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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
Oct. 12, 1949 (Wednesday)

The effect of removing the
rent ceiling in Medford is varied,
according to observers, but no
tenants are reported to be
raising the roof about increased
rates.

Sheriff Howard Gault
announces that this year for the
first time property tax bills
will be mailed out to Jackson
County residents.

20 YEARS AGO
Oct. 12, 1939 (Thursday)

Medford corporation plans
to keep its sawmill operating
this winter until Jan. 1.

From Arthur Perry's "Ye
Smudge Pot" column: "The
continued warm weather
aggravates the Older Girls, who
want cool and snappy weather,
so they can see what sisters
have new fur coats."

30 YEARS AGO
Oct. 12, 1929 (Saturday)

Sam Newman of Table Rock
produces the first batch of
sorghum molasses.

The Rogue river fish issue
flares anew.

40 YEARS AGO
Oct. 12, 1919 (Sunday)

A caravan of Portland business
men visits the city and
valley.

T. E. Daniels, laid up for
some time by an accident during
a hunting trip, is up again
and should soon be around.

50 YEARS AGO
Oct. 12, 1909 (Tuesday)

The city of Medford cannot
appeal Judge Hanna's ruling in
the Hanley case until he
renders it in writing.

Some 15,000 acres of fruit
trees are to be planted in the
Medford area this winter.

What's Your I.Q.?

Nine or ten correct is superior;
seven or eight is excellent; five or
six is good.

1. How many stars comprise
the Big Dipper?

2. Does a hemiplegic patient
have one-half, one-quarter,
or one-third of his body
paralyzed?

3. On what continent are
pygmies found?

4. For what do the initials
A.S.C. stand, following the
name of a person in a motion-
picture credit line?

5. Is Warsaw the capital of
Czechoslovakia, Poland, or
Yugoslavia?

6. Who was assassinated
March 15, 44 B.C.?

7. In American History, who
was Geronimo?

8. What is the name for the
flesh of calves?

9. What government agency
has jurisdiction over issuance
of all radio licenses?

10. Is Manila, in the Philip-
pines, north or south of the
equator?

Answers: 1. Seven. 2. Half.
3. Africa. 4. American Society
of Cinematographers. 5. Po-
land. 6. Julius Caesar. 7.
Apache Indian Chief. 8. Veal.
9. Federal Communications
Commission. 10. North.

DISCUSS PLANS
Rome - (UPI) - Monsignor
Paul Yu Pin, exiled arch-
bishop of Nanking, China, ar-
rived here from New York
Sunday to discuss with Vatican
officials plans for a Catho-
lic university on Formosa.

Soaking Americans for Drugs

The investigation into prices of antibiotics, the so-called "wonder drugs," which the Federal Trade Commission carried out in the past three years, made it quite clear that an immense amount of work remained to be done. Though six leading pharmaceutical houses were indicted for maintaining "arbitrary, artificial, noncompetitive and rigid prices," in a case which is still pending, the FTC hardly more than scratched the surface.

Accordingly, the Senate Antitrust and Monopoly Subcommittee headed by Senator Kefauver of Tennessee has for the past five months been gathering information on the basis of which it expects to start public hearings in November.

Already it is armed with some startling comparisons of drug prices in the United States and abroad which the State Department has gathered at its request.

THESE comparisons show that "consumer costs of drugs in this country are, on the average, far in excess of the cost of similar drugs in other nations, even though the same manufacturer is involved," Senator Smathers of Florida told the Senate.

A dozen aspirin tablets which cost 12 cents in England cost 25 cents in America. The manufacturer who sells 100 tablets of Vitamin B-12 for \$2.63 in Venezuela charges \$4.88 in this country. An American-made antibiotic that costs \$3.50 in this country sells in the Soviet Union for 45 cents.

THUS, in Senator Smathers' words, "The American people, fortunate in having the most advanced medicines and drugs in the world, share alike the doubtful distinction of paying the world's highest premium for these basic human necessities."

Certainly it costs less to deliver a drug for sale in the country of its origin than it does to ship it to distant parts of the world. The price discrimination to the disadvantage of United States consumers would seem therefore to make exactly the opposite of sense.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

A Single Word

"Tell us in a single word what is the most important thing in American civilization."

This was the task posed for educator Max Lerner by a Polish journalist in Warsaw last year. A dozen responses ran through Dr. Lerner's head. Liberty . . . Equality . . . Democracy . . . Tolerance . . . but none of them seemed exactly right. Finally, thinking hard, Lerner heard himself say, "Access."

"We have heard of American success," said the Polish writer, "but never of American access. What is that?"

"Our Declaration of Independence," replied Lerner, "says that men are born free and equal. Actually we know they are born very unequal, for they have unequal potentials. But we believe all youngsters should have equal access to opportunities to develop what potentials they have. In this sense, access is the key to our society."—Oregon Labor Press.

Comments on L.A. Writers

The Associated Press reports from Chicago that Pitcher Early Wynn of the White Sox has complained of "bush league reporting" by Los Angeles sports writers, who abused the Sox for their poor fielding in the World Series games in Los Angeles.

Los Angeles sports writers are a weird band of chauvinists, with a code of ethics of their own which ignores normal journalistic regard for facts.

We up in the Pacific Northwest have had our own bitter experience with these strange characters, for whom nothing but the superlative best will do.

PACIFIC Coast conference football wasn't good enough for them, so they did their utmost to wreck the P.C.C. Minor league baseball wasn't good enough for them, so they panned it. Now they are learning that big league teams can make errors, too, and they can't seem to stand it.

Associated Press was guilty of some "bush league reporting" too in its tale of Wynn's outburst. It said he "let off steam about west coast newspapermen." Obviously he was aiming only at the L.A. writers, and the AP's statement that he aimed at "west coast newspapermen" is a slur on all newspapermen outside the L.A. fraternity.—Astorian Budget.

Fine Autumn

The sumac leaves have turned red whether frosted or not, the locust is preparing for winter by letting its leaves yellow and fall; days, though sunny and warm, seem a quiet preparation and not a promise of production. It is a fine, slow autumn, giving the earth and its plants and animals time to get ready for snow and cold.—Sherman County Journal, Moro.

Dennis the Menace



NOT BELLY DANCER! BALLET DANCER!

Washington Report

By WILLIAM S. WHITE

Washington - The proper Bostonian who is our Secretary of State is now showing to the Red Chinese quite as much steel beneath his knitted New England Yankee glove as ever did his supposed dilly tougher predecessor, John Foster Dulles.

Indeed, Secretary Christian Archibald Herter has developed a "Herter policy" toward the China Communists that goes beyond anything attempted in the old "rigid" days of the late Mr. Dulles.

And in the process he has truly turned the tables on Nikita Khrushchev, the top boss of Communists everywhere.

The greatest difficulty ever faced by the United States in the cold war has lain in a single fact. We are the undoubted leaders of the Western alliance, in power and prestige. But we are a free people dealing with other free peoples. We have never been able to force them to dance to our tune, even had we wanted to do so.

KHRUSHCHEV has exploited this relative weakness numberless times. Heretofore, he has been able to pipe the tune for the countless, faceless millions of Communists everywhere, including those in China. Or at any rate he has claimed such a power and has used this claim to suggest that the West in a pinch has no real leadership able to say yea or nay and make it stick.

Now, however, it is Christian Herter who is making Nikita Khrushchev sweat, rather than the other way round. Herter has proclaimed the doctrine that, since Khrushchev has always said the Soviet Union is the infallible head of the worldwide Communist show, Khrushchev must now accept the responsibility for curbing his aggressive junior partners in Communist China.

There is, of course, always a temptation in the West to grasp at thin straws. But this time it really does look that we have got hold of a first-rate stick. For Khrushchev either must restrain the Chinese Communists or publicly advertise an immense crack in the theoretically massive monolith of international communism.

TO INSPECT SAC Savannah, Ga. - (UPI) - Britain's top military man, Lord Mountbatten, leaves here today for Charleston, S. C., to inspect Strategic Air Command facilities and receive an honorary degree at The Citadel.

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Foreign Notebook—Lunik, De Gaulle; Americans on Trial; Latin China Views

By PHIL NEWSOM
UPI Foreign Editor

From the foreign editor's notebook:

Surprise: Russia's sensational moon rocket Lunik III definitely took Soviet officials abroad by surprise — indicating the Kremlin considered it a risky enterprise. The Soviets had no such doubts about the previous shot to the moon which was timed to introduce Premier Khrushchev's visit to the United States. It was learned in Tokyo that Russians in Japan had been tipped off in advance to the rocket that hit the moon and were ready to whoop up propaganda when it landed.

Gen. Charles de Gaulle and the leaders of the Algerian rebellion will continue indirect, long-distance contacts on the possibility of a cease fire, but they do not look for any immediate spectacular developments. Neither side intends to slam the door on the other and both want to end the war. But they do not want to raise false hopes while their positions remain as far apart as they are at present.

Turmoil in Turkey: The lid may blow off any day now on that American servicemen's trial in Izmir, Turkey. Two of three ranking American officers at the NATO base who were "relieved" of their commands for

protesting alleged Turkish police brutality against enlisted men arrested on currency charges, are coming out in new posts in the United States. There appear to have been mighty efforts to hush the whole thing up but it definitely has affected the morale of Americans in Turkey and strained U.S.-Turkish relations. Someone in Washington may have to do a lot of explaining.

Props for Formosa: Diplomatic quarters in Taipei report that Nationalist China quietly has asked the United States to help prop up Latin American support for Chiang Kai-Shek's government. Cuba broke the once and strained U.S.-Turkish relations. Someone in Washington may have to do a lot of explaining.

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By FRANK JENKINS

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That started the electric business—which might never have got started if Ben Franklin hadn't got curious.

Physicians vs. Politicians
In Debate on FDR's Health

By LYLE C. WILSON
Washington - (UPI) - It is the physicians against the politicians in the endless dispute whether the

insiders knew FDR was a dying man when they put him up to seek and win a fourth term.

The latest witness is James Roosevelt, Mr. Big's eldest son. Jimmy's book, "Affectionately, F.D.R.," contributes this:

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Try and Stop Me

By BENNETT CERF

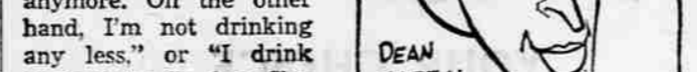
DEAN MARTIN, whose career has been more meteoric than ever since he shed Jerry Lewis as a partner, is fond of pretending that he drinks more and oftener than his friend Joe E. Lewis.

He expressly orders M.C.'s at night clubs to introduce him as, "And here's our star—straight from the bar—Dean Martin." In his introductory remark he'll include lines like, "I'm not drinking anymore. On the other hand, I'm not drinking any less," or "I drink moderately. In fact, I've got two cases of Moderately in my dressing room this minute."

The fact of the matter, however, is that this heavy drinking bit is all an act. Martin, his wife, and his seven children are today a conservative, church-going, publicity-shy group of typical suburbanites.

The usual worried wife consulted the psychiatrist you've met in stories like this before. "My poor husband thinks he's a mink," she reported, "and you can charge as much as you like to cure him, because he sheds a lot."

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DEAN MARTIN

Communications

Gold To the Editor: A rather novel idea among shepherders in the early days of the public domain grazing of sheep was the habit of prospecting when not tending the flock. On one such occasion in eastern Oregon a lone shepherd was inspecting a freshly made mound of sand and pebbles dug up by a badger. Sure enough, there appeared many tiny grains of bright gold and quartz, later proving to be one of the most famous gold pockets ever found in Baker county, Oregon. Another discovery was by a lone shepherd somewhere from 50 to 75 miles south and west of Vale. He was known to have picked up some very rich nuggets and kept the location a secret even until his untimely death. As the story goes, he was the unfortunate victim of tick fever, thus ending a further chapter in the annals of a hidden treasure. Most likely someone will accidentally find it again.

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