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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 Aug. 31, 1949 (Wednesday) Medford Patrolman Warren Cole, chasing two racing autos, wrecks his motorcycle and loses a shoe but hops aboard a Fluhrer's bakery truck and successfully catches his prey.

20 YEARS AGO Aug. 31, 1939 (Thursday) The Medford school system lists its facilities for this year, and one new name is that of Leonard Mayfield as Medford High school principal.

30 YEARS AGO Aug. 31, 1929 (Saturday) A scarcity of rental housing in Medford is reported. Grants Pass sees a "political plot" in building a new road to Diamond Lake.

40 YEARS AGO Aug. 31, 1919 (Sunday) Jasper N. Miller, 79, is to teach at Spencer Creek school. People are urged to eat rye bread to cut the high cost of living.

50 YEARS AGO Aug. 31, 1909 (Tuesday) A shipment of Rogue Bartlett sells for \$3.70 a box in Boston.

The circuit court term opens Sept. 7, with the State vs. George Putnam, Tribune publisher, for criminal libel being a prominent docket item.

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

1. According to the Bible, who was the father of Methu-selah? 2. What is the American slang equivalent of an English bobby? 3. What volatile, inflammable, liquid hydrocarbon mixture is used as a fuel? 4. Who are the Jaycees? 5. Was the current small size U. S. currency first placed in circulation in 1927, 1929, or 1931? 6. Is Pablo Picasso famed as a poet, novelist, painter, or sculptor? 7. How much does it cost to send an Air Mail postal card? 8. In what state is the winter resort of Sun Valley? 9. Who was President of the U. S. when Alaska was purchased from Russia in 1867?

Answers: 1. Enoch. 2. Cop or copper. 3. Members of religious order in ancient Gaul, Britain and Ireland. 4. Gasoline. 5. U. S. Junior Chamber of Commerce members. 6. 1929. 7. Painter and sculptor. 8. 2 cents. 9. Idaho. 10. Andrew Johnson.

AUTHORIZE LOANS Lisbon - (UPI) - The government has authorized loans totaling more than \$50 million for the modernization of Portugal's merchant fleet and fishing industry, spokesmen for the National Development Plan said today.

Of Timing and the River

Recently, we read that "primaries" in a remote province of Malaya require that candidates for public office swim a river teeming with crocodiles. If they make it to the other side, their election is all but assured. If they don't—well, no one ever said politics was a gentleman's game. We mention this simply as an analogy to the present U.S. political scene, in which avowed, unavowed and disavowed candidates for presidential nomination next year are in somewhat treacherous waters themselves.

WHILE the jaws of pundits, pollsters and members of the opposite party in our civilized society are generally concerned with mousing "inside dope" and caustic commentary rather than with actual dismemberment of the candidates, we wonder if Nixon, Rockefeller, Kennedy, Humphrey, Stevenson and the others would not prefer less show of teeth at present. Of course, most have brought it on themselves one way or another by getting into the political swim, so far ahead of election time. We hope, for their sakes, that if they survive the current "ordeal of the crocodiles" they can also avoid becoming waterlogged before the races begin in earnest next year.—E.W.

Easy Surrender

A sign carried by a teenage girl in recent Little Rock school disturbances gives a clue to the distressing spread of communism. The sign said, "Integration is Communism."

It isn't communism, of course. It is of moderate importance that the teenage girl thinks it is communism. It is of major importance if the sign she carried convinces a person who likes integration that integration is communism. That person may reason, "If integration is communism, then communism is for me."

THE danger goes even further. Reactionaries and foot-draggers of all stripes have charged that public works are communism. Same for public housing. And public power. And public health programs. And the graduated income tax. And such attempts at world brotherhood as the United Nations.

These people are, by default, defining communism as the sum total of many good things that many people want and need. Because they denounce good things as communism (which they likely are not), their voices are less authoritative when they mention bad things that communism espouses.

IF COMMUNISTS someplace in the world are favoring integration or public health programs or world peace, it does not follow that the rest of us should abandon those projects. Rather, we should do a better job with them than the Communists can do. At the same time we can keep high the standard of human dignity, which the Communists cannot possibly do.

The cold war is tough enough, at best. Let's not give it away by labeling as communistic some ideals that should be essential in our fight against totalitarianism.—Eugene Register-Guard.

When Sirius Stalks the Sun

When Sirius, the watchdog of the firmament, and the sun rise in conjunction, the earth simmers and men are seized by strange maladies. So held the ancients. Moderns know better. They know that the conjunction comes at different times in different latitudes, yet they still speak of "the dog days," that almost unbearably hot spell which comes so often in late summer.

Perhaps dogs are not especially prone to madness when the forecast day after day proclaims: Fair and Hot. But when the mercury refuses to descend below 90, there is cause enough for madness—even in these days of air-conditioning. After all, between the electrically cooled office and the electrically cooled home—or tavern—a man must expose himself at least briefly to the asphalt skillet. Indeed, the contrast may make him all the more conscious of the heat.

MODERNS cannot help wondering how their ancestors survived "the dog days" with no more than a palm leaf fan—or a cardboard one, courtesy of the coal dealer—to stir the air a little. At least they were not driven to the verge of despair when a power failure such as New York's deprived them of their electrical cooling gadgets.

They put the ice man's card in the window daily, instead of every other day, and boosted their order from 50 to 100 pounds. They took to hammocks under the trees or on a shady porch. The wet-cold lemonade pitchers were filled and filled again. The young, undisturbed by exercise in the heat of the day, lived in the swimming hole or turned the garden hose on each other.

Yet then as now there were complaints of hay fever—hardly anybody had heard of allergies—and discussions as to whether the sea-shore or the mountains offered greater relief. (Actually, neither helps much.) Interest in lawns and gardens flagged. Tempers grew short. And, then as now, the best antidote for a short temper was a tall drink.—St. Louis Post Dispatch.

HOLD MANEUVERS

Stuttgart, West Germany—(UPI)—Troops and planes participated today in West Germany's biggest military maneuvers of the year. "Operation Ulmer Spatz" got under way Sunday with a mock battle involving more than 18,000 men.

ACCUSES ISRAEL

Moscow—(UPI)—Izvestia accused Israel's government Sunday of "dragging the country into a military conflagration." "By its irresponsible actions, Tel Aviv is making itself look more and more like Bonn," the Soviet government newspaper said.

Dennis the Menace



"TURN AROUND, DAD! HERE COMES YOUR BOWLIN' BALL!"

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.

Fears "One-Worldism"

To the Editor: Thank you for printing the communication sent in by Earl W. Temple of Rogue River. I believe you are all wrong in your opinion of the American Mercury. Your entire column in the Aug. 25th issue was devoted to slandering the character of the American Mercury and by implication the men who edit it. I would wish to call your attention to just one sentence of your editorial. "Aren't they (Americans) able to distinguish between the naked threat of force or subversion, and the alternative of peaceful (or non hot war) competition." The peaceful or non hot war that you mention is the biggest hoax that is being palmed off on the American people today. You cannot have peace with a rattlesnake. There can be no peaceful co-existence with the treacherous butchers of Budapest.

The Russian people stand for everything their leaders stand for. The ones who don't will never get to America. The ones who do get to America are no better than the leaders. Christian Americans have no mutual grounds on which they can meet the Russians. And by Russians, I mean the God-hating, atheistic, freedom destroying group of people who are running Russia today. The only "Americans" who have mutual grounds to meet the Russians are the ones who don't believe there is a God and who deny that the Bible is the Word of God. People who don't believe in God have a place of meeting. At least they can agree on one subject.

No, Mr. Allen, I do not believe Americans are afraid of Russian guns or atoms or subs, but true Americans are afraid of "One Worldism" by brain washing from within.

Carroll Powell, Box 621, Central Point, Ore.

Mr. Rovere's Past

To the Editor: Re: your editorial, Aug. 25, 1959, "Mercury and McCarthy" — "One recent book, 'Senator Joe McCarthy' by Richard Rovere, etc."

You go on to say "Readers of this review should know that Mr. Sprague is editor and publisher of the respected Oregon Statesman in Salem, is a Republican, and is a former governor of the state."

You failed to advise your readers that the "enlightened" author Rovere was a past editor of the "People's World," listed by the U.S. attorney general's office as a voice of the Communist party! Oscar William Cleal Jr., 575 Olive St., Menlo Park, Calif.

Truckers Defended

To the Editor: I have sent the following letter to Sen. Wayne L. Morse:

In the Medford Mail Tribune I note that you propose a rule that trucks carrying explosives may not pass through a town or city. Now may I ask, what do you propose in the event there is no road around a town, or as sometimes happens, there are restrictions on trucks using back roads which would be necessary in order to by-pass a town?

Mr. Morse, have you ever driven a truck of any kind? I'll bet you've never even ridden in a truck larger than one commonly referred to as a "pickup," and then no farther than is necessary. I find, according to Mr. Frank Jenk-

word was received that she was a resident of Missouri, she was immediately cut off without only time being given for her to get ready for the journey. It was an ultimatum to starve her into submission. This lady is a legal resident of Oregon having resided here almost nine months, and over six months when she was cut off from assistance. The state of Missouri upholds residence up to an absence of twelve months. Oregon Law says you are a bonafide resident after six months for all general purposes, to vote, fish, and hunt. Exception to this, divorce laws. The welfare administration adopts its own methods of procedure, hence, the conflict.

The Salvation Army was approached for an order of groceries on July 16 by my wife. They contacted the welfare, who informed them of the Missouri proposition. On the basis of this they refused help. The welfare said it was our responsibility, that is, Philadelphia Church. The lady and husband made their own decision to stay for reasons I cannot state here. We endeavored to fill the spiritual and physical need.

We wish to thank the Medford Gospel Mission for their help from time to time, also others, and the many inquiries the past few days.

It has warmed the hearts of the family and has given them a new lease on life. After all, this is the real American way of life, to help others. This is the Christian way.

All I can say is God bless you. If anyone has any doubt as to the authenticity of this letter, I shall be glad to answer any questions to all concerned. Phone UL 5-1071. There is still a need of a cook stove.

Rev. Thomas White, Route 1, Box 344, Central Point, Pastor of Philadelphia Church, 1851 Grandview ave., Medford.

Comments on Fair

To the Editor: This was a doozy of a 4-H fair this year.

This is a letter about the home economics department. Why doesn't the Jackson county fair board hire home economics judges from out of the county? There is a judge they have had for three years straight or more. Some of the girls she has judged know her like she was their own mother.

Nothing against her, she knows what she is doing, but she has judged too many years straight. This judge lives in Jackson county also. When you get a judge, get them from a different county. I don't mean Klamath and Joseph counties. They are still close.

This year's style revue must of had something wrong with it. There were girls who deserved much better ribbons than what they got. This year the girls were supposed to be judged on how the dress fit, how the girl modeled it, and how the construction was visible from the outside. The score card on the styling is: I. The girl, 20 percent; posture, grooming, and attitude, 25 percent; II. The outfit on the girl, 50 percent; III. Construction visible from the outside, 25 percent. This totals 100 percent. I sure wish the styling judges would follow this. Maybe they did but if they didn't there would be some different placings. A lot of girls would have been much happier.

As a closing note I would like to say to Miss Marilou Garner, she has been a very good agent and I hope she will have much luck in California. I only hope the next agent is just as good.

A Jackson County 4-H Member (Name on file) Eagle Point, Ore.

We're Panting Today

To the Editor: If you want action, just write a letter to the Tribune about monkeys. You get poetry, funny letters and articles from various newspapers throughout the nation about monkeys, then at the last you see it on television, "Tell the Truth." I hope everyone saw it.

I received another letter yesterday, it said: "I have read your letters in the Tribune, but I don't know why. Are you leaving out a few pages between each letter or am I reading them backwards?" He guessed half of it, so I'll start from where I left off last week.

The Army got me to Ft. Stevens with two pair of pants. It's a good thing they did, for Uncle Sam didn't have any pants. The very

Editorial Comment

On Visiting Red China

Oregon's Rep. Charles O. Porter has a couple of strong points in his suit to force the Department of State to issue him a passport to visit Red China: 1) Executive interference with a legislator; 2) discrimination against a congressman in that the State Department has granted permission for 41 U. S. newspapermen to visit China.

The first point would be valid if he can show that he wants to visit China on business of the Congress, and that should not be difficult. The second bears on the right of press, public and government to find out what goes on behind the bamboo curtain.

But even if he wins his suit, Mr. Porter may not be admitted to China, unless the State Department grants the quid pro quo of admitting a Communist Chinese of equal government rank. That is what is preventing the newspapermen from entering China. The Reds want the United States to accept an equal number of Communist newspapermen, and State won't do it.—Oregonian, Portland.

Passport Suit Welcomed

Rep. Charles D. Porter, congressman from Eugene, again has raised the right-to-travel issue by filing suit against the secretary of state because of the department's refusal to grant him a passport to travel to Red China.

Though the issue has been raised before by newspapers and other information media which wished to send reporters to China and by private citizens who simply wanted to travel, Porter injects a new point by claiming that denial "is a violation of the separation of powers doctrine and impinges upon the plaintiff's constitutional rights as a member of congress."

This issue probably will raise involved legal points but even without this constitutional question, the fact remains that the state department has never given a clear answer as to why it stands on its adamant stand on the passport matter.

The issue was first raised by various newspapers and after much hammering, the state department finally agreed that a certain number of newspapermen would be granted passports.

Porter now asks, and quite logically, why, he a congressman, is denied a passport when travel rights have been granted to newsmen even if the number is limited. A little over a year ago, in connection with another passport case, the state department appeared to have descended from its autocratic position by admitting that there is constitutional right to travel abroad. The department still contended it had a right to put what is called "reasonable" restrictions on foreign travel and a spokesman for the department set out two general grounds on which the department contends passports may be denied:

One, the spokesman said, was membership in the Communist party and the other is that the proposed travel "is inimical to United States foreign policy or detrimental to the orderly conduct of United States foreign relations."

No one has accused Porter of being a Communist and the second ground is so general that it could encompass almost anything. Even if it were more specific, it still leaves unanswered the question as to the right of the department to restrict travel as a part of foreign policy. Joseph N. Welch, lecturer on the Constitution and representative of the U. S. army in the McCarthy hearings, said there is nothing about travel by an individual so significant, from the standpoint of national safety, that the federal government should be allowed to control travel by passport device.

A suit by Porter or anyone else which will bring these questions into the open and more clearly define the constitutional rights of private citizens as well as congressmen will be welcome.—Oregon Journal, Portland.

Washington Report

By WILLIAM S. WHITE

ANDERSON'S POWER

Washington - Secretary of the Treasury Robert B. Anderson has become top boss of the home front and in comparison with the most powerful man in the Cabinet.

President Eisenhower's increasing preoccupation with Nikita Khrushchev of the Soviet Union, has left Anderson in all but sole charge of the Administration's whole domestic tone.

The Secretary's conservative fiscal views have long since wholly captured the President's mind. The Anderson budget-balancing philosophy has dominated the Administration's relations with the Democratic Congress. And this Anderson philosophy is, in the end, perhaps more responsible than any other factor for the President's newly "tough" line with the Capitol—including his vetoes of unwanted bills.

This, however, for all his enormous force in American affairs, is one of the least known of all the Eisenhower Cabinet ministers. Who, really, is this man of such large and little-appreciated power?

HE IS, first of all, an ex-Texas Eisenhower Democrat from 1952 who has gone the whole way in personal transformation. He has moved his official residence to Connecticut and is now a registered Republican. (Very few native Texans ever, in any circumstances, become officially ex-Texans.) He is tall, rangy, faintly stooped, quiet almost to the point of inaudibility except when he wishes it otherwise. His thin, academic face reflects a studious and sensitive private nature.

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AUTHOR DIES

Briarcliff Manor, N. Y.—(UPI)—John Corbin, 89, author and former editorial writer and drama critic for the New York Times, died Sunday. Corbin had written at least 12 books, including "Two Frontiers of Freedom," published in 1940.

now in the Cabinet was born and brought up in a Southern Democratic state.

Anderson's predecessor as Secretary of the Treasury, George M. Humphrey, is a member of that wing of the GOP which historically is the most teetotally old-fashioned Republican—the "Ohio Republicans," as they have been called for two generations.

That Humphrey would to a large extent dominate the Cabinet was thus more or less inevitable from the day he entered it. For the Treasury post traditionally has lain close to the heart of nearly all GOP administrations, as the Secretaryship of State has done in nearly all Democratic administrations.

THE fact that Anderson is likewise in a position of dominance is quite another thing. Indeed, it is an improbable breed altogether. He has not reached this point, according to fellow Cabinet members with whom this correspondent has talked, simply as Humphrey's heir. He has come forward on his own peculiar steam.

His qualities, as his Cabinet colleagues see them, are two: a special dedication to his work, and an ability to throw off a calm but strong impression of extraordinary competence.

His strictly personal, social relations with the President are not so close as were Humphrey's, perhaps because Anderson, at 49, is a generation younger than Mr. Eisenhower. But the ex-Texan actually takes a more decisive hand in all phases of the Administration's work than even Humphrey ever did.

Humphrey, as one Cabinet informant puts it, would speak forcefully in Cabinet on the general fiscal issues closely touching the Treasury, but usually left matters there.

ANDERSON does not simply speak broadly for the Treasury. He also gets into the discussion—sometimes with a veto of his own—on every issue before the Cabinet that involves either major spending or major policy. This, of course, is another way of saying that he interests himself in everything of any consequence, no matter whose Cabinet department is especially involved.

This normally would be a good way to lose friends fast. The fact that Anderson has instead the respect and affection of the entire Cabinet thus must say a good deal about the kind of man he is. So does the fact that he retains the respect and friendship of the Democratic leaders of Congress—not excluding Speaker Sam Rayburn of Texas, who ordinarily speaks in smoky language of Democratic party bolters.

Then there is this final point. Asked, "What does the President really think of Anderson?" another Cabinet officer told me: "Put it this way: if the President were a dictator, and wanted to act as one, he would surely make Anderson his successor as President."

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