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Flight o' Time

Medford and Jackson County History

May 12, 1950 (Saturday)

Miss Wanda Norton, sponsored by the Phoenix PTA,

20 YEARS AGO

May 12, 1940 (Sunday)

Medford's "Crater" baseball team

30 YEARS AGO

May 12, 1930 (Monday)

Rain again causes abandonment of Child Health day

40 YEARS AGO

May 12, 1920 (Wednesday)

Mail carriers in Medford have been wearing coveralls

50 YEARS AGO

May 12, 1910 (Thursday)

Louis W. Hill, head of the Great Northern railroad

What's Your I.Q.?

Nine or ten correct is superior; seven or eight is excellent; five or six is good.

1. What is the modern name of the American League team formerly called the Highlanders?

Answers: 1. New York Yankees. 2. 17 years. 3. James Madison. 4. Gold. 5. Gold alloy.

What Happened...?

What happened to the "Great Crusade"? What happened to the government "clean as a hound's tooth"?

What happened to the administration which promised the nation "modern Republicanism," as opposed to Old Guard G.O.P. stand-patism?

AND this, of course, despite the fact that the national debt now is less, per capita, than it was seven years ago;

And now, to cap the sorry record of mismanagement, conflict of interest, actual moral myopia in high office, comes the Connole affair.

Howard Morgan, the sometimes controversial former Oregon Public Utilities Commissioner, (and even his enemies will grant he is a man of integrity,) discusses that case in the following letter, circulated to Oregon newspapers.

MORGAN says:

"During the two years in which I served the people of Oregon as Public Utility Commissioner, I never met nor had any correspondence with Commissioner William Connole of the Federal Power Commission.

"Particularly in the field of natural gas rate regulation, where the behavior of the majority of the FPC has been such as to merit the most searching investigation of their actions and attitudes, with every probability that successful prosecutions could be based on such investigations, Mr. Connole fought as a one-man minority in case after case for adequate and honest rate regulation for the protection of the consumer.

"It has been an open secret for the past two or three years that a top priority project of the White House has been to find a presentable excuse for firing or refusing to reappoint Commissioner Connole. Here is how the project was carried out.

"Tommy Corcoran, a former Democratic brain-truster who in recent years has broken out with an aggravated case of dollar-signs on the eyeballs and is now a gas company lawyer, approached most and perhaps all members of the FPC, asking them to vote his way in certain cases. Let me say there is no way a regulatory official can prevent an unscrupulous lawyer or company official from doing this; all he can do is to follow his conscience and the facts in deciding the case.

"The foregoing is the background necessary to an understanding of the following amazing excerpts from President Eisenhower's news conference of Wednesday, April 27, as reported by the Wall Street Journal the following day. These words deserve they demand - a far wider circulation:

"Q-(Sarah McClendon, El Paso Times): 'Mr. President, sir, last December, the 2nd I asked you a question and you said you'd look into it, and that was about the ex parte conversations of Thomas Corcoran, a lawyer, with members of the Federal Power Commission, and actions that resulted in an increase in rates not once but at least twice. I wonder what you think about this?'

"The President: 'Well, I don't recall, but I assure you this, that I told them to do it. Do you have anything (confering with Mr. Hagerty)?'

"Mr. Hagerty: 'Yes, but it's too long an answer now.' (Laughter.)

"The President: 'Come over to Mr. Hagerty's office and see if he can give you the exact answer.'

"Q-(Sarah McClendon): 'Sir, I've been over there several times and asked that question.'

"The President: 'Well, do you think you or I should do the correction from Mr. Hagerty, one of us will have to do it.' (Laughter.)

"Aren't these astounding replies by the President of the United States when asked what he (not Mr. Hagerty) thought about the situation? Are you laughing?'

"A few minutes later the New York Times, not content to allow the only question on this matter to come from a newspaper deep in the heart of the Texas gas country, engaged in this colloquy with Mr. Eisenhower:

"Q-(Richard E. Mooney, New York Times): 'Mr. President, Senator Bush has said that he has been advised by the White House that Mr. Connole will not be reappointed to the Federal Power Commission. You have received several representations on behalf of Mr. Connole's reappointment, most recently from a group of mayors. Could you tell us, first, are you not going to reappoint Mr. Connole; and second, why?'

"The President: 'First why, this: Because it is my responsibility to appoint people and to get the best people I can. This Mr. Connole came to see one of my staff in December to ask about his reappointment, and they said they'd look into it. I think I can get a better man, that's all.'

"There is a cruel saying that people get the kind of government they deserve. Not since Warren G. Harding have so many people been so unaware of what is happening to their vital interests at the Federal level. Worse still, most of those who do know what is going on are cynical or indifferent. Some of them even laugh. It follows as naturally as night follows day that not since Warren G. Harding have we had a president who acts and sounds as Eisenhower does in the passages I have quoted and in many, many more. While some of us must accept more blame than others, there is plenty of blame for us all.'

Howard Morgan Black Butte Ranch Sisters, Ore.

One wonders, again, what happened to the Great Crusade, the "hounds tooth" administration, and to "modern Republicanism."—E.A.

Dennis the Menace



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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.

Freedom to Advertise

To the Editor: Referring to your recent anti-billboard editorials, it is my belief billboards help the economy of Oregon.

Since we operate a restaurant greatly dependent on Highway 99 travel, the law which you recommend would deal a death blow to our business, and ours would not be the only one to close.

I am also enclosing a copy of the testimony that was given by undercover agent Herbert A. Philbrick, a member of the American Baptist convention which is aligned with the National Council of Churches.

You fellows are the first to scream "freedom of the press" the minute you think the government is withholding information from you.

You would do better if you would spend your time reading the testimony given under oath to the committees of the Congress and the statements of men and women who have served their country as undercover agents for the Federal Bureau of Investigation instead of reading the tripe that comes out of the New York Times which has long been one of the most active and vocal supporters of the National Council of Churches in the United States.

Edgar C. Bundy General Chairman National Laymen's Council Church League of America 1407 Hill ave. Wheaton, Ill.

Editor's note: It depends on who one believes. Neither Mr. Philbrick nor Mr. Hoover impugns the National Council of Churches, as Mr. Bundy chooses to do.

Y.M.C.A. Criticized

To the Editor: At a largely attended auction last week the auctioneer announced an auction to be held next Sunday afternoon, May 15, under the auspices of, or under the supervision of, the Y.M.C.A.

Let's see. Y. stands for young; M. stands for men; C. stand for Christian; and A. for association. Now in these commandment-breaking days, had it been Y.M.Association, we hadn't been too surprised or chagrined, for many young men do not fear God nor regard man, but to our knowledge the C. is still included in the name.

How triumphantly and gleefully will atheists and sinners in general laugh and snicker and easily say, "We break the Lord's day, but then we don't make any profession of being Christians; but that Y.M.C.A. 'Christian' association breaking the commands of God by having an auction on the Sabbath day! That's the limit! If that's religion, excuse me!" Young Men's Christian Association, how sad! They have brought forth a monstrosity now with the birthmark of the devil upon it!

God's word plainly condemns and forbids buying and selling on the Lord's day; but modern Christianity as shown by the Y.M.C.A. doesn't regard God's commandment as applicable and binding today!

We lived near Eugene. The newspaper advertisement said the Y.W.C.A. would have a Women of the Nations meet-

ing to promote a better understanding among women. A general invitation was given. As a drawing card a full length cut was given of a woman representative from South America dressed-pardon me-partly dressed, and showing near all of her lusty legs and limbs. As part of the program she was to "dance the Samba". We confess a happy ignorance as to what "the Samba" is, nor did we grace the meeting by our presence to find out. We had no inclination to promote any such understanding among women! Such things as these in so-called Christian associations are a positive shame! They are a travesty and disgrace of the name!

Let's present them a many-signatured petition requesting that they remove the name Christian in each case, or repent and reform, for Christian means being like Christ. We think if Christ were here in person today He would rather be again using a scourge of small cords to drive out such distracting inequities from our land!

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No Hemlock for Socrates

To the Editor: Articles on religion are always controversial. They cause much dissention. But I think he who is a nonconformist is a brave man; whether he is right or wrong, we do not know, but in this age we cannot make a Socrates out of him "for corrupting the minds of youth" and make him drink the hemlock.

Homo sapiens have been trying to find the answer to the riddle of life and death ever since life began, "from the most ignorant savage weeping over his dead to the most learned divine." Have they found the answer? Some think they have through faith and belief, but "he who never doubted never thought."

I quote from Gibbon's "Rome": "Constantine, who made Christianity the state religion of Rome (though he broke every law of the moral and ethical code) laments that the Christian people who had the same God, the same religion, should be divided by such inconsiderable distinctions, and he seriously recommended the clergy of Alexandria that they follow the example of the Greek philosophers who could maintain their argument without losing their temper, and assert their freedom without violating their friendship." This is still good advice even after 1500 years.

H. G. Wells said: "History from the 5th to the 15th century is very much the history of the failure of the religious-political system to prove itself in practice." Our American forefathers were close enough to the religious intolerance and persecution to wish for a better system, so they established a secular government, separating church and state.

George Washington in addressing a Hebrew congregation said: "The Government of the United States which gives to bigotry no sanction, to persecution no assistance, requires only that the citizens demean themselves as good citizens..." The United States treaty with Tripoli around 1800 states, "The government of the United States is in no sense founded on the Christian religion," thus giving assurance of no religious bias or bigotry to even Moslem pirates.

Charity R. Sander 408 Oak Grove rd. Medford. Prays for Eye-Opening To the Editor: Our friend Mr. Wirth has given us some

Hammaraskjold's 'Quiet Diplomacy' Not Helpful in Publicizing United Nations

By PHIL NEWSOM UPI Foreign Editor

Dag Hammarskjold recently gave recognition to the fact that the United Nations is receding from the public eye.

The secretary-general, whose press relations have never been the best, mainly because of his reluctance to part with a smidgen of news voluntarily, made the recognition at a news conference.

And he placed the blame for it—"in part," he said—on the press.

He was asked if he didn't think that his pet brand of "quiet diplomacy" had been too successful, and thus had forced the United Nations out of public consciousness as a news story.

"I think you are right," he replied, "that the lack of public interest—and the gentlemen and ladies of the press have some responsibility to carry in this context—in what happens in the United Nations

is in part back of the phenomenon that we observe, of a certain tendency to look for solutions outside the United Nations or at least organs very loosely connected with the United Nations."

Hammaraskjold said he indulged personally in "very public diplomacy" with a statement on April 28 to the 10-power disarmament conference at Geneva. Few papers in Europe or the United States publicized it, he noted.

The "public diplomacy" was a carefully-phrased lecture to the 10 powers that if they were thinking of setting up an international peace force to patrol the world in the event of disarmament, the U.N. Charter already provided for one.

It was an appeal to the big powers, who have shown they want little part of the United Nations in the disarmament question, not to continue to bypass the organization. But it was couched in such obscure diplomatic language that it took an expert to explain it. And, as has happened with several of Hammaraskjold's major pronouncements, it was

interesting lines which to ponder. He, with us, should be thankful that we live in a land where we can believe and worship as we see fit.

Just the other day there came into our hands a tape recorded lecture by a man recently returned from Russia. This man is the editor of a world-wide church paper. I wish it were possible for Mr. Wirth and any others who are atheist in belief to hear his talk. He had gone to Russia to visit with and see how his church members were faring over there. His story makes me heartsick. What a vast difference there is in Russia today compared to our own land.

We sometimes complain about conditions here. If you want to go to a land of fear, my friend, then visit Russia. Your every move will be watched. The youth of that great country are being taught that there is no God.

Yet in spite of it all, the Christian people of that land have in their hearts a great peace. "Perfect love casteth out all fear."

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delivered away from U.N. headquarters in New York, where a highly-trained corps of special correspondents is stationed for the purpose, among other things, of translating diplomatic gobbledegook into everyday language.

Major Blame Hammaraskjold's Hammaraskjold must accept a major share of the blame for the eclipse of the United Nations as a news story.

Nobody can challenge the fact that his "quiet diplomacy" of unpublicized man-to-man talks has worked in many instances—the Suez Canal case not being one of them.

But his failure to provide

bombers of the Strategic Air Command—are still much better cards than the previously known facts appeared to suggest.

Chief among these facts was the enormous proportion of the enormous Soviet military budget, reaching as much as 20 per cent of the total, that has been regularly invested in air defense in all the years since the war. In view of this gigantic expenditure on air defense, many experts suspected that SAC's B-32s were losing their capability of penetrating their targets.

But it is now clear that the Soviets cannot feel any real confidence in their air defense against SAC's bombers. The U-2, it must be remembered, was first produced by Lockheed in 1955. The plane, which is essentially a giant glider powered with a single jet engine, has been used for overflights of the Soviet land mass for over four years.

These U-2 flights through the upper air have quite certainly been observed on Soviet radar screens. Until Powers' unlucky mission, no U-2 was ever brought down.

REGULAR overflights, carried on for years with perfect impunity, imply a Soviet air defense system that is very weak indeed at high altitudes. The simple fact that Powers' U-2 safely got as far as Sverdlovsk, in the very heart of the Soviet land mass, also implies a Soviet air defense system that is still full of exceedingly large holes.

The system may be in the process of improvement, with high altitude rockets of the type of the American Nike; but the improvement cannot have got far to date.

There are certain inconsistencies, too, in the technical details of the Soviet story of the fate of Powers' U-2. The way the plane is alleged to have been shot down at 65,000 feet is particularly fishy. It appears much more probable that the U-2's single engine failed, forcing Powers into a gliding descent. This would mean that the U-2 was hit, not at 65,000 feet, but at a very much lower altitude. And if this is true, in turn, the Soviet air defense system is not merely imperfect; it is almost useless against SAC's B-32s.

In any case the fate of the U-2 proves to the world that the balance of terror still holds. It has been shockingly neglected by the present administration. It is beginning to fill, as Soviet rocket power grows. But for the present, the balance holds. The nature of the proof and the timing of the proof are both regrettable. But the proof itself is deeply reassuring.

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THIS does not mean, to be sure, that there is no room at all for error in the estimates. Careful concealment may sometimes succeed, even against all the resources of modern aerial photography. In sub-Aeretic Russia, too, the cloud cover is so heavy and permanent that aerial photography is virtually impossible, except with the far less accurate radar cameras. But it can now be rather safely assumed, all the same, that Nikita S. Khrushchev will not go to the summit with a heavy but hidden advantage in long range rockets or other weapons.

The nightmare of the summit has always been that Khrushchev might possess such a hidden advantage. If this had been the case, President Eisenhower would have found himself playing a life-and-death game with a hand of deuces against a hand of aces suddenly pulled from Khrushchev's sleeve. Unless all the brave men who went before Francis G. Powers have altogether failed, this nightmare need not trouble the sleep of the West any longer.

That is by no means the end of the wonderful news, either. The fate of the U-2 also quite clearly implies that the power-cards the President still holds - the jet

Matter of Fact

By Joseph Alsop

THE WONDERFUL NEWS

Washington - There is also wonderful news in the bad news of the American plane

that was shot down in the Soviet Union.

To begin with, the American government's national intelligence estimates of the Soviet military posture now have an entirely new look. For many years after the war, the estimates consistently erred on the optimistic side.

The current estimates, of such crucial matters as the number of operational Soviet intercontinental missiles, had a strongly optimistic smell. Those who remembered the past errors, like this reporter, were bound to suspect present errors.

But the fate of the U-2 that fell near Sverdlovsk has broken a great, corrective secret. Over four years ago, the Central Intelligence Agency organized systematic overflights of the Soviet land mass. With a bold realism that any sensible American must admire, the C. I. A. thus began to secure infinitely more reliable data for the national estimates. The main cause of the errors of the past were thus eliminated.

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