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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 Winds up to 60 miles an hour lashed the Rogue valley last night and were responsible for the death of at least one man; reports of minor damage were coming in from all areas of the valley.

20 YEARS AGO Two automobiles and a horse-drawn hay wagon collided this morning on North Riverside ave., causing considerable damage to the vehicles but no injuries to the occupants.

30 YEARS AGO From Arthur Perry's "Ye Smudge Pot" column: "Josephine county will vote on local option Nov. 5. If it wins, citizens will have the option of going three different directions for their cooking liquor. This will also improve traffic conditions on the highways Saturday night."

40 YEARS AGO Oct. 27, 1920 (Wednesday) Leading businessmen of the city endorse C. E. (Pop) Gates for mayor.

50 YEARS AGO Oct. 27, 1910 (Thursday) Several Jacksonville residents captured a "wild-man" yesterday who had been terrorizing the area west of Jacksonville for the past month.

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

1. Which President of the United States made the shortest inaugural address? 2. Which is the smallest of the citrus fruits?

3. Do bats have feathers? 4. Are there any legal requirements in the United States which require that articles made in foreign countries be clearly labeled as such?

5. What is the difference in the course travelled by television waves and radio waves? 6. Is the "labor vote" eagerly sought by candidates for public office, centered principally in the large metropolitan areas or in semi-rural areas?

7. From what is dry ice made? 8. In what European country was Adolph Hitler born? 9. Did Senator Kennedy, or did he not, agree with President Eisenhower's refusal to meet with Nikita Khrushchev recently?

10. Are there any locks in the Suez Canal? Answers: 1. Martin Van Buren. 2. Kumquat. 3. No. 4. Yes. 5. T.V. are flat radio up and down. 6. Metropolitan areas. 7. Carbon dioxide. 8. Austria. 9. He did. 10. No.

Two for the House

Jackson county has two seats in the house of representatives of the Oregon legislature. There are four candidates for the two seats, two Republicans and two Democrats.

Of the candidates, one is outstandingly qualified; two are far above average; the other does not, in our view, possess the qualifications we would like to see in a member of the legislature.

Of the four, Bob Duncan, a Democrat, now completing his second term, is without question the ablest, most widely experienced and broadly qualified.

DUNCAN was elected speaker of the house in his second term of office, an unprecedented honor and indication of respect from his house colleagues. If he is reelected, there is a good chance he would again become speaker.

On the last night of the last session of the legislature, the leaders of both party organizations in the house arose to give him unexpected, but heart-felt, praise for a job well and impartially done.

As a veteran of the important ways and means committee, and as speaker of the house, Duncan has had experience in state government which seldom comes to one under 40. He is in a unique position to give valuable service to Jackson county and the state.

THE CHOICE for the second house seat from this county is between Mrs. Eve Nye and John Dellenback. Both are Republicans.

Mrs. Nye is now a member of the house, seeking reelection. Her specialty has been education, a pursuit for which she is particularly qualified, both by long thought and study, and by experience on the Medford school board and the state school boards association.

She also is interested in property tax relief, and is knowledgeable in many other areas of state government.

Dellenback, a lawyer, is seeking public office for the first time. He is a highly intelligent, articulate young man, and probably would learn to become an effective legislator, given time and an acquaintance with the responsibilities entailed.

He has, however, in the heat of the campaign, let himself be led into making allegations and statements which, if not exactly reckless, do not bespeak an adequate sense of political propriety and responsibility.

For our second choice, we shall vote for Mrs. Nye.

THE THIRD candidate is John Gregory, Democrat, of the Sams Valley area.

He is smart and voluble, but portions of his legislative "program" are both unrealistic and bordering on the demagogic.

He was, if our information is correct, a political independent in California before moving here some three years ago, and did not register as a voter (Democrat) until just a few days before being named a candidate by the Democratic central committee.

There's nothing wrong in this, surely. But it is not an indication of party responsibility nor political stability, nor is it a recommendation for political office.

For representative in the legislature, we recommend Duncan and Mrs. Nye. —E.A.

"No" on Tax Increase

Measure No. 14 on the general election ballot is an income tax bill.

It was passed by the 1959 session of the legislature, but was upheld by a referendum petition which put it on the fall's ballot.

It would increase the taxes of most taxpayers. And, despite the fact that it was held up for a year and a half, greater-than-expected state revenues have resulted in a situation where somewhat more than \$30,000,000 will be in the state's coffers at the end of the biennium.

AS A RESULT of these facts, Measure No. 14 will undoubtedly be defeated, and probably should be—not because more state revenue won't be needed in the years to come (it will, if the state is to take care of its obligations), but because, under the present circumstances, it is the wrong way to go about it.

The legislative interim committee on taxation is now completing an extensive study of Oregon taxation, and will propose some major changes to the next legislature, which meets in January.

That, we believe, is the proper approach, taking a variety of factors into consideration, including the financial position of the state as it is today, not as it was 18 months ago.

We recommend a "no" vote on Measure No. 14. —E.A.

Cussing and Standards

"And now he (Vice President Nixon) has raised the question of 'personal standards.'"

"This is an odd issue for Mr. Nixon to emphasize. Everybody is bored with the Democratic cries about the old Nixon and Helen Gahagan Douglas and Jerry Voorhes and Joe McCarthy, but the standards of the present are something else again."

"What kind of standard is it to base a campaign for the Presidency at this time on the theory that our influence in the world has not slipped? Nobody knows better than the Vice President that this simply is not true."

"What kind of standard is it to go beyond President Eisenhower's policy on Quemoy and Matsu and then try to give the impression that this is virtually the same policy as the President's?"

"Maybe we're wrong, but gussing seems innocent compared to this." —James Reston in the New York Times.

Dennis the Menace



"MY DAD WAS A SAILOR! HE SAYS SOLDIERS ARE JUST A BUNCH OF..."

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.

He HAS Voted

To the Editor: With the New York Times as my chief source of daily news and comment for decades past, I usually have found press services awfully inadequate when away from New York.

However, let me hasten to add that already I have become an avid and appreciative reader of the Medford Mail Tribune. I have been delighted to find its coverage of national and world news exceptional for a city this size.

It is therefore not surprising to me, and no less gratifying, to read your discerning and eminently fair editorial comment on, and support of, such candidates for elective office as Senators Kennedy and Johnson, Mrs. Neuberger and Representative Porter.

As for other state and county candidates, I of course am not yet qualified to express opinions except to say that at the meeting at Hedrick Junior High school a few nights ago, sponsored by the League of Women Voters (a fine public service), I felt that the Democratic candidates made by far the most persuasive case as to their qualifications. I say this as an independent voter, being affiliated with neither of the major parties (in New York, with the Liberal party).

Unfortunately, because of my brief residence in Medford, I do not yet qualify as a voter here. But I have one advantage over Oregonians who already are registered voters: I already have cast my vote for Kennedy and Johnson, (of course!) for President and Vice President, by absentee ballot returned to New York where I still have my legal residence.

You doubtless will be hearing from me further from time to time.

Arnold Eugene Jenny, Rogue Valley Manor, Medford

Skating Complaint To the Editor: I would like to complain about the new skating rink and how it's being run.

The people in Medford have been waiting for five years for a skating rink and now that we have one, most of us kids can't afford going because of the ridiculous prices you have to pay to get in.

You doubtless will be hearing from me further from time to time.

Arnold Eugene Jenny, Rogue Valley Manor, Medford

Dear Sister: To the Editor: This is an Open Letter to Sister Mary Norbert.

There are many who know you better, and there are many others who have known you much longer than I, dear Sister, but there are few who will treasure more affectionately or appreciatively memories of you throughout the years.

Cold hands may be a sign of a warm heart, as the old saying goes, but at no time during these now-at-middle-age years of mine can I remember that cold feet did anything good for the heart.

And Sister, my heart was warmed a number of times when you were concerned enough about my comfort to place a hot-water bottle at a

kind of recreation for the kids, why can't the people running it be reasonable about the whole thing?

They're losing business because of asking such ridiculous prices.

They're hurting themselves and everybody in Medford who likes to skate and can't afford their neat prices.

(Name on file) Medford.

Nixon, Kennedy and Old Age

To the Editor: Numerous letters have been published in Communications department of your paper, some in favor of V.P. Nixon and some for Sen. Kennedy.

Mr. Kennedy has tried, wittingly or unwittingly, to make us believe our U.S. has slid into a pool or a morass of inefficiency, at home and abroad. This does not please us, whose family lines go beyond the Boston Tea Party and have had family blood split in every war since, that the U.S. has been forced to enter.

For your information, Mr. Editor and others who hold Mr. Kennedy's views, I would suggest for your own information and knowledge that you read the first article published in the October Reader's Digest, taken from the Yale Review. Also the Oct. 25 editorial in the Oregonian.

I think a policy worth pursuing is that if a town, city or state, or country, does not suit a man's idea, that if the above named is not ruled by vicious power, that he not knock it everywhere he goes, but leave and move to another town, city, state or country. In plain language, "stop biting the hand that feeds you."

Can you and others feel with all conscientiousness that a man who has worked manually and mentally, with honesty, rubbing shoulders with working men, does not know the problem of America better than a man, born not of honest and humble status, better than a man fed with a golden spoon?

Mr. Kennedy's stand on old age insurance is one that should protect Social Security, rather than place a burden on it. The funds allotted to the beneficiary by Social Security are not enough for the old aged, and to put an additional burden on the prospective beneficiary from this fund is unthinkable.

I would suggest that whoever is elected President, a tax of \$1 per year on TV sets for incomes over \$6,000, also return the tax on professional baseball, football, basketball, and theater tickets, let's say 10 per cent. This tax alone would boost Social Security to a livable standard.

Jouett P. Bray, 317 Lozier Lane, Medford

Macmillan Meeting Increased Opposition To Efforts To Promote New Summit Meet

By PRIL NEWSOM UPI Foreign Editor

British Prime Minister Harold Macmillan is running into strong Western opposition in his latest efforts to promote a summit conference with Premier Nikita S. Khrushchev.

He also is running into growing evidence Khrushchev has little or no intention of easing any of his cold war demands, from neutralizing West Berlin to "instant" disarmament.

West German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer was reported so alarmed by Macmillan's persistent efforts to organize a new East-West meeting he is flying to London next month to do what he can to stop it.

Adenauer has insisted from the beginning that only a firm

stand against the Soviets can save West Berlin, and he is said to believe that a summit conference on Berlin and Germany alone would only worsen the situation.

Adenauer got a strong boost in his belief when Paul Verner, first secretary of the Berlin branch of the Communist party, came out strongly for a new summit conference.

Verner told an East Berlin meeting there should be an East-West meeting soon after the new American president takes office. The object of such a meeting, he said, would be to rubber-stamp the Berlin decisions already taken by the Soviet Union.

If the West does not agree, Verner said, the Soviet Union will go ahead and sign a separate peace treaty with East Germany and end formally the Western rights in Berlin.

French President Charles de Gaulle was reported almost as opposed to a new East-West meeting as Adenauer.

When Khrushchev issued his appeal for a summit meeting of all the United Nations members in New York for the current assembly De Gaulle simply ignored the invitation. He stayed home even though

legislative associates that his work there was of the same high order that one knows this man will give.

It is difficult for me to imagine a person who has contributed more to a community and to his state. He offers a calm leadership and brings to all tasks a scientific approach that is neither hurried, frenzied, nor delayed. Here is a man of courage, reason and sincerity.

I will cast my vote for Dr. Edwin Durno in the firm belief that the same outstanding leadership and understanding that he has given to all of us through the years will be ours in the United States Legislature.

W. J. "Bill" Bowerman, Track Coach, Assistant Professor, Physical Education, University of Oregon, Eugene, Ore.

Keep Our Money To the Editor: I suppose I'll start a bonfire or have some pretty rough comments shot back at me, but after reading Mr. Frank Jenkins' remarks about Reno and gambling I am going to state my opinion too!

Gambling, liquor, cigarettes, etc., and/or anything the individual considers "sinful," is here to stay.

You can turn your head, hide your head, or bury it like an ostrich, and it'll still be there when you "look" again. (If you look!)

Let's all stay happy and let those that want it, have it! You probably have heard it before but I surely think it's true that anything I ore we like is either illegal, immoral or fattening.

The beautiful part is we DO have a choice.

We don't HAVE to do or indulge in any of these things unless we want to. No one is standing behind us prodding us with a pitchfork, or (poker).

I think everyone would be a whole lot happier if everyone would worry about their "own souls" and be more kind or forgiving or tolerant of others' likes or dislikes or faults.

Usually, if a person tries, he can find a good side to anyone.

The so-called righteous narrow people that "hate" this or "hate" that usually "hate" all the way.

If you are a Republican or Democrat or Baptist or Catholic, you just can't please a bigot or narrow-minded do-gooder.

I am not recommending everyone become drunkards or gamblers but I say this—It's here, so why not legalize it?

"They" didn't stop drinking with prohibition and they can't stop gambling either!

If Oregon would legalize gambling, Oregonians then could or would stop driving to Reno or Nevada to toss their money away.

I say let's keep our money here in Oregon!

(Name on File) Central Point, Ore.

Billboards To the Editor: The fact that the billboard companies are alarmed at the effectiveness of the anti-billboard campaign is indicated in their spending thousands of dollars for newspaper, radio, and TV advertising to counteract it.

They also are using hundreds of their choice billboard locations in the state for pro-billboard propaganda.

The billboard and sign companies are responsible for the current anti-billboard senti-

ment to go himself.

Some Theme Stressed The stream of Communist satellite pronouncements—all backing Khrushchev—and Khrushchev's own statements in various speeches were expected to harden Adenauer's and De Gaulle's position.

The United States position toward a summit has been lukewarm, with President Eisenhower so angry at Khrushchev's insults and his break-up of the Paris conference

last April he maintained an icy aloofness when Khrushchev was in New York. Eisenhower rejected appeals by five neutral nations for a face-to-face meeting.

Vice President Richard M. Nixon and Sen. John F. Kennedy have indicated they might attend a summit conference as president. But they were both reluctant and made it clear they would not go unless pre-summit meetings assured a summit of some success.

Matter of Fact By Joseph Alsop

THE RELIGIOUS ISSUE Washington—The Chairman of the Republican National Committee, Sen. Thruiston Morton, has accused the opposition of "bigotry-in-reverse," which seems to mean undue prejudice against religiously prejudiced

Senator Kennedy's brother and campaign manager, Robert Kennedy, has publicly charged that certain Republican headquarters, in Pennsylvania and California, for instance, are openly circulating anti-Catholic literature. The Republicans have indignantly denied the charge.

"Reformation Sunday," which is 11 days before election, is to be celebrated this year by an extraordinary outpouring of anti-Catholic literature. Sober newspaper stories have already reported the preparations for this special effort to promote prejudice. The nature of the financing is suggested by the recent revelation that the Texas oil millionaire, H. L. Hunt, has been paying for anti-Catholic mailings.

THE foregoing items are no more than surface symptoms of what is probably the biggest underground fact in this election. It is a melancholy and unpleasant fact.

ment through their own negligence in self regulation.

The highway between Ashland and Medford is an excellent example of creeping billboard blight.

There are over 150 billboards and signs in this 11 mile section of highway with more being added each month. This does not include those signs advertising roadside business!

The highway commission plans to construct a fine landscaped freeway between Ashland and Medford, offering many fine views of our beautiful valley.

Do the citizens of the Rogue valley want the above mentioned 150 signs moved over to the scenic freeway?

If the voters of Oregon on Nov. 8 fail to vote for billboard control on our new freeways, then I predict that the new Rogue Valley freeway will be the most sign blighted section of highway in our state.

Janet Branson, 11 Renault ave., Medford.

Contrasting Appearances To the Editor: We too noticed the contrasting appearances (Mail Tribune editorial 10-24-60) of Elmo Smith and Maurine Neuberger at the candidates' Fair last Thursday, but outside of these external differences, there was a great degree of variation in the substance of their thoughts.

Yes, Mrs. Neuberger "was calm and collectivist" collected" and while Mr. Neuberger called for "courage, coolness and determination in the solution of the problems which face us," the nature of her solutions caused us then to pray, and now we plead for the Neuberger camp to give us silence!

We do disagree with your recommendation of Mrs. Neuberger for a seat in the U.S. Senate, for any length of time.

Now, while you have already written of your endorsement of Mr. Porter, we do recognize your silence on Porter since the Candidates' Fair as being most prudent. Mr. Porter last Thursday evening met with the vibrant reaction of true Americanist feeling which necessarily opposes the views nurtured by him.

In Congressman Porter we have the epitome of a political, social, economic, in short, a National Habit. Reason demands we rid ourselves of such an unjustified risk. The alternative is Dr. Durno, and our community, our state, and our Nation will welcome his activities in the U.S. Senate as a needed asset.

Robert J. Howard, 828 W. West 14th st., Medford.

THE issue cuts both ways, of course. A majority of the Catholic hierarchy is pretty well known to favor Vice President Nixon. But great numbers of lay Catholics undoubtedly look with extra favor on Senator Kennedy, because they quite properly object to the unwritten rule excluding Catholics from the Presidency.

But the surprise, to this reporter at any rate, is the prevalence of strong anti-Catholic feeling, not just in what H. L. Mencken used to call the "Bible Belt," but especially among normally Democratic, Protestant working people in the large cities.

These people feel so strongly, moreover, not because they hate Catholics, but because they are honestly concerned about the separation of church and state. And they are wholly unaware of the strong, unequivocal stand on absolute separation.

THE Democratic National Committee has attempted to solve this problem by taking television time to show a film of Kennedy's question-and-answer session with the Texas clergymen. The Republicans have self-righteously charged that showing this film "stirs up" the religious issue. But if large numbers of voters have quite sincere and wholly groundless doubts about the political independence of their Presidential candidate, an effort to dispel those doubts is surely justifiable and proper.

The truth is that the effort has been inadequate. When Kennedy really gets his beliefs across to a section of the electorate, as he did in West Virginia, the concern about separation of church and state ceases to be felt. But his beliefs have not been got across to the numerous anti-Catholic voters this reporter found in Minnesota and many other reporters and pollsters have found in other states.

Furthermore, the power of these groundless doubts in this election is an unhealthy and ugly phenomenon. It will clear the air if Kennedy uses his West Virginia recipe on a national scale—if he takes nationwide television time, as he took statewide time in the West Virginia primary, in order to answer questions about the religious issue fully, freely, and frankly.

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