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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
Sept. 21, 1949 (Wednesday)
The Jackson County Property Owners association de-
mands reform in local garbage
disposal service.
Rabbits, swine and live-
stock are judged at the Jack-
son county 4-H fair.

20 YEARS AGO
Sept. 21, 1939 (Thursday)
Medford police officer
Clyde Fichtner leads bulls,
cows, sheep and chickens in
the 4-H livestock show parade
on the motorcycle.
From Arthur Perry's "Ye
Smudge Pot" column: "The
first hunters have returned
from the hills, where they
had no luck outside of getting
back."

30 YEARS AGO
Sept. 21, 1929 (Saturday)
Double-parkers are remind-
ed by Medford's police chief
that they face arrest if they
do.
The first frost of the fall
season hits the Rogue valley.

40 YEARS AGO
Sept. 21, 1919 (Sunday)
A local youth is fined for
mixing run and gasoline.
A brush fire near Gold Hill
causes great excitement.

50 Years Ago
Sept. 21, 1909 (Tuesday)
Jackson county's tax as-
essment on the Southern Pa-
cific railroad is raised from
\$30,000 to \$38,000 per mile of
track.
A Packard '30' runs from
Medford to Crater Lake in the
record time of four hours, 45
minutes and loses but 18 min-
utes in passing teams.

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

1. What is the meaning of
the slang expression "Adam
and Eve on a raft?"
2. Does a student graduate
from university?
3. Who was the father of
Cain and Abel?
4. Chewing-gum is partly
composed of rubber; true or
false?
5. Which is the actual
weight of a ship - the gross
tonnage, or displacement
tonnage?
6. Which state in the U. S.
has the most northerly bound-
ary?
7. In what year will the
next census of population be
taken in the U. S.?
8. In what river is Niagara
Falls?
9. Complete this quotation
from Shakespeare: "Uneasy
lies the head..."
10. What is the difference
between Arabian and Bac-
trian camels?

Answers:
1. Two poached eggs on
toast or two fried eggs. 2. No.
3. Adam. 4. False. 5. Displacement ton-
nage. 6. 1960. 7. Niagara
River. 8. "... that wears a
crown." 9. "... that wears a
one hump; Bactrian have two
humps."
MINISTER TAKES OFFICE
Amman, Jordan - (UPI) -
Moussa Nasser Sunday took
office as Jordan's new foreign
minister to complete a cabinet
shakeup ordered by Premier
Hazza Majall.

Highest Pass

Newspapers in Southern Oregon have been conducting a battle of the passes.

The Klamath Falls Herald and News says the highest point reached on a principal highway in Oregon is the Quartz Mountain pass, 5,504 feet in elevation, on the highway between Klamath Falls and Lakeview; nearby on the same route is Drews Gap, elevation 5,306. But the Medford Mail Tribune responds that the prize should go to the summit of the Diamond Lake cutoff, north of Crater Lake Park. The Eugene Register-Guard admits that the 5,329 feet of the McKenzie Pass are too few to qualify.

There are a number of Oregon highway passes more than a mile in height. But we're not sure that elevation is the only gauge that should be used. The sharpness of the rise should also be considered. A mile-high pass in plateau country is little more than a hump in the road. But a mile-high pass reached in a short run from a valley makes for a real climb.

Having within the past two years traversed all the passes mentioned above, we nominate for the sharpest rise the western approach to McKenzie Pass. Our car's temperature gauge agrees.—Portland Oregonian.

Why the 'Bad Press'?

Last week's issue of the Oregon Labor Press reprinted an article that should be required reading for every union official (as well as militant member) in the state.

It's by Bill Abbott of the United Rubber Workers Union.

He tells about being sent into a neighboring state to conduct a school on labor problems for a local union. He dropped by the newspaper office to supply a story about the school. An amazed reporter soon had Abbott in the publisher's office, where the publisher said:

"You know, you're the first labor man who has ever been in here—in all these years—and you have to come all the way from Ohio. Tell me something, do we have B.O.?"

"Our reporters call up the union when there's a strike on, and the union says: 'No comment.' So we print management's side of the story and the union gets mad. Had the union said something, we would have printed that too."

ABBOTT goes on to detail the solution, which is to stop hiding out. He says:

"Even the most conservative papers will print your side of the story if you only give him the facts."

And he doesn't overdraw the picture. We'd be just about as amazed to see a labor official walk in. In Salem, it's even difficult to get a "no comment" since some union officials never seem to be in their offices and never can be found. We have never "in all these years," for example been able to talk to the Teamsters agent, although we've tried during every one of the many disputes.—Salem Capital Journal.

"Can't Afford It"

The Wall Street Journal is alarmed. True, not for the first time—but it is really alarmed now. The United States is facing a fiscal crisis!

"It cannot be an easy decision," the Journal editorializes, "for the President to make public acknowledgment that the government of the United States is in financial straits."

"There is the very real fear that dramatic gestures might carry such a tone of desperation as to make matters worse," the paper fears.

"TIME has caught up with a prodigal country. For more than a decade this country has spent money like the proverbial drunken sailor. We have poured out billions to make life more pleasant for farmers, to pay handsome rewards to veterans, to give ourselves a luxury of houses and roads and any sort of 'welfare' that came happily to mind. We've poured many billions of hard-earned money all over the globe. And we've done all this with a blatant disregard of the deficit the billions accrued in our accounts... The barrel is running dry not only for the treasury of the United States but for everybody."

"But a warning is an opportunity. Here the opportunity is time to choose between two paths. One is to choose inflation; not the modest inflation we have heard so much about but inflation in mammoth doses. The other is to put our house in order," says the Journal.

How does one put his house in order for such a dire calamity? According to the Journal: stop spending, and pay higher interest on the money we borrow.

If all we have to do is pay the bankers and loan sharks more interest, it will be cheap at half the price. Or something...

SO MANY people in the administration, and amongst its friends like the Wall Street Journal, claim these things that they must be true:—We can't afford to educate our children.

—We can't afford to build highways to handle our commerce.

—We can't afford to house ourselves, our poor, or our aged.

—We can't afford to give our oldsters a decent standard of living.

—We can't afford to take care of him who bore the battle, and was injured thereby.

—We can't afford to help our needy, necessary friends abroad.

—We can't afford to defend ourselves.

All we can afford to do, apparently, is give more of our treasure to the bankers.—Coos Bay World.

Dennis the Menace



"IF ANY BIRDS WANNA USE IT, WE'LL LEAVE."

Washington Report

By WILLIAM S. WHITE

Washington—Nikita Khrushchev has already convinced the best judges of such mat-

ters, our top professional politicians, that he is an extremely able politician and a canny horse-trader.

But behind this quality those whose science is that of dealing with men believe they discern another factor in our visiting adversary from the Soviet Union.

He has that touchiness which, in the capitalistic society he so scorns, has long been known as the special pride of the new-rich. No one is more contemptuous of the poor than a man who himself has lately climbed up from among them. This, in the conviction of some who have talked to Khrushchev, is perhaps the most important key to what makes him tick.

WHAT make him really angry—perhaps even angrier than a direct attack on Soviet motives—is any suggestion that the Soviet Union might be in any genuine way inferior materially to the West. Over and over he has made the barbed point, with little or no provocation, that he has not come here "to beg anything of you"; not come here "that in hand"; not come here "with a long hand to try to get into your pocket!"

Those of our officials who may yet have to deal with the details of one of the Premier's objectives, an increase in American-Russian trade, will not find the going smooth. For Khrushchev is so sensitive about the glories of Soviet production as to make it risky to insinuate even that the iceboxes are bigger in the United States.

Without suggesting at some point that maybe you have one or two items that are better than his, it is not easy to trade with another man.

KHRUSHCHEV has left the impression in many minds that he is at least as proud of Soviet economic and industrial achievements as he is of that famous shot to the moon. It is an extraordinary experience to sit and listen and realize that this head of the vast apparatus of conspiratorial communism sometimes thinks and talks like a man from the Chamber of Commerce.

Devoted as he no doubt is to the grim and murky ideology of communism, he seems

no less devoted to trade figures and charts showing high Soviet oil production.

The feeling, therefore, grows here that the best way to deal with this stout, easily amused and easily angered tourist may be on something approaching a strictly mercantile basis. This, in turn, means to deal through conservative spokesmen with a special skill for giving what might be called a high-class business tone among high-class business equals.

Khrushchev has a rather arch way of expressing fondness for those in America who may be Communists or turned that way. But it is ten to one that when it comes down to real business—to almost any aspect of his business here—he would ignore such characters in total contempt.

PRO-COMMUNISTS have value to him, that is, as docile disciples of the perverse theology of communism. But Mr. K.—and quite soundly, too—would never entrust anything of importance to such as these. He did not reach his present place without realizing that the loudly doctrinaire people are nearly always only windy bores, no matter how earnest their faith.

If this estimate of the Premier is correct, incidentally, it raises one reassuring possibility: Certainly there are dangerous Soviet agents in this country. But they are extremely unlikely to be among that rag-tag group of breast-beating party-liners that Congressional committees used to abuse and to chase so melodramatically back and forth across the political landscape. Mr. K.'s agents would be of a different sort altogether.

What we have here is a man who respects power—industrial power quite as much as military power—who plainly intends to run more than one kind of propaganda show. Not the least of these propaganda shows is the one by which Mr. K. intends to suggest that they don't do it any better in Detroit or Pittsburgh than they do it in the Ukraine or Leningrad.

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ICEBREAKER IS SUCCESS
London - (UPI) - Radio Moscow Sunday announced that the maiden voyage of the Soviet atomic ice breaker Lenin was successful and said the vessel's engines had been working almost two days. The Lenin was reported to have set course for Finland.

EBBETS FIELD, all but deserted since the Brooklyn Dodgers followed the lure of lucre to Los Angeles, brings back a host of fond memories to oldsters. The very first day Ebbets Field was to open in 1913, not one of the large and eager crowd could gain admittance for more than an hour. The keys to the gates had been lost.

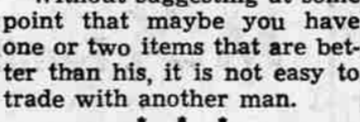
Then came the elaborate opening game ceremonies. Behind a noisy if uncertain brass band, marched the Mayor of New York, followed by Prexy Charley Ebbets and his valiant athletes. When they reached the flagpole, they discovered there was no flag to hoist. Ebbets had forgotten to order one.

Years later, at another opener, after the Dodger hurler had fanned the lead-off batter, someone recalled that a V.I.P. had been invited to toss out the first ball. The game was started all over again... Memories...

A husband I know reluctantly closed his joint checking account at the bank. His wife always beat him to the draw.

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WHERE'S THE FLAG BOYS?



Invited him here to im-

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An Incident

To the Editor: Here is a story which everybody in America ought to know in connection with Mr. Khrushchev's arrival. In the opinion of Frank Laubach it expresses beautifully the deep universal craving of all peoples for peace. Mrs. Margaret Westmoreland, of Canton, North Carolina, was visiting Kiev, Ukraine, Russia, a month and a half ago. This is her story:

"I was standing under the statue of a memorial to the wives and mothers of the dead Russian soldiers. It was a statue of two women. On the arm of each woman was a wounded soldier. As I stood there looking at that statue a great wave of compassion went out from me, and I prayed that God might bring peace to the hearts of all those who had suffered. I noticed that a little distance from me looking up at the same statue stood two old Russian women. As I stood looking at them I felt that perhaps they had lost a husband or a son and that they had come there to pay tribute. All of a sudden my heart was so full of love for them that I started to pray for them too. When I looked up they were looking toward me with such kindly faces that I automatically reached out my hands to them. Before I knew it we were embracing each other and weeping. Neither of us could speak a word of our hearts' language, but in our hearts we read each other's thoughts. We were hoping and praying like hundreds of millions of other fathers and mothers like us that there might never be another war and that our countries might join hands in love."

"As Mr. Khrushchev comes to America I believe it is an answer to the prayers and longings of the common people of the world. And I hope and pray that America will welcome Mr. Khrushchev with the same love and warmth as I felt from the Russian people last July when I was there."

I received this from my sister who met Frank Laubach at a religious conference this past summer. We are so prone to pass on only the bad things we hear about others. So I felt compelled to pass this on to you for what it is worth.

Mrs. Harold Otteson, Eagle Point, Ore.

Vote? Vote!
To the Editor: The few lines below were also written before I knew the outcome of the Phoenix-Talent consolidation election.

Vote! Vote! Vote!
I flipped a coin
It turned up "heads,"
But "tails" I had called.
I flip again, (the modern trend)
Tails it is, a-ha!
Flip again! But I might lose!
Two out of three? How square.

I have what I want,
Why flip (vote) again?
Luetta M. Miller
Route 1, Box 329
Talent, Ore.

Hope For Objectives
To the Editor: The membership of the Oregon Council of Outdoor Advertising wishes to express our thanks for the very fine editorial you wrote in the Sept. 9 edition of the Medford Mail Tribune. We have high hopes that the formation of this group will produce the objectives we have outlined.

Jack E. Schnaidt
Public Relations Manager
Oregon Council of
Outdoor Advertising
Portland, Ore.

Old Staff
To the Editor: Ain't nobody ever told them Russians that the Democrats were the first ones to hit the moon with the ceiling in 1937?

Everett Acklin
Ashland, Ore.

Concerning Faith
To the Editor: My what a two-faced, morally and spiritually weak America we have become. Before the world we welcome Nikita Khrushchev—the power of Russia and the slaughterer of Hungary, Korea and all the others. What kind of confidence must these slaves of Communism have for us now? My grandfather said years ago—"Watch out for Russia." Now I wonder at his words.

Many people are already applauding and thinking—"Well, he's not such a bad guy after all—he wants peace—so do we." But any way you look at it—peace to Nikita Khrushchev means Communist domination. Communism he believes just happens to be the latest style in governments, so why should America be old-fashioned?

We invited him here to im-

Foreign Notebook: Red China Rocket; Oil; Algerian War

By PHIL NEWSOM
UPI Foreign Editor

From the foreign editor's notebook:

FALSE FRONT

If Red China should—rumored—send up a big rocket to celebrate its 10th anniversary around Oct. 1, don't jump to the conclusion that the Chinese Communists have a well-developed missile program. According to the best information in Asia, the Chinese Reds could launch a rocket only with the help of

Russia. As one expert put it: "About the only thing Red China would be able to contribute would be the land for the launching pad."

Italian state oil monopoly chief Enrico Mattei is rumored on the verge of another big deal. Mattei is the man who broke the 50-50 rule dividing oil income between the state and participating oil companies but its nature still is undisclosed.

Peace Is Relative

Foreign observers are applauding President Charles de Gaulle's new definition of peace in Algeria—fewer than 200 killed per year in battles or street attacks. The definition bypasses provisions for

truce talks, election of qualified negotiators and all the rest. It sets a rule of thumb that all the world can apply. De Gaulle originally planned to set the maximum at 100, but was told that even in pre-rebellion days, political rivalries killed about 150 persons per year. So he put it at 200. The present rate is roughly 100 times that much.

Tradition
If the United Nations debates Tibet, Nationalist China will claim historic right to exercise political control over the striforous Himalayan religious state. The Nationalist government will not admit that Tibet should now be given sovereignty even to rid it of Communist control. Instead, the Nationalists will cite President Chiang Kai-shek's March declaration in which he promised Tibet self-determination when and if the Nationalists regain control of the China mainland. The Nationalists, not unlike the Communists, long have claimed suzerainty over Tibet.

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This is why there is deep though well-hidden pessimism in high quarters in Washington about the final outcome of the Khrushchev visit. Buoyed by the remembered echo of the crowd's cheers in Europe, the President himself is still hopeful, according to reports, but those who have followed the Russian moods and methods more closely than the President are the very opposite of hopeful, at least about the only thing that really matters—progress on the ugly, dangerous, practical issues like Berlin and Laos.

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Matter of Fact

By Joseph Alsop

Washington—While Nikita Sergeyevich Khrushchev tours the United States, the inner group of American policy-makers wait for the answer to the key question about this strange but historic visit. Will he, or will he not change his previous estimate of American and Western power, as a result of what he sees here in this country? This is the key question about the Khrushchev visit, which will only be answered when he gets down to serious business with President Eisenhower at Camp David.

The inner policy-making group think this is the key question for a fairly simple but unpalatable reason. They believe that Khrushchev came to this country with the conviction that the Soviet bloc has already decisively outstripped the Western bloc in crude military strength. Some even suspect that Khrushchev interpreted the President's invitation to America as an admission of weakness. If this is true, Khrushchev has most certainly arrived here in no mood for opening true negotiations, but in the expectation of dictating his own terms.

UNFORTUNATELY, the evidence is strong that the Khrushchev estimate of the world power-balance is just what the inner group of policymakers fear. The persistent threat to West Berlin is of the evidence. The Communist attack on Laos is still another part. So are Khrushchev's formal, public pronouncements, like this Moscow speech to the Soviet Communist Party Congress last Feb. 5.

press him with all of our fancy gadgets, automobiles, homes, televisions. Apparently he isn't much impressed for he says: "Russia will soon pass you by." Then he goes on to impress us with their scientific achievements and we are impressed—even to the extent we have seemed to forget Hungary and the others. I think we've put our faith upon falshness and made a great mistake.

Let's we all become blind and taken in by the charm and clever words of Khrushchev—Let's consider these things:

1. How and why did America come to be in the first place? Did God have a part in it or not? Consider the Constitution and the men who wrote it. They all became angry, we're even picking up their hats and coats and getting ready to leave, when Benjamin Franklin said "Wait a minute gentlemen. This country was conceived in faith in God. Many of us here believe in prayer. Let us get upon our knees and pray Almighty God and see whether God shall give us the answer to our dilemma and problem." Upon their knees these men went, and out of that prayer meeting came the immortal document, the Constitution of the United States. Even our coins read "In God we trust" but do we?

2. Upon what does Russia put their faith—God or Science? Maybe some of us should ask ourselves the same question.

3. These riches we seek to impress Khrushchev with—to whom or what do we give credit for these blessings? You figure it yourselves—if we too put our faith on material things or Scientific things—giving God second place—shall we also become Communist slaves?

(Name on File)
Medford.

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Passenger Plane Escapes Disaster

Shannon, Ireland - (UPI) - An Air France Super-Constellation en route from New York to Paris with 21 persons made an emergency landing here Saturday with its fuselage ripped open by a runaway propeller and only two of its four engines working.

Passengers said the plane plummeted to wave-top level within seconds after the propeller flew off and buried itself in the fuselage. No one was injured, however.

The huge airliner flew the last 400 miles over the Atlantic to a safe landing here with only its two portside engines operating.

Airport officials called it a "rare feat."

The plane was carrying 12 passengers and nine crew members.

Pilot Andre Compere said his outer starboard engine developed trouble and "we had just got it feathered when... whoosh... No. 3 engine propeller just whipped away."

The propeller buried itself in the fuselage on the starboard or right side just above the wing.

EX-AMBASSADOR DIES
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