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A story about the collection of firearms in the Jacksonville museum, and some of the history connected with the guns, appears on page 5A of today's Mail Tribune.

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**AIRPORT ARRIVALS**—Los Angeles News Commentator Frank Hemingway, second from right, above, and Mrs. Hemingway, were greeted at Medford airport Friday evening by a number of local persons. Hemingway was Grand Marshal of the pear blossom festival and the guest of honor at the dedication of the new American Legion Memorial building in Medford Saturday night. The Hemingways are shown above as they chatted with Pear Blossom Festival association president Arthur Wood, at left, and American Leigon Commander Granvil Brittsan after the couple got off the plane.

**FESTIVAL PARADE**—Thousands of persons lined Medford streets yesterday afternoon to view the eighth annual pear blossom parade; and though little gusts of wind foretold impending "weather" and the sky became overcast, the whole shebang went off without a hitch. Children participating (numbering at least a thousand themselves) seemed to be having the time of their lives and spectators could not help but be entertained by the colorful array of floats. The picture above was taken from the Medford hotel building, looking east on Main st.

**HOLD EVERYTHING**—A person can't march in a parade with a "cinder" in his eye. Seven-year-old Doris Kenworthy holds real still while her mother removes a speck of dirt that was stirred up by the wind before the parade got under way.

**LOVABLE PAIR**—Little Joan Gritsch, Medford, and her lamb, who rode on the St. Marys Cub Scout float in the pear blossom parade made a charming picture as they waited for the parade to start. The float depicted Little Bo Peep, but not one got lost.

## Medford Growth Believed Nearing Boom Proportions

### Others Call It 'Accelerating'

By GREG NOKES
Mail Tribune Staff Writer

Medford is growing—of this there can be little doubt. The problem is whether to classify the growth as a boom, or, more conservatively, a period of increased expansion.

There is disagreement on this point. The manager of the Medford Chamber of Commerce cautions against thinking there will be a boom, and says the pace of growth is merely "accelerating." Others, including the local director of the state employment agency, feel the city may be on the threshhold of a boom.

Whatever it is—it is already here.

**Industries Not Included**

Construction in Medford alone—now under way or soon to get started—totals approximately $7,200,000. And this figure does not include several new industries in the area, which have chosen not to make public the cost of construction.

Nor does it include three Highway 99 freeway projects for which bids will be opened Tuesday in Salem by the state highway commission. The three projects, which will take the freeway to the north Ashland interchange from Jackson st. in Medford, have an estimated value of more than $3½ million.

The total valuation of building permits issued in Medford during the first three months of 1961 is $2,069,012. City Building Superintendent O. R. McNeel says that "from all indications" he thinks the city will beat its record construction year set in 1959, when $10,248,720 worth of building permits were issued.

**Affects Wide-Felt**

Nearly all aspects of the valley's economy seem to be feeling the affects of the stimulated growth. But this is particularly true with the tourist and plywood industries.

Four new motel developments having a cumulative valuation of $2,200,000 are under construction or soon will be. They are the Alpine Village, the Thunderbird motel, the Imperial "400" motel and the Medford hotel addition. When completed they will increase the total number of motel units in the city from 303 to 535.

Two new plywood mills are under construction—the Medford Corporation mill and the Elk Lumber company mill. These will create an estimated 400 new jobs in the area.

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## M-T Women's Editor Honored

Mrs. Bren H. Starcher, women's editor of the Mail Tribune, won two first prizes for her women's page at the Oregon Press Women's conference in Salem Saturday night.

Mrs. Starcher's column, Potpourri, won first place as the best column in a daily paper and she also was awarded first place for the best women's section in a Sunday edition of a daily paper.

Faith McCoullough, Mail Tribune Ashland correspondent, won first place for the best column in a weekly paper.

## WEATHER

FORECAST: Considerable cloudiness this morning. Partly cloudy this afternoon and evening. High today 64 to 66. Low tonight 32 to 35. High Monday 66 to 68.

Temp.
Highest Yesterday ..... 69
Precip.
To 5 p.m. Yesterday ..... 0

### Our Skies Tonight

Sunset today ..... 6:46 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow ..... 5:39 a.m.
Moonrise tomorrow ..... 3:08 a.m.
New Moon ..... April 14

PROMINENT STARS
Betelgeuse, low in west ..... 10:17 p.m
The Twins, high above Betelgeuse.

VISIBLE PLANETS
Mars, below the Twins.
Jupiter and Saturn in the southeast ..... 4:05 a.m.

## Draft of County Building Code To Be Presented

After three years of work, the Jackson county planning commission has completed what they believe is a satisfactory draft of a proposed county building code, Commission Chairman C. O. Lovejoy said Saturday.

In drafting it, the commission consulted with engineers, architects, building contractors, and many interested citizens, Lovejoy said. He believes that the half-dozen revisions made over the years have eliminated most if not all previous objections.

"We have tried to draft a workable code which will be of benefit to all residents of the county," Lovejoy stated. "It will furnish protection and assistance to all, including those enterprising people who build their own homes," he added.

The commission will present the code at a public discussion meeting at 8 p.m. Wednesday, April 19, in the courthouse auditorium, Lovejoy announced. After this hearing, any desirable revisions suggested then still can be made before the code is recommended to the county court for enactment, he pointed out.

The building code is designed to provide a relatively simple, basic set of rules for safe construction, the commission chairman reported, and actually will be a help, rather than a hindrance, to builders, including do-it-yourself homeowners.

A limited number of copies of the proposed code are available at the planning commission office in the courthouse for those wishing to inspect it prior to the public discussion and hearing, Lovejoy said.

## Guidance Clinic Meeting Planned

The main speaker at Monday night's annual dinner meeting of the Family and Child Guidance clinic dinner has a full schedule planned for him while he is here Monday and Tuesday, a clinic spokesman said.

The speaker, Dr. Eli M. Bower, director of liaison and prevention services, California State Department of Mental Hygiene, will lunch with the clinic staff and board representatives Monday. At 1:15 p.m. school administrators and special education personnel will talk informally with Dr. Bower in the courthouse auditorium on educating the emotionally handicapped child. At 4:15 p.m., Monday, Dr. Bower will appear on television with Dr. Thomas Rutter, local physician, and publicity and education chairman of the clinic's board.

## Thousands View Festival Parade; Prizes Awarded

A tired and wind-blown crowd estimated at between seven and nine thousand patiently awaited the judges' decision late Saturday afternoon to see who had won the prizes in the eighth annual Pear Blossom Festival parade.

Grand sweepstakes award for the best theme portrayal was presented to Mrs. Lorraine L. Johnson and Mrs. Genniel Spurril, $50; for the best float design, to Brownie Troop 13, $25; and for the best comic entry, to Krista Hord, Jason Hord, Victor Haas, and Kristen Casey, $25.

First and second place winners in the individual categories include the following:

Individual—Mike and Mark Lamont and Tony Norris, first, $10; and Terry McLean, second, $5.

Animals and pets—Christine Hayse, Mike Bailey and Shelley Hayse, first, $10; Greg Graff, second, $5.

Vehicle Decoration – Cub Pack 48, first, $10; Brownie Troop 12, second, $5.

Costumed Walking Groups –Jon Thurman, first, $10, and Carol Huntley, second, $5.

Organizational Floats – Cub Scout Pack 1, first, $20, and St. Mary's third grade Brownie Troop 176, second, $10.

Presentation of awards was made following the parade during special ceremonies at Hawthorne park. Grand marshal of the parade, news commentator Frank Hemingway, was guest speaker.

Parade officials noted that this was one of the largest parades of its kind to be presented in Medford with scores of children participating.

A complete listing of winners in all categories will be announced in the Mail Tribune Monday.

## Kennedy, British Prime Minister Summarize Talks

### Call Issued for 'Many Sacrifices'

Washington – (UPI) – President Kennedy and British Prime Minister Harold Macmillan joined Saturday in a call for "many sacrifices" to revitalize free world efforts in the global struggle with communism.

In a joint statement summarizing three days of intensive talk on wide-ranging problems, they declared agreement on "the gravity and depth of the dangers in the present world situation." They also repledged on behalf of the United States and Britain "our common commitment to those who care for freedom."

As the keynote of their future efforts, they declared: "We have considered what measures it might be advisable to take, together with our allies, to insure the cohesion, effectiveness and adaptability of the Atlantic community in a changing world."

**Cold War Issues**

On specific cold war issues, the Kennedy-Macmillan communique:

—Underscored the importance of Southeast Asia and particularly "the critical problems of Laos and Viet Nam" where the Communists threaten a military take-over.

—Reaffirmed "vigorous support of the United Nations and our determination to oppose the attempts currently being made to undermine its authority as an instrument for peace and security in the world." This was a pointed response to Soviet attacks on UN Secretary General Dag Hammarskjold's Congo operation.

—Agreed on "both the importance and the difficulty of working towards satisfactory relations with the Soviet Union."

**Nuclear Test Ban**

—Asserted British and U.S. determination to do the utmost to reach agreement with the Russians "within a reasonable period of time" on a workable ban on nuclear weapon testing. Resumed negotiations which have been going on with the Soviet Union in Geneva since March 21 have been unfruitful.

On problems which concern essentially the free world allies themselves, Kennedy and Macmillan underscored the need for better economic cooperation.

The joint statement cited:

—The problems of imbalance and short-term capital movements such as those which created the U.S. gold and dollar gap.

—The need for coordination to meet these problems "by increased utilization of existing international machinery."

**Aid to Underdeveloped**

—The need for more effective assistance to the underdeveloped nations.

—The urgency and importance of taking further steps toward economic and political unity in Europe itself.

—The need for maintaining world trade at the highest possible level.

—Firm determination to resist any renewed Soviet pressure against Berlin and West Germany, which they agreed might come later this year.

—Withdrawal of allied concessions previously made to Russia in an effort to ease earlier crises on Berlin. The proposals were never accepted by the Communists.

# At Least Three Dead on Plane Hit by Missile

Grants, N. M.—(UPI)—At least three of the eight men who were on board a B52 bomber shot down by a deadly sidewinder missile went down with the plane and were killed.

A UPI reporter brought down by helicopter late Saturday from the top of the 9,000-foot mesa, where the huge bomber crashed, saw the bodies. Three others managed to bail out and save themselves and two others are still missing.

The pilot of the F100 jet fighter plane that fired the $2,300 sidewinder into the $8 million bomber said today that the missile was launched by a mechanical failure.

"Look out! One of my missiles has fired!" First Lt. James W. Van Syoc said he yelled into his radio Friday the moment he saw the sidewinder streak toward its target 3,000-4,000 feet away.

**Bodies in 'Sad Shape'**

A helicopter brought UPI reporter Gerard T. Brown down from the mesa late today during a break in the weather. He said he saw the bodies and they are in "pretty bad shape."

Two helicopters managed to make a trip to the top of the mesa just before dark and bring down seven newsmen. The helicopters had to leave 35 men on the cold tableland but they had firewood and blankets and had found a hut. They were in no danger.

Brown said the wreckage of the big bomber was scattered over a wide area and the wreckage burned until past midnight Friday, despite heavy snow and high wind. It was not possible for the searchers on top of the mesa to make a wide search for the two men still missing.

**Already Too Late**

Van Scyoc said that when he shouted a warning that his missile had launched, it was already too late. He estimated that it took only a second or a second-and-a-half for the supersonic missile to hit an engine pod on the left wing of the B52.

There was an explosion, fire broke out on the plane, the wing folded and the stricken bomber plunged into the mountains below.

Van Scyoc, 27, safety officer of the Air Guard's 188th Fighter-Interceptor squadron, held a seven-minute news conference at Kirtland Air Force base, in Albuquerque, N. M., while the searching party waited for the storm to abate above Grants.

Van Scyoc first read a prepared statement about the crash. Then he answered questions.

One question was what his immediate personal reaction was when he saw the Sidewinder hit.

"It was: "count parachutes,'" Van Scyoc said.

He said he saw none, because 10,000 feet below the 36,000-foot level at which the Sidewinder was launched, there was a heavy cloud cover.

**Clouds Blocked Vision**

He saw none, but a cloud ceiling 10,000 feet below him blocked his vision. Three men are known to have parachuted.

His wingman, Capt. Dale Dodd, saw no parachutes either.

The F100 Interceptor pilot tried to dive below the clouds and locate survivors. . . .

"This was impossible due to the clouds going down to 6,000 feet in the mountainous terrain," Van Scyoc said in his prepared statement.

He appeared with Dodd and their Air National Guard group commander, Maj. Francis Williams.

Kirtland AFB Information Officer Maj. Harold Susskind called Van Scyoc "a fine example of an Air Force and Air Guard officer" in introducing him to reporters.

Susskind said the pilot has, several times, shown a high degree of skill and knowledge of the aircraft which he flew regularly in the Air Force, before he joined the Air Guard in August, 1958.

In contrast to his appearance before a formal inquiry board earlier today, Van Scyoc did not appear nervous.

## California Man Being Held Here Admits Killing

James Edward Blackwell, 28, who was arrested by state police near Rock Point Thursday, admitted to state police and Los Angeles county, California, sheriff's deputies Friday that he killed a woman in southern California Monday.

State police said they and Sgts. John G. Lawton and H. Walter Thornton, both of the Los Angeles county sheriff's office, questioned Blackwell Friday.

The officers obtained a tape recording from Blackwell in which he admitted he strangled Mrs. Helen Margaret Johnson, 29, of Los Angeles, Calif.

Her nude body was found in a vacant lot in Los Angeles county. An autopsy showed that she had not been raped. Police said Blackwell told them he strangled Mrs. Johnson in his car in the city limits of Los Angeles. He tore her clothes off, and bound her wrists with strips of cloth from her blouse.

He then drove about seven miles outside the city, and left her body in a vacant lot, he told police. Blackwell robbed Mrs. Johnson of about $35, police said.

## Dinner To Start Rotary Conclave

A buffet dinner for about 400 Rotarians, representing the 26 Rotary clubs in District 511, will open a three-day Rotarian conference here this evening.

Fred R. Brennan, local club president, said the dinner tonight for members and wives will be held at the Rogue Valley Country club, conference headquarters. The affair will be followed by fireside visits to homes of Medford Rotarians.

Sessions will be held at the country club, and special activities have been planned for women coming for the event. A governor's banquet is slated for Monday night.

Rotarians will conduct business sessions Monday from 9 to 12 a.m., followed by luncheon and an afternoon session. A total of 1,674 members belong to Oregon Rotary clubs in the district from Salem south.

# News of the World in Brief

**PASSENGERS RESCUED**

Bahrein, Persian Gulf—(UPI)—An international armada rescued more than 500 persons Saturday from the storm-swept Persian Gulf into which they had plunged when fire swept the 5,030-ton British ship Dara and destroyed the lifeboats.

**CALL TO ARMS**

New York – (UPI) – Jose Miro Cardona, president of Anti-Castro Cuban Revolutionary council, called anti-Castro Cubans to arms Saturday "to expel the tyrant from our soil." The call to arms underscored reports that an uprising in Cuba is imminent.

**BATISTA AIDE HELD**

Miami—(UPI)—Ex-Cuban Senator Rolando Masferrer Rojas, head of the hated "Tiger" police of ousted dictator Fulgencio Batista, was arrested by immigration officials here Saturday at the request of the State Department.

**SHOWDOWN ADVISED**

Washington – (UPI) – Sen. Albert Gore, congressional adviser to U.S. negotiators, disclosed Saturday that he has suggested President Kennedy press for a showdown on Soviet veto demands before prolonging the marathon talks on nuclear testing.

**BILL TABLED**

Salem—(UPI)—The House Tax Committee late Friday tabled a bill that would have imposed a tax on railroad "piggybacks," merchandise carried on rail flat cars.

**JOHNSON CONVINCED**

Nashville, Tenn. – (UPI) – Vice President Lyndon Johnson said Saturday his 13,000-mile overseas trip this week convinced him "the tide is running for the United States—not against it—in the hearts of the peoples of the world."

**GUNFIRE EXCHANGED**

Elisabethville, Katanga, The Congo – (UPI) – United Nations spokesmen said Saturday that U.N. soldiers had exchanged gunfire with Katanga troops in a struggle to preserve U.N. control over the key airport and rail station at Kabalo in north Katanga.

**ARMY CLOSES IN**

Vientiane, Laos – (UPI) – The royal Laotian army closed in Saturday on a village believed to be a communist paratroop command post in an effort to clear the vital Vientiane-Luang Prabang main highway.