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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 June 23, 1950 (Friday)

For the second time this month Central Point voters have rejected a proposed city budget which would exceed the 6 per cent limitation.

The federal communications system yesterday approved the sale of radio station KMED to Radio Medford Inc., for \$290,000.

20 YEARS AGO June 23, 1940 (Tuesday)

The third Jackson county logging operation was closed down by the state yesterday because of lack of compliance with state logging regulations.

From Arthur Perry's "Ye Smudge Pot" column: "The status quo in the Orient is becoming more so. Every time smoke pours from the stacks of a Japanese battleship, the Philippines and Indo-China are again endangered in Washington, D.C."

30 YEARS AGO June 23, 1930 (Wednesday)

The Central Point Grange is rated the third largest in the state.

Dedication of Medford's new municipal airport is set for August.

40 YEARS AGO June 23, 1920 (Friday)

Tourists who have been living at the city's free auto camp here for more than three weeks, have been asked to leave.

Ashland is readying for its three-day Fourth of July celebration; all males will wear 10-gallon hats.

50 YEARS AGO June 23, 1910 (Thursday)

City officials are giving serious consideration to a police department request that Medford police officers be uniformed.

Local boosters are reportedly having success raising money for the Crater Lake highway in Portland; more men leaving here tomorrow to strengthen campaign.

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

1. Upon which mountain did the Ark rest?

2. Is Yale or Princeton the oldest university in the U.S.?

3. What degree is indicated by D.D.S.?

4. What is the longest word that can be made from the top alphabetical keys of the typewriter?

5. The portrait of which wife of a U.S. President appears on a postage stamp?

6. Is the plasma of blood a watery or heavy sluggish fluid?

7. The Treaty of Ghent marked the termination of which war?

8. Pie - plant is another name for what garden plant with edible leaf stalks?

9. At what average age do cows usually begin to produce milk?

10. Was Henry Ward Beecher an American diplomat, clergyman, or painter?

Answers: 1. Ararat. 2. No. Harvard is. 3. Doctor of Dental Surgery. 4. Typewriter. 5. Martin Washington. 6. Watery fluid. 7. War of 1812. 8. Rhubarb. 9. At age of three. 10. Clergyman.

Charlie Porter's Choice

Back on June 8, the Oregonian printed an editorial entitled "Porter's Peace Subsidy," in which it gave Congressman Charles O. Porter a written lambasting, based on his acceptance of some \$1,000 from Industrialist Cyrus Eaton to attend a meeting in Stockholm.

Knowing Congressman Porter, we awaited with interest his reply to the Oregonian.

In due course, the reply was forthcoming. And, since Porter is the Congressman from this district, because this is an election year, and because he has been heavily criticized for having made the trip, and otherwise having shown an interest in peace, disarmament, and foreign affairs, his views should be of some significance locally.

HERE are excerpts from his letter to the editor of the Oregonian:

You write that in going to the Stockholm "disarmament rally" I was "lending my name to an activity not in keeping with U.S. foreign policy." You are in error. Disarmament has long been a major aim of our foreign policy. Moreover, the President rightly continues to stress the need for East-West contacts at all levels.

You say you don't challenge my "right... to join in these international gatherings chiefly sponsored by Communists, Socialists and pacifists which usually make propaganda for the Kremlin." The East-West Round Table was started by west Europeans, socialists, yes, but most of them are. Meaningful discussion of disarmament and other problems having to do with peace requires the presence of your opponents. At Stockholm, of the eight conferees, all came from NATO nations except our Swedish host and Ilya Ehrenburg from the Soviet Union.

The Labor member of Parliament in attendance at the Stockholm committee meeting is, I suppose, a pacifist, but then so are about half or more of the British people these days.

Your assertion that these groups "usually make propaganda for the Kremlin" is a snide slur. And East-West contact can be used by the Kremlin to make propaganda. This is no reason why we should break off such associations. We can and do make our own propaganda.

You criticize my acceptance of Stockholm travel expenses from Cyrus Eaton. You call him "close pal of Nikita Khrushchev" with as much reason as you could put the President in that category prior to the U-2 incident. You compound this slur in the next paragraph alleging that Eaton and I want "an open-arms policy toward the Soviet Union."

Like the President and many others, I want communication, contact at all levels, but not in any way to suggest that we approve police state methods...

You say it is "questionable" for me to accept money from Eaton because "he has identified himself so closely, in business and politics, with the Communist dictatorship." I say baloney. Eaton is a capitalist, make no mistake about that, and a firm believer in freedom. He believes that men of good will have to work hard to make reason prevail if we are to avoid disastrous nuclear war. So do I.

It would seem that blunders of Republican leadership have made you Republicans a little touchy about international conferences. This is too bad because there is no other way to make peaceful adjustments.

Your attitude with respect to my trying to help, in whatever ways I can, to further the cause of peace is deeply disappointing to me. I would like to think that you wrote the editorial out of sheer partisanship. I suspect, however, that the origins are deeper, namely, that you are ignorant where you ought to be informed, and indifferent where you ought to be concerned.

THERE are three alternatives facing the world at the moment.

1. We can have a nuclear war, which will wipe out civilization as we know it—and some scientists say the human race along with it.

2. We can have a continuation of the cold war, with its constant threat of hot war breaking out, through design, fluke or accident.

3. We can seek to ease the tensions which now wrack the relationships between the East and the West. And then, if this is accomplished, we can work toward political and diplomatic structures to facilitate the preservation of peace.

WHO wants the first choice? Anyone? Or the second?

And, if one picks the third as the most logical and sane of the three choices, one must face the fact that an easing of tensions doesn't just happen all by itself. Talk is necessary.

It is the official policy of the United States government, enunciated over and over, that increased contacts between east and west are desirable.

Only in this way can tensions be eased.

PORTER frankly acknowledges this situation, and is doing what he can to make the third choice become possible.

In this he contrasts to his opponent in the coming election, who solemnly promises that he "will not meddle in the affairs of foreign countries."

One need not go into increased east-west communication in starchy-eyed gullibility and innocence. One must realize we're up against tough, shrewd, unscrupulous adversaries, a fact that Congressman Porter well knows.

And it's kind of refreshing to find a man who has the courage to act on his convictions; to believe that he, as a member of the government, has something to offer; and to do something about it, despite the pompous criticism of the staid Oregonian.—E.A.

Air Force Problem

The U.S. Air Force does wonderful things. It soars to new heights and it travels at speeds that were the science fiction of only a few years ago. It's a great outfit.

Perhaps that's why it's a source of satisfaction to the rest of us to know that the Air Force is having a dickens of a time with the poison c&k at Camp Adair.—Eugene Register-Guard.

Dennis the Menace



"I'LL BE GLAD TO HELP YA CATCH SOME DIRTY BIRDS!"

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.

He's Gone

To the Editor: "Hurry up, Lillian we are getting snowed."

Those words are most precious to me, now more than ever. That voice I will hear no more.

Shortly and I worked side by side for many years in the packing house of Rogue River Orchards.

He was a loyal and trusted friend, never too busy to lend a helping hand.

Now, he is gone, never to return. For Shorty (Wendell J. Tolles) was killed in a logging accident on June 20, 1960.

So, Goodbye, Shorty. I'll always remember you. Thanks for everything.

I'll be seeing you some day, again.

Lillian Green, 2411 Sunset Court, Medford.

Comment on Article

To the Editor: Regarding your article about the "asiatic" who arrived here in Medford recently, I would like to comment as follows.

Being a citizen of the Netherlands myself, and also born in the former Dutch East Indies, I certainly do not consider myself as "asiatic," nor as an Indonesian.

Furthermore, I would like to point out that there is no "lack of personal freedom" in the Netherlands like Mr. Van Angten says.

The Dutch government provided free air transportation for me and my wife from Amsterdam to any point in the U.S., in our case to Los Angeles. Without their assistance it would have been impossible for us to come to this country.

I certainly do not agree with Mr. Van Angten, as most of his statements are bound to create a false impression about the Netherlands.

Thank you for your time. Mr. and Mrs. P. H. J. Lawick, 210 Lozier Lane, Medford.

Quasi, Neo Hybrid

To the Editor: Congressman Charles O. Porter seems to be hot and bothered about a letter to the editor written by M. J. Olsen. Both seem to be splitting hairs on the word "Socialism."

We can understand how a politician might have the jitters in a brainwashed nation, such as ours, on a word that smacks with the connotation of sedition. And to make matters worse there was just enough fact in Mr. Olsen's fancy to carry ample conviction to confuse the great brain washed.

Both seem to be engaged in the enterprise of making molehills out of mountains. We would admonish both Mr. Porter and Mr. Olsen to be of good cheer, for as all roads lead to Rome, all trails lead to some sort of socialism.

There are only two social orders of an economic nature. One is private enterprise and the other is public enterprise. A public enterprise is called a social institution. A private enterprise is called a private institution. Any thing else is quasi, or neo—a hybrid.

As private enterprise, as a social institution, is disintegrating, an element of socialism must follow. If Mr. Porter is not aware of that fact, he should revamp his logic. As for Mr. Olsen, it appears that he fears the process of evolution. Mr. Olsen seems to want to stop the clock, and Mr. Porter seem to resent the im-

Loans and Credit

To the Editor: I have been told that loans are hard to get. This I did not believe, as credit is being given to everyone now days.

So I tried to see if I could get a loan for just a day on making the down payment of a car. I said I would pay the money back the next day by selling a cow and calf.

I went to a few people I know, and friends, this is what I found out.

Some of them said I wasn't giving them enough time to get it for me.

Others said the way things look right now I may need every dime I have.

Also some thought I was crazy.

What I learned out of it was this. Times are getting bad and loans are hard to get. I just couldn't believe that we worry about getting a new President and start running up our credit and loan deals like we do.

Do people fear what is coming? Don't people know that we can't stop living?

Who started credit and loan deals anyway? Doesn't our government have credit and loan deals? Could everyone do without credit and loans?

Many people have never even thought of things like this. Check this over and see what you think.

Are we parking for a while or slowing up slowly to a stop?

I hope Mr. Editor you will print this in the paper as everyone I talk to is talking about this subject.

Iris Huff, Talent, Ore.

Uncle Charlie

To the Editor: Reading the letter "To the Editor" Tuesday by Pearl Vesey (Spackman) of Jacksonville, recalls to mind that my last perusal of "Comfort" magazine was in 1920. Some 11 years prior to that, I owned one of "Uncle Charlie's" Noel Douglas autographed book of poems, written when the author had been an invalid for 17 years previous caused by a stroke. Mr. Douglas formerly had been a stage actor before being stricken to a hospital bed in Brooklyn, New York.

His hospital nurse was a quick to recognize "Uncle Charlie's" literary talent and after a struggle of gaining a ready market for the comic prose and song book melodies, Mr. Gannet, the publisher of "Comfort," in Augusta, Maine, capitalized upon all the opportunities to publish several pages of Douglas' answers to the thousands of "cousins club" letters each month.

One of "Uncle Charlie's" latest secretaries before his demise was nicknamed "Billie," the goat, who carried on the good work for editor and publisher Gannet. I never learned when the magazine suspended publication.

Bert Kising, 520 Boardman st. Medford.

Sound and Fury of International Affairs In 1960 Reminiscent of Those in 1956

By PHIL NEWSOM, UPI Foreign Editor

"We consider that an agreement between the powers concerning the termination of atomic and hydrogen weapon tests would be the first important step toward the unconditional prohibition of these types of mass destruction weapons..."

This correspondent, to satisfy his own curiosity, went back into the records to check the state of world affairs during another United States election year.

The quotation above came from a note from President Eisenhower, replying to one from Soviet Premier Nikolai Bulganin.

Some of the names changed in the following four years, but the script remained almost unchanged. In 1956, the United States was preparing to elect a president, and the Soviet Union was trying mightily to take advantage of any uncertainty that might develop in the transition from one administration to the next.

The year 1956 also was one of recurring crises. It was the year of the Hungarian revolt, the bread and freedom riots in Poznan, Poland. It was the year that Egypt nationalized the Suez Canal, paving the way for the abortive Anglo-French-Israeli attack on Egypt.

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