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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: March 28, 1951 (Wednesday) George Gates, well known Medford furniture man, was elected president of the Medford Rotary club Tuesday.

20 YEARS AGO: March 28, 1941 (Friday) The Medford district of the Civilian Conservation Corps will hold its first boxing tournament tonight.

30 YEARS AGO: March 28, 1931 (Saturday) An editorial in the Ashland Tidings calls upon Medford to furnish a site for the new courthouse, as promised before the election which moved the county seat from Jacksonville to Medford.

40 YEARS AGO: March 28, 1921 (Monday) A series of trials in connection with the failure of the Bank of Jacksonville are in progress here.

50 YEARS AGO: March 28, 1911 (Tuesday) The Medford Realty association has sent agents to Portland to encourage eastern "colonists" to settle in southern Oregon.

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

1. The vibrissae of a cat would be its feet, meows, or whiskers?

2. In labor relations parlance, forcing an employer to hire and pay more men than he needs is called what?

3. Elephants can, or cannot, swim?

4. Drake is the name of the male of which swimming bird?

5. Madame Marie Curie was the discoverer of what?

6. How many innings in a regulation football game?

7. Name the smallest Central American republic.

8. Nov. 5 is the anniversary of the discovery of the Guy Fawkes gunpowder plot to blow up which government building in London, England?

9. When an auto is traveling forward, do the passengers lunge forward, or backward, when the brakes are applied suddenly?

10. Acorns are the fruit of which tree?

Answers: 1. Whiskers. 2. Featherbedding. 3. Can. 4. Duck. 5. Radium. 6. Seven. 7. El Salvador. 8. Parliament. 9. Forward. 10. Oak.

Stockton, Calif.—UPI—Former Republican Congressman J. Leroy Johnson, 72, who represented the 11th California District from 1942 until his defeat in 1956, died Monday.

Transcontinental Notes--VII

Senatorial debate is like nothing else on earth. After her first exposure to it, the family secretary of health, education and welfare learned over and whispered in our ear: "This is a heck of a way to run a country."

Maybe so, maybe so. But the virtually unlimited debate in the Senate, the histrionics, the grandstand plays and the parliamentary maneuvering, the gross insults accompanied by the most flowery expressions of high esteem—these are all part of the American system of representative government, a democracy in a republic. And men far wiser than we main that a better system has yet to be invented.

THE Senate chamber is somewhat smaller, and far more "homey" and intimate and informal, than we had expected. The members wander all around the beautifully appointed chamber as they make their speeches. Some move over to visit with another Senator. And it is rare, except when a vote on an important matter is pending, that the full 100 members are present at one time. Often only three or four are physically present in the chamber. The others are occupied with committee meetings or other duties. But all can be summoned to the floor for a crucial vote.

While unlimited debate makes for a lot of what the New Yorker magazine calls "wind on Capitol Hill," it also makes for an extremely thorough scrutiny of pending legislation—usually, anyway. BEFORE leaving Capitol Hill we called on Senator Maurine Neuberger, chatted briefly with Congressman Walter Norblad of Oregon's First District, an old acquaintance, saw Congressman Edwin Durno seated on the floor of the House, were introduced to Alan Drury, author of "Advice and Consent" who is now working on a new book, and felt a start of surprise as we looked up and recognized, peering over our shoulder down toward the Senate floor, the features of William S. White, author of "The Citadel," a book about the Senate, who now writes for Harper's and newspapers, including the M-T.

In this one day, we had seen more far-famed people than in many years of newspaper work. We had what may be an add reaction to this, which was that, when read about at a distance and seen only via television or magazine or newspaper pictures, one tends to think of them as just a little more than life-sized, whereas, seen closely, they show up as standard-sized, very human people. MEANWHILE, the other Medfordite had visited the Smithsonian Institute, that vast repository of objects of interest, ranging from airplanes to the inaugural costumes of Presidents' wives, had done some shopping, and some further sight-seeing.

We met in late afternoon, in time for a brief rest before taxing through Rock Creek Park to Chevy Chase, where we were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. Robert Smith, the gracious couple who, professionally, correspond for a number of Oregon papers. Other guests included another young newspaper couple who represent Newsday in the Capital, Wally Turner, the Pulitzer prizewinning former Oregonian reporter now working for the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, and Congresswoman Edith Green, Portland.

IT WAS an evening of exceedingly interesting discussions, some political, others not. Mrs. Green, whom we had met briefly on several of her visits to Medford, is a charming, highly intelligent, and exceedingly courageous woman. She is acknowledged as one of the most effective members of the lower House of Congress, and, due to her early and strong support of John F. Kennedy in the Oregon primary and general elections, is reported to have a great deal of influence with the administration. Therefore her views on a number of crucial subjects were of considerable interest, although since this was a social occasion, the discussion was "off the record."

THE highlights of the following day were numerous, for the family HEW secretary toured the White House, and the "editorial we" attended President Kennedy's press conference. This was the one of which Time in last week's issue said: "Last week, as he had on six previous occasions, John F. Kennedy displayed near-flawless skills at a press conference. He arrived well briefed on questions he was likely to be asked. He adroitly parried embarrassing queries, and he projected an image as a crisp and incisive leader. Indeed, most veteran Washington newsmen agree that in his press conference techniques Kennedy has never had a presidential equal . . ."

This strikes us as a good summary of the Kennedy performance, and, despite some qualms by TV viewers and newsmen themselves about the conferences, and Walter Lippmann's conclusion that the President "is not yet in full effective communication with the people," we believe he soon will be. The conferences, so far, have been somewhat experimental. WE ALMOST became lost in the huge new State Department building where the conference was held, when the cab deposited us at the wrong entrance, but after walking like what seemed several blocks, we got to the right spot. And we confess we were almost as interested in some of the Washington writers—big names in our profession—as we were in the President. After the traditional "Thank you, Mr. President," we returned for another look at that fascinating place, Capitol Hill.—E. A.

Dennis the Menace



"MARGARETT HIT ME IN THE NOSE JUST 'CAUSE I SAID RED HEADED GIRLS GOT SHORT TEMPERERS!"

It is fanned by Mexico's

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.

More Like Him: To the Editor: In reply to Rev. Laurence Roy of Prospect, Ore., we would be proud to have a man like Harry Shuster in our organization.

That man has courage and a true love for the Lord or he wouldn't be out traveling in those circumstances.

The trouble with some evangelists today, they need a Cadillac, a large flashy ring and a diamond tie pin. Then when they get to their destination, they hold an auction for money.

I read in St. Luke 10:7 in part: "For the laborer is worthy of his hire." I believe many today take advantage of that scripture, for their own personal gain. They get so used to the comforts of civilization they're reluctant to do without them.

I am talking about myself also, when I say that. I want, though, God's will be done.

My husband works for our living and we both pastor our church. (We are on vacation for awhile.)

I pray God there would be more men like Harry Shuster. Mrs. Delbert Casey, Route 1, Box 358, Central Point, Ore.

How Does He Sleep?: To the Editor: I wonder if Dr. Durno's sleep has suffered any since he voted against a minimum wage of \$1.25 an hour?

The bill was defeated by one vote: Dr. Durno's. M. E. Norton, P.O. Box 85, Phoenix, Ore.

Poetry Workshop: To the Editor: The Adult Education Division of the Medford Public Schools has added a new course offering this quarter: Poetry Workshop.

As the Medford Mail Tribune has so recently introduced its Poets' Corner and as contributors to the Communications column have so regularly been submitting verses, we felt that readers might be interested in our new program.

The workshop will provide an opportunity for members to share their poems and verses with others, receive friendly evaluations, explore sales possibilities, and investigate techniques of versification.

Our first meeting is Thursday, March 30, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m., room 209, Medford High school. Tuition is \$8 for a 10 week session. All poets and versifiers are cordially invited.

Helene D. Hutchinson, Instructor.

Rummage, M.D.'s, and Glasses: To the Editor: My gripe is about rummage sales.

Like hundreds of people around the valley I depend on rummage sales for part of our clothing, as it would be impossible to pay the prices for new things. Even at that, I can't afford to buy anything really good because the sponsors of the sales asked such high prices. I've heard the same complaint from lots of people as I've milled around in the crowds. I've seen people take their chosen garments and lay them down when they find out what the prices are.

Since everything is donated in the first place and the idea of the sale is to raise some fast money, I don't see why they can't put the prices down so they can get rid of everything and people can buy the things they want. Four or five dollars is a lot of money to some of us, and after buy-

ing the bare necessities in groceries we don't have much left for rummage sales or anything else.

While I'm at it I'd like to ask if anyone knows of a doctor who won't give me a worthless treatment, charge six dollars and tell me to come back about every four days till I lose all my patience! Can you imagine how wrathly we'd become if we had to take our car to the garage five or six times, at six or more dollars a trip, to find out what is wrong with it, and then be told it is suffering from "nervous tension"?

I could gripe about the high cost of glasses and the fact that I've had three pairs in the past three years and still my eyes bother me. I've about given up on that, too. There's not a thing wrong with my eyes, according to the doctors, but they hurt anyway—so maybe it's all my imagination. Probably just "nervous tension," whatever that may be.

I do have one cherry note this morning—I think Gold Hill is a nice little town to live in. There's still room for more people.

Edna Tracy, Box 232, Gold Hill, Ore.

Lion's Scream: To the Editor: Now another proof that the mountain lion of the Pacific coast regions does make terrifying screams has been told this writer by Mr. Ed F. Wolter of Medford.

As Mr. Wolter related to me, when a boy some 60 years ago while visiting relatives in the rural vicinity of Mt. Shasta, in Siskiyou county, California, he was playing out in the nearby wilderness when he heard an eerie scream made by a mountain lion. He literally felt the hair on his head raising and it sent him running all the way to the house where he quickly closed the door behind him.

Bert Kissinger, 520 Boardman st., Medford.

Economics and Birth Control: To the Editor: Since the idealistic wishes of Mr. Wirth of Klamath Falls, for a perfect world are out of reach ever, I would like to say that I see several reasons why it is hard to raise a family the way things are today.

To put the whole thing in a nutshell, you can blame mostly capital and labor.

Every time labor asks for more pay for the high cost of living, capital hikes the price again. It is like walking in deep fine sand — one step forward, you slip back two.

How do you think such a country as our America was ever developed without large families?

In the earlier day a man and his sons worked hard on their farms and increased the richness of their lands with much stock until they could give their sons a start when they married. They in turn did the same, from generation to generation, all the time reaching farther west, until we can't now go any farther west.

Neither in those days did the government tell you what nor how much of anything to raise. Now you can go to prison if you don't do as they say.

Yet there are those who would have further aid from the federal government. And that means less and less of the freedoms that America is noted for.

Can you think of anything that the federal government stands back of but what has prison strings attached?

I think federal aid to edu-

Anti-Americanism in Mexico Result of Many Complex Factors in Complex Land

By PHIL NEWSOM, UPI Foreign News Analyst

Mexico City — UPI — Anti-Americanism lies close to the surface in Mexico.

Yet it is not an anti-Americanism easily reduced to terms of black and white, just as it is not easy to reduce to simple terms the complex emotional, economic and political struc-

ture of Mexico. Part of it is in the history books, the history of U. S. intervention in hemispheric affairs in the past and the suspicion it will do so again; the memory of U. S. Marine landings at Vera Cruz and the boycott which followed expropriation of U.S.-owned oil fields.

It is fanned by Mexico's small but vocal communist and communist-affiliated parties and by the large Soviet embassy which distributes from its Mexico City headquarters tons of anti-American literature throughout Latin America.

Any Slight: It can arise from any slight, real or fancied, to the 400,000 "braceros" who pour across the border annually for transient work in U.S. agriculture.

Or it can arise from an incident such as occurred last year. A Mexican congressman asserted that in any conflict of interests between the United States and Cuba, Mexico's sympathies must lie with Cuba.

U.S. Ambassador Robert Hill asked if this represented the government view, and Red-led students poured into the streets to protest U.S. "interference" in Mexico's internal affairs.

As do other Latin Americans, Mexicans resent what they believe is the United States' failure properly to understand their search for a better way of life in their own way.

The proudly nationalistic Mexicans have refused U.S. money grants, preferring loans which are paid on the dot.

Investors Alarmed: Last year, American investors were alarmed when President Adolfo Lopez Mateos described his government as "far left within the framework of the Constitution."

religion in the public schools. If one truly believes in the principle of the separation of church and state then one can not believe in putting religion in the public schools, for the public schools certainly represent the state, as they are supported by the state's school tax which everyone pays in one form or another.

Next, if one insists on putting religion into the public schools, the next question is "what religion?" or "whose religion?" If one could be sure that an entire community would be Catholic or Seventh Day Adventists or Baptists or Moslems or Jews or Buddhists or Confucianists or Mohamadians, it might be a safe thing to try. But suppose a Buddhist family moved into a Methodist community and bought property and were compelled by state law to send their children to public school—then they would have an alien religion forced down the necks of their children, whether they wanted it so or not.

That was not the spirit of the founders of America. I believe our forefathers came to this country to find a place where they could worship God as they pleased—in their churches but not in their public schools.

As soon as you'd put religion—anybody's religion—into the public schools, you'd find you had the biggest religious war going on inside the school that you could ever imagine and that would not be good for anybody's religion. The public schools have enough problems of their own without that.

As I understand it, the public schools were established to first teach reading, riting 'n' rithmetic, and after that they added the cultural subjects of history, geography, health care, etc., and some schools added vocational subjects of cooking, sewing, wood-working, etc., and the California schools added the most important subject of all, which they called character building and which was taught through biographies, stories, pictures, sports, etc. In my daddy's day, I believe they called it deportment; and I understand that more children fail to make their grades because of poor deportment than because of poor intelligence.

Then there is the first amendment that says "Congress shall make no law respecting the establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof," and there would be the problem of selecting teachers of the approved religion and that would involve the matter of a religious test being required of persons holding public office.

Mildred Engman, 1847 Stewart ave., Medford

One Sourdough to Another: To the Editor: Far be it from old Malemute Slim to get himself drawn into a serious debate with our enterprising Speaker of the House of Representatives. I am afraid that he is too smart for me, especially since learning that he undoubtedly is a Sourdough! He proved that to me by simply knowing that there is more than one definition, and because of his stand on Capital punishment I know he did not "shoot the squaw."

Thank you, Mr. Speaker, for acknowledging my letter. I shall be proud to meet you. Malemute Slim, White City, Ore.

Leo's Put Out: To the Editor: I received an acknowledgement of a letter I have written to the President. I never heard of the person who signed for it. But as long as the President didn't sign for it personally, it might just as well have been signed by Nick Calimeneus as far as I am concerned.

I am a little put out (Jack) about you not signing it personally. But I am still with you just the same.

Leo J. Townsend, Route 1, Box 620, Eagle Point, Ore.

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