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**Flight 'o Time**  
Medford and Jackson County history from the files of The Mail Tribune. 10, 20, 30, 40 and 50 years ago.

**10 YEARS AGO**  
April 15, 1949 (Friday)  
Ashland and Butte Falls are listed by the civil aeronautics administration as cities that should have airports.  
A preliminary petition to refer the Rogue river dam bill, authorizing a dam at Lewis creek, is filed with the secretary of state.

**20 YEARS AGO**  
April 15, 1939 (Saturday)  
A silver tea and pioneer exhibit is planned at the Birdseye home on Pacific highway north of Foots creek.  
From Arthur Perry's "Eye Smudge Pot" column: "The fishing season opens Saturday. Rumors persist several will keep on working when they should be fishing."

**30 YEARS AGO**  
April 15, 1929 (Monday)  
High school students discover Superintendent E. H. Hedrick is fond of candy.  
Jack Hughes wins prizes at the high school as most popular and most bashful.

**40 YEARS AGO**  
April 15, 1919 (Tuesday)  
Harry Manning, the Caruso of Medford, will sing three songs at the Liberty next week.  
The Elks minstrel will perform at Grants Pass.

**50 YEARS AGO**  
April 15, 1909 (Thursday)  
Lillian Russell, famous beauty, songstress and actress, is pleased with her reception in Medford.  
The State Supreme court orders that the Putnam libel case be put on the Jackson county court records and that \$45 in court charges be assessed against the county.

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

1. Identify the movie actress who was featured in the production "The Outlaw."
2. Which of these wrote the music and lyrics for the Broadway musical, "Kiss Me Kate," Hammerstein, Porter, Berlin?
3. Berlitz is a name best known for its courses in painting, languages, or dancing?
4. In tennis, a game won without loss of a point is called what?
5. Which English king beheaded two of his six queens?
6. Which vegetable was once called "love apple"?
7. A goat is the Navy's mascot; what is the Army's?
8. Bock beer usually is available at which season of the year?
9. Upon retirement, Justices of the U.S. Supreme Court receive one-half, one-fourth or full pay?
10. Will a 100-watt electric bulb yield about 15 per cent more light than two 50-watt bulbs, or the same amount?  
Answers: 1. Jane Russell. 2. Cole Porter. 3. Languages. 4. A love game. 5. Henry VIII. 6. Tomato. 7. Mule. 8. Spring. 9. Full pay. 10. 15 per cent more.

### Cultural Center

Through American history, almost from the very beginning, the school and the library were the focus of small-town cultural life.  
This is no longer universally true, because of ever-expanding sources of information and entertainment — motion pictures, magazines, newspapers, television, and so on.

But school and library still function as irreplaceable centers of our intellectual lives.  
The public library, in particular, is the repository of the accumulated wisdom of the ages, all readily available on request.

**B**UT in addition it serves other needs — for practical information, for entertainment, for factual data. There's scarcely a question one can think of that can't be answered by some volume or other in the library.

The slogan for National Library Week (April 12 to 18) is "Wake Up and Read," which is neither better nor worse than most such slogans. But it does make the point that too many Americans fail to take advantage of the stored and available resources of the library.—E.A.

### Visit Your Library

The Medford Public Library (which, by contract, is also the Jackson County Public Library) is observing National Library Week.

An open house will be held at the library building between 3 and 6 p.m. on Friday, at which time all patrons (and, more particularly, might-be patrons) are invited to visit the library, inspect its facilities, and see just what it is that is offered to the literate public of this area.

As a matter of fact, the library holds "open house" every day it is open, year-around, welcoming anyone to come in and sample its wares. But the Friday hours will be graced by hostesses, guides and explanations of the library and its functions.

**O**PERATING a good public library is not the easiest thing in the world to do.

The staff is pinched between the limits of available funds, on one hand, and requests for increased service, on the other.

For instance, there is substantial demand for such things as record loan collections, books in Braille, story hours, meeting rooms, reading nooks, bookmobile service, home deliveries, mail service, reference service, and personal assistance in finding a particular book, or a book on a particular subject.

Some of these the Medford library is equipped to furnish; others it is not.

**W**HAT the library board has endeavored over the years to do is to furnish the maximum possible service within the available funds.

With the support of the city, and the sometimes-grudging support of the county, budgets have slowly increased, making possible additional books and additional services.

It has been slow going, sometimes. But it has paid off in increased patron acceptance of the library and what it is trying to do — and this despite criticisms based on a wide range of factors, real or fancied.

As a public agency, and one which is intimately close to those it serves, the library is under constant close scrutiny, and any deviation from practices which are universally accepted brings instant criticism.

**S**OMETIMES, indeed, the very practices which are acknowledged as excellent library procedure are attacked because they do not happen to coincide with what a patron believes should be done.

And there is always the possibility of misunderstandings of attempts to improve administrative procedures. The Medford library, in its capacity as the Jackson county library, has had its share of these, in large part because patrons in some of the surrounding communities it serves through its branches are unfamiliar with the limitations under which it operates.

Some of these can be and have been settled by a mutual discussion, conducted with honesty and good will, of the problems involved. Others have resulted in an unfortunate rupture of relations, as was the case in Rogue River last year.

**D**ESPITE such occasional misunderstandings and criticism, the Medford Library has continued a steady progress. Its patronage has increased rapidly. Its book collection is larger and more diversified now than at any time in the past.

For the first time, it has three professionally-trained people on the staff, as well as the other staff members, who because of long service, on-the-spot training, and loyalty, offer friendly, efficient and helpful service to patrons.

The growth and development has paid off both in acceptance of the library, and its use.

For those who are unfamiliar with it, and who would like to know more about its services, we'd suggest a visit — at any time. They are particularly invited, however, between 3 and 6 p.m. Friday.—E.A.

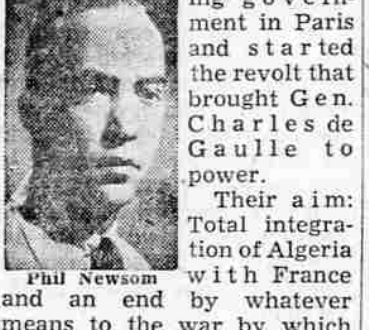
### Dennis the Menace



WHAT'S DENNIS DONE TODAY? I GOT THREE FROWNS, TWO GLARES AND A SNEER AS I CAME DOWN THE STREET!

### Warfare in Algeria Remains Unsolved Problem for France

By PHIL NEWSOM  
UPI Foreign News Editor



It was just short of a year ago that the dissident French forces in Algeria rebelled against a weak and vacillating government in Paris and started the revolt that brought Gen. Charles de Gaulle to power.

Their aim: Total integration of Algeria with France and an end by whatever means to the war by which Algerian Moslems sought to sever their connections with France and set up a free and independent Algeria.

On June 1, De Gaulle took office as premier with three special powers. They were: To govern France by decree for six months. To revise the constitution. To deal with the situation in Algeria.

Whatever else his successes may have been, his record in Algeria to date has been nothing but failure. He has not been able to halt the Algerian war which costs France nearly three million dollars per day, nor has he been able to satisfy the extreme right French in Algeria who started the revolt a year ago.

The situation in Algeria remains distressingly similar to that which existed before the final French defeat in Indochina some five years ago.

French occupation of Algeria began more than 100 years ago. Since World War II the French have given lip service to increased Algerian independence but have shown few real evidences of doing anything about it.

**Terrorism Unending**  
The rub results from the fact that in Algeria there are about eight million Moslems against one million French. The French in Algeria, many of whose families have been there for generations and regard it as their permanent home, fear that all the gains of years would be wiped out in the event of Algerian independence.

Their complaint now against De Gaulle is the same as it was against the Fourth Republic—that his policy is "soft" and "equivocal" towards the Nationalist rebels and appears to be drifting toward some sort of political settlement with them.

Terrorism is unending in Algeria under the present circumstances, but now three new dates for possible demonstrations and even more than the usual amount of bloodshed have been predicted.

They are April 19 to 26, when the Algerian municipal elections will be held, the April 28 opening of Parliament in Paris at which 66 Algerian deputies intend to go all out for integration, and May 13, the anniversary of last year's revolution.

**Settlers Barricade Homes**  
In Constantine, Algeria, today wire netting cuts off the little side streets from the main thoroughfares to protect passersby against bomb throwers.

An electric wire divides Algeria from neighboring sympathetic Tunisia, to prevent infiltration of rebel forces and the shipment of supplies to the rebels.

On remote French farms, settlers barricade themselves at night. These are conditions of life in Algeria today—conditions which De Gaulle by his own pronouncement is bound to change.

In Algeria, a French army of 450,000 men—more than half of all France's armed

forces—fights a shadow rebel army of less than 50,000 men—a guerrilla army which strikes and then fades away into the mountains or among the civilian population.

### 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 initials 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.

**Family's Role**  
To the Editor: Those forces in opposition to the American system of government long ago changed their strategy from that of outright revolution, because the American people would not listen to them. Instead they described their idea of government as the "American Way." This being so, one would be foolish to believe the written or spoken word because it has been labeled "American."

Concerning your condensed column on April 13, 1959. Either the heart has been removed or the document possessed no real substance in its entirety.

The name of God has been conspicuously left out of your condensation, and the family has been relegated to a secondary place.

Remove God from your mind and the state will take His place.

It is the prevalent falsehood of modern philosophy long taught in the schools that the individual and family exist for the state, and receive from the state all their rights. Yet the individual, the family is anterior both in idea and fact to the state, and must necessarily have rights and duties which are prior to those of the state.

Truly the family is the basic institution of our society. The family is a society unto itself. This role must not be changed.

Robert J. Howard,  
828 West 14th St.,  
Medford.

**Supports Humane Bill**  
To the Editor: Reference is made to House Bill No. 629, the humane slaughter bill in the Oregon legislature. It is very necessary that this bill be passed to stop the back-alley slaughtering in the state of Oregon.

If those interested in the public health and welfare as well as the humanitarians would write to members of Public Health and Welfare Committee asking that this bill be gotten out of Committee and on the floor for a vote, we would be most appreciative.

Members of the Committee above mentioned are: Representatives Peck, Atiyeh, Heider, Van Hooissen and Wilderman and Senators Chapman and Grenfell.

**Southern Oregon Humane Society**  
2902 Table Rock rd.,  
Medford.

**Spring Scourge**  
To the Editor: I am sure each year at this time many housewives have some very unpleasant thoughts about their valley orchards. It seems to me in this day and age of progress, with rockets to the moon and all the other unheard-of inventions, some simple device could perhaps take the place of these smoking, smelly, monsters — the SMUDGE POTS.

I realize they have to protect their crops and I'm sure when fruit harvest and market time roll around they re-

### Senator Durno Explains Plans for Care Of Mentally Ill, Retarded, in Oregon

(Editor's note: The Mail Tribune printed an article by District Judge Paul Thalhofer of Umatilla county, alleging the legislature is not providing sufficient care for retarded children at Fairview home, and suggesting that the present tuberculosis hospital at The Dalles be utilized for this purpose. The following reply is by Dr. Edwin Durno, state senator from Jackson county, a member of the Senate committee on public health, who also serves on the ways and means committee.)

By DR. EDWIN DURNO  
State Senator  
Jackson County

This is in answer and explanation to the recent rather widely circulated letter sent to various newspapers of the state by Judge Paul Thalhofer of Umatilla county.

I have been a member of the subcommittee of ways and means working on the difficult problem involving the care of the mentally ill and mentally deficient patients. Although we do not claim to have solved the problem in its entirety, we feel that we have made substantial progress in that direction.

For purposes of orientation, Fairview Home has a waiting list of approximately 530. Provision of figures, indicate that there will be 160 new applicants yearly to that facility. The Oregon State Hospital which was 59 per cent overcrowded two years ago, is now 32 per cent overcrowded and the Eastern Oregon Hospital exceeds the standards set by the American Psychiatric Association by 29 per cent.

The members of the subcommittee of ways and means have, during the past three months, visited these institutions, as well as the Eastern Oregon Tuberculosis Hospital at The Dalles. We have made a careful study and evaluation of the needs of the state and the potentialities of the institutions involved, and have arrived at the conclusion that these patients should be re-deployed in the following manner:

1. FAIRVIEW HOME. This institution will soon have available 400 additional modern beds. We further propose to transfer approximately 75 of these patients to the Mid-Columbia Home and an additional 50 to the Cottage Farms Annex at Fairview. We have recently approved the construction of two pavilions to house 215 additional patients at Fairview. With the 530 on the waiting list and the 200 anticipated in the next biennium, these measures would adequately care for the now serious problem existing with respect to our institutionalized mentally deficient.

2. COTTAGE FARM is an institution in the Salem area already constructed, which will house approximately 330 mentally deficient and will be an annex to Fairview and under that institution's administrative control. The patients there would be 40 mentally deficient now in the Eastern Oregon State Hospital, 280 mentally deficient now housed at the Oregon State Hospital, and any remaining beds would be transferred from the Fairview Home itself.

3. The MID-COLUMBIA HOME for the chronically ill will receive patients over the age of 50 who are institutionalized in our several mental institutions. The home is designed to take care of the pediatric patient, be mentally ill or mentally retarded, who will not benefit from intensive treatment and who will not be a problem with respect to custodial or security care. It will be a home of rest for our aging who do need attention

with him this time. I base my reasoning on these grounds, that if I were a credit manager, examining Red China's standing and potentiality of carrying out its obligations under any trade agreement, I would have to observe that to date it has not yet lived up to a pledge made on Sept. 10, 1954 to release five Americans innocent of the alleged crime of espionage.

All efforts made by the Department of State have proven fruitless, and no further official word has been received concerning their fate except "off the record" assertions made in unofficial circles, that they are being held for ransom and would be released when a trade treaty has been negotiated. These five Americans are Richard Pecteau and Charles Downey, both civilian army employees; Robert McCann and Hugh Redmond, both business men; and Bishop James Walsh, a Catholic missionary. The first two were captured in 1952, the businessmen arrested in 1951, and the missionary in 1958.

A prime requisite of any signer to a trade agreement is the reliability of the signatories, how they carry out their pledges. From the evidence, Red China has no conscience as to how they would use any tactics to gain their ends. Let them return our citizens, then negotiate aboveboard for a trade treaty. It is highly dishonorable for us to imply a trade treaty might be obtainable being pressured by commercial interests here, while our State Department is trying to effect the release of our citizens on purely moral grounds. That is not fair to the State Department or to the victims of injustice, and would place this country in a morally indefensible position.

The next move is up to the Red Chinese Government to establish itself in a better light before the nations of the world.

R. V. MacDowell  
1027 West Broadway  
Eugene, Ore.

**Minimum Protection**  
To the Editor: May I congratulate you on your two editorials in Sunday's Mail Tribune, with reference to compulsory automobile insurance and the uninsured motorists coverage.

I believe however, you could see the situation from a little different viewpoint if you would put to yourself three questions:

1. What percentage of the vehicles on the highways of Oregon are from out of State?

2. Would you propose to stop every out of State vehicle at the border and require them to furnish evidence on insurance before entering the State?

3. Does not the "uninsured motorists" bill recently passed provide at least a minimum of protection against such persons?

It has always been felt that where the individual fails, the Government must step in to compel the individual to provide the means of taking care of himself. I am thinking of State Workmen's Compensation, Social Security, and such legislation.

Perhaps the above may change your attitude slightly as to the advisability of compulsory automobile insurance, or your objections to the uninsured motorists coverage.

Cole Holmes, manager,  
The R. A. Holmes Agency, Medford.

**Return U.S. Citizens**  
To the Editor: In trying to keep up with the crowded agenda of our legislators at Salem, I came to the conclusion that their compensation is pitifully inadequate, that it should be at least doubled. And the task of trying to decide which of the many important bills required my personal concern and action with limited time and opportunity for study, makes it extremely difficult for the average citizen to lend his support pro or con on many of these matters.

But one that I recently heard about, was a memorial to be addressed to our President, House and Senate Joint Memorial 5, calling for negotiations with the Communist government of Red China for a trade treaty. Congressman Charles O. Porter has come out in favor of such a treaty, upon what grounds? I am not quite sure, but under the circumstances I cannot agree

and supervision. The beautiful site with the adequate buildings at The Dalles provides a rare opportunity for a home for those people in this aging group.

4. OREGON STATE HOSPITAL. Turning to the mentally ill, our first consideration is the Oregon State Hospital which is 32 per cent overcrowded. Two hundred eighty of these patients would be transferred to the Cottage Farm, approximately 100 to the Mid-Columbia Home, and an unknown number to the new Dammasch hospital upon the completion of that institution.

5. EASTERN OREGON HOSPITAL is 29 per cent overcrowded and approximately 40 patients would be eligible to transfer to the Mid-Columbia Home.

6. DAMMASCH HOSPITAL. The first phase of Dammasch Hospital will be completed this biennium, and at that time there will be further transfer of patients from the other mental hospitals.

It is noteworthy that there is no increase in the mentally ill population at the present time, due to modern intensive therapy and to the improvement in follow-up and outpatient techniques.

I believe that an analysis and comprehension of the above factual information will pretty well demonstrate that we have the problem of the mentally ill and mentally deficient patient well in hand.

Before concluding these remarks, I think it would be well to also consider the program that is being presented to the Legislature which has every likelihood of meeting with their approval.

1. New money has been appropriated for the expansion of the Out-patient Department of Eastern Oregon State Hospital. Occupational and recreational therapy facilities will be developed in the Intensive Treatment Building there.

2. A similar program is in force at Oregon State Hospital.

3. The Intensive Treatment Unit of Mental Disease, a pilot program, is in full operation at the University of Oregon Hospital at Portland.

4. The Dammasch Intensive Treatment Section, with every component of modern therapy, will be in operation this biennium.

5. There is a mental rehabilitation project going at the present time with the Oregon State Hospital and participating home county.

6. There is an increased appropriation from \$230,000 to \$704,000 for the teaching of our mentally retarded in the public schools.

7. Appropriations have been authorized for 100 scholarships for teachers of the mentally retarded that they may qualify and thus the districts will be able to receive these reimbursable funds.

8. There is a further appropriation of \$250,000 being considered for the gifted child. While this represents the other end of the rainbow, we feel that it is most important that we make it possible for the development of these talents which have been neglected to date. Oregon has 5.6 per cent of its children who have IQ's of over 135. The national average is between 2 and 3 per cent. We feel that these children should be kept in their normal environment but should be given the opportunity to develop their special talents with extra programs and extra opportunities outside of the regular school room.

We further believe that the creation of the Mid-Columbia Home, the creation of new facilities at Fairview, and the shifting of our mentally ill and mentally retarded population, will result in the satisfactory care, treatment and development of the unused potential in our youthful and older citizens.

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