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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
Nov. 17, 1949 (Thursday)
A total of 724 persons, a local record, received chest x-rays at the Medford army hospital yesterday.

20 YEARS AGO
Nov. 17, 1939 (Friday)
The estimated income from agriculture in Jackson county this year will be \$8,080,000.

30 YEARS AGO
Nov. 17, 1929 (Sunday)
Turkey thieves steal 83 birds belonging to Gene Watkins of Central Point.

40 YEARS AGO
Nov. 17, 1919 (Monday)
Congress to hold final vote on peace pact Thursday.

50 YEARS AGO
Nov. 17, 1909 (Thursday)
Plans are being completed for four-story business block on northeast corner of Seventh st. and Riverside ave.

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

1. Must new appointees to the President's cabinet be confirmed by the Senate?
2. What was the first incident that Robinson Crusoe found that his island was inhabited?

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SETS JET RECORD
Rome (UPI)—An American jet airliner on a trial run set a new London-Rome record of one hour, 55 minutes Monday.

One More Chance

We are awaiting with interest the second report of the Oregon committee on natural resources with regard to the Oregon Dunes National Seashore proposal.

The first report, which gave a "unanimous" adverse recommendation to the original legislation proposed by Sen. Richard L. Neuberger, served to put the government of the State of Oregon on record as opposing a national seashore area in the state.

Later, after hearings on the matter were held, Senator Neuberger conferred with Gov. Mark Hatfield, then worked out a revision in the bill to take care of most of the objections which had been raised to the first proposal, and was assured it would be given careful consideration by the committee.

IT IS the report on the revised legislation which will interest us.

It will be interesting, in particular, because the secretary of the natural resources committee, Dan Allen, who prepared the original adverse report, was the author of a letter appearing in one of the Portland papers, which assailed the proposal once again.

The letter was printed after the revision was announced, but presumably before he had a chance to see it. And the timing certainly suggests that Allen had prejudged the revised legislation without having studied it.

IF THE committee's second report is as strongly adverse as the first it will virtually doom any national seashore proposal for this state — good, bad or indifferent.

As nearly as we can determine, die-hard, unequivocal opposition is largely confined to people of the immediate coastal area involved — and even there the sentiment is far from unanimously against the creation of such a park.

(One of the strongest supporters in that area, by the way, is William Tugman, editor and publisher of the Port Umpqua Courier, formerly editor of the Eugene Register-Guard, a life-long advocate of, and fighter for, sensible, practical development of Oregon's economic resources. He is also a member of the highway department's state parks advisory committee.)

THE revised legislation, according to Senator Neuberger, goes as far as it can go to meet opposition and still adhere to the standards which the National Park Service, quite rightly, insists upon in the establishment of nationally-significant parks and seashores.

So the committee has a chance to keep the proposal alive — or it has the chance to kill it beyond hope of revival, at least during the present state administration.

Even those who are luke-warm on the proposal, and who feel that it should be explored far more thoroughly than it has up to now, should join in the hope that it will be kept alive to permit such exploration.

If the committee kills it, it will be dead a long time — perhaps forever — while other less obdurate areas will win the benefits which go with national seashore status. — E. A.

Strange Things

"There are more things in heaven and earth, Horatio, Than are dreamt of in your philosophy." Hamlet, Act. 1, Scene 5.

Shakespeare's comment on things unseen and not understood might well be the theme for a new book, entitled "Stranger Than Science," which is being published today.

The author is Frank Edwards, a radio commentator, who is fascinated by things arcane, exotic and unexplained.

The book, compiled from a series of brief radio broadcasts, leaves one wondering if ice really DOES fall from the sky in huge chunks; if there really ARE sea monsters; if dreams really CAN foretell the future, or reveal the whereabouts of missing persons; if other races from elsewhere in space really HAVE visited our planet.

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Some of the happenings have been drawn from the past centuries, and can, presumably, be written off as tales which have been enhanced in the telling and re-telling.

But others are happenings of the past 10 or 15 years, and, given the documentation the writer claims, certainly do leave a puzzled and uneasy feeling upon reading of them.

THE book undoubtedly will be pooh-poohed by the practical-minded who believe only the testimony of their own senses, and who have had no personal experiences to give them pause. But, over the years, there have been enough incidents of a mysterious nature, which the best efforts of logic and science cannot explain, to permit the nagging thought that there are, indeed, things which the present state of science cannot explain away.

The book is a chronicle of some 70 such incidents. It is fascinating reading, whether or not one accepts the premise that each could be explained if enough facts were known. — E. A.

Dennis the Menace



"I'M NOT LOOKING FOR TROUBLE, HENRY. ALL I WANT TO DO IS MOVE, BUT NOW HE'S HIDDEN MY FOR SALE SIGN!"

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.

Tobacco and Nutrition

To the Editor: As parents, we want to send our thanks, our vote of confidence, and all the help and encouragement we can give, to our law enforcement officers and school authorities, for caring enough about our Medford boys and girls and doing all in their power to keep them from developing a taste for tobacco until they are old enough to realize the disadvantages it has and the harm it can do.

DAV Talent Show

To the Editor: The ninth annual DAV Amateur Talent Tournament has been set for Dec. 11 this year. This event has been conducted by Jackson county chapter No. 8, Disabled American Veterans, since 1951.

Cat Care

To the Editor: People who abandon dogs and cats must not be aware of Senate bill No. 120 which was passed at the last session of the Oregon legislature.

S.O.T.A. Commended

To the Editor: In a day when we are all too hasty with criticism of young people, I would like to single out a fine act.

Cranberries Off Menu in Senate

Washington (UPI)—The Senate restaurant has scratched cranberry sauce from its menu.

Husbands! Wives! Get Pep, Vim, Feel Younger

Thousands of couples are weak, worn-out, tired, exhausted because body lacks iron and Vitamin B. For a younger feeling after 40, try Oetrex Tonic Tablets.

Matter of Fact

BUY A SHARE IN THE MORNING STAR!
Macao — in a long and misspent life, this reporter has acquired a good deal of information but not much absolute knowledge.

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Drummond Reports

(Walter Lippman is again traveling abroad, Roscoe Drummond reports from Washington in his absence.)

HOW TV COULD DO IT

Washington — No reform of TV programming yet proposed by any official of the networks or government comes within sight of what needs to be done.

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Washington Report

By WILLIAM S. WHITE

POLITE DEATH-GRAPPLE

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