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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
June 1, 1949 (Wednesday)
Ashland school district voters pass the annual budget with a small turnout.

20 YEARS AGO
June 1, 1939 (Thursday)
City Sanitary service offers free dumping on its Bear creek dump grounds under an agreement with the Jackson county court against indiscriminate dumping along country roads.

30 YEARS AGO
June 1, 1929 (Saturday)
Coppo buys four acres on Bear creek for a new substation.

40 YEARS AGO
June 1, 1919 (Sunday)
A crew of girls this apples at the Eddie Cariton orchard near Table Rock.

50 YEARS AGO
June 1, 1909 (Tuesday)
Shipments of ties for the P. and E. railroad begins as right of way grading gets under way near Eagle Point.

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

1. What poem commences with the words "This is the forest primeval?"
2. Which Apostle was a publican?
3. What is a femme de chambre?
4. Do you identify the Mayo Brothers as famous circus performers, baseball players or physicians?
5. Name the airman who led the original bombing raid on Tokyo in World War II.
6. Correct the following: "Mumps are a contagious disease."
7. In what State is the Grand Coulee Dam?
8. Are bulls particularly excited by a red object?
9. Which have larger seeds, blueberries or huckleberries?
10. What is a campanile?

Answers: 1. "Evangelina"; 2. Matthew; 3. A chambermaid; 4. Physicians; 5. James H. Doolittle; 6. "Mumps is"; 7. Washington State; 8. No; 9. Huckleberries; 10. A bell tower.

ELIOT WADSWORTH DIES
Washington (UPI)—Eliot Wadsworth, 82, former assistant secretary of the treasury, died at his home Friday.

Shakespeare Can Be Fun

No culture in our West? Well, we try. Over in the Ashland-Medford area, with generous help from other sections of the state, they try successfully.

We are thinking, of course, of the Oregon Shakespearean Festival, which annually rakes in thousands of people each summer for the production of four of William Shakespeare's masterpieces. The summer plays have become a major attraction not only in Oregon, but also for Northern California and to some extent, the nation. It has been pleasant to sit under the stars on a warm evening and see and hear the classic stories.

THE Festival was dealt a blow after last season, however, when its stage was condemned. Friends of the Festival, and Ashland merchants to whom the Festival has become a major economic asset, put their shoulders to the wheel of a fund raising drive all winter.

Sought was \$275,000 for a new stage in the classic Shakespearean mold. The stage is almost complete now—but the fund drive is not quite a success. Approximately \$250,000 has been raised, leaving about \$25,000 more to be realized. If the record so far is an indication, the goal will be made by the July 28 Festival opening. It certainly should be, for the Festival is a needed thing. Moreover, it's fun.—The World, Coos Bay.

How to Stop Smut Mail

A postmaster can't open first class mail because it's secret by federal law. But he occasionally finds out what some of it contains when irate patrons bring it in.

One of the latest bits of first class mail was brought in by an outraged mother. It was pure smut mailed unsolicited to her eight-year-old son. The mailed smut racket has become big business and the Post Office Department is trying to crack down on it. In the past 12 months 293 people around the country have been arrested for such illegal mailings. This is an area where the department usually can step in without too much trouble. Most of the material is so crude and obvious as to rule out any claims of art censorship.

AND the means of getting the mailing lists are ingenious. Sometimes high school graduation lists are used. But frequently an attempt is made to get at the younger set by devious means. For example, the department has learned that a youth can find himself on such a mailing list after writing for a model airplane catalogue or a packet of stamps and get back a listing of dirty films. The biggest protection these dealers have is the sacredness of first class mail. And the only solution for the individual is to turn over the mail to the postmaster. They have promised it will be on its way to the postal inspector's office the same day.—Capital-Journal, Salem.

More Evidence

A word to the wise, they say, is sufficient. But it must take more words to convince those who do not heed the facts. Thus, we call attention to the experience in Coquille. In the five years that residents of that city have added fluorides to their water, tooth decay among children has dropped 20 per cent. National figures show that the optimum results do not become apparent for about 10 years, when the decline in dental cavities reaches about two-thirds.

We have seen no reports that suggest anybody in Coquille has turned blue, shriveled up, or died of a horrible disease because of the addition of fluorides to the water. How long will it take Eugene and other communities, where superstition has played such a large role, to recognize the beneficial experience of towns like Coquille? —Eugene Register-Guard

Time and Foreign Aid

Dr. Vannevar Bush, one of our most eminent scientists, has stated that our program of foreign aid "must continue as long as the Communist threat endures." An arbitrary cut-off date, he says, would be a "calamity of the first order." Dr. Bush in making such a statement is probably not thinking of the Communist threat in terms of a "cold war" or of our aid as a weapon in that struggle. What he is doing, rather, is to dramatize the fact that weakness, instability, insecurity and fear provide a ground in which the Communist threat can flourish.

What we need to do is to make persons and societies strong in their own right. This not only offsets this Communist "threat" but also lays the ground for progress in human betterment.

DR. BUSH does not set any fixed time limit on the endurance of the threat. But he is not pessimistic. He holds that the processes of education and enlightenment, within the very confines of the Communist tyranny, cannot be permanently denied. The spark of true learning will eventually touch off the fire that consumes the enemies of the human mind and the human spirit. With such an end in view we can well afford to give the help that will make resistance to those enemies stronger. This is the analysis of a skilled scientist with a world-wide outlook. The words of Dr. Bush can well be heeded at this time. —New York Times

Dennis the Menace



Washington Report

By WILLIAM S. WHITE

THREAT TO AID
Washington—Amazing is the word for the situation of cross-currents in which the Eisenhower Administration's \$3,900,000,000 foreign aid program has been placed partly by the Administration itself.

If foreign aid is to be reformed in a businesslike way the President will have to join his bipartisan foreign policy backers in Congress to overcome the Treasury-Budget alliance downtown and the appropriations committee alliance on Capitol Hill. Lacking some such reform, foreign aid itself will surely die within a few years in the face of growing national and Congressional boredom and dissatisfaction with the old mold.

Incidentally they also want to reduce military aid somewhat. Particularly, they would like to cut it down to little countries where jet planes are really not so needed, or so useful, as irrigation systems and better roads.

THEIR real and basic purpose, in a word, is to set up a non-handout kind of economic aid with a five-year authorization. This would mean that other countries could plan on construction schemes in the only way many can be sensibly planned over a period of years. As it stands, assistance is on a year-to-year schedule. It is possible to begin a big dam in a small republic; but it is not necessarily possible to finish it. The country concerned cannot be absolutely certain that the aid permitting a start in one year will be forthcoming for the next year.

But this basic purpose has run into complications beyond ready belief. "The Administration" is described as being opposed to enlarging the repayable loan fund beyond the \$700,000,000 asked for it by the Budget Bureau, and this is the state of affairs even though the President himself two years ago was asking just such an enlargement—and for five years.

BUT though "The Administration" is taking this line the facts, underneath, are these: a very important part of the "The Administration," the State Department, is quietly for, and not against, such an enlargement. Thus it comes down to this: "The Administration" here really means the Budget Bureau and the Treasury Department. The function of these agencies is to try to keep the books balanced—and never mind what they say in Pakistan or Peru.

Where the White House itself actually stands cannot be known until the President speaks up with unmistakable plainness. He is being asked to do that by the chief Senate Democratic foreign policy spokesman, Senator J. W. Fulbright of Arkansas. Certain Senate Republicans are urging Fulbright on though, understandably, they do not care to take an open lead with him.

Even this, however, is not the end of a tale of complications compounded. For even assuming that Fulbright and company at last bring the true "Administration," the President himself, onto their side, there will be yet more trouble.

THIS trouble is in-built in Congress itself. For a five-year authorization program would bypass the powerful appropriations committees of Congress. Heretofore, these have had the final word on money every year. It might be possible to coax the Senate appropriations committee to go along. It would be profoundly difficult, however, to persuade the House committee to do so. The House is very jealous of its constitutional right to initiate all appropriations.

Looking For Clues:
Cuba's Caribbean neighbors view with considerable suspicion Prime Minister Fidel Castro's recent disavowal of any intent to meddle in the internal affairs of other nations. They believe it was dictated by more practical politics than by conviction and that Castro realized he would have to secure his revolution at home before exporting it to Haiti, Nicaragua or Guatemala. They believe his decision also was prompted by the quick action of the Organization of American States in curbing the attempted invasion of Panama from Cuba. However, they say it is a breathing spell only and that the Caribbean will continue to be a powder keg so long as the crusade-minded Cuban government offers haven to revolutionaries. Shakeup? Poland's Premier Josef Cyrankiewicz is the subject of this popular story: "Poland would have been sure of a gold medal in the last Olympics if we had entered Cyrankiewicz for the water events. He can swim in any waters." Nonetheless, reports persist in Warsaw that Cyrankiewicz is on his way out and that he probably will be succeeded by Foreign Minister Adam Rapacki. London diplomats returning from Warsaw say that while the Polish press speaks less frequently these days of a separate Polish road to socialism, there is no sign that Wladyslaw Gomułka, first secretary of the Communist party, is returning four-square to the Moscow line. A hitherto unpublished story about Gomułka if of a class reported to have taken place last year between Gomułka and East German Communist leader Walter Ulbricht during the latter's visit to Moscow. Ulbricht planned a fire-breathing speech attacking the United States. Gomułka asked him to tone it down, and when Ulbricht refused, the speech was cancelled despite the fact radio and TV time had been cleared and a crowd of 2,500 waited. Olympics: Now that Nationalist China has been expelled from the International Olympics committee, Red China is expected to make a bid to compete in the games. The Reds are pursuing a state sports program that rivals the Soviet Union's for developing Olympic caliber athletes. Radio Peiping said last week that 70,000 Chinese primary and high school students are attending 700 "spare-time sports schools." The youngsters get training in football, basketball, track and field, gymnastics, swimming, skating and table tennis.

Wilson Decries 'Fat-Headed Complacency' In United States Over Communist Menace

By LYLE C. WILSON
Washington (UPI)—The shocking story of Communist spying in the United States rambles on. It arouses less public interest than last year's fashions in women's skirts.

Why it is that the American people are so complacently fat-headed about deadly menace of Communism to the American way of life is a baffling question. The warnings have been loud and they have been sounding for a long time. Back in 1930 one Dimitri Z. Manuilsky spoke in Moscow before the Lenin School of Political Warfare. Among other things, Comrade Manuilsky said: "War to the hilt between Communism and capitalism is inevitable. Today (1930), of course, we are not strong enough to attack. Our time will come in 20 or 30 years (1950 to 1960). To win, we shall need the element of surprise. The bourgeois (that's us) will have to be put to sleep. 'We Shall Smash Them' "So, we shall begin by launching the most spectacular peace movement on record. There will be electrifying overtures and unheard of concessions. The capitalistic countries, stupid and decadent, will rejoice to cooperate in their own destruction. They will leap at another chance to be friends. As soon as their guard is down, we shall smash them with our clenched fists." The House Committee on Un-American Activities cited that speech in a report and remarked: "The Soviet Union's protestations of peaceful intent and a desire for true friendship with the United States are an utter sham. This is one fact that stands out sharply as a result of this committee's investigation and study of current Communist espionage operations in this country."

Communism's peace movement has been under way now for some time. Sham and phony though it be, Communist propaganda for peace and coexistence is firmly imbedded in the Free World's headlines. Nikita Khrushchev occasionally blurts something off key such as his crack, "We will bury you," or his promise that the current crop of U.S. grandchildren will become socialists. Red Spies Are Busy Despite peaceful talk, Communist activities, espionage, infiltration of U. S. institutions is booming today as rarely before. Director J. Edgar Hoover of the FBI regularly warns his fellow citizens of their danger, but there is little evidence that they heed his words.

Hoover's warning this month was that the Communists were stepping up their efforts to recruit young people and workers in vital industries. He said: "The Communist aim is, of course, to eat into our economic life and freedom."

In April, Hoover warned that U. S. Communist leaders were going into "full scale action" here under new orders from Moscow. A Justice Department official estimates that in a rather recent 18-month period the FBI referred 481 espionage cases to the department. That is near an average rate of one a day. American citizens seem not to be aware of or care little about Communism's determined plans for a bright, new Red world. In a letter some months ago discussing this fat-headed complacency, President Eisenhower wrote: "I am often astonished . . . at the apparent apathy of so many Americans."

Foreign Assignment Book: Castro Eyed Suspiciously; Polish Premier Leaving?

By PHIL NEWSOM
UPI Foreign Editor
From the foreign editor's assignment book:

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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.

Praise for Mirick
To the Editor: Your recent editorial regarding two concerts at separate schools by the students of vocal music, and your tribute to Lynn Sjolund, was much appreciated by all of us who work in the vineyard of good music. And your attendance there was a good thing. However I did not see you at the orchestral concert at Hedrick High last Monday.

There you would have heard something to really talk about. When I came to Medford in 1945 the instrumental program in the schools had fallen to such a low standard that there was no orchestra and the band was barely existent. Into this situation Irv Mirick came to bring order out of chaos. There was hardly any music, instruments non-existing and in poor condition and a general lack. By his own efforts, and against considerable opposition, he has developed and carried forward a program of growth and excellence.

The vocal program has always been here but Mirick has started from scratch with practically nothing, and by his adherence to his ideal and willingness to work for it, has achieved in these 14 years excellent organization, apparently no friction, respect from those under him and the sincere loyalty of the children besides recognition far afield. The recent consolidation will put several strains on him and his staff, but they will come through because he knows what he is doing, why he is doing it and how to do it. It will not be well for the musical program he has instituted if by any chance he is not listened to and consulted in this greater opportunity facing us.

R. D. Werner,
531 Pennsylvania ave.,
Medford.

Will Steel's Memory
To the Editor: The fine tribute paid to the memory of William Gladstone Steel by the Mail Tribune, commenting on the 57th anniversary of Crater Lake Park. His many friends remember Will Steel's devoted and tireless work in saving that sweep of wonderland for the esthetic, the scenic and recreational enjoyment of people here, and the increasing numbers who include it in their itinerary. A few words of its inception might be of some value.

Despite the colored lantern slides of Crater Lake and its Tiffany-like setting on a mighty mountain that once was there, that he showed to overflowing audiences in churches, school houses, any place he could find in Washington, D. C. and nearby communities, Will Steel told this writer that he never got a firm commitment for the establishment of Crater Lake Park till late on a wintry evening on a street corner in Washington. He managed to button-hole Secretary of Interior Gifford Pinchot. With a Senator Smathers not there with his critical, delaying inundo, he was able to con-

vince Pinchot of the many values of Crater Lake for public need and enjoyment. "That raw bitterly cold night," Will told me, "really helped. I was well protected in my 'battle-dress' (as he called his Inverness cape, oldsters will remember) but I held the shivering Secretary there till I got a firm promise for his help in the establishment of Crater Lake park."

That was the memorable time when, with three sandwiches to sustain him from the capital back to Portland, and with one hoarded nickel for the street car ride home, best of all he would say, "I had fifty thousand dollars to start the good work."

With the south and west entrances open for some time, and the north one just opened, the usual Hegira there on June 15 opening day and lectures starting the 17th, there's assurance that William Gladstone Steel will be increasingly mentioned in them.

F. J. Clifford,
Route 2, Box 200F,
Central Point.

Seeks Dog Control
To the Editor: Thank you for your editorial of May 28 regarding leash laws for dogs in the Medford area. We feel that those who have dogs and feel a responsibility in their care and protection will also understand our concern with regard to our children and dogs on the school playgrounds.

We of the Jefferson Parent-Teachers Association have adopted a resolution stating that we will try to find some means of controlling this situation, be it by city ordinance or perhaps school authority. I'm sure that all of us recognize this danger insofar as injuries are concerned, but there is also a monetary question to be raised, with torn clothing and lost lunches to be considered. We would appreciate hearing from people in this area on this question if they can help us with suggestions and we also welcome their criticisms. Mrs. Herbert L. Roberts, Publicity Chairman, Jefferson Parent-Teachers Assn., 1006 South Oakdale, Medford.

A Moderate Voice
To the Editor: A further word on the topic discussed by Mr. Sweeney in the Mail Tribune on May 26, and the answer by Mrs. Woods on May 29. Protestantism and Catholicism have grown together, in this country, for over 200 years, because of a climate of relative peace. Today, how-

ever, there exists in each camp a minority, often outspoken and influential. By unjust bickering between themselves, they consciously, or unconsciously, are undermining both Protestantism and Catholicism on their only common ground; supplying people with the necessary means to their Ultimate End. Destroy this common ground, and you destroy both forms of Christianity. Such a condition can only further the already frustratingly chaotic procedure of mankind. Let us digress further from the real issue, would not Messrs. Sweeney and Woods reconcile themselves to the fact they perhaps have allied themselves with a harmful minority, and further, by avoiding these groups in the future, may with the Grace of God help Protestantism and Catholicism, and therefore themselves toward their Eternal End! Robert J. Howard, 828 B. West 14th st., Medford.

Kwazy, Man
To the Editor: I wonder what them kwazy monkeys thinks of us kwazy peoples today? Everett Acklin, Box 233, Ashland.

WITNESSES SILENCED
Memphis, Tenn.—(UPI)—City Court Judge Beverly Bushe refused to let a dog take the witness stand Friday. Carl Elam, in court on charges that his pekingese dogs were disturbing neighbors, offered to let one of them bark in court to prove the bark wasn't loud enough to disturb anyone. The judge said no, but dismissed a charge of violating the city's antinoise ordinance.

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