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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
March 2, 1950 (Thursday)
Oregon's junior senator, Re-
publican Wayne Morse, will
visit Medford next week and
speak to the Jackson County
Republican Women's group.

Medford merchants will
sponsor a spring opening on
March 7 and several down-
town city streets will be
blocked off for the display of
new clothes, cars and farm
machinery.

20 YEARS AGO
March 2, 1940 (Sunday)
The Butte Falls Loggers
basketball team won the right
to represent district 14 in the
state championships in Salem
next week by defeating the
Central Point Pointers by a
17 to 16 score last night.

From Arthur Perry's "Ye
Smudge Pot" column: "Some
people fear the harmless look-
ing dial phones which are
being installed here more than
a cobra or the sales tax."

30 YEARS AGO
March 2, 1930 (Monday)
Plans are being developed
to create a civic center around
Medford's city park.

Jackson county has 9,907
automobiles now which places
it fifth in state.

40 YEARS AGO
March 2, 1920 (Wednesday)
Weather improves and work
resumes on the Crater Lake
road which now extends as
far as Prospect.

The Medford high school
basketball team left today to
take part in next week's state
basketball tournament.

50 YEARS AGO
March 2, 1910 (Thursday)
Voters of Ashland give E. C.
Sharpe a franchise to in-
stall a telephone system in
that city.

The cornerstone of the new
St. Mark's Episcopal Church
to be erected here was laid
yesterday.

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

1. What was Lenin's first name?
 2. What two men who signed the Declaration of Independence later become President of the U.S.?
 3. How many States touch the Mississippi River?
 4. Name the explorer whose expedition was first to circumnavigate the globe.
 5. Which of these is best as an insulator for electricity: glass, rubber, or paraffin?
 6. With what President of the U.S. do you associate the sentiment "A public office is a public trust"?
 7. Is chives a disease, a musical term, or something to eat?
 8. Whose name is the first as a signature on the Declaration of Independence?
 9. Who was burned at the stake as a witch and later canonized as a saint?
 10. Do both male and female reindeer have antlers; or only the males?
- Answers: 1. Nikolai. 2. John Adams and Thomas Jefferson. 3. Ten. 4. Ferdinand Magellan. 5. Paraffin. 6. Grover Cleveland. 7. Something to eat. 8. John Hancock. 9. Jeanne d'Arc. 10. Both.

Ike's Veto

The Oregonian and the Register-Guard, of Portland and Eugene respectively, disagree over whether or not President Eisenhower should have vetoed the water pollution control bill.

The Oregonian says he shouldn't have done it; the Guard says the veto was "a good one." In this disagreement, the Oregonian sides with the Izaak Walton League, the League of Women Voters, sanitarians and conservationists generally, and with the president's own advisory committee which strongly recommended the bill. The Register-Guard sides chiefly with the U. S. Chamber of Commerce and the other "balance the budget at any cost" forces.

THE Oregonian says:
"The President—who wants to end federal aid for construction of sewage treatment works entirely—argues that water pollution 'is a uniquely local blight,' and should be corrected locally. We disagree. Pollution is a national disgrace—a national emergency."

The Register-Guard, on the other hand, agrees with the President's veto message, which said in part:

"By holding forth the promise of a large scale program of long term federal support, it would tempt municipalities to delay essential water pollution abatement efforts while they waited for federal funds."

WELL, what will be the effect of the veto in Oregon? Senator Neuberger relays the report of the state sanitary authority that 142 projects, costing an estimated \$55,393,000, are needed to control present sewage pollution of Oregon waterways.

The senator continues:
"Under the Federal grant program authorized by Congress in 1956, the Public Health Service has allotted \$2.6 million to Oregon in the last four years. Thirty-six communities were assisted. The program authorizes construction grants for sewage treatment works by cities, sanitary districts or other public bodies. Grants are limited to 30 per cent of construction cost or \$250,000, whichever is less."
"In its 1959 annual report, the State Sanitary Authority declared: 'In spite of these limitations, the amounts which have been allotted each year to Oregon have been woefully inadequate to meet all requests. It is hoped that Congress in 1960 will authorize increased appropriations for this program...'
"... Congress did approve the Blatnik bill, boosting authorizations from \$50 million to \$90 million annually, and increasing the limitation on individual projects to \$450,000..."

This was the bill the President vetoed. The future of federal participation in pollution control is now in doubt.

EVIDENCE on the record indicates the President is just 180 degrees wrong in his assessment of the results of the program. The Oregonian points out that the offer of federal help has stimulated and encouraged cities (particularly smaller ones—like Ashland) to go ahead with programs of pollution control and sewage disposal they could not otherwise afford. Senator Neuberger confirms this by reporting that "since initiation of the federal water pollution control program, construction of local facilities has increased 60 to 75 per cent over the previous five-year average prior to the availability of grants."

THE Washington Post put in a nutshell when it said:
"The great virtue of the Federal program has been that it stimulated exactly the kind of local initiative Mr. Eisenhower admires."

So now what? With many Oregon communities (even Portland) unable to afford the kind of sewage plants needed, help must come from somewhere. The Oregonian forecasts:

"... The State of Oregon will be compelled to appraise its future in the pollution field. The state has no fund to help communities meet their needs for sewage treatment facilities. The next legislature may have to consider entering this field. Probably, it should do so whether or not the federal program is continued."
"Every Oregon citizen has a big stake in ending stream and lake pollution."
Ike goofed.—E.A.

... The American Earth

These columns have expressed a continuing concern with such things as water pollution, air pollution, planning, zoning, parks and recreation, national parks, wilderness areas, forest management and conservation, water utilization and conservation, soil conservation, billboard regulation, tree planting, city beautification, and so on. We suspect that more than a few of our readers tend to get a bit weary of this.

All we can say in defense, if any is needed, is that these matters are important—vitaly important—if we are to keep the best features of this lovely land, and develop it properly for human enjoyment and living.
THIS feeling has been powerfully reinforced in the past few days by our reading of a book, a magnificent book, which puts the whole matter into a larger perspective. Entitled "This Is The American Earth," the volume was produced by the Sierra Club. In pictures and in words, it tells the story of how unthinking "civilization" plunders and destroys the things which people hold most dear. The volume (it costs \$15, for those who can afford it—and worth every cent) is available from the Sierra Club, Mills Tower, San Francisco. And the public library here will have a copy soon. We commend it whole-heartedly to any readers who share our concern with what we will leave to future generations.—E.A.

Dennis the Menace



"PETER RABBIT LOOKS SOMETHIN' LIKE THIS, JOEY!"

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.

What Are We To Do?
To the Editor: Is there no help, no relief, no ordinance or regulation ever to control the hordes of dogs permitted to run loose in Medford?
What are we to do? Isn't it time we recognized the unmitigated nuisance and filth created by these dogs and call a spade a spade?
Our beautiful shrubs ruined, our garden hose in filth, our shoes, the children's shoes—cannot something be done?
We keep a spade handy. But what's to be done with the four and five messes we clean up daily, from under clothes lines, the path to the garbage can and even in our planter?
For the record, please, if you have the courage to print this, do not publish my name for the same reason the Garden clubs refuse to do anything. They're afraid of offending neighbors who own these various dogs. But these same neighbors don't seem to care that we are constantly offended by their lack of consideration by permitting their dogs to run loose, to chase cars, turn over garbage cans, and relieve themselves in our yards.

So we won't be accused of not liking dogs, we'd like to say, too, we've always had a dog or two until we moved to Medford.
Our children will soon be going barefoot. For mercy's sake, cannot something be done? One youngster, when told the dog should be kept in his own back yard, which is all nicely fenced, said, "Oh, we can't do that, he messes up our yard!"
In a recent article on the history of Portland mention was made of "that early time when Portland was considered a cowtown and dogs were allowed to run loose."
It's time for Medford to stop worrying about the feelings and votes of dog owners and give some progressive action to this overwhelming problem. How about this, fellow gardeners?
Some places were dog licenses are issued as they are in Medford, the license must be attached to the dog at all times, the dog must be kept on the owner's property and any dog left to run astray is impounded. Additional money is raised by the fines paid to get their dogs back again.
If this were written into an ordinance here, maybe some of these proud owners would be forced to take better care of their pets.
Each one thinks his one dog doesn't matter, but multiply this by the dozens and we have a terrific nuisance.
(Name on File)
Medford.

Editor's note: A dog leash ordinance will be on the Medford ballot at the May 20 election.
An Answer
To the Editor: Thank you kindly for printing my letter. Also for the Bible references in your note. Why? It affords an opportunity to explain more than I had planned to.
In the remark about Ham and Noah, it was Ham who committed the deed, but it was Ham's son, Canaan, who was cursed. A lengthy telephone call on other important things interrupted my typing and disturbed my line of thought. So the wrong name was used in the quotation. We do much gospel work over the phone and through the mail. So interruptions cause a change of thought some times.
In regard to the references in your note we find it amusing to see how quickly

some can see the command in Matthew 7:1 to judge not that ye be not judged. But so few read far enough to see the command in St. John 7:24 to judge not according to the appearance, but judge righteous judgment. So we are commanded to judge as well as to not judge. The Holy Ghost is sent to improve the world of sin, of righteousness and judgment. This spirit commands such people to rebuke the sinners before all, even sharply and with all authority, and to rebuke the ones who sin against us.
If we do not keep God's commands we are liars and the truth is not in us. Having this spirit and power I am not out of my place in doing so. There seems to be so few born again Christians that the rest of the world cannot understand their language, but will quickly reject God's words and speak evil of the Christians.
Since I included myself in all essential things in my letter why should I be considered as the man of Luke 18:17? Not being guilty of fornication or nakedness it was not necessary to include myself in that. Besides that I gave God's words, not mine. So he would be as in Luke 18:11, not myself.
This man sat in Moses seat, and rejected God's commands for his own traditions. I am not guilty of such so I could not be he. A Christian gentleman called me and advised me to answer you as I had planned to, stated you showed approval of the evil I wrote against by your references, and should be answered so.
Mrs. G. C. Cunningham
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Central Point, Ore.

Men - Not Women
To the Editor: I read an article in the Medford Mail Tribune regarding a statement by Gov. Hatfield on the possibility of sterilization of unwed mothers on welfare. I would like to ask a question, and also say what is sauce for the goose should be sauce for the gander.
Question: "What are the statistics on how many women are prosecuted for rape, murder, maltreatment, and robbery of the victim, incarcerated for a few years, then turned loose to lure another victim?"
Now, sterilizing the unwed mothers who are the victims, often unwillingly and likely young girls who have all of their lives to pay for the crime committed against them by a man, who in many cases is not even censured, won't solve the problem of birth control. For the man goes free to father hundreds more children if so inclined.
A woman, who takes nine months to bear a child, cannot even begin to populate the world as fast. Another thing, many of the recipients of welfare are extremely large families where the father gets tired of supporting his progeny and leaves them for the mother to care for and skips out, or is depending on welfare himself, while he is still left free to create more such problems. I believe sterilization for the man is better sense and more necessary than for the woman. For her it is a major operation, where in she could lose her life, but for the man it is a simple operation which would do him no harm. Farmers sterilize their male stock they do not wish to use for breeding purposes. Why not sterilize the man when he abuses privileges?
Since our nation is becoming so overstocked in population, that seems to me the

Sidewalk Superintending Keeps Writer Busy in Capitol Area; Neck, Feet Hurt

By **DICK WEST**
Washington—UPI—There is so much sidewalk superintending to take care of around the Capitol these days it's a wonder Congress gets any legislation done.



Dick West all that I can handle. This means I have to neglect the work on the new east front,

the new Senate subway terminal and the new House office building.
The paint job is scheduled to be completed sometime this month and then I can devote more attention to the other projects. I can only hope that they won't be botched up too badly in the meantime.
Most sidewalk superintendents, as you know, superintend by peering down into excavations through knotholes. Once the construction reaches eye-level, they lose interest. Challenge Without Knotholes
This is why the Capitol dome paint job has been such

a challenge. It requires the superintendent to look up all the time. Moreover, this must be done out in the open without the aid of knotholes.
Some less dedicated superintendents might have given up long ago, but I am determined to see the job through to completion.
When the great cast iron dome was assembled 97 years ago, it was painted an eggshell white to match the building's marble walls. With the passage of time, the marble got dirty and the dome had to be painted a corresponding greyish tone.

Now that the Capitol east front is being rebuilt with new marble, the dome is being restored to its original color. This hasn't been easy.
Chip, Chip, Chip
To begin with, we had to chip off 25 coats of old paint, each coat consisting of about 2,500 gallons. If you've ever tried to refinish a piece of lawn furniture, you can imagine what a job that was.
First we found that the iron dome would begin to rust almost as soon as the old paint was removed. They solved that problem by scraping off small areas and quickly covering them with a coat of anti-rust compound.
Then we discovered that every time we cleaned off a space a gang of dirty birds would come along and nullify our efforts. We solved that by draping a huge net over their roosting place.
Things are going smoothly now although the dome at the moment is tri-colored, like brick ice cream—one layer of vanilla, one layer of raspberry and one layer of almond toffee.
These are the shades of the paints being used as undercoats.
Soon we will have it all white again, for which I'll be thankful. One more job like this and I'd not only have the sidewalk superintendents' occupational disease—fallen arches—but I'd have a stiff neck as well.

Mr. K En Route Home; Journey Falls Short of All His Goals

By **PHIL NEWSOM**
UPI Foreign Editor
Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev began beating back homework this week from his Southeast Asia tour which had netted some propaganda successes but whose overall achievements had fallen short of the goals.



Phil Newsom of disarmament and world peace where in he was hailed as a leader both in India and Indonesia. The campaign to ease world tensions hits an especially responsive chord in Southeast

Asia, with the technicalities of achieving it frequently ignored.
But any hopes he might have had that his hosts would enter with him into a joint attack on Western "imperialism" conspicuously were dashed in the final commu-

iques which acknowledged Soviet economic aid but whose stress was upon neutrality. **Emphasizes Grant**
In India the final communiqué called attention to the \$375 million credit granted to India by the Soviet Union last summer and said agreement had been reached on its use in "major projects."
In Indonesia, Khrushchev signed an agreement to supply Indonesia with a \$250 million credit, bringing the total such since 1956 to \$368 million.
The final statement stressed Indonesia's continuing neutrality. In Jakarta, it was reported the Indonesians had refused to include a renewed call for the seating of Red China in the United Nations and also had refused to condemn Western overseas military bases on the new U.S. defensive alliance with Japan.

There were a number of reasons why Khrushchev's drum-beating attacks on the West failed to have their desired effect.
One is that U.S. foreign aid program has continued long enough to convince Asians of the United States' good intent.
This attitude was cemented further by President Eisenhower's December visit to Asia.
A second one is that Asians are beginning to realize that U.S. aid has far outstripped anything done thus far by the Soviet Union.
There is in Asia the additional realization that the Soviets frequently drive a harder bargain than does the U.S. In both India and Indonesia, the Soviet grants are to be repaid in 12 years at an interest rate of 2 1/2 per cent.
But it is usual for the Soviets to demand payments in goods or convertible currency. The latter condition frequently is a difficult one for the nations involved to meet.

Who'll Watch?
To the Editor: The following poem (?) was written at the suggestion of a lady at a potluck dinner.
Shapes
"If you don't watch your shape, nobody will."
So signs the milk man on his morning rounds.
But you don't mind. You just say,
"Creamed potatoes, please, and apple pie,
And cake and another chocolate bar."
If you don't watch, Oh that's his way
Of selling goods.
And so you go on adding pounds,
Until the scales tell you one day
That you have gone too far.
"If you don't watch, nobody will!" - My eye.
They won't whistle gaily as you waddle by,
But you won't hear the snide remark,
"Get a Volkswagen, it's easier to park."
If you don't watch, don't let him kid you now.
If you don't watch your shape, EVERYBODY WILL.
A-N-D H-O-W!!
L. G. Weaver
301 Haven st.
Medford

Literary Commemoration
To the Editor: Governor Hatfield's statesmanlike consideration of sterilizing unmarried mothers to reduce taxes deserves some sort of literary commemoration. This epic may be chanted to a bongo drum accompaniment, or in case of need, one may bang a sput bucket with a long-handled broom.
Unwed mothers in the operating room,
Chloroform them fast, and sterilize them soon,
Stretch them on the table fast as you are able,
Sweep them from relief rolls with the governor's broom.
Boom-lay, boom-lay, boom-lay, boom,
Boom-lay, boom-lay, boom-lay, boom!

Take the Pledge
To the Editor: "If history has taught us anything it has taught us that is hasn't taught us anything."
This is the basic reality when we squarely face the temperance issue in our world today. Broken homes, shattered hopes, and disillusioned people are groping, yes, staggering along life's way as a result of failing to profit by our forefather's mistakes of intemperance. Oh, why, don't we profit from other people's mistakes of imbibing and smoking?

Russians Said To Have Atomic Subs
Washington—UPI—Russia is believed in informed circles to have a small number of atomic submarines now in operation.
The Kremlin has never announced that it has a nuclear-powered sub, presumably because it wants to build up the Soviet fleet to a more impressive size.
American experts who were given a tour of the Russian nuclear ice breaker last year reported that the power plant could be adapted to submarines.
Reliable sources said Russia also has given Red China a number of conventional submarines. In addition, the Red Chinese have begun building their own subs, apparently on a small scale.

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Contaminated Seas
To the Editor: In one of her recent communications on natural foods, Anna Streed mentions sea foods as probably the purest remaining source of protein. This undoubtedly was true in a less complicated period of human history, but unfortunately, it is no longer valid for the nuclear age in which we live.
In discussing radio-active tuna which created such panic in the fish markets of Japan following U.S. bomb tests in the South Pacific, Dr. Ralph Lapp, American nuclear physicist, tells in his book, "The Voyage of the Lucky Dragon," of the appointment of a Japanese government commission to make a study of the source and extent of the contamination of this important food fish.
The Japanese marine biologists composing this commission discovered that of all life forms existing in the ocean, the plankton, those minute organisms upon which larger marine creatures depend, directly or indirectly, for continued existence, have the greatest capacity for absorbing radio-active substances.
Inasmuch as such substances as Strontium 90 continue to be a menace to human life for generations, and since the plankton rendered radio-active by our South Pacific bomb testing program have continued to be freely carried about by ocean currents, it seems most unlikely that anyone now living can state how far contamination of sea foods

Swindle Charge Nets Prison Terms
Salem—UPI—Two suspended five-year prison terms were meted in Marin county Circuit court Monday to Walter Schoene, who pleaded guilty to charges in connection with an insurance swindle.
His case had to do with a fake traffic accident two years ago in the Stayton area. Ten other persons have been convicted or have pleaded guilty to charges involving the swindle operation and have been sentenced.

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Wadesmill, England—UPI—Alec Wright, 22, who enjoys pedaling around on a unicycle, was fined 56 cents Tuesday for letting his fiancée ride on the handlebars.

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