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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. 16, 1949 (Sunday)  
The Mile O' Dimes anti-  
polio project receives \$250 in  
donations in one afternoon's  
solicitation on Central ave.  
Rumors hint that the fed-  
eral fish and wildlife service  
and park service are to be  
asked for a re-evaluation of  
the effects of Rogue river  
dams upon fish, wildlife and  
recreation.

**20 YEARS AGO**  
Jan. 16, 1939 (Monday)  
Two serious skiing ac-  
cidents at Crater Lake give  
impetus to the winter sports  
safety program instituted  
there.  
From Arthur Perry's "Ye  
Smudge Pot" column: "With  
respect to the legislature," a  
subscriber starts off a letter  
to the editor. He then pro-  
ceeds to peck off 800 words,  
and show none."

**30 YEARS AGO**  
Jan. 16, 1929 (Wednesday)  
Sites in Jackson county are  
selected for beacon lights to  
guide night flyers.  
A Rogue River fish bill is  
introduced into the state  
legislature.  
**40 YEARS AGO**  
Jan. 16, 1919 (Thursday)  
Medford and Ashland High  
school boys enjoy a rough  
free-for-all, climaxed by Med-  
ford's victory parade through  
the streets.  
Dry officials seize a local  
citizen's grip in hopes of dis-  
covering evil spirits, but find  
only apples.

**What's Your I.Q.?**  
Nine or ten correct is superior;  
seven or eight is excellent; five or  
six is good.  
1. A motherless calf in a  
range herd is called a d.....?  
2. Where are a cow's horns,  
in relation to its ears?  
3. For what is dwt an ab-  
breviation?  
4. What did the dish run  
away with?  
5. Correct the following:  
"She has laid unconscious for  
several hours."  
6. In poetry, a sonnet has  
how many lines?  
7. Is Washington, D.C., the  
capitol, or the capital, of the  
United States?  
8. What word unquestion-  
ably contains all of the  
vowels?  
9. In baseball slang, what  
is a bingle?  
10. With what is the 16th  
Amendment to the U. S. Con-  
stitution concerned?  
Answers: 1. Dogie; 2. Just  
above the ears; 3. Penny-  
weight; 4. The spoon; 5. "She  
has lain . . ."; 6. Fourteen;  
7. The capital; 8. Unquestion-  
ably; 9. A one-base hit; 10.  
Income taxes.

**TO HONOR DULLES**  
West Point, N.Y.—UPI—Sec-  
retary of State John Foster  
Dulles will be presented with  
the second annual Sylvanus  
Thayer award at Founders  
day ceremonies here on March  
20. The award is presented by  
the U.S. Military academy's  
Association of Graduates to the  
American who exemplifies  
the West Point motto,  
"Duty, Honor, Country."

## It Will Pay Dividends

The news reported yesterday that the county planning commission has recommended the creation of a county parks and recreation commission, and that the county court evidently will concur, is good news of major importance.

Jackson county now has a population estimated variously at between 68,000 and 72,000 persons. In addition, it is host to thousands of visitors each summer.  
Recreational facilities, even today, are inadequate to meet the demand. And with the growth of population and of touring—both of them seemingly inevitable—the inadequacies will be even more marked unless steps are taken to increase the areas available and developed.

THE county already is in the parks and recreation business. It has assumed responsibility for the administration of the Howard Prairie and Emigrant reservoir recreation sites, which are going to be major ones, and there are other areas for which it is now, or soon will be, responsible.

The county court, burdened as it is with mountains of administrative detail in its everyday business, should not have the additional burden of investigating, recommending, or even having primary administrative responsibility for a parks and recreation department.

Neither should the planning commission (although it should work closely with both the court and the new organization), for it too has plenty to keep it busy. The fact that it recognizes this, and recommends that the parks and recreation function heretofore handled by one of its own subcommittees be turned over to a new commission, is proof of the importance of the move.

THERE will be some complaints about such a development. But the fact remains that the demand is there. The forest service, despite manifold efforts to develop new forest camps and recreation areas, cannot meet the demand.

The state parks department, with limited funds, cannot do the job either. Private enterprise is not interested in parks and recreation in the sense of which we are speaking here.

SO, RATHER than turning to Uncle Sam, or the state, or to private enterprise which can't and won't do the job, let us face the fact that it is a county responsibility; that the job must be done, and that it can best be done at a local level where government still is close to the people it serves.

If the county acts rapidly, particularly in the acquisition of sites (many choice ones are already gone), it will be fulfilling an obligation and a duty to both residents and visitors.

It need not be fabulously expensive, although some county funds obviously will be needed. And these funds, intelligently employed on the advice of a separate commission such as recommended, will pay big dividends to the county in years to come.—E.A.

## Medford, Then And Now

During this Centennial year, Oregonians are, more and more, going to find Oregon history, long-ago and more recent, of great interest.

For instance, Gene Orr was going through some old files of his business the other day, and found a letterhead in use sometime between 1900 and 1904 by Weeks & Baker, the predecessor store to Weeks and Orr. At that time they were "Furniture Dealers and Undertakers."

The reverse of the stationery was printed in a description of Medford, "a live, growing city of 3500 inhabitants . . ."

HERE are excerpts:

"There are yet many thousands acres of government land which can be homesteaded, also timber lands open for entry, and there are thousands of acres of railroad land for sale on easy terms at reasonable prices.  
"Prices of lands range from \$40 to \$150 per acre; orchard lands from \$100 to \$500 per acre . . .  
"Carpenters wages are from \$2.50 to \$3, masons \$3 to \$5, laborers \$1.50 to \$2.50 per day, farm hands \$25 to \$45 per month. We have yet to see a thrifty, energetic man without work in Medford or vicinity.  
"We have a progressive, hustling, up-to-date, hospitable people, who cordially invite you to come and investigate, assuring you that the many varied resources, advantages and charms of this favored valley and climate will ever after bind you fast."

Some things about this sound as though they are far, far in the past. Others, on the other hand, sounded as though they could have been written for a Rogue Valley brochure of today.

Circumstances change, even in 50 years, but human nature, very little.—E.A.

## "As Poor Richard Says..."

On the 253rd anniversary of Benjamin Franklin's birth tomorrow a few citizens will recall the homespun maxims on thrift originally published in his "Poor Richard's Almanack."

"Spare and have is better than spend and crave."  
"He that goes a borrowing, goes a sorrowing."  
"For age and want save while you may."  
"No morning sun lasts the whole day."  
"If you know how to spend less than you get, you have the philosopher's stone."

In the latter days of the American colonies "As poor Richard says" became a current phrase, used to impress on the extravagant any counsel of thrift. But in the more sophisticated atmosphere of the present day, many of our legislators and not a few of our people seem to apply Franklin's maxims in reverse.—E.R.R.

## Dennis the Menace



YOU TELL ME TO GO OUT... MR. WILSON TELLS ME TO GO IN... YOU TELL ME TO GO OUT... MR. WILSON TELLS ME TO GO IN...

## Washington Report

By WILLIAM S. WHITE

**STRENGTH-AND WAITING**  
Washington—Soviet propaganda used to be effective in this country young men and women who fancied themselves to be victimized intellectuals—and gangster types who would grab any old vehicle to power.



It was fair to say in those days that in the field of influencing sensible people the Soviet Union was an elephant that could not dance. But the elephant can dance now; indeed, he is dancing all over the front pages and all over the toes of our government.

This is the unpleasant truth about the visit of Soviet Deputy Premier Anastas I. Mikoyan. Whatever else he may be doing here, he is doing a folksy job of selling the line that the Communists are pretty good people, after all.

HERE he is grinning in a super market. There he is talking seriously to businessmen and making some headway with them. Here he is joking with Hollywood comedians and eyeing buxom movie actresses with that semi-respectful and manly leer that our public expects of important men confronting such impressive womanly charms.

Nearly every place he has been he has hit just the right note of appeal to Americans. Sometimes he has been just a little apologetic about the vast crimes of the Communists. Some of these things were perhaps bad, yes; but, man to man, you know how matters get out of hand sometimes. Again, he quipped about the impermanence of official jobs in Moscow.

Our national characteristic is to be very kind to the partly—or the maybe—repentant as well as to those who declare total repentance. For proof, just recall the McCarthy period when shrill, professional ex-Communists were accepted by many as the absolute and final authorities on what was good Americanism.

Even the occasional hostile demonstrations have helped rather than hurt Mikoyan's mission, for they have created a bit of an underdog sympathy for him.

HE HAS made a big soft sell here, no two ways about it. The State Department does not officially acknowledge it, but important people here are worried about his impact.

## Log Hauling Rate Bill Introduced

Salem—UPI—Rep. Clarence Barton (D-Coquille) has introduced a bill setting minimum rates for log hauling in Oregon.

Barton said complete revision of log-hauling statutes was long overdue, especially to prevent gypsy truckers from Washington and California coming to Oregon when their own forests were shut down and escaping Oregon income taxes.

## Try and Stop Me

By BENNETT CERF

THIS POEM, authorship unknown, was received in the mail from A. J. Meekins, of Topeka, Kansas. She ransacked every novel and the dictionary too, but nothing ever printed for her baby's name would do.

She hunted appellations from the present to the past, and this is what they named him when they christened him at last: Julian Harold Egbert Ulysses Victor Paul Achilles Marcus Cecil Sylvester George McFall!

But after all the trouble she had taken for his sake, His father called him Pie-face and his schoolmates called him Jake.

Two shaky-legged calves wobbled over to a mother cow lazing in a pasture. "Hey, mom," moaned one, "can Junior stay for lunch?"  
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## Things Change Slowly—But They Change—Even in Conservative Senate of U.S.

By RAYMOND LAHR  
Washington—UPI—Much can change in 10 years, even in an institution so allergic to change as the United States Senate.

It was 10 years ago this winter that the Southerners were at the barricades fighting successfully to block the adoption of a new anti-filibuster rule. The proposal then was identical in substance with the one adopted this week with only token resistance from the South.

And it was the Senate liberals who were fighting 10 years ago for the rule they scorned this year on grounds that it was too feeble.

Western senators were once the great champions of unlimited debate in the senate. More recently the defenders of the right to talk have been southerners, nervous about the chances for passage of civil rights legislation.

If the Southerners had made an all-out fight this year to keep the 1949 rule, they would have risked adoption of filibuster checks which they would have considered even more offensive. So, as they did in 1949, they gave a little

to avoid losing a lot. Loopholes In First Law  
The Senate adopted its first anti-filibuster rule in 1917 after a filibuster had blocked passage of President Wilson's measure to arm merchant ships. That rule presumably allowed the votes of two-thirds of the senators present to limit debate. It was soon discovered, however, that the 1917 rule contained loopholes big enough for a confederate army to march through.

A battle was joined on Feb. 28, 1949 on a new proposal which would have closed the loopholes and permitted a cut-off of debate by the same two-thirds vote. The South fought back with a filibuster which tied up the senate until March 17, when a deal was made and a new rule was adopted.

The old loopholes were closed but a new one was opened in that the restraint on filibusters did not apply to any future proposals to change the rules. And the vote requirement was stiffened to require the consent of two-thirds of all elected senators, however many might be absent.

Engineered by Johnson  
Now under the wizardry of senate Democratic leader Lyndon B. Johnson, the senate has adopted without a filibuster a rule to let two-thirds of the senators present choke off debate on a bill or on future proposals to change the rules. Johnson, author of the new rule, was a freshman senator lined up with the Dixie bloc 10 years ago.

After the 1949 contest, critics of the new rule called it a step backward. Now some critics of the 1959 rule have complained that it puts the

Democratic Legislature also could have, with plenty of precedent, stacked all of its committees against Republicans and denied any GOP chairmanships—the last Legislature did just that. But there are several Republican committee chairmen, and one Republican committee majority. There's more to lawmaking than chairmanships and apparent majorities, but these are important gestures and can be important in fact.

The Democrats also deserve praise for a generally courteous and open-minded appraisal of Gov. Mark Hatfield's legislative program as outlined in his inaugural address. And former Governor Governor Bob Holmes, who had his churlish moments after the election, turned his office over in good shape and bowed out with a smile.

At the department level there was more of the same. Jim Johnson in Motor Vehicles, a meanie in many eyes, rolled out the carpet, complete with staff meetings and a reception at home, for his Republican successor, John Richardson left things in good shape for Freeman Holmer, promptly promoted the two men Richardson would have promoted had he stayed.

It all bodes well for a good legislative session and a productive year ahead.—Salem Capital Journal.

## TODAY In Oregon History (A Centennial Feature)

JANUARY 16, 1854  
Columbia County was created by the Territorial Legislature. It includes the northeast part of Washington County as it was after Clatsop County had been created. It was named after The Columbia River, which provides the eastern and northern boundaries.

## Public Hearings on Judicial Bills Due

Salem—UPI—Members of the Joint Judiciary committees of the Oregon legislature decided today to hold public hearings on about 27 bills implementing the report of the Legislative Interim Committee on Judicial Administration.

Sen. Carl Francis (R-Dayton), and Rep. George Layman (R-Hillsboro), respective chairmen of the two committees, were authorized to divide the bills. A portion will be introduced in the Senate and the rest in the House.  
The interim committee bills will cover the entire Oregon judicial system from the State Supreme court on down through the Circuit and District courts with special attention given to juvenile court reforms and laws dealing with juveniles.

senate back only to where it was before 1949. In both cases, they ignored the fact that loopholes in the 1917 rule made it virtually meaningless.

It remains to be seen whether the 1959 rule or the threat to use it can influence the future course of the senate.

For better or worse, freedom of debate in the senate has made it a great conservative force. When a bill is passed, it means that nearly all senators believe that the proposed law can be tolerated if not approved.

Sen. Richard B. Russell (D-Ga.) the South's spokesman in the senate, is authority for the statement that shutting off senate debate by majority vote would be tantamount to amending the Constitution.

## 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.

**Centennial Cake**  
To the Editor: With requests coming up for entertainment ideas for the Centennial of Oregon's admission to the Union, we might go back some 87 years and cut us a piece of cake from that state-wide celebration. That was held four years before my birth. But a well remembered portion came up when I was about 10 years old. It was a last day of school picnic when I heard one woman remark to another, "Why, Mrs. Rogers, you've brought a centennial cake." "Yes," replied the maker of that early day confection. "I thought I'd make this once more, like we made to celebrate 100 year deliverance from the British yoke. My, how time does fly. That was 14 years ago. So in memory of that, I decided to make this once more, hoping some of the children here today would remember the suffering, the hardships and loss of dear loved ones to make us free, that the little flag on the cake symbolizes."

What is the difference—following too close—not stopping, or hitting a SCHOOL BUS? Is there a reason for favoritism? Seems to me hitting a school bus unloading children surely calls for a citation, according to Oregon Laws.

David N. Ennis, Route 1, Box 107-A, Gold Hill.

**Appreciates Holmes**  
To the Editor: Now that Governor Holmes' term has ended, I think a few words of appreciation are in order for the fine job he did for Oregon in two short years.

Being human, he made mistakes, but in my opinion these mistakes were heavily outweighed by his courage to stand up for his convictions, his unquestioned honesty, and the excellence of his appointments.

He opposed capital punishment vocally and by exerting his executive powers, in spite of strong opposition during an election-year, because of his deep moral and religious convictions on the subject.

His integrity has never been questioned, even during the campaign, and there was not a single hint of scandal throughout his administration. This, in itself, is something of a rarity.

Last, his unerring choice of fine appointees gave us, among others, the best Liquor Control Commission and Public Utilities Commissioner in many a long day.

I am grateful to him for an outstandingly fine job and wish him success in the future. I hope our new Governor will be as good as Governor Holmes. If so, I will have no complaints.

M. E. Norton, Box 85, Phoenix, Ore.

## Sweetland Aims Education Issues

Salem—UPI—Sen. Monroe Sweetland (D-Milwaukie) told a PTA meeting here Thursday night what he believed to be the four biggest issues confronting Oregon education.

Sweetland is chairman of the Senate Education committee. The issues:  
... Scholarships to prevent the waste of talent.  
... Community colleges to provide two-year, low-cost education beyond high school in many sizeable Oregon communities with no local college facilities.  
... Adequate building programs for state colleges and universities, catching up with overdue buildings by a bond program.  
... Flat grants to keep up basic school funds in all school districts until a thorough study of future plans can be made by a new interim committee.

**DRAW SCHOOL PLANS**  
Clinton, Tenn.—UPI—Architects today began drawing plans for rebuilding Clinton High school, destroyed by dynamite last Oct. 5.

Marty Williams, P.O. Box 1287, Medford