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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 26, 1950 (Monday) All six bids opened yesterday for the new Central Point High school here are above the \$500,000 provided by bond issue for the project.

Mayor Diamond Flynn has issued a warning that the city administration will not tolerate the use of firecrackers within the Medford city limits.

20 YEARS AGO

June 26, 1940 (Wednesday) The chairman of the Oregon delegation to the Republican national convention in Philadelphia reiterated today the delegation's pledge to stick with Sen. Charles McNary for the Presidential nomination despite Gov. Charles Sprague's urgings to support Wendell Wilkie.

From Arthur Perry's "Ed Smudge Pot" column: "Editorially, asks the esteemed Oregon City Entertainer, 'Would we fight or Ireland?' With the mercury flirting with the 100 degree mark, why ask?"

30 YEARS AGO

June 26, 1930 (Thursday) South Pacific highway, which is being widened and kept open on nights and holidays while construction is going on.

The Oregon Journal has characterized Ashland as "the town that came back."

40 YEARS AGO

June 26, 1920 (Saturday) The Eads Transfer company warehouse on South First st. burned last night resulting in \$100,000 damage.

Medford Judge E. E. Kelly reports that a Texas oil company, of which he is president, has struck oil.

50 YEARS AGO

June 26, 1910 (Sunday) The Senate has overruled the House and recommended an appropriation of \$10,000 for a survey for the Crater Lake highway.

Construction will start this week on a 4-story 100-room hotel at the corner of Main st. and Riverside ave., which will cost more than \$100,000.

What's Your I.Q.?

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

- 1. Who wrote "The Man Without a Country"?
2. What does "K.P." stand for in the U.S. Army?
3. How long is a fortnight?
4. What disease has been called the "great white plague"?
5. Does osculate mean to vibrate or to swirl?
6. How many grains are in the usual aspirin tablets sold commercially?
7. Do the cells of a honey comb have four, five, or six sides?
8. Is George S. Kaufman a singer, actor, or playwright?
9. What does the radio abbreviation FM mean?
10. Where is Mammouth Cave.

Answers: 1. Edward Everett Hale. 2. Kitchen Police. 3. Two weeks. 4. Tuberculosis. 5. No. 6. Kils. 5. Five grains. 7. Six. 8. Playwright. 9. Frequency Modulation. 10. Kentucky.

Judgment On Trujillo

The peace committee of the Organization of American States has issued a denunciation of the Dominican Government which is more important as precedent than for what it says about the Trujillo dictatorship.

What it says is that the Dominican Government has flagrantly violated the American Declaration of the Rights and Duties of Man as well as the O.A.S. Charter. It accuses the Trujillo regime of denial of free speech and assembly, arbitrary arrests, cruel treatment of prisoners and use of political terror.

All this was known long before the peace committee spent four months investigating. It is not less well known because the committee had to talk to exiles and others outside the Dominican Republic, which refused to give it entry.

NEVER before, however, has the O.A.S. excoriated a dictatorship in this hemisphere for its tyranny, despite ample opportunity. The non-intervention principle was for long so sacred that the republics resisted inspection of internal affairs. The peace committee itself had been inactive since 1956.

Yet in recent years, as dictatorships were overthrown, it became clearer that tyranny could hide behind non-intervention.

Fidel Castro's Cuba was one of the first to demand action for human rights, and at the O.A.S. meeting in Santiago last August, the peace committee was reactivated. A Venezuelan request sent it to work in the Dominican case, applying a new theory.

THIS theory is that tyranny which creates external tensions justifies O.A.S. inspection. The peace committee found that the Dominican situation had disturbed Caribbean relations by hostile propaganda against nations harboring Dominican exiles, and by reported illegal activities of Dominican agents abroad. Since dictatorships often thrive on external trouble, the connection between tyranny in one country and tension around it may prompt further O.A.S. inquiries.

The Dominican investigation establishes a precedent for a possible O.A.S. look at Cuba. One country is a right-wing dictatorship, the other leftist, and the two are enemies, but in one as in the other freedom of the press has been crushed and criticism suppressed. Political arrests are common. Moreover, Castro's Cuba has unsettled hemispheric relations, and done it deliberately. The concern for human rights asserted by Castro's delegation at Santiago, directed at the Dominican Republic, might easily be directed at him.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Billboards Or Dollars

Are the citizens of the state of Oregon willing to forfeit several million dollars?

Most citizens probably don't realize that the state has only until July 1, 1961, to enter into anti-billboard agreements with the U.S. bureau of public roads authorized by the Federal Aid Highway Act of 1958.

The act offers a federal bonus of one-half of one per cent to states which agree to regulate billboards within 660 feet of rights-of-way acquired since July 1, 1956, for the federal highway system.

WHILE the percentage of such acquisition in this state may be small it should be remembered that the cash stakes are high as federal contributions to state road funds are expected to reach 40 billion dollars.

Maryland appears to be the first state with roadside control standards high enough to meet present federal requirements; that state expects to receive up to three million dollars in billboard bonuses.

Technicalities in the federal act may serve to confuse state legislatures and hinder passage of legislation needed to qualify for the federal dividend. Some of the legislatures may interpret the federal standards too broadly for the bureau of public roads.

THE federal standards sanction four types of signs along interstate highways:

Directional or other official signs and notices required or authorized by law.

Signs advertising the sale or lease of property on which they are posted.

Signs permitted by state law which advertise activities conducted within 12 miles of their location.

Signs giving information of interest to the traveling public that are erected under state law and are consistent with the national policy of standards.

IT IS WITH a note of regional pride that we recall the original billboard legislation was offered by the late Sen. Richard L. Neuberger. Neuberger led the drive to reward states that comply with the proposed legislation rather than penalize the states that do not.

The bonus factor should serve as an incentive to states to enact the appropriate legislation although the avoidance of roadside clutter should be incentive enough.—La Grande Observer.

Lusk To Speak at NOMA Meeting

Glen Lusk, manager of the Eastside Rogue Valley State bank, will be the guest speaker at the National Office Management Association meeting Monday, June 27, at the Medford, Grants Pass, and Ashland area chapter, which will meet at 7 p.m. at the Medford hotel.

Dennis the Menace



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weighing their chances. The Allies were only half aware of the big stakes. In the eventual sum total, the results to date show that the Allies have consistently lost, that the Russians have equally well won their struggles.

Are we to go on playing in their hands? It is to be supposed that during those eventual 11 days following the end of hostilities at the closing of World War II the generals in the field, and the allied governments at home, decided this question in the affirmative.

Thus, Russia was permitted to move in and consolidate her gains, while the Allies duffed until the Russians had attained her objectives. In the end, of course, the Allies won nothing but trouble.

Fee Clifford Esteb, Box 1022, Medford Expresses Thanks To the Editor: To the Drs. Meyerding, a surgeon past excellence, Stevenson, a wonderful physician, Hansen, who put me to sleep (with anesthetics), and the wonderful nurses at Sacred Heart hospital, I should like to express my gratitude and a king-size thank you for your kindness and skill before, during and after my operation.

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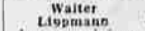
SHIP WANTED Hollywood 37B - Producer A. Ronald Lubin goes to England this month to negotiate with the British navy for permission to photograph scenes of Herman Melville's sea classic "Billy Budd" aboard Admiral "Horatio" Nelson's old flagship Victory. With Robert Ryan and Peter Ustinov already set for two of the starring roles, and Ustinov assumed to direct, the film is scheduled to go before the cameras late this year.

Today & Tomorrow

By Walter Lippmann

THE COMING REAPPRAISAL

In the short time remaining to him there is still one great work which the President is uniquely qualified to do. This is to promote and pre-empt over the U.S. a voidable re-appraisal, which must be in the words of John Foster Dulles - "agonizing."



Walter Lippmann

The strategic policy of encircling communism with military bases on the periphery after the second World War, in the late '40s, when the United States still had a monopoly of the atom bomb and was not only invulnerable itself but irresistible on the offensive. In 1949 the Soviet Union broke the monopoly, and in the years that followed acquired a nuclear stockpile and the airplanes and missiles to carry nuclear bombs.

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Neutralism, with American approval, makes also for good will and influence. India and Burma, and I think Egypt also, show that if we do not try to force these countries to become our military satellites, they will welcome our help and advice in their internal development and their resistance to Communism.

Parallel with the evolution of our policy away from peripheral military containment, it is the task of the Pentagon to find substitutes for the obsolete and essentially indefensible peripheral bases. There is no real doubt that this can be done, and according to Mr. Louis Kraar of the "Wall Street Journal" who has been at Quantico for the recent meeting of the military planners are working on the problem.

Rome, as the saying goes, was not built in a day, and our outdated Asian strategy will not be revised in a day. The rebellion in Asia against our peripheral strategy is undoubtedly mounting. To give the State Department time to reappraise and revise and re-adjust its relations, and to give the Pentagon time to implement a new strategy, the most effective thing to do would be for the President to put himself at the head of the reappraising. This alone offers some hope of reducing the virulence of the rebellion, a virulence which has its roots in the terror of being the victim of a more horrible Hiroshima.

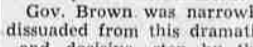
FOR obvious reasons, the President is uniquely able to take the lead, and to make the reappraisal and revision his validatory service to the nation.

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Matter of Fact By Joseph Alsop

CATCHING THE BIG ONES

Washington - At last Saturday's meeting in Sacramento of the giant California delegation to the Democratic convention, Gov. Pat Brown came within an ace of abandoning his favorite son presidential candidacy in favor of Sen. John F. Kennedy of Massachusetts.



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Gov. Brown was narrowly dissuaded from this dramatic and decisive step by the brisk and witty Democratic Senator from California, Clair Engle. Sen. Engle argued that the step the Governor desired to take was premature and would hurt Brown's prestige. He further said it would distract attention from the real business before the Sacramento meeting, which was dislodging California's Democratic National Committeeman, Paul Ziffren.

Two days ago, moreover, there was a repeat of the same debate between Gov. Brown and Sen. Engle, this time by long distance telephone between California and Washington. Once again, Sen. Engle narrowly prevented Brown from coming out for Kennedy. He had rallied most of the Democratic Congressmen from California in support of his view. Their opinion, as transmitted by Engle, impressed the Governor.

NONETHELESS, Sen. Engle has bluntly warned the senior Democratic politicians who are hoping to stop Kennedy that Gov. Brown will join the Kennedy camp sooner or later. He may do so before the convention opens, perhaps when the California delegation holds its last grand rally on Sunday, July 10, or perhaps even earlier.

As a minimum, the stop-Kennedy forces are now expecting Brown to make his move immediately after California has given him his favorite son vote on the first ballot at Los Angeles. Furthermore, it is now accepted that when and if Brown makes this expected move, Kennedy will get a solid accretion of California delegates, despite the state's strong sentiment for drafting Adlai Stevenson.

These facts, obtained from undoubted sources far from friendly to Sen. Kennedy, have important meaning in themselves. They mean that unless something happens very soon to change Gov. Brown's mind, Kennedy can hope for the kind of break in California that may well gain him the nomination without further ado. And Kennedy's prospects in California are made even more significant, because of the changing outlook in Pennsylvania.

POTLUCK

(By M-T Staff and Contributors)

There was real consternation in the house when the daughter (age 13) discovered she had gained a half-dozen pounds in the few days since school let out.

Her mother, also weight conscious, also climbed on the scales and shrieked to find that she, too, had gone up on the scale.

There was a flurry of talk of diets, of exercise, of clothing problems—until it was discovered that the other daughter (age 6) had been playing with the scales and had managed to readjust them to read six pounds higher than they should.

Summertime (which arrived early last Tuesday, right on schedule) is a time of school vacations and of Kool-Ade stands. Last week there were a couple within one block of each other on East Main street, and no doubt others scattered throughout the whole valley.

One of our young men, out with his young woman, patronized one such stand during a top-down jaunt through the valley last week. So delightfully warm was the weather, so cute the kids dispensing the cooling liquid, and so entrancing his companion's company, that our young man reported that, after investing in the 3-cents-per-glass beverage several times over, he "had Kool-Ade coming out my ears."

What a difference a few years makes! We know a young man who used to take his wife to the coast, or to Crater Lake, or some other cool scenic spot

almost every week end during the summer. A colleague, whose children were youthful and whose home had a yard and a lawn, stayed home to take care of these responsibilities.

But now, four or five years later, Young Man No. 1 has a small child, another on the way, a house, lawn and yard. He stays home on week ends.

Man No. 2, however, has children who are sufficiently grown up either to go along or stay home without supervision, and a yard sufficiently matured to take care of itself for 2 days or two at a time. And he takes off for the week end whenever he can.

One of our local merchants has a method for detecting economic recession that is sure fire, and just can't fail, so he says.

All you have to do is keep an eye on the macaroni market. When times are good, he says, everyone eats well. But when the pocketbook starts to pinch, then noodle sales go up.

Perhaps the M-T should start quoting fluctuations in spaghetti along with the Dow-Jones stock averages.

The 1960 National Rooster Crow in Rogue River last week is history now, but we noted this comment from the Salem Capital Journal by Vic Fryer, after reviewing background and the contest's outcome:

"There was no report on the disposition of the winners but for the sake of posterity (human posterity), let's hope that the rules specified that all roosters that crowded more than once would be consigned to a pot of chicken and dumplings and that all roosters that refused to crow be returned to their flocks—for the sake of chicken posterity."

Whenever there is a human element, there will be what are called "boo-boos."

Such was the case one afternoon last week at the Oregon Shakespearean Festival rehearsal when a usually strictly across-cavaulted the whole Festival cast with a classic.

Shakespeare wrote the liner "Forward men to the bridal dinner!" But before a full stage of companion actors and a scattered audience, the line came out: "Forward men to the bridal chamber!" The Festival opens July 25. We're waiting to see how it comes out then.

That 18-month-old sure had a rough week!

He fell down concrete steps, rooting his nose in the dirt; later the same day fell in the driveway, rooting his nose again; the next day fell against the coffee table, almost swelling one eye shut and partially blackening it; and the next day put his chubby little hand on a warm stove burner, searing the skin.

For a while he looked like he hadingo fever.

One consolation: he sleeps all night.

Which reminds us that not long ago the younger set of another staff member's family fell out of a highchair, knocking himself out.

That resulted in an observation trip to the hospital, some anxious moments (as is true in any young family), and a heartwarming smile before the tears were dry.

College students are reputed for not having any money. Whether this is true of two vacationing in the valley this summer we don't know.

Anyway, they had a rather tasty dinner for just 25 cents the other night, although we can't condone the possible moral question involved.

It took a package of dried soup mix, and a trip to the local butcher. The latter received the sad story of how the students had adopted a stray cocker spaniel-Labrador retriever puppy, who indeed was just dying for a nice juicy bone (preferably a soup bone, but they didn't tell the butcher that).

Sure enough, that evening they had 25 cents worth of the best tasting soup in the valley, they say. And they had a couple of quarts left over for lunches.

If they boil it down even further, they might have a very ritzy cold consommé. HOTTER THAN HADES San Bernardino, Calif. 478- When the temperature reached 104 degrees here, the Rev. Fred Hays posted the following sign on the bulletin board in front of St. Paul's Methodist church: "So you think it's hot here!"