left to her own devices for a spell, she came tumbling into the house in great excitement and cried, "Come quick, mama! There's a wonderful big pig lying on the ground and seven little pigs are blowing her up!"

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Nominations for outstanding birds of 1959: The No Left Tern, the Extra Marital Lark, the Ruffled Spouse, the Base Canard, the Vested Interest, and the Buff-tinted Due-bill.

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Wilson Terms 'Revolt' of Liberal GOP Senators a 'Pony,' or 'Sham Battle'

By LYLE C. WILSON

Washington —(UPI)— The most charitable words which can be used to describe the leadership ruckus among Senate Republicans in the new Congress beginning today is that it is a sham battle, bogus and phony.

Lyle C. Wilson

The contest has been advertised to newspaper readers and to radio listeners as being between the present so-called conservative Republican leadership and certain rebellious men of good deeds variously described as modern, liberal or Eisenhower Republicans.

Some whimsically sentimental commentators almost would make of it another David-and-Goliath contest, or something on the order of a TV oat opera battle between the good guys and the bad guys. The good guys in this version of the current row among Senate Republicans are, naturally, the modern, liberal or Eisenhower men. The bad guys are the conservatives, personified by Sen. Everett M. Dirksen, Ill., Sen. Leverett Saltonstall, Mass., and Sen. Styles Bridges, N.H.

Knowland is Gone

This contest for leadership of the Republican minority comes about because William F. Knowland abandoned the Senate and the Republican leadership to run for governor of California. Knowland got the leadership job when the late Sen. Robert A. Taft stepped down, near death, early in the first Eisenhower term.

Dirkson was No. 2 in the echelon of Senate Republican leadership under Knowland. His designation was assistant leader or Republican whip; his job, to see that the party was at full strength on the Senate floor when the votes were needed. Bridges is chairman of the Senate Republican Policy committee. Saltonstall is chairman of the Republican conference which means that he presides over party meetings of all GOP senators.

The program has been to promote Dirksen to the leadership in the new Congress. Sen. George D. Aiken (Vt.) bucked that program on Nov. 11 with loud cries of foul and beware. This was only a few days after the congressional elections in which the Republican party had taken a massive beating.

The Warning

Aiken warned that the Republicans would lose a lot more Senate seats in 1960 unless GOP liberals–modern or Eisenhower Republicans–were given a greater voice in the Senate leadership of their party. He quickly was backed in this by Sen. Clifford P. Case (N.J.). The liberal, modern or Eisenhower Republicans finally fixed upon Sen. John Sherman Cooper (Ky.) as their leadership candidate.

The odd part about all of it is this: Of the 10 liberal or whatever Republican senators who met soon after Nov. 11 to plan strategy against Dirksen, only one had a better record of support for the Eisenhower program in the last session than did Dirksen. That one was freshman Sen. Kenneth B. Keating (N.Y.) who made his record as a member of the House. The record comparisons, of course, are unofficial.

Dirksen's 1958 record was 86 per cent in support of Eisenhower's various programs and 7 per cent against. Bridges was 68 per cent for, 17 against. Saltonstall was 70 for, 13 against.

Cooper, the leadership candidate of the liberal, modern or Eisenhower Republicans had a record of 70 per cent for; 27 against. Aiken, who started it all was 72 per cent for; 28 against. Keating, in the House, had an 86 per cent for; 12 per cent against tally.

Small wonder the President is keeping hands off this one.

Halleck Has Seen Fortunes Dip, Rise

By United Press International

Charles A. Halleck has seen his political fortunes dip and rise in recent years.

Right now they are going up again. He outmaneuvered one of the savviest of old pros of all–Joseph M. Martin Jr.–to walk off with the job of House Republican leader.

But Hallack can look back on a series of "almosts" dating from 1948 when he believed he had received the nod as GOP vice presidential candidate. Then, in a period of four years, moves to boom Halleck for House GOP leader collapsed twice.

Short, peppery Charlie Halleck–politician, lawyer, soldier, fisherman–was born 58 years ago in Jasper County, Ind.

He married Blanche White of Indianapolis, Ind., in 1927. Their twins–Charles and Patricia–were born two years later.

He now has seven grand children.

Special Election

Halleck first ran for Congress in 1935 in a special election. At that time he was the only Republican congressman from Indiana. He has been reelected to every Congress since then.

House Republicans elected him to their leadership in 1947. But the role actually meant playing lieutenant to Joseph W. Martin Jr. of Massachusetts who reigned over both the Republicans and the House as speaker.

Halleck in 1953 thought the White House was backing him to unseat Martin, but he received no White House support. Again Martin assumed the top House post as speaker with Halleck as his lieutenant in the role of majority leader.

Two years ago insurgent Republicans once more approached Halleck, urging him to attempt to unseat Martin. But at the end the support thinned and Martin was reelected to the leadership.

And even this year nearly became another "almost" for Halleck. It took two ballots for him to defeat Martin by only a scant majority.

Rayburn Takes Over Speakers Job at 77

By United Press International

Speaker Sam Rayburn is known in some quarters as "Mister Democrat" or "Mister Sam."

But most of the public knows Sam Rayburn as speaker of the U. S. House of Representatives. He has been given the job again at the age of 77.

Rayburn has led the Democratic party in the House since Sept. 16, 1940, but his activities as speaker are relatively new when placed alongside his 45 years of service in Congress. That's quite a record for a country boy, born in the hills of Tennessee and reared on a cotton farm in Texas.

Politics is Rayburn's lifetime work. He campaigned by horse-back to win election to the Texas legislature at the age of 24, Seven years later–in 1913–he came to Congress and he's been there ever since.

He spends most of his time when Congress is not in session on his 400-acre farm near Bonham, Tex., not far from the original 40-acre family homestead.

Rayburn's trademark is his bald head, and his scalp serves as a political barometer–if flushed, the danger signal is showing.

He displays few of the classic characteristics of his profession as a politician. He is shy, quiet spoken, but he can wield a wicked gavel over a sometimes unruly House.

His relaxed leadership is considered one of the reasons for his success, because he does not scatter his shots or waste his ammunition on minor matters. When he does jump into the fray, the cry goes up through the lobbies and corridors "Rayburn's up," and Democrats and Republicans alike hurry into the chamber to hear him.

Rayburn was married in his 20's, but the marriage ended in a divorce after three months. He never has re-married.

He is one of the few congressmen who have the trust of both the Northern and Southern wings of the party and his leadership has been credited with preserving the party unity in the past.

That talent is expected to be tested to the full this session.

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

What of Cuba?

It all depends on this man Castro and his followers and his backers who have tossed out Dictator Batista, and how well they take over the Cuban government and run the country.

Our own Revolution was the most successful in history. It was successful because of the quality of its leaders. Our Founding Fathers were wise, able and patriotic men who commanded the respect of their followers and of the world.

WHO is this Castro?

He is the 32-year-old son of a rich father who died a couple of years ago and left his six children a fortune. Young Fidel and his brother Raul dedicated their all to the deposition of Batista. Along with a few followers, they invaded Cuba in 1956 and have been fighting ever since.

They seem to have won their battle.

IN SITUATIONS where all the facts do not meet the eye, the French are alleged to shrug their shoulders and mutter cynically "cherchez la femme" (look for the woman). In similar situations in this troubled period in world history, we are inclined to paraphrase the French and say "cherchez les communists."

What of Fidel Castro?

Is he a communist?

Is he conmmunist-backed?

HE SAYS he isn't.

He claims to be strongly opposed to communism.

But his brother Raul, who is his second-in-command, is known to have spent two weeks behind the iron curtain attending an international student congress. Movements like that are favorite tools of the communist leaders.

WHEN young Fidel led his band of followers from Mexico into Cuba two years ago, he was strong for immediate nationalization of Cuban industries—which is a prime tenet of communism. He has since watered down his economic program considerably—possible in deference to American public opinion.

He stands now (he says) for extension of social security and a broadened program of industrialization to solve Cuba's chronic problem of poverty and unemployment. He has called for land reform, limiting the amount of land any one plantation owner can hold.

He says he wants to end government corruption and to reestablish political freedom and freedom of the press. If he is SINCERE in what he says—if he proposes to be his own man and not a puppet animated by strings pulled from Moscow—he is headed in the right direction and great good can come of his leadership.

But he bears watching.

WHY are we so concerned about Cuba?

The answer to that question is self-evident. We got into one war because of Cuba and we don't want to get into another one.

But we can't permit communism to establish itself on our doorstep.

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Many wearers of false teeth have suffered real embarrassment because their plate dropped, slipped or wobbled at just the wrong time. Do not live in fear of this happening to you. Just sprinkle a little FASTEETH, the alkaline (non-acid) powder, on your plates. Hold false teeth more firmly, so they feel more comfortable. Does not sour. Checks "plate odor" (denture breath). Get FASTEETH at any drug counter.

Aero Engineering Studied by Youth

Robert D. Hill, son of William O. Hill, Daroy, Mont., and Mrs. Mildred E. Swanson, 443 North Second st., Central Point, is attending the Northrop Aeronautical institute, Inglewood, Calif., school authorities announced.

Hill is enrolled in the aeronautical engineering technology course which requires only 24 months to complete or he may continue his studies for another year and earn a bachelor of science degree.

Hill is a veteran of the Korean war with service in the United States Air Force. He is a graduate of Crater high school, Central Point.

Officers Elected To RRVID Board

Otto Bohnert, Central Point, was re-elected president of the Rogue River Valley irrigation district for the fourth year during the district's board meeting on Tuesday, a spokesman said.

Leonard Freeman was re-elected vice president. Gordon Kershaw was re-elected to the district board, and Harold Sexton, secretary-manager.

Eight rehabilitation projects are now underway in the district, Sexton reported. These include replacement of three wood flumes with concrete and steel. Approximately 5,600 feet of tile line has been completed and about two miles of canal bank has been rehabilitated. All current projects will be completed before the irrigation season starts in early April, Sexton said. Total costs of the program is $45,000. Approximately $40,000 worth of additional rehabilitation work is scheduled for the 1960 fiscal year, Sexton said.

TODAY
In Oregon History
(A Centennial Feature)

JAN. 7, 1847

Mrs. N. M. Thornton announces in the pages of the "Oregon Spectator" the opening of a female school at Oregon City: "English education will be taught in this School, together with plain and fancy Needle Work, Drawing and Painting in Mezzotinto and water colors."

JAN. 7, 1852

The territorial legislature creates Douglas county out of the eastern part of Umpqua county. The county is named for Stephen A. Douglas, senator from Illinois, strong supporter of Oregon, and candidate for president when he opposes Lincoln in 1860.

Neuberger To Be Late for Session

Portland —(UPI)— Sen. Richard L. Neuberger (D-Ore.) will be about three weeks late in returning to Washingto, D.C. for the 86th Congress because of radiation treatment he is receiving, his office said today.

Neuberger, who was operated on for a malignancy cancer last August 29, has been receiving radiation treatments here which have about three more weeks to run.

His office said that following completion of treatments, doctors would release a "comprehensive medical bulletin regarding his condition." Neuberger will hold a press conference prior to his departure for Washington which his office said should take place about the end of this month.

BAD NEWS

Jackson, Miss —(UPI)— There was bad news today for youngsters who received gasoline-powered midget autos for Christmas.

Police ruled the vehicles must be furnished with license plates and may only be operated by licensed drivers at least 15 years of age.

C. M. Litwiller

WE NEVER CLOSE

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Mrs. Litwiller

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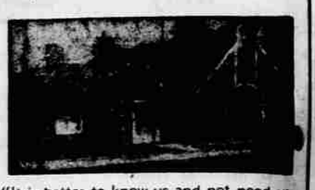

"It is better to know us and not need us than to need us and not know us."