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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 24, 1950 (Friday) David Holmes, president of the Harry and David firm at Bear Creek orchards, was fatally injured in an auto accident near Woodland, Calif., yesterday.

Law stating that dogs may not run at large within Eagle Point city limits will be enforced, city recorder announces.

20 YEARS AGO March 24, 1940 (Sunday) The U. S. National Bank purchased the Farmers and Fruitgrowers bank here Saturday.

From Arthur Perry's "Ye Smudge Pot" column: "Several who wintered in the south have returned, and are now getting the sunshine they went there for."

40 YEARS AGO March 24, 1920 (Sunday) Central Point has been selected as the site for a new cheese factory.

B. H. Conkle resigns as principal of Medford High school and Glenn Smith takes over.

40 YEARS AGO March 24, 1920 (Wednesday) Odd Fellows lodge votes three-year membership in Chamber of Commerce.

Leonard Wood for President club formed here.

50 YEARS AGO March 24, 1910 (Thursday) One hundred and forty Ashland citizens file petition with city council that election be called to amend city charter to permit granting of 50-year trolley line franchise.

Medford citizens will have gas in homes within six months if gas plant franchise is granted by city council.

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

1. The geographical shape of what country in Europe resembles a boot? 2. Identify the person addressed in Walt Whitman's poem as "O, captain, my captain!" 3. What is the capital of Luxembourg? 4. Does the communist government of China control Manchuria? 5. Is mendicant a synonym for carpenter, a tinsmith, a beggar, or a doctor? 6. What sort of animal is "Bambi"? 7. What public building is depicted on the reverse side of a U. S. Ten Dollar silver certificate? 8. If you were "on the road to Mandalay" what country would you be visiting? 9. Queen Henrietta Maria, of England, is honored in the name of which State of the U. S.? 10. Has either political party ever nominated a Catholic to run for the office of President of the U. S.?

Champions

Will Black Tornado athletes of Medford High school achieve an unprecedented third major Oregon "big school" championship in a single academic year?

That question is on the minds of the state's sports observers, as well as hometown fans, now that the curtain has dropped on maplecourt activity and the baseball diamond gets attention.

After Medford's "Big Wind" wrapped up the football campaign last fall with the state's Class A-1 diadem, eight of the confident, poised athletes from the powerful gridiron crew turned to basketball.

COMBINING their talented ability with inspiration and desire, and joining with other lettermen, they turned in a brilliant season under the guiding hand of mentor Frank Roelandt. Their accomplishments reached the apex last Saturday, when they won the A-1 tournament titular trophy, the school year's second major crown, and the first hoop mantle for Medford since 1929.

Now seven of these same athletes move on to baseball. They join others who have that Medford spirit.

With a core of veterans, expectations are high, and chances good, for an illustrious spring—to make a tremendous athletic year. State baseball semifinalists last year, they have the potential to bring Medford a three-sport sweep unique in big school competition.

OUR congratulations and praise go to the youths who, for Medford, brought home the long-sought basketball trophy. They also brought honor to themselves, their school and their city. This exceptional group deserves its moment of glory, and the communitywide acclaim which they are receiving.

Those who go on to baseball do so with hardly time to catch their breath. To the diamond squad we wish success in its efforts, and we are behind the players, win or lose.

Once again, as was the case after the football season, we can now say to the state Class A-1 basketball champions of Medford High school: "Fellows, you're the greatest."—R.D.J.

Caveman of Tomorrow

The average American today is living in comfort, not to say luxury, never before known in history.

He also is living beneath the cloud of threatened nuclear war.

These two facts of life today are joined, in the most cockeyed way we've ever seen, in the current issue of the Oregon Civil Defense News, publication of the state CD agency.

It presents a picture of "The Family Room of Tomorrow"—described as "the ultimate in attractive compact basement game rooms"—which also doubles as a fallout shelter.

HERE we have the highest material civilization in the history of the world, and we're not smart enough to work out arrangements so we can live without fear of annihilation.

If that isn't a cockeyed situation, what is it? It gives one pause.

"Behind the walnut storage wall to the right is ample space for a two-week supply of food and other essentials. The sleeping unit on the back wall sleeps a family of four . . .

"The lavatory unit, set off by a sliding door, converts to a chemical toilet during an emergency. The sink has a storage tank for emergency use. The room also incorporates a first aid kit, Conelrad radio, transistor TV and a folding worktable cooking unit.

"A unique feature of the room, labeled 'the family room of tomorrow,' is a dual-purpose bicycle which serves as an exerciser and at the same time pumps fresh air into the room. A hopscotch board is inlaid in the vinyl floor. Other features include a world map which adorns the revolving door of the storage closet, and a 40-year calendar . . .

Back to the air conditioned caves, men! Keep fit on your air-pump-exerciser! Read your one-world map! And stay buried for 40 years.—E.A.

Dog Control

The question of a dog control, or "leash" law, for Medford, is just a bit up in the air at the moment, because of some apparently conflicting statutes.

But the district attorney's office informs us it is working to get the measure on the ballot for Medford residents to vote on May 20. A petition with a sufficient number of signatures has been filed to require such a vote.

Also it is reported that a similar petition is being circulated in the town of Rogue River, to prevent dogs from running at large.

WE DON'T know how the people in the rest of the county feel about a dog control law. But if there is any considerable sentiment in favor of one, now is the time to do something about it.

A county-wide law can be initiated by petition, but it must be filed not later than 45 days in advance of the election, which, if our figuring is right, is next Tuesday.

At least 100 signatures of legal voters are necessary.

We would like to see such a measure on the ballot, so the people can settle the matter. If it does get on the ballot, either county-wide or just in Medford, it should create a bit of controversy for, for some reason, dog control is like fluoridation and capital punishment—people disagree, and violently.—E.A.

Dennis the Menace



"DO YOU HAVE A DINER'S CARD?"

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.

To the Editor: I have followed with amused interest the letters concerning Medford's 'great' segregation problem in accepting and locating the Smith family.

I wish to congratulate you on your fine editorial and am glad to see that you have many other tolerant people in your fair city.

So far as I know, Camp White has not as yet been heard from, so, as an amused observer, let me say that I believe that your reader, Mr. George Distell, has hit the nail square on the head: "We have lost a bit of our face and with incalculable chagrin are trying to brazen it out, come what may."

As a veteran of both World Wars I and II, and at present rehabilitating at Camp White, I am proud to say that there is no segregation when bullets are flying in all directions and you are alone in a shell hole and need a medic in a hurry. I don't believe one would look to see if he was colored blue, green, black or white.

Let me suggest that everyone take a long look at Webster's definition for the beautiful word tolerance.

Malemout Slim, Camp White, Ore.

Let Them Move To the Editor: Concerning the matter, that some seem to think is such a small incident, we shouldn't give it a second thought.

But I believe the first symptoms of any serious "ailment" should be treated as soon as it is recognized. Before it becomes a "plague" . . .

If the "opportunists" in this valley are so pleased with these "early symptoms" let them move to where the "opportunities" are more plentiful. I believe they would soon change their minds, and want to hurry back to this unspoiled valley.

David T. Allison, 136 Glenn Way, Central Point, Ore.

Perfect Answer To the Editor: Sometime ago the following article appeared in the Mail Tribune. It impressed me so much that I saved it and feel that it should be repeated now.

LOST HIS WAY A cruel and sudden crisis, charged with feeling, confronted Cecil Poole, Assistant District Attorney, one morning last week; at its peak, Poole fashioned a few short words into a simple declarative sentence that for aptness and eloquence no novelist, no professional builder of phrases, could far excel after long thought and much revision.

Poole is a Negro. He lives in IngleSide Terrace, a "white" neighborhood. Thus shock and resentment and bewilderment and regret and mixtures of a dozen other emotions must have surged through him when his six year old daughter came running into the house to report: "There's a cross on our lawn, all burned." With the news, she brought a troubled question: "Why is it there?"

Such a question under such conditions needed a meticulous answer. Poole found it. "Some Christian," he said, "has lost his way."

"Some Christian has lost his way." Six short and simple words that bespeak charity instead of anger that well and truly explain the kind of bigotry that fashions and plants fiery crosses, that raise no fears and inflict no hurts and leave no scars on the mind of a small child who

first sees racial hatred and asks about it.

We do not know where Poole found this answer. We think it is the perfect one. It invites thought and bears frequent repetition: "Some Christian has lost his way."—San Francisco Chronicle.

Mrs. W. L. Lockington, 1036 Queen Anne, Medford.

The Task We Face To the Editor: Readers who have taken a dim view of your editorial opinions on race relations need to be reminded that change is the only really permanent element in our unstable human existence. It persists as one of the unalterable laws of life.

Change is sweeping over our world like a mighty tidal wave, and neither our own country nor the Rogue valley can hope to remain immune from its influence.

The Medford Human Rights Council came into being last July as one means of cushioning the impact of changes which leaders on our state government felt were inevitable. The Council is neither a subversive nor a starry-eyed do-gooder organization, nor is its primary objective to promote or accelerate change in the composition of our population in the Rogue valley or in the way of life of its citizens.

It exists in conjunction with the Civil Rights Division of the Oregon State Bureau of Labor. Its basic purpose is to aid in making necessary adjustments, under the laws of our state, to the changes that inevitably occur in the free flow of population in a free land, and to insure that no one's rights as American citizens shall be disregarded in the process. As such, I believe it is deserving of community-wide support.

We live in a new era—one in which there is no place for the old myth of racial superiority, or that of the necessity for defending the alleged purity of the white race. Anthropologically, whether we like it or not, "God hath made of one blood all nations," and in our time the only race that can have lasting significance is the human race to which we all belong.

In the words of a poet, Peggy Pond Church: "At last we who have been running away must turn and face it; There is no room left for hate in the world we must live in. Now we must learn to love. We cannot longer escape it. We can no longer escape from one another.

Love is no longer a theme for eloquence. Or a way of life for a few to choose whose hearts can decide it. It is the sternest necessity; the unequivocal ultimatum. There is no way out. There is no country we can flee to. There is no man on earth who must not face this task now."

Grace N. Pearson, Route 2, Box 50, Jacksonville, Ore.

Id's Sprig To the Editor: Oh, spring is here, My heart was gay Until I found "Twas freckles' day.

I climbed the hill To see the flowers,

South African 'Apartheid' Policy Brings 'Explosion' Nearer; Question Is When

By PHIL NEWSOM UPI Foreign Editor

On June 3, 1948, a tough old Afrikaander named Daniel F. Malan became Premier of the Union of South Africa and began instituting the policy of "apartheid"—more simply, "white supremacy."

Ten years later, a newsman toured the Union of South Africa and wrote: "Three million whites keep 11 million non-whites in virtual bondage. Even the white supremacists concede an explosion is bound to come—the only question is when. Pessimists say five years; optimists, ten."

This week the worst and most tragic outbreak yet occurred outside Johannesburg. What had been planned as a non-violent demonstration by 25,000 native Africans exploded in gunfire, rioting and burning. In the outburst of hate, no favorites were played among the victims. There were women and children among them as well as men.

Malan, as have been his successors, was a member of the Nationalist Party which is dedicated to racial segregation and white supremacy.

In general, it is a party of intense nationalism and its members are descendants of the Dutch settlers of South Africa. Their language is Afrikaans which is derived from the Dutch, and is one which the nationalists would like to have supplant English

as the foremost national tongue.

Its leaders, when they speak of apartheid, use such expressions as "volkswil," meaning will of the people, or "baasskap," bossism or white supremacy.

To enforce apartheid, Nationalist leaders have run roughshod over their opposition, including white. They have rewritten the laws and changed the relationship be-

tween parliament and the courts to make sure their policies cannot be outlawed.

Apartheid covers native Africans, all persons of mixed blood and Indians. Their segregation is complete. They have no direct vote and the population registration act places upon them their racial origin forever.

The latest riots were a protest against passes which every native African must carry. They describe the name, tribe and place of birth of the holder, his place of residence and the name of his employer. He cannot change his employment or move to any other part of the country without having his pass endorsed.

South Africa's apartheid policy has estranged it from India, strained its relations with the United States and caused a constant state of friction with Britain, the mother country.

Former Union of South Africa Premier Johannes G. Strijdom put it in a nutshell. The white man has "baasskap," he said, because he has the vote. South African law, he continued, makes it impossible for natives ever to regain that power.

When British Prime Minister Harold Macmillan visited the union last winter he frankly criticized apartheid.

To which Nationalists replied that Macmillan was a political opportunist and that South Africa would continue its course.

Matter of Fact By Joseph Alsop

NIXON VERSUS EISENHOWER

Washington—The differences in political outlook between the President and Vice President Nixon will have to take the rap as his party's candidate, if the Republicans simply follow President Eisenhower's inclination to do nothing about either of these problems at this time.

For this reason, Nixon took a bold initiative a couple of weeks ago. On his own hook, he called in two like-minded members of the Eisenhower cabinet, Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare Arthur Flemming and Secretary of Labor James Mitchell. The three men discussed the two problems above-noted.

WITH NIXON'S encouragement, Secretary Flemming then went into action on the problem of medical care for the aged. Meanwhile the Vice President himself began to tackle the problem of aid for education.

What Flemming has been pressing for is some sort of Federally insured system of medical care for men over 65 and women over 62. But the American Medical Association regards anything of the sort as the thin end of the wedge of socialized medicine. Under A.M.A. influence, the right wing Republican leadership of the House is up in arms. The President is also far from enthusiastic.

Yet this issue is purely ideological. It is therefore less painful than the issue of aid for education, which touches the sacred budget. In the matter of aid to education, Nixon wants both White House and Congressional Republican support for the compromise school construction bill that is emerging in the House. The sum involved, about \$350,000,000 a year for three years, is much less than the Senate voted for the same purpose. But it is still a lot of extra spending for the Vice President to persuade the President to approve.

SUCH, in summary, are the outward signs of an inner difference that has long existed. The Vice President is in fact a much less conservative man, or at least a much more pragmatic man, than the President. He is known to have said on one occasion, with a certain air of mild wonder, "It's a funny thing, isn't it? The President is really more conservative, in his domestic policies anyway, than Bob Taft was."

Taft himself felt the need to prove that the Republican party cared, not just about the business man, but about the so-called little man too. His housing and other measures were the result of this feeling. Nixon feels the same need, and he feels it even more urgently with the campaign approaching. As the Administration's 1960 program proves, the need is not felt by Eisenhower.

Other legislative issues that will come to a head later on are likely to cause the same sort of Eisenhower-Nixon divergence—which is most emphatically not a personal split. The most important of these issues will probably be created by a Congressional vote of larger defense appropriations. The Vice President unquestionably wants to get the defense issue off his plate before the campaign. The President, in contrast, will be tempted to freeze any extra defense appropriations, both in justification of his own judgment and in order to spare the budget. Again it will be Nixon vs. Eisenhower.

IT DOES NOT END there, either. The question of the degree of Republican conservatism is already playing a major part in the planning for the party convention. There is a strong move among conservative House members, for instance, to make Rep. Melvin Laird of Wisconsin chairman of the platform committee. Nixon almost certain-

Lance Reventlow To Wed Actress

San Francisco—(UPI)—Lance Reventlow, one of the world's richest young men, and actress Jill St. John, 19, will be married here tonight by a California Supreme Court justice.

The ceremony will be performed by Justice Marshall McComb in the Mark Hopkins Hotel suite of the bridegroom's mother, dime store heiress Barbara Hutton.

Reventlow, 24, a multimillionaire, is the only son of the much-married Miss Hutton and one of her former husbands, Danish Count Kurt Von Haugwitz Reventlow. It will be his first marriage. It will be the second marriage for the actress, who was divorced from Neil Dubin last July 14.

The couple said honeymoon plans would depend on professional commitments.

KF-Lakeview Truck Service Approved Salem—(UPI)—Public Utility Commissioner Jonel C. Hill has granted authority to Bend-Portland Truck Service, Inc., to provide service between Klamath Falls and Lakeview and intermediate points.

He authorized transfer of the motor common carrier permit of Arrow Transit, Inc., Klamath Falls to Bend-Portland effective April 1.

Bend-Portland's present operations include service between Klamath Falls and Portland and between Lakeview and Portland.

ly will not accept Laird, because he is too right wing.

The most likely choice for platform chairman is Charles Percy, the young president of the Bell & Howell Co., who wrote the forward-looking Percy Committee Report on Republican policy. But none other than Gov. Nelson A. Rockefeller of New York is known to be under consideration by Nixon as an alternative platform chairman. If Rockefeller is not offered this job, moreover, there is a good chance he will be asked to be convention keynote speaker.

The President will not like the choice of Rockefeller for either of these policy-pronouncing posts. He will not much like the emergence of Nixon as a political personality in his own right, with views of his own that are not necessarily Eisenhower's views. Yet Nixon was to all intents nominated long before Eisenhower endorsed the nomination.

And the progressive political differentiation of these two men of quite different generations and viewpoint is not only natural and unavoidable. It is also healthy and proper.

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Fellowships Go To Five Oregon Men

Washington—(UPI)—The National Science Foundation for academic year 1960-61 was awarded graduate fellowships providing \$1,800 to five Oregon men for first year graduate study. Rep. Walter Norblad (R-Ore.) announced today.

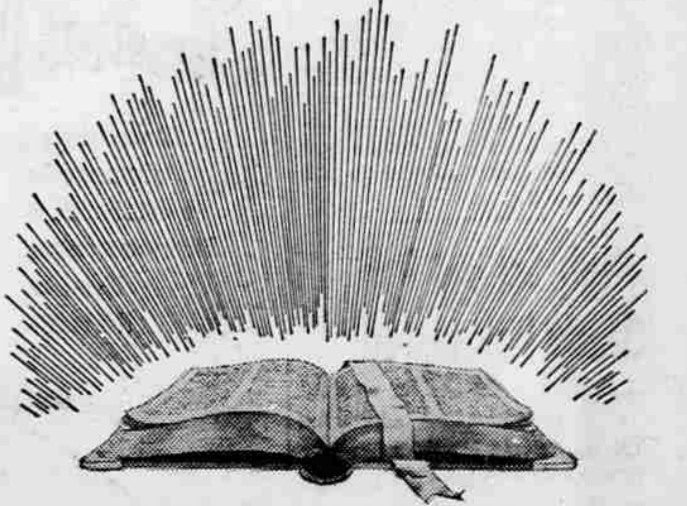
Those receiving the fellowships are John D. Burroughs and James C. Person, Salem; Richard W. Dixon, Woodburn; Ross J. MacIntyre, Yachats, and Brian L. McNeal, Corvallis.

Residents Flee in Radioactive Scare Salt Lake City—(UPI)—Police evacuated more than 100 persons from their homes here early today when a truck carrying radioactive castings hit a switch train at an intersection.

However, it was determined the radioactivity was too low to be dangerous and the residents returned to their homes in less than an hour.

London—(UPI)—Princess Margaret and Antony Armstrong-Jones will honeymoon aboard the royal yacht Britannia, Buckingham Palace has announced.

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