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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**  
April 11, 1950 (Tuesday)  
Acting Postmaster Moore  
Hamilton today told Medford  
citizens that to participate in  
the mailing of chain letters  
which are now circulating in  
this city, is illegal.

**20 YEARS AGO**  
April 11, 1940 (Thursday)  
Public utilities commission  
will conduct hearing in Medford  
tomorrow on application of  
Crater Lake national park  
company to discontinue its  
bus service between Medford  
and Crater Lake.

**30 YEARS AGO**  
April 11, 1930 (Friday)  
World traveler writes that  
he ate a Rogue River valley  
apple in Calcutta.  
Epidemic of checker playing  
hits city.

**40 YEARS AGO**  
April 11, 1920 (Sunday)  
Roseburg businessmen agree  
to wear overalls as a protest  
against high cost of living.  
Hoover campaign for president  
opens in Oregon.

**50 YEARS AGO**  
April 11, 1910 (Monday)  
Reliable sources say Southern  
Pacific will extend railroad  
through the Applegate to  
Crescent City.  
Pacific and Eastern railroad  
has been awarded a contract  
to carry mail between Medford  
and Eagle Point.

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

1. Are there Phi Beta Kappa chapters at all colleges and universities in the U. S.?
  2. Members of the D. A. R. are descended from those who participated in the French Revolution: true or false?
  3. Is Ireland (Eire) a member of the British Commonwealth of Nations?
  4. When do recess appointments made by the president expire?
  5. Ophelia is a character in which of Shakespeare's plays?
  6. What former American public official is called "Cactus Jack"?
  7. Which of the planets is nearest the sun?
  8. What is the capitol of Oregon?
  9. At how many points does a tangent touch a circle?
  10. In mythology, was Argus famous for his eyes, ears, or nose?
- Answers: 1. No. 2. False: American Revolution. 3. No. 4. On the last day of the succeeding session of the Senate, if not confirmed. 5. "Hamlet." 6. Former: V. P. John Nance Garner. 7. Mercury. 8. Salem. 9. One. 10. Eyes.

### Social Workers Talk Back

Smarting under recent attacks on various phases of the public welfare program, spokesmen for an estimated 700 social workers of the state did some talking back before the Legislative Interim Committee on Public Welfare last week.

In a voluminous report prepared by the Oregon chapter of the National Association of Social Workers, they not only struck out at "unjustified criticisms" and "misrepresentations" of the aid to dependent children program. They also brought out a far-reaching set of recommendations for improving various welfare programs.

**MAJOR recommendations are:**

Elimination of residence requirements in the ADC and old-age assistance program, and retention of ADC children under 14 on ADC rolls during summer months.

More and better trained welfare commission employes to do a better job of screening and more thorough eligibility studies.

Elimination of discrepancies in allowances made to general assistance recipients, as compared with ADC, old-age assistance and other programs.

Better medical care for old-age assistance recipients, including support of the Forand bill (now shelved) in the Congress.

A single federal grant to states for ADC and better food standards for ADC families.

More research into the causes of dependency and disability.

Repeal of the relative responsibility law, which, the report charged, is costly, hard to administer and "fosters destructive family relationships."

Higher salaries to attract and keep experienced people and to cut down the 34 per cent annual turnover of state welfare employes.

And a citizens advisory committee to conduct studies and develop sound public relationships.

**THIS is a drastic program altogether, involving some highly controversial remedies for the complex welfare problems. But it is a comprehensive, professional report which deserves thoughtful consideration by the interim committee and the 1961 legislature.**

It is becoming obvious to everyone that better care must be provided for the ever-growing group of elderly people who require more comprehensive medical care at the very time incomes are at their lowest ebb.

**AND it is equally obvious, at the opposite end of the life cycle, that our dependent children must not be neglected, regardless of unwed moms and absconding pappies.**

If, by spending a little more money now to cope with current welfare problems, we can "help people become ineligible for welfare assistance," as the chairman of the social policy and action committee of NASW contends, it will be a good investment.

On that we can agree.—Oregon Journal.

### Labor Law Report

Secretary of Labor Mitchell's report last week of the first six months' operation of the Landrum-Griffin Law gives striking evidence, firmly rooted in statistics, of two outstanding features: the staggering size of the job still to be done as well as progress already made by the new Bureau of Labor-Management Reports.

And, during the first few months, the Department of Labor's task has been a double-headed one: to set up the necessary organizational machinery and then to put it into high-gear operation.

The selection of the commissioner in charge, John L. Holcombe, has fulfilled the first requirement for success—a talented executive. His chief associates—Frank M. Kleiler, Deputy Commissioner, and Assistant Commissioners Daniel L. O'Conner and Morris Weisz—complete an exceptionally strong and even-handed directing team.

**THEY and their staff of over 300, working through twenty-two offices in all parts of the country, have already processed some 60,000 reports and have investigated over 800 complaints of violations. They have also carried on a campaign of information, including the preparation and distribution of more than a million and a half pieces of educational material.**

All this is not surprising, considering that some seventeen million union members and half a million officers are directly affected by the act. And the peak of the staff's work-loads has yet to be reached. Half of the 50,000 reports of union financial operations only were due on April 1, with the balance not called for until the end of August.

**ON THE whole, Secretary Mitchell reports, union officials, employers and the public have been cooperative. But "the corrupt elements in labor and management," whose conduct resulted in the act, have done everything they could to hamper the bureau's work, including attempts to bring about cuts in its operating funds.**

It is too early to attempt any over-all appraisal of the effects of the Landrum-Griffin Law. But the bureau says that the reports it gets indicate that union members are speaking out more freely at meetings, that union constitutions are being revised along more democratic lines and that unionists are taking a greater interest in elections.

So far, so good, though there is still a long way to go.—New York Times.

### Dennis the Menace



"MAYBE I NEVER REALLY PUNCHED ANY CATTLE, BUT I STUCK OUT MY TONGUE AT THE MILKMAN ONCE!"

### 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.

**Indignation and Sorrow**  
To the Editor: It was with extreme indignation and profound sadness that I read the conglomeration of misinformation re the Camp White derelict in your paper. Indignation due to the slur cast upon an institution that has gone broke because of its charities—a slur so terribly unfounded and unjust. And sorrow for the irreparable harm done just when help is so badly needed.

Your editorial did little to correct the grave injustice. The tragedy is that an article of that sort has the same effect as malicious gossip—people feed on the sensationalism and never bother to look for the grain of truth.

You probably do not have time to censor every article before publication but you certainly could have offered public apology. I am sure that by now you have been fully informed of the true facts and I hope that you will do all in your power to undo the damage. The sad fact is that people pay slight attention to retractions.

May I again state that I am not a Catholic but I did work at Sacred Heart for several years and know well the devotion, the tireless service and endless charities given by the Sisters to an apparently undeserving community. The very least you can do to right a wrong is to beg their humble pardon.

Nell E. von der Hellen  
(Mrs. Carl)  
Eagle Point, Ore.

**Editor's note:** We have been given to understand that the administration of Sacred Heart hospital is investigating the circumstances of the case. If and when they wish to make their findings known, the Mail Tribune will be delighted to publish them. The story came from a reliable source, and was carefully checked before publication. If it is shown to be incorrect, the Mail Tribune will certainly apologize and do everything it can to set the record straight. Our position remains as stated in our editorial of Thursday, namely, that facilities for the treatment of indigents need improvement, and that the entire community is to blame for this by continuing to make it necessary for the hospitals to use their limited resources for charity cases, which logically and morally should be a public obligation. We don't know whether the patient in this case was, or wasn't a "Camp White derelict." We do know, however, that he was a human being.

**Long-Dead Mosquito**  
To the Editor: Aye sure seen der news in der paper yesterday, about der mosquitoes in der Rogue River Valley. It's a funny thing, Aye fished in all der creeks and rivers of der Rogue River Valley for 50 years. I ain't never seen but vun mosquito, and he vas in der Ashland Park in der spring of 1914. He vasn't in der Park for long, he vas reported, and der Park Commission shot him.

Ve do have a few hungry yellowjackets in der Park, but you might as vell eat der picnic lunch at home, if you ain't got der yellowjackets.

Everett Acklin  
Ashland, Ore.

**River Dam Needed**  
To the Editor: Our governor, Mark Hatfield, our ambassador of good will and interest of Oregon at heart, has been out trying to interest outside industry. That is fine. We have an abundance of

soil, clay, pumice, fancy rocks, and all kinds of trees. We do also have plenty of persons to do any kind of labor.

We need electricity for these invited industries, we need recreation for our inhabitants, we need water for those who want to till the soil, we need our low lands and homes along Rogue River protected from floods, and of course some place with a lot of fish for the fisherman.

With a high dam on Rogue River, a big power plant could be run, a huge lake would be formed to contain lots of fish, long enough for boat races, there would be plenty of water for the farmer and our river bottom lands and homes protected.

If we provide the power and the water, real progress for southern Oregon will come. Probably never heard of it.

In Thursday's April 7 Mail Tribune, here is a story, Budget Group Asked Not to Spend \$1500. Why?

Is that to delay a dam on Rogue River? Medford and Talent have their irrigation. Medford Chamber of Commerce better get interested in the whole county.

By the way, pray tell us where we can find this said Agate Project.

As for the letters to Congressman Porter, no doubt they were all from Grangers or at least most of them.

Grange dues are small so there is not a great deal of money in a Grange, but they do have members and they can use the mails.

Delia A. Littlefield  
Lecturer,  
Shady Cove Grange  
Shady Cove, Ore.

**How Many Deductions**  
To the Editor: I have a question for Mr. Claude M. Hall, who is an advocate of the bill providing hospitalization for Society Security retirees.

Just how many of these so-called "fractional" deductions do you think we working people can stand? Another "fractional" whack at our salaries and some of us who are earnestly trying to make a living for our families may as well give it up. It is too discouraging.

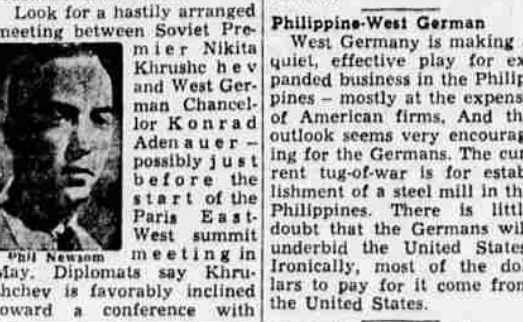
I fall to understand how Mr. Hall, and others like him, can expect the employer to stay in business, or the employee to continue working, when this something-for-nothing system continues to penalize us for our efforts.

Add up the "fractional" increases sometime, and figure out how much we have left to live on.

B. Greer  
244 North Oakdale ave.  
Medford.

### Foreign Notebook: Pre-Summit Session; West Germans' Bid

By PHIL NEWSOM  
UPI Foreign Editor  
From the Foreign Editor's notebook:  
Adenauer-Khrushchev



Look for a hastily arranged meeting between Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev and West German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer—possibly just before the start of the Paris East-West summit meeting in May. Diplomats say Khrushchev is favorably inclined toward a conference with

Adenauer, the only major Western leader who has not huddled with the Kremlin boss in preparation for the summit.

Philippine-West German  
West Germany is making a quiet, effective play for expanded business in the Philippines—mostly at the expense of American firms. And the outlook seems very encouraging for the Germans. The current tug-of-war is for establishment of a steel mill in the Philippines. There is little doubt that the Germans will underbid the United States. Ironically, most of the dollars to pay for it come from the United States.

**De Gaulle Remains Firm**  
French President Charles de Gaulle can be expected to make a strong pitch against any weakening of the Western stand on Europe in general and Germany in particular during his forthcoming visit to the United States. Reports from Washington that the West might agree to sign a separate peace treaty with East Germany if the East Germans vote in favor of it caused major alarm in French official circles.

**Freedom Slipping Away**  
To the Editor: While aware that newcomers should be seen and not heard—especially in matters pertaining to children, flowers, and dogs—I cannot, in good conscience, keep my big mouth shut.

The disturbing truth is that dog control ordinances, like many legislative panaceas, carry consequences reaching far beyond the tangible. First, it should be remembered that these ordinances are restrictive, and each restrictive law is a nether nibble at our shrinking freedom. We can no longer afford the luxury of voting away individual liberty—not even the other fellows.

This is not to suggest that we stop passing laws; as our national population expands, more and more rules will become necessary. But each should be weighed carefully to determine its necessity. We must ask ourselves whether or not it is a just law; a law designed to restrain and punish the guilty—or if it is merely another expediency aimed at the masses.

**Also Unto Me**  
To the Editor: The article in Wednesday night's Mail Tribune concerning the man who did not receive adequate care for 2 1/2 hours shocked me and I hope it did the same to those who read it. I asked myself, "Where have our Christian principles gone?"

Why should a hospital founded by a religious order refuse to take a person desperately in need of help because he apparently had no money to pay for his care? How could a nurse who should be dedicated to help the ill make a comment to the effect as to the man being a "liability"? Would she have done so if he had been one of her loved ones? And the ambulance driver—did dollars and cents mean more than a human life?

This man—a veteran—may have fought for his country and received his disability defending the very people who refused to help him. How quickly we forget these men who have sacrificed so much for our democratic way of life.

I do think the doctor and the policeman are to be commended. At least they stood by him until he was given proper care.

Perhaps he was a transient but he also is a human being. "This I say unto you, even as you do unto the least of these, do you also unto Me."

Mrs. Karen Fletcher,  
819 Garden Way,  
Ashland, Ore.

**Good For The Dads**  
To the Editor: We, the students of West Side School, would like to take this opportunity to thank the Dads and Do-Dads of our school.

On Tuesday evening, April 5, these men sponsored a variety show for the benefit of our Student Body fund. This show was a huge success only because of the unceasing work of the group.

We have baseball shirts ordered for the boys on our team and have already purchased two new mitts for them to use with the money received from the show.

Again, we want to express our thanks and appreciation to our Dads.

The Students of  
West Side School  
Medford.

**Much Still To Do**  
To the Editor: I have read and been deeply moved by your superb editorials on the race question. I am never in sympathy with my Southern colleagues on civil rights legislation, and seldom in sympathy with them in the points they raise in debate. But they do raise one point which cannot be overlooked. That is the argument that the North is no paradise for Americans of dark complexion, either.

Certainly we in the Northern and Western States have much to do in the civil rights field. But we have much of which we can be proud of. One of the things of which we can be proudest is the spirit shown in your outstanding editorials.

Edith Green  
Member of Congress  
Washington, D. C.

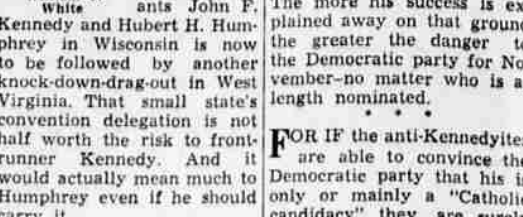
### Washington Report

By WILLIAM S. WHITE

#### KENNEDY PROBLEMS

Washington—The Democrats are in danger of carrying off all the springtime prizes for drama, and losing the presidential election in November.

The spectacular contest run between presidential aspirants John F. Kennedy and Hubert H. Humphrey in Wisconsin is now to be followed by another knock-down-drag-out in West Virginia. That small state's convention delegation is not half worth the risk to front-runner Kennedy. And it would actually mean much to Humphrey even if he should carry it.



Nevertheless, the battle is fated to be fought to the finish. Senator Kennedy must go on because no matter when and where he wins to date, a large section of the political community only replies: "Yes—but."

In plain fact, and all fine-spun analysis to the contrary, he won a clear victory in Wisconsin. On the big score-board—the number of convention delegates named down—he beat Senator Humphrey by a margin of 2 to 1. In the popular vote he received 56 per cent—which is better than the 55.2 per cent given to Dwight Eisenhower in his 1952 presidential landslide.

**ALL this would seem, on any ordinary measurement, to be quite enough. But special standards are being applied to Kennedy. This is practically understandable even though ethically not fair.**

The professional politicians (including the Catholic pros themselves) have always reckoned that to be a Catholic is a heavy handicap in running for president.

So Kennedy has got to convince his party, and then convince it yet again, that his popularity can overcome any handicap that may exist.

Humphrey has got to go into West Virginia because he had pledged to do so. There is also the important fact that while his chances for the

nomination are one in ten they would be nonexistent if he cried quits now.

There is much nonsense in presidential primaries. But the Democrats are involved in them all the same.

A great, unexplored bomb lies under the whole situation for the Democrats. Kennedy's Wisconsin triumph is widely attributed—although there is much objective to doubt that this is the decisive explanation—to "the Catholic vote." The more his success is explained away on that ground the greater the danger to the Democratic party for November—no matter who is at length nominated.

**FOR IF the anti-Kennedyites are able to convince the Democratic party that his is only or mainly a "Catholic candidacy" they are surely going to convince the majority Protestant voters and the minority Catholic voters in this whole country on the same thing. If massive numbers of Catholics really are for Kennedy simply because he is a Catholic, these people are not going to like it if he is dumped by the Democratic convention in circumstances suggesting that the only real reason was his religion.**

And if the "stop Kennedy" movement is going to be put on the basis of his religion and he still isn't stopped, the Democrats themselves will have given the Republicans a powerful weapon with which to beat him in the campaign by exploiting the so-called "Protestant vote."

So the more the Democrats talk about "the Catholic issue" the more harm they are going to do their own party and their own ultimate candidate, regardless of his identity. Their problem thus is great. If they are going to "stop Kennedy" they had better do it on impersonal and non-religious issues.

If they can't stop him that way they will be far better off not to stop him at all. All Democratic candidates or factions never uttering the words "Catholic vote" from now on will use them at their own peril and to the peril of their common party.

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**Try and Stop Me**  
By BENNETT CERF

WAITERS at the diner outside the Laramie, Wyo., airport still talk about the customer who ordered a cup of coffee, then poured pepper, salt and a dash of catsup into it. "Hey," he remonstrated, "this coffee tastes terrible."

"What did you expect?" asked the waiter. "There's not much else in that cup besides pepper, salt and catsup."

"Maybe you're right," allowed the customer. "Pass the mustard."



Charley Weaver nominates Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Swine as the fightingest married couple in Mt. Idy. "Trouble is," explains Charley, "Wally won't give her an owl for her birthday, so she won't mend his socks. She told me, 'If he don't give a hoot, I don't give a darn.'"

"Promises," declares Norman Vincent Peale, "are like crying babies in the theater: they should be carried out at once."

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