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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

Sept. 14, 1952 (Tuesday)

General assembly of Rotarians, scheduled to be held here Sept. 13, disrupted by injury of governor of district of Rotary International in plane crash.

Herd of elephants on Main street causes stares and double-takes by viewing population; elephants are part of circus.

## 20 YEARS AGO

Sept. 14, 1942 (Wednesday)

City Councilman Harold Frye calls public's attention to new stop signs at railroad tracks on Main st.; all cars must come to complete halt before crossing tracks.

From Arthur Perry's "Ye Smudge Pot" column: "There is a nip in the morning air, removing the southern drawl awake from the natives and the new arrivals from Texas."

## 30 YEARS AGO

Sept. 14, 1932 (Friday)

Several thousand feet of motion picture film showing Crater lake completed and ready for national distribution.

Local meat markets advertise choice beef steak at 13 cents a pound and fresh churned creamery butter at 22 cents a pound.

## 40 YEARS AGO

Sept. 14, 1922 (Saturday)

Ashland man purchases 75 per cent of stock in Granite City hospital there following lengthy negotiations.

Record breaking crowd attends Medford day at Jackson county fair.

## 50 YEARS AGO

Sept. 14, 1912 (Monday)

Carload of gold ore shipped from Medford Mining and Milling company's mine near Jacksonville.

"Uncle Bob" Cook, postmaster at Draper, on Foots creek, since 1884, notifies post office department of his resignation; has been a resident of southern Oregon since moving here from Utah in 1859.

## What's Your I.Q.?

Nine or ten correct is superior; seven or eight is excellent; five or six is good.

1. In what months of the year do the equinoxes occur?
2. What President's portrait is on the face of the fifty dollar Federal Reserve Note?
3. One who studies population trends is known as a?
4. For what purpose were the pyramids of Egypt originally built?
5. Correct the following: "In Galsworthy's play he deals with an explosive theme."
6. Which Old Testament Book is sometimes called Canticles?
7. What was the color of the Owl's and Pussy-cat's boat?
8. Who was our first Secretary of Defense?
9. Which of the twelve Apostles was reputedly a physician?
10. Is the Audubon Society primarily interested in birds, books, or coins?

Answers: 1. March and September. 2. Grant. 3. Demographer. 4. Tombs. 5. "In his play, Galsworthy deals..." 6. Song of Solomon. 7. Pea Green. 8. James V. Forrestal. 9. Luke. 10. Birds.

## Is "Balloon" Bread Wrong?

With all due respect to Judge James T. Brand, who made his decision according to law and regulation, we think that the "balloon bread" decision was wrong.

Which means, in turn, that we believe an overly-assiduous state department of agriculture in what was probably a well-meant effort to "protect" consumers from their own ignorance, went too far.

Balloon bread is nothing but a 1-pound loaf baked in a 1½-pound size pan. It's bigger. It's fluffier. Some people prefer it to the smaller loaf.

BUT UNDER authority of a state law, the department of agriculture decided that the balloon loaf is deceptive and illegal. It decreed that 1-pound loaves must be baked in the old, smaller pan. The ruling was challenged as an unconstitutional delegation of power in Multnomah circuit court, which agreed with the challenge.

But the supreme court ruled otherwise. And as a result of Judge Brand's findings announced this week, the department is seeking to prosecute a number of bakeries.

No matter what the motives of the agriculture department are, we eye the ruling as unwarranted, unjust, and an exercise of thoughtless governmental paternalism unjustified by the circumstances.

WE CAN'T see what difference it makes what size of pan bread is baked in.

If the department thought there was danger of defrauding a helpless consumer, a simple order that the bread be more prominently labeled would be far more effective, far more sensible, and far more equitable, than to try to throw some bakers into the pokey.

Intent to defraud is one thing, and reprehensible. Governmental action is such a case may well be called for.

But to try to abolish the old warning, "caveat emptor," and to say that no baker can bake — nor a consumer purchase — a 1-pound loaf of a different size, is carrying "protection" into the realm of the ridiculous. — E. A.

## Rule Making Authority

The balloon bread ruling is an example of what is called the "rule making authority" of various departments of government. Such authority is an absolute necessity if an administrative office is to function. It does so under a grant of authority from the legislature (or congress, in the federal government), and its rulings have the force of law.

This power, while necessary, is a touchy and potentially dangerous one.

It leaves the door open to arbitrary, even capricious, exercises of power, without the prior restraint of legislative debate. It puts non-elected office holders in the position of passing their own laws.

THE RULE making authority should be — must be — exercised with great forethought, caution and restraint.

Legislative grants of rule making power should be confined to limits sufficiently narrow to minimize the possibility of abuses.

Adequate appeal procedures should always be available.

If not, the integrity and wisdom of the agency itself will be called into question; injustices will ensue; respect for government itself will suffer.

In our form of government, where there are checks and balances, and political as well as judicial remedies, arbitrary and unwise of rule-making power eventually will result in a loss of confidence, and an overthrow of those responsible. It may take time, but it is bound to happen. — E. A.

## Parks Bargain

The state highway department is a bit proud of Oregon's state parks. It is even bragging a bit. And it has every justification for so doing.

A press release from the department this week reported that Oregon spent less than any other of 10 reporting states on its parks, and that its per capita cost per visitor was the lowest of the 10.

It had a far higher visitation rate, on a per capita basis, than other states.

AN AVERAGE of 11 persons visited Oregon parks for every dollar spent on maintenance and operation. The national average is four visitors per dollar. Oregon's per-visitor cost was nine cents, while the national average was 22 cents. Oregon parks had a total of 52,500 visitors per employee. The national average was 16,800.

In other words, a combination of good administration and high visitation gave Oregon more for its park dollar than any other of the 10 states.

At the same time, a high level of cleanliness and service was maintained in the parks, as any visitor to them can attest.

THESE figures were for the year 1961. It will be interesting to see comparable figures for 1962, when the tourist flow was increased so sharply, in part due to the Seattle World's Fair and in part due to the excellent and effective advertising program the tourist information division carries out.

We are not among those who believe the highway department can do no wrong, and have been critical on some occasions in the past. But in state parks, Oregon is tops, and the department can take a bow. — E. A.

## "Another Historic First!"



## ... 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.

## Square Dancing

To the Editor: With the beginning of the many local fall square dance classes, we find that many people feel that the dancing on TV's "Country Show" is typical of square dancing. Anyone who square dances, not just in the valley but all over the nation, knows that it certainly is not. When asked if they would like to learn to square dance, many people immediately think of the said television dancing. Naturally they feel that they couldn't keep up the pace. We agree. If the dancing one sees on TV's program were typical of square dancing only a few of the many active square dance clubs would exist.

We urge the public to come out to one of the local clubs, see the type of dancing and, if we have, take square dance lessons, and join us in a wonderful recreation.

The Medford Y Knot  
Twirlers  
By Patricia Lull  
3497 Military rd.  
Central Point, Ore.

## Retain Farm Lands

To the Editor: The following letter has been sent to members of the county court:

During a meeting on Aug. 26, a vote was cast by the Jackson County Farm Bureau to protest the sale of county farm lands including the agromony station and the old horticulture station acreages.

The Jackson County Farm Bureau joins those who believe that these lands should be used to produce food for three county institutions with much of the work done by prisoners jailed on minor charges.

It seems reasonable to believe it is better for these minor offense prisoners to be working than to be sitting in jail. It also is important that these lands be used for agriculture when the produce can furnish food for county institutions plus work for the rehabilitation of prisoners.

It is a rare agricultural operation, including livestock, which pays off the first year of operation.

This farm organization recommends that these county lands be retained for agricultural use under the honor farm system.

Mrs. Grover T. Mulkey  
Secretary  
Jackson County Farm Bureau  
Route 1, Box 262  
Gold Hill, Ore.

Senator Morse  
To the Editor: I have sent this letter to Mr. Walter Gabriel, of Newark, N.J.

I have read with great interest your letter to the Medford (Ore.) Mail Tribune of Sept. 9, and wish to thank you for it, because gratuitous advice as to how the Oregon electorate should cast its votes, always has an opposite effect.

With one clause I am in complete agreement: "that the Oregon voters should flock to the polls." They will, all right, but it is to be hoped that a preponderance will vote for Mr. Sig. Under, Republican, who can restore dignity and integrity to that high office.

Sorry to disillusion you about "his sacred duty preventing our Senator from campaigning." Just as your letter arrived, he was making, of course, a non-political visit to our State Fair, where his prize cows and bulls were on exhibition. Looks like the old double cross again, but, sir, think nothing of it. You now belong to an illustrious club which includes the Oregon Republican party. We elected him but he flopped. In all his years on the Hill, not one piece of major legislation bears his name. He has wind-

ily used up an undue amount of legislative time. Insertions by him in the Congressional Record have cost fabulous money, taxpayer's money, that is.

There would seem to be some gaps in your information about our Senator. So I am mailing you a little booklet which sets forth his record. He and his apologists scream that it is a "smear." That is revealing. Sources are the Congressional Record, and the story as recorded in the press of Oregon.

It looks as if you had spilled some political beans, in announcing that Mr. Morse is committed to the 35 hour week. We had not learned that yet.

As to Telstar, doesn't it sort of tax credulity to believe that a special revelation of wisdom was imparted to that small handful of Senators, which was denied to the majority of Congress?

You would enjoy the climate of Medford, especially the political climate. Here the old line Democrats have abdicated and become the tail to the kite of AFL-CIO. The Central Committee of the Democrats holds meetings in the Labor Temple. Quite cozy, that.

Mr. Morse was defeated in his bid for delegate to the last Democrat convention. You remember, that was the one, prior to which Mr. Truman, Mrs. Roosevelt and others were so prophetic about Mr. Kennedy's qualifications for the Presidency.

John Q. Stewart,  
933 NE 12th st.  
Grants Pass, Ore.

U. N. Bonds  
To the Editor: Today, Sept. 14, the House of Representatives is to vote on the United States purchase of United Nations Bonds. Prompt approval of legislation similar to the Senate-approved bill of last April is in our best interests and provides the United States' share of funds needed to keep the United Nations solvent. Some 32 countries have already agreed to purchase U. N. Bonds, but the U. S. cannot buy any bonds until the Senate-passed authorization bill is enacted by the House and a separate appropriations bill is approved by the Congress.

By voting for the bond issue, the President, Senate and House vote to strengthen the U. N. and take this opportunity to create confidence in the U. N.'s impartiality and competence to deal with emergencies which threaten the peace of the world. It also puts us with the nations safeguarding the U. N. from U. S. S. R. attacks.

It is regrettable that the United Nations must borrow, but it is not unusual for governments to borrow when they are hard pressed or bankrupt. If the United Nations helps maintain world peace, the economy of the member states will so improve that redeeming the bonds will not be difficult. Two hundred million dollars in bonds were authorized by the General Assembly during last session for a period of 25 years, and bearing 2 per cent interest.

The United Nations costs are cheap insurance against war. All expenses of peace-keeping and specialized agencies cost the United States only \$1.06 per capita per year, as opposed to \$300 per capita per year for other military expenditures.

Mrs. Marie M. Bosworth,  
Route 1, Box 62,  
Jacksonville, Ore.

Psychic Phenomena  
To the Editor: In the issue of last Sunday I noticed "name on file" White City, taking someone named Henry to task for apparently not

## Cambodian-Viet Nameless Border Areas Are Trouble Spots for Both Nations

By PHIL NEWSOM

UPI Foreign News Analyst  
Scarcely 100 miles from Saigon, the Cambodian border suddenly juts southward into South Viet Nam like a pointing finger.

It is a flat, water land of glistening paddies, rubber plantations and jungle, and to the people living there borders are unknown or of little moment.

On the South Vietnamese side is a zone called "Maquis D."

Since 1945, before the French finally lost their war in Indochina, it has been under the heavy influence of the Communist Viet Cong.

On the Cambodian side lies Prey Veng province.

Relations between Cambodia and South Viet Nam are cool at best. Prey Veng province is one of the reasons. South Viet Nam charges it is one of the areas providing rest and training for Viet

## Strictly Personal

By Sydney J. Harris  
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## FORGETTING

One of the obvious tricks that our unconscious mind plays on us frequently is making us forget things we don't like to remember and misplace objects we don't want to be reminded of.

What we ordinarily call "carelessness" has been shown by the depth-psychologists to be usually a deliberate (if unconscious) act.

I am forever misplacing my lecture notes, for instance — also losing the addresses and forgetting the dates of my engagements — because I have an aversion to public speaking. And it is probably true of all of us that we "misplace" bills a good deal easier than checks; we don't want to pay the bills, but are eager to cash the checks.

Darwin, who understood this trick of the mind long before the Freudians, wrote in his autobiography: "I have made it a habit over the years always to make notes of any facts or observations that disagreed with my general theories; for I found by experience that such facts and observations were much more likely to escape from the memory than favorable ones."

Ellen Terry related that one of the few occasions on which she forgot her lines was during the early performance of an Ibsen play. When she came to a certain speech, she simply "blew up." This happened several nights in a row, until she sat down to analyze the trouble, and then recalled that the speech echoed a disturbing episode from her youth — so her unconscious mind rejected it.

Stephen Leacock invariably "misplaced" invitations to social functions he didn't want to attend. Dickens often forgot the names of his literary colleagues, which was his private way of obliterating his competitors. Dwight Morrow, who hated to travel, would embark on a train trip and in the middle of the journey completely forget where he was going. His wife, eventually, pinned a tag to his coat lapel, the way they used to do with small children.

The most classical case of absent-mindedness, however, is that of Paineleve, who was three times premier of France. This brilliant man would take a taxi home when his own car was waiting for him, and would often give the cab-driver his telephone number instead of his address.

Once, expecting a friend, he stuck a note on his own door: "Paineleve will return in 15 minutes." Upon returning, he sat down on the steps to wait for himself. He'd give a party to know what the psychiatrists would say about that fellow!

Blasphemy  
To the Editor: I was grieved and disappointed as I read the article in Tuesday's Mail Tribune (9/11/62) about Dr. von Braun's vow that an American would land on the moon within 10 years.

Why did you print his blasphemous reference to God? I should think a newspaper should have a higher standard of rightness for its publications.

(Miss) Wanda V. Day  
10 East Clark st.  
Medford.

Private Electric Energy Sales Up

Salem — (UPI) — Unseasonably cold midsummer weather sent private electric energy sales in Oregon during July to an all-time high of nearly 308 million kilowatts.

This is 10 per cent greater than in July, 1961. Public Utility Commissioner Jonel C. Hill said.

There were 463,962 customers in July, up two per cent from a year ago.

For a 12 month period ending July, total energy sales were up seven per cent over the previous year, with 4.6 billion kilowatts consumed.

Cong guerillas behind a neutral border.

This week, Cambodian Premier Prince Norodom Sihanouk angrily charged that South Vietnamese tanks, amphibious vehicles and aircraft attacked a Cambodian village 900 yards inside the border of Prey Veng.

He threatened to break relations with South Viet Nam, as he already has with neighboring and also pro-Western Thailand.

He has accused both of plotting against his neutral state and has demanded a 14-nation conference to guarantee Cambodian neutrality.

Because of jungle cover and the ill-defined border, the truth of charge and counter-charge is difficult to come by.

Despite Sihanouk's heated denials, an American adviser in South Viet Nam this week informed visiting U. S. Gen. Maxwell D. Taylor that

"there is fairly good evidence of support brought in across the Cambodian border."

In Saigon, military intelligence sources have estimated that as many as 6,000 Communist guerillas are using Cambodian bases as command headquarters for stepped-up operations against South Viet Nam.

U. S. aid to Cambodia since 1955 has totaled in the neighborhood of \$300 million. Communist China has allocated \$40 million for four factories. The Soviet Union has contributed a \$12 million hospital. France has given \$35 million exclusive of military assistance.

Sihanouk has attacked Americans as the "most unjust people in the world" and has said he is prepared to forego U. S. aid. He also has said he wants neither a Communist Laos nor a Communist South Viet Nam.

labor coalition which is one of the most formidable Democratic organizations in the country.

BUT SUCCESS for all four — Nixon, Rockefeller, Romney and Scranton — is, of course, highly unlikely. Should it come, it would overnight alter the whole national political climate far more than anything that could rationally be expected to occur in the congressional campaign. For no realistic politician in either party actually expects any big change in party makeup in the new Congress.

And even the best conceivable result for the G.O.P., a seizure of control of the House, would have less real meaning than meets the eye. This might, indeed, be better for the President in purely partisan terms than some thin Democratic victory which would in any case not really ease his problem of bringing his more liberal domestic bills through the house. Unless the Kennedy-Democratic forces in the House are greatly strengthened — a most unlikely prospect — outright Republican control would at least permit him to blame the Republicans for future troubles in the House.

And while a Republican sweep of the governorships of these four states would be an immeasurable boon to the G.O.P., a victory in any one of them, apart from the incumbent Rockefeller, would be a serious blow to Kennedy. Basic Democratic presidential election strategy is centered on holding just such urban states.

THE FIELD of genuine Republican possibilities for Kennedy's job will either be enriched and widened to a rarely exemplified degree, or dangerously impoverished and narrowed, by what befalls these men:

Richard Nixon, who has now opened the climactic phase of a "border-to-border" and "person-to-person" effort to unseat Democratic Gov. Pat Brown in California. Nixon, still the titular leader of the national Republican party as its presidential nominee of 1960, is the first of the four to go full throttle.

Nelson Rockefeller, who is now beginning frank campaigning to seek re-election as governor of New York by a majority so large as to overcome possible losses of popularity resulting from his divorce. A big Rockefeller victory — few even among the Democrats really expect his defeat — would put him very high up for 1964.

George Romney, the former auto maker, who is challenging the immense power of the Democratic-big labor party in Michigan against the sitting Democratic governor, John Swainson.

William Scranton, who seeks the governorship of Pennsylvania over Richardson Dilworth. Scranton thus dares, as Romney does in Michigan, a giant Democratic entrenchment built upon an urban

THE DESTRUCTION of the long Democratic lodgment in either Pennsylvania or Michigan, for illustration, would strike a heavy blow, in terms of the 1964 presidential vote, to the Democrats.

California, though not the same kind of monolithic Democratic powerhouse, would itself be a rich Republican prize. Nixon's victory there would restore not only his own influence but also the influence of the middle section of the party. Rockefeller is definitely left of center. Romney looks measurably so, and Scranton slightly so.

All this is why it is wise to keep the eye this year on the ball at what the bureaucrats like to call "the state level."

From New York: Former President Herbert Hoover, 88, is expected to be able to leave Columbia-Presbyterian Medical Center within a week. He was operated on Aug. 28 for removal of a cancerous tumor in his intestine.

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By FRANK JENKINS

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FROM Houston, Texas: Some 200,000 persons turned out to cheer President Kennedy and Vice President Johnson when they arrived in SEPARATE JETLINERS for the Kennedy speech and a tour of the National Aeronautics and Space Agency's manned spacecraft center being built on Houston's outskirts.

Two Texas Democrats were unhappy about the trip. Representatives Bob Casey of Houston said he was "upset" because he was not invited to go along on the jaunt. Representative Olin Teague, also a Democrat, sympathized with Casey. He too was left off the invitation list.

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