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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
May 19, 1940 (Thursday)
Medford voters will go to the polls tomorrow to vote on a \$2,800,000 bond issue for the water department which would provide a second water line from Big Butte springs.

30 YEARS AGO
May 18, 1920 (Saturday)
Herbert Hanna held a wide lead in the race for circuit judge in incomplete election returns from the county.

30 YEARS AGO
May 18, 1920 (Sunday)
George Alford of Phoenix has a lead of 22 votes over Ralph Billings of Ashland for county commissioner.

40 YEARS AGO
May 18, 1910 (Tuesday)
Medford will be base for forest patrol airplanes starting June 10.

50 YEARS AGO
May 19, 1910 (Wednesday)
Earth expected to go through tail of Halley's comet at 5 o'clock today and many persons are praying for respite; people in valley expected to watch for illumination of sky tonight.

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

- 1. Which weighs more - a cubic foot of cream, or a cubic foot of gasoline?
2. If you meet a "tar heel," what is his home state?
3. What French professor and his wife discovered radium?
4. Two square feet contains the same area as two feet square; true or false?
5. What Senator left the Republican Party and became an Independent, then a Democrat?
6. Name the six U.S. States that are touched by the boundaries of Pennsylvania.
7. Are the five stars denoting the rank of General of the Army arranged in a square, a circle or single line?
8. Who won the historic duel which Alexander Hamilton lost?
9. Who, in World War II, said: "I have nothing to offer but blood, toil, tears and sweat"?
10. What African queen fell in love with Aeneas?
Answers: 1. Cream, 2. North Carolina, 3. Prof. Curie and his wife Marie, 4. False, 5. Wayne Morse (Or.), 6. N.Y., N.J., Del., Md., W. Va., Ohio, 7. Circle, 8. Aaron Burr, 9. Winston Churchill, 10. Dido.

Measure Recommendations

These are the Mail Tribune's recommendations for the measures on the ballot at the primary election Friday:
(Special City Ballot)
No. 1—Salaries of state legislators—yes.
No. 2—For dogs running at large in the county—no recommendation.
No. 51—for dogs running at large within the city of Medford—No.
(Special City Ballot)
No. 51—To annex a small area, entirely surrounded by the city of Medford in the Big-Y area, to the city—Yes.
No. 51—To annex a small area, entirely surrounded by the city of Medford in the residential area north of Jackson st. and east of Barneburg rd., to the city—Yes.

Raise Their Pay, A Little

Members of the Oregon legislature are shamefully underpaid. They receive \$50 per month, which does not even begin to cover their expenses, let alone pay for their time away from home and businesses. It effectively limits the membership of the legislature to those who (1) are independently wealthy, (2) who are willing to accept special "subsidies" from special interest groups, and (3) those who are willing to make a severe financial sacrifice to serve their state.

THE increase would cost \$136,000 per year more than at present. This is a drop in the bucket, considering that members of the legislature have to pass on budgets totaling nearly a billion dollars. Oregon must have good legislators to have good government. Paying them a more adequate, though still small, salary is one way this objective can be achieved. It is a good government measure. We heartily recommend a "yes" vote on this, which has strong bi-partisan support.—E.A.

Those Dog Measures

There is some confusion about the wording of the dog control measures on Friday's ballot. In both the county and the city, the ballot question is phrased this way: "For dogs running at large Yes" "For dogs running at large No" If it is read that way it is simple enough. If you want to permit dogs to run at large, vote yes; if you want dogs muzzled or confined, vote no. (The confusion stems from the fact that one has to vote "no" to pass a new regulation. Forget that—just read the ballot and vote the way it indicates.)

WE HAVE previously indicated our support of the dog control measure in the city of Medford. We believe it is only fair to parents, school authorities, gardeners, and home-owners that the owners of dogs should assume responsibility for their actions. The state law governs in this case, and is not entirely adequate to meet the situation, for it offers the alternative of a muzzle—an antiquated and unsatisfactory measure of "control."

County residents, too, will have a chance to vote on a similar dog law. Some farmers and rural residents—not to mention hunters—legitimately use and need dogs. Others (like turkey raisers) would be delighted to have dogs controlled. As a city resident, we do not feel in a position to judge this on its merits, and therefore will leave our ballot blank on that question.—E.A.

Two Annexations

The city administration makes an excellent case for the annexation of two "islands" of non-city land entirely surrounded by the city. The first (No. 51 on the city ballot) is for an area north of McAndrews rd., east of Riverside ave., east and south of the Crater Lake highway, and west of Biddle rd. The second (No. 52) involves the area east of Barneburg rd., south of Oregon ave., west of Sunrise ave., and north of Jackson st. THERE apparently is some opposition to the first annexation proposal by property owners within the area, although we have no way of knowing how widespread or how serious it is. On the other hand, City Manager Robert Duff points out that the annexation would benefit both them, and the city at large. We accept his recommendations at their face value, acknowledge the undesirability of "islands" which are outside the city while at the same time are entirely surrounded by it, and advise Medford voters to cast "yes" ballots on both annexation proposals.—E.A.

Dennis the Menace



I DON'T THINK HE EVEN KNEW ME! HE ASKED ME TO COME BACK AGAIN!

Communications

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Mixed Verbs
To the Editor: Oh, come now, Mr. Editor, didn't your reporter get his or her verbs mixed in the story about the speech of Helen Gahagan Douglas? Instead of "blundered" wasn't the word "blundered"?

She spoke in favor of peace. "We must invest much more money in a peace program." Sounds like echoes of that thorny Russian "peace" offensive of a few years back. Remember those vaillant "warriors for peace"? And that "peace agency in our government"? Most Americans of both parties, until something better is devised, are relying on our Navy, our Army and our Air Force. Seems to be a deterrent, anyway.

To obtain "peace" all we need to do is tell Mr. K. "OK, we'll give up all our bases around the globe, abandon Germany and Turkey and Pakistan and Formosa to their fate, destroy our atomic bombs." An informed American public would react violently to such a bid for "peace."

"Becoming increasingly dramatic," Mrs. Douglas, talented actress, "deplored the blunders made by the current administration." Seemingly she hadn't heard the news, but responsible Democrats in Congress and out agree to back President Eisenhower in a solid American front while he is at Paris. "You never insult the government with whom you plan to negotiate." The ex-Congresswoman should advise Mr. K.

When Mrs. Douglas opines that "Roosevelt would be pleased with Oregon," one recalls a sour episode of New Deal days. During a dam dedication or "inspection" near Portland, EDR, in a radio appearance, expansively included Oregon's forthright Governor Martin among his "frauds." Shortly before election time, the old double cross, and Mr. R. denied his endorsement. Orders went out and Democrats defeated one of Oregon's truly great executives. Mr. Martin did not long survive his betrayal and defeat.

Mrs. Douglas thundered or blundered onward: "Oregon has shown great discrimination in its choice of Senators, in Wayne Morse and Dick Neuberger." Many people agree that Mr. Neuberger increased in political stature. Sometime his likeness will preside over a spot on the Oregon coastline which he helped to preserve unchanged. Too, Mr. Morse may once be enshrined in marble. Anyone have any ideas?

Then Charles Porter shared the love feast as a "real" representative. Whether "great" or "real" was intended, is not clear.

John Q. Stewart, 933 NE 12th st., Grants Pass, Ore.

Sego
To the Editor: The zeraped Spaniard's early dubbed one California wildflower: "Mariposa." This is their name for butterfly. The botanists call it "Calochortus." The kiddies, with their delightful imagination, christened one form "fairy lanterns."

When the first Mormons arrived in Utah, their food was almost gone. How were they to eat until the first crops they had not yet had time to sow? The friendly redskins taught them how to prepare sego bulbs. On one of the writer's ranches he has seen the plow

This reflects no more on my own precinct than on any of the other 100 plus precincts in Jackson county. Helen M. Fagone, Chairman Board No. 2, Precinct 37, 629 Pine st., Medford.

Supports Merrifield
To the Editor: Oregon Republicans must remember to write in the name of their choice for the office of National Committeeman. Space for this purpose is provided on the first blank line in the upper left-hand corner of the ballot.

To date there are four avowed candidates for this office, yet no names appear on the ballot for a very strange reason. Two prominent Republi-

Rockefeller Doing Uncommonly Good Job Of Confusing Question of His Intentions

By LYLE C. WILSON
Washington—(AP)—If Gov. Nelson A. Rockefeller does, indeed, desire to confuse those persons who seek to assay his political intentions, he is doing an uncommonly good job of it. Old timers will remember Calvin Coolidge's statement in 1928—"I do not chose to run." Whether Coolidge did or did not mean that he was not available in 1928 for renomination became instantly, and continued to be, a matter of speculative confusion.

Rockefeller withdraw last Dec. 26 from the contest for this year's Republican presidential nomination. He said he had found the Republican party leaders to be "opposed to any contest for the nomination." That statement set up a good Democratic issue for this presidential campaign.

Equally avoided an excellent opportunity to say that he would refuse to be drafted by the convention for top spot on the ticket. With impressive emphasis asserted he would not accept the vice presidential nomination under any circumstances. From time to time has challenged Eisenhower administration policies.

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Old timers will recall something else about 1928 and Coolidge. Coolidge, like Rockefeller, decided to boycott the 1928 convention. He took to the hills, was completely out of touch. Strategically, Coolidge put himself in a spot where he could not have refused a draft if it had been voted by the convention. "Coolidge took a train for the Black Hills of South Dakota the very day balloting began at the convention," recalled the late Sen. James E. Watson (R-Ind.) in his memoirs.

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But whatever Chiang's opinions and whatever the Communists' intent, world councils no longer include the lonely man in Taipei. No amount of summit conferences or any disarmament agreement reached at Geneva can have real meaning, nor can world tensions be eased, without the full accord of the men in Peiping, Chiang's bitter enemies.

WHAT he learned, probably, is that Big Business in these days is quite different from the days when Mr. Anheuser and Mr. Busch ran the Budweiser show. In the modern world, big corporations are owned by hundreds of thousands of small shareholders. In a large number of cases, the shareholders (owners) considerably outnumber the employees. Competent authorities estimate that some 1 1/2 MILLION people own shares of stocks listed on the nation's exchanges.

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Note that half to three-fourths of us remember what we do when we are "properly" supervised and coached. That's where propaganda comes in. If we are told "properly" enough and often enough what to do, the chances are strong that we will do it.

The propagandists know that—which is why they work on us so long and so hard.

THE Catholic Church Warns Cubans
Havana—(AP)—The Roman Catholic church has taken the offensive against Premier Fidel Castro's government in effect that it will not stand idle while Red influence grows.

A pastoral letter signed by Santiago's Archbishop Enrique Perez Serantes warned Cubans Tuesday "not to cooperate in any way with Communism." Archbishop Perez probably saved Castro's life by giving him sanctuary after his unsuccessful attack on the Zantago garrison in 1956. The pastoral letter was specifically directed to Catholics in the Oriente Province, but copies were distributed to newspapers and radio stations throughout the country. The wording of the letter made it clear it was meant to apply to all Cubans. It told Cuban Catholics that they must beware of the "dialectical materialism of Marx and atheistic Communism." A church spokesman, after praising government aid to Cuba's underprivileged, said Tuesday that Communism could some day leave Cubans "without bread and without God."

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