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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
Dec. 22, 1949 (Thursday)
Business at the Medford
post office this season is 29
per cent above that of the
same season last year.
Over 22 cases of diphtheria
have been reported in Jack-
son county in past few
months.

20 YEARS AGO
Dec. 22, 1939 (Friday)
Ex-Medford woman is
awarded \$846,000 government
contract to mine chromium
ore in Alaska.
From Arthur Perry's "Ye
Smudge Pot" column: "Fine
hog-killing weather prevails,
and country sausage makers
are taking advantage of it."

30 YEARS AGO
Dec. 22, 1929 (Sunday)
Today's Mail Tribune issue
totals 26 pages; largest of
year.
City ordinance requiring
presence of matron at local
dances will be enforced.

40 YEARS AGO
Dec. 22, 1919 (Tuesday)
Frank Callison is named to
play center for Oregon in
Rose Bowl contest with Har-
vard.
The sun shines bright and
it is a balmy day without a
cloud in sky.

50 YEARS AGO
Dec. 22, 1909 (Wednesday)
Farmer's and Fruitgrower's
bank will open for business
tomorrow; will be fourth Med-
ford bank.
Ordinance passed at last
night's council meeting to
raise salary of city recorder to
\$125 a month.

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

1. Do moles eat earthworms?
2. Which has the larger population—Alaska or Hawaii?
3. The ocean area near the Equator where the trade winds meet and neutralize each other, is known to sailors as the d—d—?
4. Do calories measure heat, moisture, or nutritive value?
5. Which of these is known as the Fourth Estate—royalty, clergy, legal profession, or press?
6. Supply the missing word in "The night has a . . . eyes."
7. What church in Washington, D.C. is President and Mrs. Eisenhower's chosen place of worship?
8. Are the Hawaiian Islands north, or south of the Equator?
9. What American naval hero is famous for saying, "I have just begun to fight"?
10. Columbus and Cabot both died believing they had visited Asia; true or false?

Answers: 1. Yes. 2. Ha-
waii. 3. Doldrums. 4. Heat.
5. The press. 6. Thousand.
7. National Presbyterian
Church. 8. North. 9. John
Paul Jones. 10. True.
Patrick Henry made his
"Give me liberty or give me
death" speech before the Vir-
ginia Convention of Delegates
on March 28, 1775.

Petty Politics

We devoutly wish that Peter Gunnar and Robert Straub would find something worthwhile to argue about.

Lacking that, we devoutly wish they would shut up.

Gunnar is the young attorney who not long ago took over the chairmanship of the Republican party in Oregon. Straub is the young man who even more recently became his Democratic counterpart.

Their debate (conducted by letter and through the columns of the Oregon press) has been mostly about Sen. Richard L. Neuberger, and whether he should, or should not, write magazine articles, and whether or not his office payroll is too high.

THIS is politics. It is also a sad commentary on the two parties if this is all they have to talk about.

Straub, as a late-comer to the scene, is a bit handicapped in his replies to Gunnar's all-over-the-lot accusations—the most recent of which appears at the head of our "Communications" column on this page today.

It's a pretty asinine letter. Let us hope that it will not be typical of the debate which will be under way between now and next November 8.

SENATOR Neuberger—and Vice President Nixon, too, for that matter—can write all the articles they want, so long as it doesn't interfere with the jobs for which we pay them.

Actually, this sort of thing enhances their value as public servants in many ways.

Neuberger's articles in recent years have been mostly in promotion of Oregon and its Centennial celebration, and on matters concerning the health and welfare of the nation.

If he does this (as he does) on his own time, what concern is it of Gunnar's?

Gunnar, of course, has made it his concern to carp at the Senator, and make snide innuendoes about where the proceeds go.

IT SO happens we can tell Gunnar where a good part of the proceeds go. We asked Lloyd Tupling, the Senator's administrative assistant, for a run-down on the number and amounts of scholarships which Senator Neuberger has provided from his writing income.

Tupling listed these:
To Linfield college, Southern Oregon college, Reed college, Portland university, Oregon College of Education, Portland State college, University of Oregon, Willamette university, Oregon State college, Pacific university, Eastern Oregon college and Lewis and Clark college, scholarships of \$500 each; to Oregon Technical institute, scholarship for \$150, and to the University of Oregon school of nursing, scholarship of \$250.

If our arithmetic is correct, this means that since 1955 Senator Neuberger has granted a total of \$6,400 in scholarships—that's more than \$1200 per year—and made it possible for 14 more young people to receive an education—youngsters who otherwise might not have been able to attend school.

IT DOES Gunnar no credit to belittle such gifts. All the scholarships have been given "without strings" of any kind—political, religious, racial, sex, or economic.

And they were made despite the fact that the Neuberger's are not people of great wealth. Their only income is his salary as a Senator, and his writing "honorariums"—to use Gunnar's word.

One may differ with Senator Neuberger politically; one can be critical of his points of view on legislation; some may be honest in questioning his motives.

But to carp at him for not giving away more of his earnings is petty politics.—E.A.

"Dog" and "Miracle"

Through the courtesy of the theater management here, we can report that "Dog of Flanders," which will be shown here starting Christmas day, is good, wholesome, enjoyable entertainment—eminently suitable for youngsters and families.

Probably no member of the cast will receive an "Oscar" for acting—although the dog, "Patrasche," might well be nominated for canine acting honors.

But, no matter. The film is beautifully filmed in color in the photogenic Low Countries; it jerks enough tears to satisfy the most demanding female teenager; it has a theme of universal appeal, and, perhaps most important, it gets completely away from the pressures, vices, and preconceptions of today's world.

THE FILM is being "test shown" in Medford some four months before its general release—largely the result of Manager Bob Corbin's efforts during another pre-release showing of a film here some time ago.

It is a Christmas film here; it will be an Easter film elsewhere. And public reactions in Medford may be a determining factor in its promotion and publicity elsewhere.

We hope its patronage here is excellent. The film, and Bob Corbin's efforts, merit it.—E.A.

P.S.—While in a mood of charity toward motion pictures, we should perhaps also give a plug to "The Miracle of Marcellino," which will play at the Varsity Theater in Ashland Wednesday evening. It has received top reviews in discriminating magazines, and one teenager we know thinks it is the greatest picture ever made.—E.A.

Dennis the Menace



Matter of Fact

DE GAULLE'S SECRET MEMORANDUM

Paris—The same ghost has haunted the meeting of the leaders of the West that haunted and deeply troubled the preliminary meeting of the NATO Council. The secret memorandum written by General de Gaulle in 1958 has become a powerful specter, which will never cease to haunt the councils of the Western allies until something is done about it.

The facts concerning this document have never been accurately set down. Yet they are essential to a close understanding of most of the recent developments here. In brief, then, the facts are as follows:
Over a year ago, not long after he came to power, General de Gaulle personally penned his reflections on the organization of the Western Alliance and his claims for reforms. This memorandum, which he composed alone, without staff advice, was then sent off to just four persons, President Eisenhower, British Prime Minister Macmillan, the NATO Supreme Commander, General Lauris Norstad, and the Secretary General of NATO, Lual Henri Spaak.

THE MEMORANDUM was primarily intended to assert France's absolute equality with the other leading powers of the West. To this end, de Gaulle asked for the establishment of "a directory" of NATO composed of Britain, France and the United States.
The memorandum suggested that the existence of this three power directory or controlling group should be expressed in "an organic manner." The memorandum further claimed for the directory the right to be consulted about the use of any atomic or thermonuclear weapon anywhere in the world. And it based all these claims on the fact that France, Britain and the United States were the only NATO nations with "worldwide responsibilities."
Initially, this document was like a bombshell tossed into the inner circle of the West. Perhaps because his antique, marmoreal French lent itself to misinterpretation, de Gaulle seemed to be demanding the complete revision of NATO's whole policymaking structure. Worse still, he seemed to be asking for transfer of control of the American nuclear deterrent to his new three power international committee. This latter feature brought the Pentagon close to apoplexy.

FOF THESE reasons, the de Gaulle memorandum got a dusty answer. The sequel was the series of moves by de Gaulle that have caused so much controversy at the meetings here . . . the refusal to permit medium range ballistic missiles to be placed in France; the withdrawal of the French contingent from NATO's Mediterranean fleet; the attack on NATO's principle of military integration; and the resistance to an integrated air defense.
It is an open secret that General de Gaulle has acted in all these cases on his own initiative, without the enthusiastic support of the French military professionals and some times against their advice. Some of the positions he has taken, like the resistance to an integrated air defense, have seemed close to irrational.

But this whole mystifying and potentially very dangerous line of action begins to make sense, if it is seen as a flank attack by de Gaulle to force more serious consideration of the ideas contained in the rejected secret memorandum. This is now the interpretation of the wiser Western leaders and NATO policymakers.
Meanwhile, de Gaulle's secret memorandum has also been clarified or amended (it is difficult to say which) by the subsequent explanation offered in private by the General himself. In asking for a directory, he has said he did not mean to establish a new ruling group above the NATO organization. He meant, rather, to obtain a return to the old system of intimate, constant, frank discussion of all serious issues, which was used by the American, British and French policymakers for the first decade after the war.

AGAIN, HE has said that he did not mean to ask for a right of veto over the use of American nuclear power anywhere on the face of the globe. He meant, rather, to insure that France would be informed and consulted before A-bombs were dropped.
As to the desirability of restoring the former intimacy and frankness between the leading Western powers, there can be no doubt at all. The old system began to weaken when John Foster Dulles and Charles E. Wilson took over the State and Defense Departments. Suez caused the system's total collapse.

Ever since Suez, the Western Alliance has suffered sadly because the old intimate system was not working any longer. Eventually, it must and will be restored, but with Germany newly included in the inner circle, as is necessary and inevitable. The strongest guardian of NATO's institutions, Secretary General Spaak, has himself declared that the whole machine would work far more easily and efficiently "if the great powers would only speak with one voice."
The other question raised in the de Gaulle memorandum, the question of the deterrent, is vastly more difficult. But it is at least plain that changes in American nuclear policy are now on the way. In fact American policymakers on the very highest level are already talking of transferring from American control to NATO control "the keys to the cupboard" that hold NATO's stock of nuclear weapons. Thus the de Gaulle memorandum, however upsetting its language, at least indicated a direction which the Western allies are likely to follow in the end.
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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 initial 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.

Nixon and Neuberger
To the Editor: Democratic State Chairman Robert Straub has tried to belittle Vice President Richard Nixon by comparing him with Senator Richard Neuberger.
In his recent letter to editors all over the state, Senator Straub has pointed out that the Vice President has written an article for the National Geographic magazine and he, therefore, is as bad as Senator Neuberger.

In making the comparison, Senator Straub pointedly neglected to mention that all Mr. Nixon's honorarium for writing this article, not just a small part of it, was immediately turned over to charity without fanfare. This is the Vice President's policy with respect to all speaking and writing honorariums. It is not the policy of Senator Neuberger.

Peter M. Gunnar, Republican State Chairman Salem, Ore.
Editor's note: See comment in editorial column.

To Each His Own
To the Editor: I've forgotten for right now the name of the man who wrote the article about not having a Christmas tree in his house. I try to forget unpleasant things, although for you, in your position, you always print anyone's opinion, regardless of the view of the so-called crooktops. Do you ever get a little sick of any of them? For us, we wish you a Merry Christmas and hope next year you have fewer criticisms out of ignorance.

Here is my opinion of "Mr. No Christmas Tree."
Its your privilege not to have anything in your house, if that's what you believe in. Its ours to celebrate any custom in this country if we think it's right, if it brings happiness.
For religion in Christmas, I won't stoop to argue on that. We are all entitled to our beliefs. But for happiness, thoughtfulness, let us all tend to our own business.
Sure, I too can pick out one Scripture here, and one there, and always come up with something. Even no Christmas tree. But where can I find more happiness than in myself, at this time? Smiling, happy children, we have to keep up a custom, started before our time.
Too, the Fourth of July, Thanksgiving, Labor Day aren't religious holidays. They are days set aside for remembering. But Christmas is a sacred time. Even you and I have no business arguing. Let's all tend to our own customs, and let the children we love still celebrate this one day of the year, where we can all try in our own little way to do what we can to bring cheer and gladness to anyone that doesn't have a tree.
Again if you don't believe it is a right act, don't do it. But do one thing: Try to tend to your own miserable business. You must be very unhappy.

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Yellow Lines, Please!
To the Editor: We have had fog for many years each winter in the Rogue valley. Driving in fog is hazardous and the yellow line in the center of the road is often a needed guide.
There is little or no yellow line left at the Big Y intersection of Highways 99 and 62. I suspect this is true on other roads where the line is nearly obliterated.
It is ironic that we can spend millions on new roads on both sides of the city, and pinch the few thousand dollars new safety center lines would cost.

R. E. Kelley
607 Sherman st.
Medford

No Such Thing
To the Editor: Joe B. Richards (Medford Mail Tribune, Dec. 11) says, "Let us see who genuinely wishes to discuss the issues and evidence" and lists five items. I agree. Let us see.
First, he states I do not deny that I have shown fondness for anti-American governments. I do deny it. In his previous letter Joe asked, "Why is it that the governments that he has shown such fondness for have always been anti-American?" My comment in reply was: "The assumption here is of course erroneous, purposely so, I'd say." That is still my comment.

Second, he says I continue to apologize for Castro and that I was quoted in the Register-Guard Nov. 1 as saying, "There have been no innocent men executed in Cuba," What I said, and still say, was that I know of no cases of innocent men having been executed in Cuba since Batista's overthrow. I never have apologized for Castro. I've criticized him more than any other member of Congress.

Third, he says I abused the Air Force because I know "that flights of the distance of the Coos Bay mercy mission are routine and necessary for a state of readiness." I know no such thing. My investigation continues. Joe states, "We have heard nothing on civil service" with respect to my recent trip to the Far East. I say it is not my fault that he doesn't read the newspapers or attend my speeches.

Fourth, did I abuse the State Department? Joe still can't see the difference between disagreement and abuse. Joe is again in error when he states that I admitted that (with respect to my speech on newsman exchange with Red China) my "principal source of information was H. P. Chou, second secretary, Red Chinese delegation in England . . ." I never said any such thing, and, of course, it is not true.

Fifth, after supporting in Eugene on Nov. 18 recognition of China following a period of exploration and negotiation, as recommended in the Conlon Report, I am supposed to have urged immediate recognition of China in Washington on Nov. 24. Only thing wrong with this, Joe, is that I urged no such thing in Washington or elsewhere on that day or any other.

Charles O. Porter
Member of Congress
Washington, D.C.

Fog Magic!
To the Editor:
Cold dense fog in our valley hovers,
No ray of sun do we see;
Frosted patterns on field it covers—
Fog magic—beautiful to see.
Leaves and stems and lowly weeds
Are fringed in silver sheen,
And decked with fragile diamond beads,
Loveliest bouquets we've ever seen.

The tall fir by the window we see,
Each needle crystal frozen hard,
Makes a beautiful Christmas tree
Right in our own back yard.
M. Muir,
2440 South Stage Rd.,
Medford.

Do Better
To the Editor: Thanks for your editorial of Dec. 18. So timely and full of truth, as our vanity runs over at Christmas time.
Like sin, and McCabe's Christmas tree, there is no Bible justification for such actions in America, where we have everything. Yet, we are the offspring of Adam and Eve. They had all the wealth of a new and perfect world, every thing their heart could desire grew out of the ground for their pleasure and food. Within their reach was placed the tree of life. As long as they were obedient, they could eat and live forever.
God tested them, that He might show whether they would obey, and be worthy of life. To them He said: of every tree of the garden thou may freely eat, but of the tree of knowledge, thou shalt not eat of it, for in the day that thou eatest thereof, thou shalt surely die.
Thus man was created a mortal being, a free moral agent, capable of choosing either life or death. This God has never changed. Man had conditional immortality perpetuated by the tree of life, and his posterity could have lived forever. But the serpent said to the woman, ye shall not surely die. Christ said that liar who contradicted

Washington Report

By WILLIAM S. WHITE

SEASONAL SOLILOQUY
Washington—At a little girls' school here the small troupers were enthusiastically playing their roles in the Christmas pageant. Here in slacks was a four-foot, and very feminine, Ebenezer Scrooge, stoutly crying out "bah!" and "humbug!" while her pigtail popped now and then from under an enormous stovepipe hat made of gunmetal cardboard.

There is, in the United States, the most nearly tolerant, the least nastily partisan, feeling this correspondent ever remembers at the onset of a Presidential election campaign.
The nation is less torn by undue factionalism than in many a year. The Eisenhower Administration, whatever its shortcomings, has never sought political capital by promoting hatreds among the people. The opposition Democratic party, whatever its faults, has been equally decent in prolonging the national era of reasonably good feeling.

The country itself is, on the whole, prosperous. Perhaps there is a gross materialism in some of the fanciest of the shop windows here and there. But, and far more important, even this excessive materialism reflects the fact that for the many also the goods of life are more far-spread than ever before.
Great problems remain unsolved—and no doubt will so remain when another Christmas has come and gone. But there is always this: justice, fairness, well-being, all these are on a forward march, and not a rear march, in our national life.
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URGES PURCHASE
Washington—(UPI)—Rep. Russell V. Mack (R-Wash.) wants each of the nation's 45 million families to buy and consume three pounds of cranberries during the next few months. He said this would wipe out the surplus problem created by last month's "cranberry scare."

MOST of the world is at peace. (It is not, of course, a perfect peace. But it is a peace, all the same, in which guns are not going off and bombs not falling.)
A start of sorts has been made toward an expansion of this peace through a thaw in the cold war. (And if many cannot but worry as to the kind of a thaw we may get, the central point is that our most powerful figures are, at any rate, trying.)
There probably is, taking all in all, less general anger in the world than at any

God's Word was that old serpent called the devil and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world. Man reached forth his hand, taking that which God had forbidden, breaking at least six of the ten commandments, which is the law of God, in Heaven and earth. Breaking this law brought sin into the world. Sin when finished brings death. Thus man was created with conditional immortality, perpetuated by the tree of life. When he sinned, he lost it.
We don't know when Christ was born, but let us thank God that He was born, lived the perfect life, then died on the cross a sacrificial death to pay the penalty His broken law demanded of us. We are so quick to disobey both the laws of God and man, why not determine to do better this coming year?
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