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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: May 1, 1951 (Tuesday) The Medford city council will consider a proposed rezoning of the city when it meets in regular session tonight.

20 YEARS AGO: May 1, 1941 (Thursday) Mrs. Franklin Delano Roosevelt stopped here briefly today en route to a Eugene speaking engagement.

30 YEARS AGO: May 1, 1931 (Friday) Gov. Julius Meier has appointed Rufus Holman to succeed the late Thomas B. Kay as Oregon state treasurer.

40 YEARS AGO: May 1, 1921 (Sunday) The Medford Chamber of Commerce has appointed a greeters committee to welcome new arrivals to the city.

50 YEARS AGO: May 1, 1911 (Monday) Officials of the Pacific States Telephone company are meeting here this week to determine the advisability of establishing a divisional headquarters in Medford.

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

1. With which Presidents do you associate these slogans: "The Full Dinner Pail," "The Big Stick," and "Back to Normalcy"?

2. The U.S. was the first country to grant nation-wide suffrage to women, true or false?

3. Asuncion is the capital of which Latin American country?

4. A million is how many thousands?

5. Are sheep born with long or short tails?

6. With what activities do you associate a peavy, a taw? 7. The movement that led to the organization of the Confederate States of America was begun in which Southern State?

8. The epithet, "the nine old men," was once applied to which body of officials?

9. What is the capital of South Dakota?

10. What is a corsair? 11. McKinley, T. Roosevelt, Harding, 2. Falso, (New Zealand), 3. Paraguay, 4. 1000, 5. Long falls, 6. Logging and marbles, 7. South Carolina, 8. U.S. Supreme Court, 9. Pierre, 10. Pirate.

Taking Liberty for Granted

The following editorial, written by Gordon Randall Clark and printed in his school paper, the Crater High School "Comments," was first prize winner in the Jackson County Law Day editorial contest sponsored by the Bar association. Young Clark, a senior, won a \$25 prize for the editorial.

We continually use many liberties in the course of a day that we take for granted. We go freely from place to place and stop to meet with friends and associates when and where we choose. We criticize or praise our government at will. Seldom do we stop to consider that all our freedoms are made possible because we have "Liberty under the law."

INDEED, we mean PROTECTED. Too often people look at the laws as restrictions. Laws only become restrictions when we are in danger of encroaching upon someone's liberties. At the same time these very same laws protect us by preventing someone else from interfering with our liberties.

Monroe Sweetland

The announcement, by Sen. Monroe Sweetland (D-Clackamas) that he will not be a candidate for re-election to the Legislature cannot help creating a hollow feeling among the many who have known of his years of service to his fellow man, even though they might hope that the announcement heralds a larger role in the national administration.

Safe for Ideas

The president of the University of California and the Governor of the Golden State have given what seem to us model statements of the importance of exposing students to controversy. A furor had arisen because a man convicted of contempt of Congress for refusal to answer questions about communism was invited to speak on the campus at Berkeley.

John Birch Fantasies

The latest publicized addition to the lunatic fringe of American life is the John Birch Society. Lost in a world of fantasy, the John Birchers are busily looking for Communists in the White House, the Supreme Court, the classrooms, and, presumably, under the bed.

Dennis the Menace



NOW WHEN I SING 'I'VE BEEN WORKIN' ON THE RAILROAD, DENNIS WILL SING 'DING-DONG' AND JOEY WILL SING 'CHUG-CHUG'. ALL RIGHT? NOW, ALL TOGETHER!

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.

Wild Dogs

To the Editor: Before the curtain rings down on the cougar tales and experiences by the present numerous pioneers of southern Oregon of the last half century, I am certainly amazed and most happy to talk to so many people for having told me their own true accounts, although some wish to remain anonymous at their own best.

The Brewer's Big Hoses

To the Editor: Beer sales! Men and women, boys and girls, have their principles, their sense of right and wrong, their manhood's and womanhood's calls and duties, their moods, their graces, their all, crushed and trampled by the brewer's hoses.

Humanities Miseries

To the Editor: That was a good editorial entitled "Diminishing Privacy." Mr. J. P. Wirth's letter on the same page aroused me, and I wish to comment on his letter headed "Something Beneficial."

Not "Fol-de-Roi"

To the Editor: I have read your editorial "Fol-de-roi or Necessity?" with the feeling of amazement and alarm.

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Algeria Aftermath

Watch for surprises when the list of those arrested in De Gaulle's post-Algeria purge becomes known. For the time being it is largely being kept secret and government sources maintain that there are no "big" names among the names.

Bugs

From New Delhi comes word that the Indians are having trouble building their I do not agree that we are caught between scare tactics and apathy. Scare tactics, in all probability, is a term now being used in connection with the effort to properly educate the people of the United States in the need for a strong Civil Defense program.

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Diplomats See Continuation of Laotian Crisis; Algerian Arrests To Be Surprise

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

Tough Conference Diplomats in London say we can expect the Laos crisis to be with us for months despite any cease fire and even if the May 12 conference gets underway on schedule.

Lost In Space Despite Russian denials, foreign military sources in Tokyo insist there is evidence beyond doubt that the Russians had first supersonic jet fighter. The prototype model failed to get off the ground in a recent test and crashed into a barrier even though it developed a ground speed of more than 150 miles an hour.

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Hope Seen in Final Actions Of United Nations Assembly

Editor's note: The following are excerpts from a newsletter to chapters of the American Association for the United Nations, written by Clark M. Eichelberger, executive director of the AAUN, commenting on the actions of the recently closed General Assembly meeting.

Other outstanding crisis of the closing days of the Assembly was the Cuban situation. There was confusion as to the extent of the landings of the Cuban exiles and what support they had received from the United States or any Central American republic.

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Washington Report

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Try and Stop Me

By BENNETT CERF

A POIGNANT MEMOIR of Sir Cedric Hardwicke concerns the evening that Ellen Terry, then close to 80, elected to have another go at the demanding role of Portia in "The Merchant of Venice."

When the time came for her to deliver the familiar "quality of mercy is not strained" speech, poor Miss Terry's face suddenly blanched. She cudgeled her memory in vain for a moment, then moved down to the footlights and said forlornly, "I am a very silly old lady—and I cannot remember what I have to say."

Members of the audience shouted the lines to her, Miss Terry smiled her thanks—and the show went on.

In Palm Beach, a socialite told a bridge columnist quite coolly, "My wife loves the game of bridge passionately. It gives her something to occupy her mind while she's talking!"

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