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While City, as such, wasn't put on the map until less than three months ago but the community has an interesting history. For a story about some of it see page 8A of today's Mail Tribune.

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Venezuela Leader Says Trujillo Planned Bombing

Caracas, Venezuela — (UPI) — President Romulo Betancourt Saturday night accused Dominican Republic Dictator Rafael Trujillo of engineering Friday's bomb assassination attempt in which Betancourt was injured and three other persons were killed.

"I do not have the slightest doubt that yesterday's assassination attempt was the work of the bloody hand of the Dominican Republic dictatorship," he told a nationwide radio audience.

He said a clear link between Trujillo and ousted Venezuelan Dictator Marcos Perez Jimenez exists. He also called upon the organization of American states to set aside other problems and concentrate on Trujillo's alleged "practicing of crimes beyond his own frontiers."

Merchants Report Slow Retail Trade

Retail business in Medford is slower than usual, according to many local retail merchants. A few individual firms report that sales are comparable to or better than last year.

The reasons for this alleged decline in retail sales are varied.

John Patton of the Oregon State Employment Service said sales may be off because the valley's economy is about two months behind its regular yearly schedule.

Usually, he said, the unemployment rate is high during the winter months and remains high until March and April when the weather begins to clear and woods operations begin to pick up.

Employment did not follow this general pattern this year, he said. Due to the mild winter, unemployment stayed lower than last year and remained lower until March and April.

Weather Cooled

Instead of warming, however, the weather cooled and the valley experienced a series of spring storms. This kept unemployment from declining at its usual rate, he said.

At present, unemployment is higher than at this time last year, but it is declining and he expects it to reach last year's level soon.

Some merchants claimed the low sales are due to the growth in the number of retail businesses during the past year. There is only a certain amount of income being spent by valley residents, they said.

This income is now being divided with the new shopping center and other new stores. Therefore, they said, individual profits can be expected to be reduced.

Other reasons mentioned include the present low lumber prices and the early spring trouble in the plywood industry. Still others mentioned a fluctuating stock market as being connected with the problem.

Another merchant felt automobile and motorboat sales were high last year and now

Medford Woman Appointed to Group

Salem — (UPI) — Gov. Mark Hatfield Saturday appointed Mrs. Kathleen Bash, Medford, to the state public welfare commission to succeed L. H. Luhn, Portland. She was named to a four-year term beginning July 1.

Luhn is retiring after nearly three decades on the commission. He is its present chairman.

Mrs. Bash is active in the American Field Service program and in the Oregon Republican party. Her husband is vice president and treasurer of California Oregon Power company.

Hospital Study's Completion Nears

An extensive study of Sacred Heart and Rogue Valley Memorial hospitals will be completed about July 15, according to Otto J. Frohnmayer, secretary of the Rogue Valley Memorial hospital board.

The report, which probably will run to 50 or 60 pages, will discuss the community's need for hospital services as well as the needs of individual hospitals.

Material for the study was gathered recently by James A. Hamilton associates, hospital consultants located on the University of Minnesota campus.



BLOWN-UP AUTO—Volunteer firemen prepare to remove a 1960 Plymouth which was blown up against the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Dickinson, near North Wales, Pa., by a tornado which swirled through central

Ike Heads Home After Six-Day Hawaii Vacation

President to Address Nation on Radio, TV

Honolulu — (UPI) — President Eisenhower Saturday ended his six-day Hawaiian vacation and headed home to tell the nation by radio and television what he believes his Asia tour accomplished in goodwill for the United States.

The President's plane departed on schedule at 5:02 p.m. (H.S.T.) A crowd of several thousand was assembled at the airport to see the President, dressed in a dark blue suit with a brown straw hat, leave the islands.

He expressed the "heartiest aloha" to the people of Hawaii who "made my few days here in Hawaii a memorable visit and one I enjoyed very much." He said he was sure the state of Hawaii was going to "fulfill the highest aspirations of all the people who have done so much to bring about statehood."

A lei of large red carnations was placed around the President's neck just before he took off.

The President got full military honors and a 21-gun send-off by military and civilian dignitaries of the nation's newest state before he boarded his special military air transport service 707 Boeing jet.

A handsome monkeypod calabash with a silver plaque was presented to the chief executive by Gov. William Quinn shortly before the President's departure.

The calabash was made specially for the President. It is a traditional Hawaiian calabash with rounded bottom and concave lip. It is 18 inches in diameter and about 11 inches deep.

The bowl was made by Charlie Chow, island wood craftsman associated with the House of Kalai. Chow said it was an honor and a pleasure to make the bowl for Eisenhower.

Next stop on the President's itinerary was Travis Air Force base, Calif., where the plane was due at 12:45 a.m. (p.d.t.) for a 45 minute refueling stop before heading for Andrews Air Force base outside Washington. He was due there sometime between 8:15 and 9 a.m. (e.d.t.) Sunday.

Over 90,000 Park and Shop Tickets Issued

Over 90,000 Park and Shop free parking tickets have been issued by Medford merchants since the Park and Shop program started ten months ago.

These figures were given by Fred E. Robinson, one of the three Park and Shop lot owners. Robinson also claims the difference in overtime parking tickets issued during May of this year and May of last year is largely due to the Park and Shop lots.

There were 4,448 overtime parking tickets given during May, 1959, when there were no Park and Shop lots operating. This year, with Park and Shop lots operating, there were only 2,295, a difference of 2,153 parking tickets or \$1,076.50 in fines.

Important Changes

Robinson recently attended the National Parking association conference, where he noticed some important changes in the parking business.

He said parking lots rapidly are becoming more automatic. It is possible now, he said, for a driver to park his car, receive a stamped time card, do his shopping, and return and pay for the use of the lot without ever meeting a human parking attendant.

This rapid change in parking operation is making many parking garages built as late as seven years ago obsolete, he said.

While at the conference, Robinson located a time clock stamp that can be used with Park and Shop tickets. These time clocks will be installed in his lots as soon as they are available, Robinson said.

Portland — (UPI) — More than 1,200 airmen were present Saturday as Gov. Mark Hatfield reviewed units of the Oregon Air National Guard at the Portland Air Base.

Phoenix Water To Be Off Monday

Phoenix — Housewives in Phoenix should do their washing early Monday and collect buckets and tubfuls of water since the city water will be shut off at 2 p.m., according to Mayor Arthur H. McKinosh.

The water will be off for about five hours Monday to allow for starting part of the new water system, he explained. The mayor suggested that enough water be drawn to cover the five hour period.

It will take only a few minutes after 5 p.m. to restore the service, he added. The new system will be in operation July 1 or shortly thereafter. Since the city is now pumping out of the smaller of the two city wells it can draw only 50 gallons a minute consistently. Therefore, water rationing will continue until announced.

"Previous to the water rationing and cutting in the new system, Phoenix was getting 75 gallons a minute in consistent pumping," the mayor said. "Under the new system 200 gallons per minute will be pumped consistently."

Gold Hill Man Injured in Crash

A 47-year-old Gold Hill man was taken to the Rogue Valley hospital last night with serious injuries resulting from a one-car crash on the Old Stage rd., just west of the Rocky Point bridge.

Injured was Thomas Charles Rigby. State police said he was apparently alone in the vehicle which ran off the road about 9 p.m. Hospital attendants said Rigby sustained serious head injuries and lacerations.

Leopoldville, Belgian Congo — (UPI) — Rival political groups battled in the streets with machetes and clubs Saturday over the election of a president for the new Congo nation.

ADMINISTRATION'S HANDLING OF U-2 INCIDENT BLASTED



MEDFORD'S SISTER CITY—Pictured above is a panoramic view of Alba, Italy, which just last week became Medford's sister city. The city has a population of approximately 17,000 and is located on the Tanaro river in northwest Italy. It is principally an agricultural community with truffles, fruits, candies, nuts and textiles being some of its leading products. The city has often been referred to as the "city of towers" and some of these towers can be seen in the picture above. These towers are red in color and are of gothic design. They are topped with Roman bellfries and a symbolic gold rooster that salutes the city. The city is one of the oldest in Italy, dating from pre-Roman times, and both ancient and modern buildings can be seen interspersed throughout the downtown area. Medford's Town Affiliation committee is putting together a volunteer organization to promote the sister city program and is encouraging all interested persons to participate.

Five Bids Taken Under Advisement By School Board

The Medford school board Friday took under advisement five bids submitted for construction of a classroom addition to Oak Grove school.

The contract is expected to be awarded this week.

Don L. Jacobs Construction company, Medford, submitted the apparent low bid of \$64,173.94, which includes the basic bid and three alternates.

Other bidders were Blinkenstaff Construction company, Medford, \$67,779; Myers Jones, Medford, \$66,780; Rogue Valley Construction company, Medford, \$67,752; and Harold W. Salter, Rogue River, \$67,667.

Three Alternates

The basic bid was for the classroom addition only, while alternates were specified for plumbing, heating and electrical facilities outside the new classrooms.

Earlier this year, the board rejected bids submitted for the Oak Grove work.

The work is part of a two-year building program which is being financed by a \$750,000 bond issue approved by district patrons.

Truffles Important to Alba, Medford's New Sister City

Truffles are to Alba as pears are to Medford.

Alba, Italy, Medford's new sister city, takes great pride in her truffles and once each fall, during October, it holds a week-long truffle festival, similar to Medford's pear festival.

Alba also boasts the only truffle dog training school in the world. The truffle dogs of Alba have become so well known, in fact, that they were featured in the Sept. 1956 issue of the National Geographic magazine.

For those who might not already know, a truffle is a flavorful fungus which is popular the world over in sauces, stuffings and garnishes. It has probably been best described as an inverted mushroom, as it grows from three inches to a foot beneath the ground.

Because truffles are not visible from the surface they are located by their scent. Pigs are probably the best truffle hunters but Alba has been able to train dogs to sniff them out.

Truffles High Priced

Both the truffles and truffle hunting dogs are among Alba's world exports. A 16-ounce can of truffles can sell for as high as \$20 in the U.S.

Alba is also known for its famous nuts and specialty candies. Other products of Alba are silk and textiles, cheese, peaches, table grapes and wines, among which Barolo wine is probably the best known.

Nestled on the left bank of the Tanaro river in northwest Italy, Alba is one of the most ancient cities in that country. Its recorded history dates back to pre-Roman times. In 115 B.C. it was overrun by the Roman tribes and allied to Rome.

The city was held in high esteem by the Romans and in 89 B.C. was given its citizenship in the Roman empire. It was surrounded by a high wall, parts of which still remain.

Progressive City

But Alba does not dwell on its colorful past and it has moved forward to become a modern and progressive city. It now has an estimated population of 17,000.

Most of the homes are served with running water, television sets are common and there is a Fiat dealer in town. The city is interspersed with both ancient and modern buildings.

Alba is the educational, cultural and religious center of

Medford Scouts On 8-Day Excursion

Gold Beach—About 24 Boy Scouts and three advisors are scheduled to arrive here today after hiking some 54 miles down the Rogue river from near Galice.

The Scouts, all from Medford Troop 7, left last Sunday on the hike starting at the beginning of the Rogue river trail west of Grants Pass. At Agnus, the Scouts were to have a chicken dinner then board a mail boat for Gold Beach. After the eight-day excursion they will be met here by their parents, according to Scout officials.

The group, sponsored by the Methodist church, is headed by Robert Hawkins, scoutmaster, and Leo Taylor

Sports Bulletin

Memorial Stadium, White City — Rogue Valley Dairy Maids defeated Port Angeles, Wash., Eagles 3 to 2 and 5 to 4 here last night in a Northwest Women's Major Softball league double-header.

Coordination Broke Down, Says Senate Committee

Government Rapped In Group's Report

Washington — (UPI) — The Senate Foreign Relations committee charged Saturday that the Eisenhower administration's handling of the ill-fated American U2 spy plane incident was "most lacking" in direction and that "at crucial points coordination broke down."

The committee said, however, that failure of the May 1 flight deep over Russia's industrial heartland was "just plain bad luck" and that there is "no reason to believe" that captured pilot Francis G. Powers was "unreliable."

In a report signed by 14 of its 17 members, the committee also rapped administration officials for refusing to disclose why the flight was of such importance that it had to be made despite the approaching Paris summit conference. "In the absence of compelling reasons to the contrary, there is good reason to conclude that the flight should not have gone," it said.

Summit Wrecked

Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev used the flight as a pretext for wrecking the conference, and in an embittered tirade against President Eisenhower, demanded the Chief Executive publicly apologize and punish those responsible.

In the future that followed, Eisenhower shouldered full blame for the incident although the flight — one of many over the past several years — was arranged by Central Intelligence Agency.

As to the effect of the flight on the summit collapse, the committee said it was "without doubt... a contributing factor to the breakup... so far as the Soviet government was concerned." But, it added, "This is not to say that the conference would have been a success if the U2 incident had not occurred."

No Recommendations

The committee pin-pointed no specific recommendations and its findings were set forth as general conclusions drawn from hearings rather than spelled-out remedies or courses of action.

The report was signed by 10 of the committee's 11 Democrats and four of the six Republicans. Sen. Alexander Wiley (Wis.), top-ranking Republican, and Sen. Frank J. Lausche (D-Ohio), submitted a separate report defending the administration in effect but agreeing with some parts of the majority report.

'Bohemian' Music Teacher Named by FBI as Murderer of Family of Four

Memphis, Tenn. — (UPI) — A young music teacher from Washington's "Bohemian" set was named by the FBI Saturday as the elusive kidnaper-slayer who wiped out an entire Virginia family of four in a fiendish crime 18 months ago.

The FBI charged the suspect with two of the kidnappings — those of Mrs. Carroll Vernon Jackson Jr. and her five-year-old daughter, Susan Ann — and arraigned him immediately on the federal charges.

State charges of murder and kidnaping were being drawn at Richmond, Va., against the suspect, tall, dark-haired Melvin Davis (Dave) Rees, 31, who was arrested and held here.

Maryland also held a murder warrant against Rees in the similar slaying three years ago of a woman in a Washington suburb and authorities planned to question Rees about other unsolved crimes in the metropolitan area.

Other Slayings

These included the slaying of two young girls in a Hyattsville, Md., park in June, 1955, and the deaths of two Laurel, Md., teen-age girls a year later. The Laurel girls were picked up by an unidentified motorist and their bodies dumped in a shallow grave in Virginia.

Formal charges by the FBI, announced by Director J. Edgar Hoover, were the first to be filed in the baffling Carroll Jackson family case although Hoover said the FBI had checked nearly 1,500 suspects.

Rees, a former metropolitan Washington area dance band sideman and instructor in guitar, clarinet, saxophone and piano, was living in West Memphis, Ark., with a woman identified by the FBI as a showgirl. The girl, claiming to be Rees' wife, insisted Rees was implicated by a "jealous" acquaintance.

Hoover said Rees' parents, wife and child by a 1954 marriage live in Hyattsville. He formerly attended the University of Maryland.

Family Vanished

The FBI kidnap-murder charges were filed in the deaths of the two members of the Jackson family whose bodies were found in Anne Arundel county, Md., March 21, 1959.

The bodies of Jackson, an Apple Grove, Va., feed store clerk and his one-year old daughter, Carol, were found March 4, 1959, in a sawdust pile at Fredericksburg, Va. The entire family vanished the night of Jan. 11, 1959, from their car along a rural road near Mineral, Va., and the disappearance started the most massive investigation effort in Virginia crime annals.

Rees was arrested in West Memphis Friday by FBI agents on a warrant naming him as a fugitive from prosecution in the June 26, 1957, slaying of Mrs. Margaret Harold, 36, a clerk-typist at Fort Meade, Md. She was shot in a car parked on a lovers' lane and her body was found in a shack a few miles from the spot where, nearly two years later, the bodies of Mrs. Jackson and her daughter were found.