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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
Saturday marked the fourth
anniversary of the establish-
ment of Southern Airways,
now serving Medford and 33
California cities.

20 YEARS AGO
Dec. 5, 1940 (Thursday)
The executive committee of
the Jackson County Demo-
cratic central committee voted
last night to recommend V. D.
(Bert) Miller for the position
of acting postmaster of Ash-
land to succeed resigning
Postmaster John H. Fuller.

30 YEARS AGO
Dec. 5, 1930 (Saturday)
The state highway commis-
sion will embark on a state-
wide program of road im-
provements to provide jobs
for the unemployed in the
state.

40 YEARS AGO
Dec. 5, 1920 (Sunday)
A Medford man's car, stolen
here in October, has been lo-
cated in Salt Lake City, Utah.

50 YEARS AGO
Dec. 5, 1910 (Monday)
Articles of incorporation
have been filed for the First
Savings Bank and Trust com-
pany of Medford, which will
be the fifth financial institu-
tion in the city.

What's Your I.Q.?
Nine or ten correct is superior;
seven or eight is excellent; five or
six is good.
1. In what year was the
North Wing of the United
States Capitol finished?
2. In which year did the
U.S. Congress meet for the
first time in Washington,
D.C.?
3. In all history who is said
to hold the deepest interest
in Christianity?
4. Who is the author of the
poem that immortalized
"Enoch Arden"?
5. The process of removing
oysters from shells is called
what?
6. With what sport do you
associate the name of Sam
Snead?
7. Why were the old coun-
try schoolhouses painted red?
8. "I am as fit as a..."
- what?
9. What Federal Depart-
ment of Departments are re-
sponsible for the supervi-
sion and enforcement of refesta-
tion regulations?
10. Was Samuel Osgood the
first Postmaster General of
the U.S., or the first Treas-
urer?
Answers: 1. 1800. 2. 1800.
3. Jesus. 4. Alfred Tennyson.
5. Shucking. 6. Golf. 7. Be-
cause red was cheapest. 8.
"... fiddle". 9. Agriculture
and Interior. 10. Postmaster
General.

The German Trade Talks

Another Communist victory, albeit a small one, appears implicit in the trade negotiations now going on between East and West Germany. When rumors of a trade embargo by West Germany began circulating several months ago, Heinrich Rau, East German deputy premier, said: "We have the longer lever." He was referring to the fact that West Berlin lies 110 miles inside Communist territory and is dependent on transport for its life.

Nevertheless, the Adenauer government on Sept. 30 cancelled the existing inter-German trade agreement, effective Jan. 1. This meant cutting off 11 per cent of East Germany's total trade. (The Soviet bloc accounts for 75 per cent of the East German satellite's trade.) There were indications that the Western allies would follow suit. The Bonn government move was in retaliation for an East German police directive of last August requiring all West Germans to obtain special permits if they wanted to enter East Berlin. The embargo would not be lifted until the travel restrictions were withdrawn.

But East Germany holds face cards, too. The Communists in October warned that arrangements covering rail service to and from Berlin would be affected by expiration of the trade pact. Other traffic accommodations were threatened. "This includes technical arrangements for goods traffic between West Berlin and West Germany, which will then (upon expiration of the trade pact) be devoid of any legal basis," declared Erwin Seimer, high-ranking East German trade official. East Germany provides other services to West Berlin, including the elevated railway used by both parts of the city and electricity for the Gatow airport in the British sector.

SO THE Adenauer government, Berlin's mother hen, on Nov. 30 announced that it was willing to resume trade talks, though travel restrictions still stand. It was not a complete Red victory. The West German spokesman will be Kurt Leopold, representing a special trade office in West Berlin formally dissociated from Bonn. Most of the east-west contacts have been through the Treu Hand Stelle, or interzonal trade commission in Berlin, a quasi-official body manned by governmental personnel. The Reds, their eyes on at least implicit recognition, had been urging negotiations at a higher level.

Also, the previous agreement had treated West Berlin as part of West Germany, and presumably talks toward a resumption will be on that basis. East Germany had wanted to drive separate bargains with West Berlin and West Germany.

NEVERTHELESS, the Reds enter the chamber with still a new strength. Moscow on Nov. 30 assured West Germany it would replace in 1961 "the necessary raw materials and goods" it might lose if trade with West Germany were not continued.

Soviet Premier Khrushchev is supposed to have given private assurances that he will do nothing more to exacerbate the Berlin problem—the original ultimatum is now more than two years old—until President Kennedy is installed in office. But in advance of the inevitable big league bargaining, the West would appear to have lost a gambit.—E.R.R.

Dunce Caps on Parade
The hundred or so Ku Klux Klansmen who came out of the bushes in Atlanta last week to protest against Negroes being served at store lunch counters were forbidden by an enlightened Georgia law to conceal their chivalrous features behind masks. The law permits them, however, to wear sheets and what look like dunce caps, and this they did.

Dennis the Menace



"DON'T YA HEAR ME, MR. WILSON? I SAID WOULD YA LIKE TO KICK ME A COUPLA GOOD HARD ONES?"

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.

Swallowing Camels. To the Editor: It seems that a Blue Sunday or Sabbath is as hard to come by as Day-light Saving Time or rat-poison in our pure water. Jesus walked with his disciples in the corn field on the Seventh Day and they plucked the corn and ate it. He was found fault with because it was against the old laws that people were used to. People do lots worse things on Sunday than buying food for their families.

Why "strain at gnats and swallow camels"? (That's in the Bible too.) The camel we swallow is all this filth that comes un-awares upon the young people today. For one example, and probably the worst, is these little books found everywhere by the ton, called "pocketbooks." There is very little in the book pertaining to the subject on the cover. Just a few pages in the front and then changes off to another story full of vile and obscene language.

Demos. Take Note To the Editor: Democrats in Oregon are worried that a coalition of so-called conservative Democrats and Republican senators will elect a President of the Oregon Senate inimical to the best interests of the Democratic Party and the people of Oregon. The rank and file Democrats, the voters of the party, should take note of what is happening and never forget it. We cannot believe that legislators who seek to enact such feudal legislation as a little Landrum-Griffin bill in Oregon are true Democrats.

Why? To the Editor: Perhaps someone can explain why any woman would want to be a man's fifth wife, or why any man would care to be a woman's fifth husband. David Frisch P. O. Box 292 White City, Ore.

Evil vs. Good To the Editor: Will selfishness destroy the world or will Love save it? Selfishness or self idolatry has destroyed the ideals of Communism as well as much of the good in religions. It has weakened democracies and nations of the free world. It is the basis of broken homes and delinquent children. But for selfish desires there would not be crime and brutality. Even our educational system, of which we are presently not very proud, is a victim. Taxpayers are unwilling to pay attractive wages. Teachers too frequently are not concerned about the future of their students. Our courses of study and methods create self idolatry rather than educate or advance knowledge. Law makers, government officials, labor leaders, employers and employees are too often more concerned about their ambitions than the well-being of our nation and its survival. It shows we haven't been teaching enough ideals or developing the ability to think constructively in homes, schools or churches. We've left out love, the antidote for selfishness. The need for moral rearmament is great. With it we win,

without it we lose. What a beautiful, wonderful world Honesty, Purity, Unselfishness and Love could make if we lived them, taught them and fought for them. Then, fear, hate, greed and selfishness would be banished from the earth with all the evils they do breed. Must the world suffer more before we see the great need? The fight is on, Evil against Good. Which side are you on? Frances Ray Ralston, Wash.

substantiated as no evidence of spacemen. Now that did not come as a surprise at all. The whole theory has been a rather complex something in the realm of the fourth dimension, that is, providing such a law exists in the cosmos? It reminds me of a mystic I once encountered out in the mountains around 45 years ago. He wore long black hair and possessed a dowsing rod which he claimed was an infallible guide to locating precious minerals along with gold. With all propriety I asked the wizard why he did not carry along any tools to dig out his treasure when he detected the exact location? He looked at me with great consternation a minute or two, with a twinkle in his eyes, and replied with a rather low pathetic voice, "I let the other person do the digging."

Sorrowful Santa To the Editor: I'm writing this to inform you that taxes are taking away The things that I find most essential My workshop, my reindeer, my sleigh. Your voting has forced higher taxes So I'll make my rounds on a donkey. He's gabby and handsome without glasses But you'll know if I miss you at Christmas That Jack has me stuck in the snow. Sorrowfully, Santa Claus

Nuclear Ban Talks Recessed Geneva—(AP)—The Big Three nuclear test ban talks recessed today for two months. The United States, the Soviet Union and Great Britain agreed to resume the two-year-old talks Feb. 7. Western sources said the recess would give President-elect John F. Kennedy's administration a chance to review past progress and chart future moves in the nuclear conference. However, U.S. delegate Charles C. Stelle said the recess was arranged because "the experience of recent weeks does not offer the promise of immediate progress."

NEED RAW MATERIALS Washington—(AP)—A trade group predicts that by 1980 the United States and Canada will need twice the amount of industrial raw materials they now consume and will have to seek some outside North America. The Canadian-American Committee, composed of 60 trade experts, said in a report Sunday that during the next two decades "both countries will... become more dependent upon sources of supply outside the North American continent."

Performance of New Congress on Labor Law Revision Seen Answer to Question

By LYLE C. WILSON Washington—(AP)—An incident on the Potomac! Did Senators John F. Kennedy and Lyndon B. Johnson offer to bargain away a principal labor plank of the Democratic presidential platform in exchange for the support of Sen. Harry F. Byrd (D-Va.) for their presidential candidacies? The answer to that astonishing question is: Yes. Sens. Kennedy and Johnson did just that. The sequence of events was like this: The 1960 Democratic platform contained this pledge: "We will repeal the authorization for 'right to work' laws."

Virginia has such a law bar-

ring the closed shop, enacted by the state under protection of the Taft-Hartley Act, Byrd denounced this platform promise to repeal the section of the Taft-Hartley Act which enabled Virginia to act. This was the first indication that Byrd would not endorse the Kennedy-Johnson ticket. This indicator proved to be 100 per cent accurate. Congress convened in renewed session after the national conventions. Kennedy sought a meeting with Byrd at this time and, the Virginia senator being agreeable, Kennedy and Johnson called on him in his Capitol Hill office. The nominees were accompanied by Sen. George A. Smathers (D-Fla.)

protest on the issue of right-to-work. So, there was a discussion of the platform during which Byrd emphasized his sense of outrage, notably on the closed shop issue. Kennedy then told Byrd that he had no idea of acting to repeal right-to-work laws. Johnson concurred. This incident on the Potomac raises, of course, some questions. One of them is this: Did Kennedy and Johnson mean it when their endorsement of the Democratic platform covered it wholly from the first word through the last or, did they mean what they said to Byrd? The answer to that question will come when the new Congress is in session. Organized labor went all out for the election of the Kennedy-Johnson ticket. Big labor believes with considerable justice that Kennedy and Johnson could

not have been elected without his help. There will be an effort by labor's representatives in Congress to kill off the source all state right-to-work laws. That would be by amending the Taft-Hartley Act to withdraw the authority under which the state laws have been enacted. To this amendment there will be great opposition. Big labor will expect Kennedy and Johnson to help them overcome that opposition. And at that point, the showdown will come. There are other Democratic platform promises which are in a similar sort of political limbo. One of them is the pledge, if it was a pledge, to repeal the 27 per cent tax advantages enjoyed by the oil, gas and other extra-active industries by reason of depletion allowances. There may be quite a ruckus about that.

Foreign Desk: British Labor Party; Chinese on Offensive

By PHIL NEWSOM UPI Foreign News Analyst Notes from the foreign news cables:

Build for the Future Top sources in Britain's Labor party say they now are taking it for granted labor will be unable to challenge Prime Minister Harold Macmillan's Conservative party at the polls for at least another year. They believe the Labor party's "image" in the eyes of the British voters has been ruptured by the party's internal feuds over one-sided nuclear disarmament and nationalization of industry. Their first job now, they believe, is to settle those quarrels. Both Macmillan and Labor party leader Hugh Gaitskell are anxious to establish early personal contact with U.S. President-elect John F. Kennedy. Vice President-elect Lyndon Johnson came home with a "want to see you soon" message from Macmillan to Kennedy.

Red Split Communist China has taken the offensive in the quarrel with the Soviet Union over peaceful co-existence with the West. Eastern diplomats in Berlin say the Chinese are circulating a long memorandum among Eastern bloc nations a long memorandum defending the Chinese position as one part of this offensive. The Chinese oppose Nikita Khrushchev's co-existence policy.

Dig the Dollar The Communist Czechoslovakian government has figured out a way successfully to drain dollars out of the United States. Czech citizens are forbidden to receive packages from abroad but may trade dollar gifts for coupons good at state-owned luxury shops called "Tuzex Stores." Americans with relatives in Czechoslovakia are pouring dollars into Prague which otherwise does little trade with hard currency areas and desperately needs the dollars.

Fourth Nuclear Power Britain quietly is dropping her original strong opposition to equipping NATO with nuclear weapons. Britain especially is expected to support American suggestions for a NATO-run small nuclear submarine force equipped with the Polaris missile. She may offer some of her own nuclear weapons to the alliance in the new year.

Buy American Japanese businessmen are not happy with President Eisenhower's directive to government agencies to "Buy

American." They think it may be a blow to Japanese trade and say the end result may be resumption of Japanese

trade with Communist China. That's the businessmen's but not so far the government's view.

Washington Report

FREE-HAND PORTRAIT Washington—This is a small, free-hand portrait of a young president-elect at work in the pleasantly shabby red brick house in Washington's Georgetown section. John F. Kennedy seems absolutely relaxed— and 10 pounds heavier than two months ago. There is not a trace of "nerves." He is, however, deeply sober and full of long thoughts over two main concerns. The first is filling his cabinet—with the right men, as he estimates them, and not necessarily with the "best guys" or the most desperately partisan of Democrats. This correspondent does not really know just how any past president-elect went about this responsibility. This correspondent does feel he knows, however, that few can have gone at it so coolly objective a spirit as now. Kennedy's whole search has been for men just to do a job. If he appoints the wrong man, it will not be because he was pressured into it.

NO ONE faction, social, economic or ideological, has got the Kennedy ear to the exclusion of others. For this president-elect is pre-eminently an actionist—never a theorist. And this president-elect, like his program or not, does most deeply intend to do everything he can to be president of all the people of the United States. No one could be more aware that nearly half of them voted for another man. His first and last cabinet purpose is to put an administration into the field which can work, repeat work. He wants his cabinet officers to be performers at their assigned tasks. My strong guess is that when any politicking is necessary, JFK will take charge of that department.

NO ONE goes into the cabinet solely because he was for Kennedy before the Los

ANGELES nominating convention. No one is out solely because he liked another proposed nominee. The Democratic primary fights are as dead to Kennedy as, say, the Louisiana Purchase—or the war between the states. And no one will get anywhere with Kennedy by taking private positions at his top convention rival, Vice President-elect Lyndon Johnson. For the second Kennedy problem is intertwined with the first—and is master of the two. This is the high necessity, in Kennedy's mind, to keep together the perhaps illogical but effective instrument which won the election. Democratic party cohesion is the keynote of all Kennedy's efforts.

He will surely run his own executive family, beginning with the cabinet. But he will allow great freedom for Democratic Congress to run its purely internal affairs. Here, too, however, the sleepless Kennedy aim will be maximum use of party strength-in-unity.

THUS current Senate plans for the new party leadership there will be well received in Georgetown. Johnson, the old Senate Democratic leader, goes upstairs to the vice presidency—but there endlessly to watch over the scene below. Becoming leader will be the moderately liberal Sen. Mike Mansfield of Montana. At Mansfield's elbow will be the energetic and quite liberal Sen. Hubert H. Humphrey of Minnesota, an assistant leader. The third man, Sen. George Smathers of Florida, will be secretary of the Democratic caucus. Mansfield and Smathers were backers not of Kennedy but of Johnson for the presidential nomination. Humphrey was for Humphrey—until the bitter contest with Kennedy in the now-forgotten West Virginia Primary. The net of it is that Kennedy has not tried to place a single Kennedy-before-Los Angeles man into the Senate hierarchy. This is, for one illustration, what is meant by party cohesion. (Copyright, 1960, by United Feature Syndicate, Inc.)

Try and Stop Me

By BENNETT CERF EDITORS and columnists around town were intrigued recently by a communication from a perfume company which said—in part, "The old-fashioned method of applying perfume just here and there is not the way to get the most out of the product. Perfume should be applied the way a general deploys his troops: in all strategic areas. Suggested spots: temples, wrists, crooks of elbows, throat, crooks of knees. Applying fragrance to the legs is most important, since fragrance rises. If it's applied to the throat and temples, it doesn't have far to go—except to the ceiling—and who can smell it up there? Apply perfume always to the legs, and you'll find that you enjoy it as much as everyone else AND..." The editor who showed me this revolutionary document added, "The first secretary who shows up in THIS office with perfumed legs is going to get it GOOD!" "Children nowadays," observes Shirley MacLaine, "are practically at high school age before they discover that 'damn' and 'commercial' are two separate words!" © 1960, by Bennett Cerf. Distributed by King Features Syndicate

