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Flight of Time
Medford and Jackson County
History from the files of The Mail Tribune 10, 20, 30, 40 and 50 years ago.

10 YEARS AGO
Feb. 25, 1950 (Saturday)
Britain's Labor party wins slim one-seat majority in the 625-seat British parliament in general elections.

20 YEARS AGO
Feb. 25, 1940 (Sunday)
The movie version of Margaret Mitchell's "Gone With the Wind" opens at the Craterian theater.

30 YEARS AGO
Feb. 25, 1930 (Tuesday)
A legislative interim committee recommended yesterday that Oregon adopt the cabinet form of government for state administration.

40 YEARS AGO
Feb. 25, 1920 (Thursday)
Government troops were sent yesterday to the trial of I.W.W.'s in Montezano, Wash., who are charged with murder in the Centralia Armistice Day parade, to prevent mob violence.

50 YEARS AGO
Feb. 25, 1910 (Friday)
Construction starts on a railroad from Gold Hill to the lime deposits four miles west of there; hopes are to develop new industry in valley.

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

- 1. Are the Federal Reserve banks owned by the U.S. government?
2. What is a cynnet?
3. The short full skirt worn by Greek men is called a pantanella, fustanella, or skirtet?

Answers: 1. No. 2. A young man. 3. Fustanella. 4. To seek water. 5. Massachusetts. 6. Deed. 7. F. D. Roosevelt. 8. No. (All insects have six legs.) 9. New Mexico. 10. Great Seal of U.S.

Saving the Wilderness...

Throughout the nation, certain lands in federal ownership are set aside as "wilderness" areas.

Some of them are in national parks. Some of them are wildlife refuges. And some of them are in national forests, dedicated under the forest service's concept of "the greatest good to the greatest number in the long run."

Some people argue that this is in violation of the forest service's dedication to "multiple use" of forest properties. But it isn't.

THE "multiple use" concept does not mean that every acre of national forest shall be devoted to grazing, lumbering, recreation and watershed protection, all at once. This isn't possible.

But it does mean that, in the overall picture, lands should be devoted to their best purposes—some for logging, some for recreation, some for grazing, and so on.

Thus, multiple use means many uses in one large area, through single-purpose use in smaller areas within the large area.

THE "wilderness area" concept receives lip-service from some segments of the lumber industry.

But these same segments are the ones which are constantly trying to nibble away at the wilderness we now have; and which will try to nibble even harder as time passes, population rises, and the demand for forest products increases.

Even now this process is under way—in the Olympic peninsula, closer to home in the Three Sisters Wilderness area, and elsewhere throughout the nation.

BEFORE the Congress at the moment there is a bill which would preserve our wilderness areas.

Now note: It does NOT call for the creation of new wilderness lands; it merely provides statutory protection for those in existence.

The idea is that the pressures which will arise to enter and despoil the wilderness can be more successfully resisted if they are designated by law, than if they are designated by agency regulation.

Once gone, the wilderness is gone forever. Let's hold on to it for the use of our children, and children's children.—E. A.

...And Why

Some may ask, "Why preserve the wilderness?"

If, in all honesty, they have to ask that question, they probably cannot be answered in any way which would satisfy them.

But those who have ventured into the unspoiled and uninhabited lands of our great west, who have watched the wildlife and seen the scenery, unmarred by roads or buildings or power lines or billboards—these know there are values here which cannot be measured in dollars and cents.

THEY know that the remaining acres of wilderness land, threatened at every hand by the pressures of civilization, constitute a national resource of magnificence and high worth.

The generation now living is the first in the history of this nation to have any worry about preserving for future generations, wilderness areas.

Always before, they've just been there, waiting for those hardy enough to take advantage of them.

But now it has come to a point where it is correct to say, as one conservationist did not long ago:

"What we save in the next few years is all that will ever be saved."

ONE could expand upon the values of the wilderness.

About how they are the last remaining areas where natural ecology can be observed; about how they are as balm in Gilead to those seeking refreshment from the pressures of a mechanical civilization; and about how these values are going to become more, not less, important as population, mechanization and "progress" continue their proliferation.

But if anyone needs convincing, he probably couldn't be convinced.

So it remains for those who believe these values are important to work to see them preserved against the encroachments which threaten them.

WE'D like to wind up this little "sermon" with a couple of quotations. The first is from David Brower of the Sierra Club. Speaking of the wilderness, he said:

"Never have so few taken so much from so many—and so fast. The few is us. The many are the unnumbered yet to be born in all the time that may lie ahead for man, and who may remember us, if at all, as the generation which, in four short decades, over-exploited all history and entered the fifth decade unsatisfied."

The other is from Samuel Adams, speaking in 1771:

"If the liberties of America are ever completely ruined... it will in all probability be the consequence of a mistaken notion which leads men to acquiesce in measures of destructive tendency for the sake of present ease."

"Present ease" is fine and dandy. But what of the future?—E. A.

Dennis the Menace



"CAN I RUN AWAY FROM HOME OVER HERE?"

Today & Tomorrow

By Walter Lippmann

DISARMAMENT TALKS

Like the weather, "disarmament" is a subject about which we all talk and do nothing. A new round of talks is to begin next month.

It is interesting to note that the military strategic doctrine, which is generally held by the Air Force and by the Navy, is also the Soviet military strategic doctrine. In his recent speech to the 21st Congress, Mr. K. discussed at some length the problem of surprise attack.

The Soviet proposals rest on an equally invalid and unreal condition, which is that all nations should disarm totally because they trust one another completely.

THE UNREALITY of the disarmament policy arises from an agreement among the powers which flies in the face of the lessons of experience. This is the agreement that they will try to negotiate disarmament before they negotiate settlements of the issues which divide them.

The powers are in conflict on vital issues, such as the future of Germany and the future of Japan.

Since the powers are for various reasons unable and unwilling to negotiate compromises on the vital issues, they have to talk about something and so they talk about disarmament.

IN HIS address to the National Press club last week Secretary Herter stated that we have two major goals. The first is "urgently to try to create a more stable military environment."

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laris missiles, we would have an invulnerable retaliatory power. If we had it, there could be no surprise attack upon this country.

I had the pleasure of visiting the Morse club on the day of its formal opening. This was a new experience in the tour that I have been making of presidential campaign offices.

A brisk wind was whipping across the sidewalk when I arrived at 923 11th street. This made things difficult for three Morse men who were trying to hang a strip of bunting across the front of the building.

On the inside, a window washer also was having some trouble completing his chores in time for the ceremony.

One of the bunting-hangers was sporting a lush growth of jet black whiskers. I wondered if this means that Morse had the support of the local beatniks, but he said he grew the beard to dramatize a campaign to win "statehood" for the District of Columbia.

While these preparations were going on, a florist's truck drove up and delivered a big, horseshoe-shaped wreath with a gold ribbon which spelled out the words "Good Luck Senator."

This led to some discussion as to whether a horseshoe which pointed downward, as was the case with the wreath, wasn't a symbol of bad luck.

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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.

Keep Looking Up

To the Editor: I just wonder sometimes what the editor of the Mail Tribune really thinks about the tone of all these contributions.

Speaking of the letter, we've gotten acquainted, that is Bulman and myself. While we may not agree on every point of view we can still converse and act as free thinking Americans.

In fact I drove up and visited the old gentleman the other day. I happened to have a new garden tractor on board the pickup.

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New Era of Common Market and Economic Independence Dawning in Latin America

By PHIL NEWSOM
UPI Foreign Editor
Out of the history of revolutions and rampant, one-sided nationalism, a new era is dawning in Latin America.

Latin Americans have their eyes fixed on a United States of Latin America. For the Phil Newsom American businessman operating in South America it means a fundamental change, forerunner of which was last week's seven-nation agreement in Montevideo, Uruguay, looking toward formation of a common market in South America.

William L. F. Horsey, UPI chief correspondent in Buenos Aires, reports that the day is gone when any kind of manufactured product can be shipped to Latin American countries and find an immediate and ready market.

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with a card reading "Rest in Peace."

I learned, however, that the floral tribute was ordered by Al Foreman, a Portland, Ore., theater owner and long-time Morse supporter who happened to be in here on business.

The Oregon senator, as you know, is noted for his forensic ability. One of the Senate's most frequent and enduring speakers, he holds the current record for long-distance debate.

surprising in this quick testimony, this angry response to any hint of doubt or dissent. But it demands notice, because it is also a significant fact of our current political life.

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The new machinery was built entirely in Argentina and on a staff of 4,000 only five are North Americans.

In 1937, there were 50 U.S. foremen and technicians and 400 workers.

Heavy machinery, inventions, patent rights and general know-how are now the greatest commodities that U.S. businessmen now have to sell to their South American counterparts.

Lack of faith in Latin American stability—both political and economic—has been a factor up to now in preventing many firms from investing in the area.

American mining companies long have had confidence in South American business.

The common market widens the field for American businessmen and their associates. Kaiser automobiles went into Brazil and Argentina with local interests.

The Brazilian plant already is exporting to Paraguay and Chile, and the Argentina plant cannot keep up with local demand.

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Yet the most honorable man can unknowingly make an untrue statement. He is too likely to do so, in fact, if he is a President who has never employed digging into the details of problems, who is served and secluded by his staff as though he were an icon, who grows frighteningly angry, too, when his settled opinions are challenged.

There are other parts of the same puzzle. There is the deep displeasure that the President has always visited on overly independent, inconveniently outspoken military leaders.

There is the curious contrast, so suggestive of character differences, between the subsequent careers of the military leaders who have left the service under a cloud with Eisenhower and his comrades who have departed in high favor.

All members of the former group are now earning their civilian livings with distinguished propriety. Too many of the latter are in profitable, flagrant practice as lobbyists.

There is the further fact that the President never seriously consults, face to face, the men who have direct responsibility for our deterrent, for our missile programs, and for the other most important parts of the defense machine.

There is the still further fact that the judgments of these men with direct responsibility have always weighed less heavily, with all Eisenhower-era Secretaries of Defense, than the carefully compromised judgment of the Joint Chiefs of Staff—that body both warped by inter-service rivalries and too full of men responsive to the higher pressures "not to stick your neck out."

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She not only called him promptly and had him on his way, she also called a neighbor and had them come to stay with me until the doctor arrived.

I am now resting in a nursing home. I can say our operators are not only efficient and courteous, but are proving they are on the job and not sitting around drinking coffee as some previous letters have indicated.

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16 Missetoe st.
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Living Foods Again
To the Editor: When we sent in our letters last week, describing our standards for living foods, it was our intention to advertise these producers in the Tribune as a community service.

This ad will appear in the Tribune for Friday, Feb. 26.

Anyone interested should cut out this ad and file it for reference. We realize there must be others who also produce foods that meet our standards but we could not include you this time because we do not know who you are.

This we regret so very much
Anna M. Streed
36 North Peach st.
Medford

Operators Praised
To the Editor: I would like to take this means of expressing my appreciation for the quick and prompt service by

South Americans say these conditions rapidly are disappearing, and they cite examples. For instance: With U.S. help, Chile, Argentina, Uruguay, Paraguay, Peru and other Latin American nations have halted galloping inflation and started the painful road back to financial stability.

Trade and private enterprise both have been given a freer hand to develop.

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