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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. 19, 1949 (Wednesday). The Mail Tribune announces the start of a new Washington column by Bob Dickey, former Medford resident now employed at the U. S. Senate. The Medford city council recommends rejecting bids for a proposed addition to the public library.

20 YEARS AGO. Oct. 19, 1939 (Thursday). Bert Lowry protests to the Medford city council the existence of the city garbage dump off South Pacific highway east of the Bear Creek orchards plant. From Arthur Perry's "Ye Smudge Pot" column: "Surrounded as they are by quick-triggered bird hunters, farmers are more cautious than usual about stooping over around the barn."

30 YEARS AGO. Oct. 19, 1929 (Saturday). New homes are rising in the Table Rock district. The Sams Valley Grange goes on record approving the Williams Creek cut-off road.

40 YEARS AGO. Oct. 19, 1919 (Sunday). Medford elopers return from California happy and wedded, and are forgiven. A local jeweler reports he sold \$5,000 worth of diamonds to valley residents last week. 50 YEARS AGO. Oct. 19, 1909 (Tuesday). M. F. Hanley will let the city of Medford cross his land to lay a water system pipeline after all. The Medford Hardware store reports the sale of 15,840 trout files this season.

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

1. On what island is the city of Palermo? 2. Do Brussels sprouts grow singly or in clumps on one stem? 3. Canasta is a Spanish dance with castanets; true or false? 4. Complete this familiar phrase with the name of an animal: "The eager..." 5. An object weighing 10 pounds will fall at a rate ten times as great as an object weighing one pound; true or false? 6. Who was the first Chief Justice of the United States? 7. In which city is the Metropolitan Museum of Art? 8. If you wanted to use a ketch, would you make salad dressing, go sailing, or play cricket with it? 9. How many men were on a dead man's chest? 10. What was George Washington's middle name? Answers: 1. Sicily. 2. In clumps on one stem. 3. False. (Card game). 4. Beaver. 5. False. 6. John Jay. 7. New York City. 8. Go sailing. 9. Fifteen. 10. He had none. EX-COMPTROLLER DIES. Orange, N.J. UPI - Frank J. Murray, 75, former New Jersey state comptroller, died Saturday.

Government Aid At Its Best

Many boys and girls who have gone to jail to pay society for their crimes will go to jail many more times. They will because they haven't a chance to overcome their environments. They can be punished and they can be preached to by law enforcement officers and social workers and they still won't beat the rap. They can't overcome an environment that is a mixture of poverty, immorality and the squalor of the tenements. For them there is nobody who cares, nobody to love them. These are the children Sen. Humphrey is thinking of when he asks that the federal government establish a Youth Conservation Corps. And it is precisely because Sen. Humphrey has these children in mind that the Youth Conservation Corps faces opposition. Critics declare it is not the federal government's responsibility to rehabilitate juvenile delinquents.

TO THIS we react violently. The Youth Conservation Corps fits exactly our concept of government aid. This is the government doing for citizens what they are unable to do for themselves. This is government aid at its best.

We not only think it is something the federal government should do. We are convinced that it would be successful. We have only to look at the history of the Civilian Conservation Corps, born in depression days to create jobs for young men, to know that the Youth Conservation Corps would save thousands of young men who so long as they are trapped in big city environments can't beat the rap.

WE HAVE talked with young men who came to the west from big cities of the east as CCC enlistees. They have told us that had not the CCC opportunity been given them they almost certainly would have been criminals. They escaped from their environments and became useful citizens.

The cost to the taxpayers? Measure the financial load placed upon society by a man who pursues a life of crime against the cost of giving him a Youth Conservation Corps job that will make him a useful citizen. It is understandable that Sen. Humphrey's Youth Conservation Corps has so much support in the Congress. It is difficult to understand why the administration gives it no support.—Pendleton East-Oregonian.

School Tether Silly

The Portland School Board will perform a service for all the state in seeking a court test of an attorney general's ruling that school district funds cannot be spent on travel outside the state.

It is difficult to believe that legislators ever had the intent so to limit the movement of local school officials. For it is patently ridiculous to deny school boards the authority to send members, administrators or teachers on missions of study and conference.

THE attorney general's opinion is advisory only. But school boards over the state have not been inclined to take the risk that, by challenging it, members would become personally liable. The logical step is that to be undertaken by the Portland district, a friendly suit to obtain a court ruling on the law.

If the courts disagree with the attorney general, the way will be clear for a resumption of the practice of permitting travel that in the judgment of the school board is worth the cost to the district. If the courts uphold the ruling, the law must be changed to give school boards discretionary authority to spend funds on travel, without geographic limit.

All Oregonians would be the losers if the state's public schools should be forced, by a sense of false economy, to shut off direct communications with educators of other states and countries.—Portland Oregonian.

Phone Soliciting

Being solicited by telephone may be quite irksome to a householder, but the Council needs to go slow in enacting an ordinance prohibiting it.

The telephone is an important instrument in business, and its use saves time both for the solicitor and often for the one solicited. A wholesale produce house may have a special shipment of fruits or vegetables or a special price for an offering. He can reach 50 or a hundred retailers in less time than a salesman can go by car to ten or a dozen. Parties are served at both ends of the line. Newspaper ad solicitors may call to find out if a prospective advertiser will have copy that day, making contact in a way convenient for both parties. Security salesmen use the phone to acquaint their customers with new offerings of desirable bonds or stocks. And what about the PTA committee soliciting food for a school sale?

Telephone solicitation can be abused; but after all the party called has the privilege to say No, and the indisputable right to hang up the receiver. Writing an ordinance that will separate the good sheep from the bad goats in telephone solicitation will tax the ingenuity of the city attorney, that is certain.—Oregon Statesman, Salem.

Dennis the Menace



Wanna box a couple rounds fore breakfast?

Washington Report

By WILLIAM S. WHITE

NIXON'S EXPOSURE

Washington - Vice President Richard M. Nixon's campaign for next year's Republican nomination has entered a new phase of deliberate risk-taking, going beyond the mere search for delegate strength at the GOP convention. Nixon is a curious mixture as a politician. Basically, he is a slide-rule man who depends not on hunches but on the dull technology of the profession. But he is also capable of acting as an icy-handed gambler once his methods have informed him that the odds of a preferred course are not impossibly long. Thus, he has now set out upon a policy of sustained "public exposure" of his personality - a term coined by his associates. He is consciously pushing his luck, as the undoubted present front-runner, in an attempt to sew up the nomination long before the convention meets.

Retreat of Guards Draws Disapproval

London - UPI - For possibly the first time, a loud Bronx cheer was flung through the gates of Buckingham palace Sunday. It came from the lips of three girls, all apparently teen-agers and obviously Americans, who did not approve of the retreat of the palace guards behind the palace gates.

Picture Counsel Dies

Danbury, Conn. UPI - Wilford S. McKay, 64, former vice president and general counsel of Universal Pictures Co., Inc., died Saturday.

Try and Stop Me

By BENNETT CERF

FRANK BROOKHAUSER claims he has a neighbor in Philadelphia named Hubert B. WOLFESCHLEGELSTEINHAUSENBERGERDORFF. Mr. W. (heaven forbid that we have to repeat in full) is, logically enough, a typesetter, having realized, no doubt, that nobody else could ever get his name into print correctly.



"My wife needs help badly," a visibly shaken husband told an analyst. "She's forever working her head off for the children: cooking their meals, making their beds, buying them toys, blowing up balloons for them..." "What's wrong with that?" interrupted the analyst. "Lots of women sacrifice themselves for their children." "You miss the point," the husband assured him. "We don't have any children." Marcel Fagnol, French playwright, refuses point blank to go up in a plane. "But the boat trip to America is so much slower," protests his producer. "Why do you prefer it?" "Because," answers Fagnol patiently, "I know how to swim." © 1959, by Bennett Cerf. Distributed by King Features Syndicate.

Foreign Notebook: Macmillan, Communists, Purge, Aswan

By PHIL NEWSOM UPI Foreign Editor From the foreign editor's notebook.

Reds on the March: West Germany's outlawed Communist Party is expected to start a large-scale propaganda drive for readmission to the federal republic's list of legal political parties. Well-informed West German intelligence sources said the Communists decided on the drive at this time because of the world situation created by Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev's visit to the United States. To be used in the propaganda drive are pamphlets smuggled over the border from East Germany and the East German press and radio. First move: A 50-year-old man threw several hundred leaflets demanding readmission of the Communist Party into a Bundestag, West German lower house of Parliament, sitting.

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.

West German-Egyptian deal

West Germany finally is on the verge of signing an agreement to provide part of the financing of Egypt's Aswan Dam project not already covered by Soviet aid. The deal almost collapsed twice because Bonn suspected the Egyptians of wooing the Communist East Germans. But now it looks as if the project to tame the waters of the Nile will be financed, at least in part, by West Germany.

Alienation Suit Filed in Court

Alvin R. Hedges, Medford chiropractor and naturopath, has been named defendant in a \$50,000 suit for alienation of affections filed by Grant R. Day of Old Stage rd., Central Point. The suit alleges that Hedges, who operates the Hedges Health Institute at 339 South Central ave., alienated the affections of Day's wife, Walena E. Day, and that on Aug. 8 of this year Hedges "enticed" Day's wife from him without his consent. Day and his wife were married Sept. 6, 1936, according to the complaint. Day is asking \$25,000 general damages and \$25,000 punitive damages. He is represented by Robert Dickey, Medford lawyer.

Dislikes Commercial

To the Editor: There is a firm in Medford, one of a chain of many throughout the country, that sponsors a radio advertisement in which a lady entering a parking lot is told by the attendant to "put it right over there." In doing so, the lady subjects the attendant to a smoke cloud, making it difficult for him to breathe and/or see. He asks her, "Where did you go, lady?" to which she replies, "I'm still here, I don't know why my car smokes so much." He says, "Maybe it's your muffler," etc., etc.

Commander Can't Visit

To the Editor: World War I and II and Korean veterans will find the following letter informative and interesting. It is from the National Headquarters of the American Legion:

"In the absence of National Commander McKneally, I am taking the liberty of replying to your letter of October 12. "If time would permit, I am certain that Commander McKneally would be happy to travel to Camp White during his visit to Oregon this month. However, he has a very heavy schedule during his visit in

Up in Vancouver (B. C.) yesterday, Dr. Norman MacKenzie, president of the University of British Columbia warned that Canada is in danger of "becoming a nation of drawers of wood and drawers of water for the United States."

In his annual address to students, he said it is a matter of vital and personal concern to every Canadian to STOP a flow of Canadian scholastic talent across the border - a flow that has been increasing in momentum. The way to stop the flow, he said, is to find ways and means to ensure that the best and ablest - and, if so, you are risking the grave danger of PASSING IT ON to the brilliant young minds of your country. "We rely to such an extent on the United States and its people for so many things and in such a variety of fields that there may be little place for the able and brilliant young Canadian, particularly in the fields of science and technology, to find uses for his talents in his own country."

PARDON me, sir, but I'm afraid you are permitting yourself to become the victim of an inferiority complex - and, if so, you are risking the grave danger of PASSING IT ON to the brilliant young minds of your country.

That would be catastrophic. DOWN here in what in Canada is often spoken of as "The States," one seems to sense at times the faint beginnings of an opposite type of inferiority complex. One hears talk of EXHAUSTION of our natural resources - coupled often with the envious crack that CANADA HAS EVERYTHING; we've lived ours up.

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The implication is that the FUTURE lies in Canada. LET me offer a word of advice - to Canadians and Americans alike: Get rid of your inferiority complexes. Take off your dark glasses. Quit worrying about the future.

HERE in the United States and Canada - which are lumped together under the broad, general geographic term of North America - we have a fantastically IMMENSE body of natural resources.

We have a way of life that inspires men to DO THEIR BEST - because IF they do their best and IF they have what it takes they will be REWARDED for what they do. We have plenty of bright minds. When bright minds are coupled with ample opportunities, the possibilities are LIMITLESS.

"The Old Oaken Bucket" was written by poet-publisher Samuel Woodworth in 1817.



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