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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
Feb. 1, 1953 (Friday)
Another bill to regulate the so-far uncontrolled and growing business of artificial weather control in Oregon introduced today by Jackson County's delegation in the State House of Representatives.

20 YEARS AGO
Feb. 1, 1943 (Wednesday)
Representatives of local defense and war agencies attend Victory Garden planning session at Jackson county courthouse.

30 YEARS AGO
Feb. 1, 1933 (Friday)
Friends of L. A. Banks raise \$1,000 bond for his release from jail after he is arrested on libel charge.

40 YEARS AGO
Feb. 1, 1923
Valleyview and Ashland residents start "all-out" against gophers.

50 YEARS AGO
Feb. 1, 1913 (Monday)
"Monster petition" two feet wide and 60 feet long to be presented to Medford city council requesting retention of E. J. Runyard as master of city's public market.

What's Your I.Q.?
Name the husband of Pocahontas.
How many pieces of silver did Judas get for betraying Christ?
What is the motto on all U. S. coins?
Who was commander-in-chief of the U.S. Armed Forces during World War I?
How many baseball teams are there in this major league?
The Vice-President of the U. S. may vote in the Senate only in case of a tie; true or false?
Is a child born on a foreign land of American parents a citizen of the U. S.?
Name the second largest planet.
The Spy, "The Pathfinder," and "The Last of the Mohicans" were written by whom?
Are there more women in the United States than men?
Answers: 1. John Rolfs. 2. Thirty. 3. "In God We Trust." 4. Woodrow Wilson. 5. Ten. 6. True. 7. Yes. 8. Saturn. 9. James Fenimore Cooper. 10. Yes.

Dynamic Decade

"The next 10 years will be the most dynamic in Oregon history."
That was the opening sentence in a Mail Tribune story yesterday, which reported a speech made here by Hubert J. Soher, an economist who recently completed a detailed survey of the state's economy, resources, and prospects for the future.

AS IT has been presented up and down the state, the reactions have been generally favorable.
The Pendleton East Oregonian's editor says, "This is the best thing of its type that has been done in Oregon."

As a matter of fact, the principal defect in the report, in our view, is that it is so optimistic, so glowing, so unadmitting that problems and hard work also lie ahead, that it may detract from the aura of believability which is sought.

DESPITE these cavils, the job was worth doing, it was done thoroughly and well, and both Mr. Soher and PP&L are to be commended and thanked for their contribution.

Widespread distribution of this handsome publication (and PP&L is seeing to it that it will be distributed widely) can do much to dispell the impression that Oregon is in the economic doldrums; that it cannot compete with the larger and more rapidly growing states to the north and south, and that the future of Oregon is somewhat uncertain.

To the contrary, Mr. Soher expresses virtually unlimited confidence that Oregon will grow and prosper, will diversify its industries, will take thoughtful and careful advantage of its magnificent resources of water, soil, forests, metals and people, and at the same time retain its livability—the thing that makes it dear to so many of its citizens.

FOR a brief review of Oregon's economic and industrial base, the booklet is the best we've seen.

IT gives thumbnail descriptions of the current situation and the prospects for population and employment, forest industries, agriculture and food processing, recreation and tourism, fishing, apparel manufacture, minerals, metals and metal working, chemicals and metallurgy, general industry, electronics and scientific instruments, research, education, transportation, power and utilities, construction, commerce and finance, water and climate, labor, government expenditures, and government and fiscal.

In all of these Mr. Soher emphasizes quality, and dubs Oregon "The Quality State," citing the excellence of its products and their worldwide reputation.

IT IS difficult, in light of the facts Mr. Soher brings forward, to come to any conclusion other than the one he has, namely, that a dynamic decade is ahead for the state.

But, to achieve the "planned and orderly growth," which we must have if we are to avoid burgeoning into "slurbs" (or suburban slums) which now do so much to blight the face of California, certain things are necessary.

These are things which cannot be done by individuals or groups of individuals. They can only be done by the organizations set up to serve the citizens—government at the city, county and state level.

ARE these units of government prepared to cope with a growth which, if Mr. Soher's figures are correct, will be nearly double that of the present in the next 17 years?

Are they prepared to cope with increasing threats of air and water pollution, spreading suburban cities with their demands for city services, problems of traffic and transportation, the threat to beauty and to productive farm acreage?

We're not entirely sure they are. This is one of the major concerns before the legislature now, trying to decide how local and state governments can be made effective and responsive, and yet given sufficient authority to impose the inevitable regulations and controls which we must have if we are to avoid turning into another asphalt jungle, surrounded by honky tonks and junk yards.

MR. SOHER tells us that the shrimp boat's "a-comin'," and that it's going to have a full load aboard.

So it is.
But we repeat the caveat that we'd better be ready for it; better do what we can, now while there is yet time, to perfect and implement our planning and zoning techniques, to put into force air pollution control measures, to decide how and where and when to lay out the additional water lines and roads and arterials, and all the other housekeeping chores that will have to be done to accommodate, in our case, a city of 50,000 or more and a county of 100,000 or more—and this before today's babies graduate from high school.
The growth and the prosperity are coming. If we have the wit and the will, it can come without spoiling everything that makes Oregon the lovely and desirable place it is.—E.A.



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.

Seek You the Book
To the Editor: In regard to Mr. J. E. Ring's interpretation of the scriptures, wherein he says "the human race was started off 6,000 years ago by a miracle man and that is that." If Mr. Ring had been more observing in reading the Bible he would have noticed that the Lord said to Adam and Eve, to "replenish" the earth.

And it is not also written that there is nothing new and that all things are of old, and have been done of another time, and will be again after our time? And is it not also recorded, that in the judgment before our time, that the earth was made void and without form, and that all life was destroyed "in the flesh" and that all the cities were laid waste? And is it not also written that when our time is finished, and the judgment of the earth shall be that it will reel back and forth like a drunkard and the heat of the sun will increase seven times that all the works of man's hands will be destroyed? Know you not that the stars are the light of men, and through their righteousness they reflect the love of God? And that a third part of the stars reflect no light for they have not the love of God, and are reserved unto destruction?

And the Lord said I am the bright and morning Star. And is it not written that the two morning stars sang together, one is the Lord, the other is Satan, whose light you see not, for he has not the love of God, but the love of himself, and of those of his flock are of the same darkness, for they have not the love of God, nor do they understand the ways of righteousness? Seek you out the Book of the Lord, and learn of Him, that you be no partaker of their damnation, or come into punishment for wayward ways.

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Rogue River, Ore.
Stand Up
To the Editor: To all Medford sports fans:
The student body of Medford High school appreciates the fine adult support that has been given to our sports activities at the new football stadium, the good turnouts at games, and the excellent sports coverage of the Mail Tribune. And now the Medford students and the rally squad would like to invite you Tornado sports fans to go one step further and demonstrate your pride and interest in our boys by standing up during the School Fight Song. We would be honored to have you join us!

Medford Rally Squad
Sue Jahn
Rt. 3, Box 8611
Medford

Article Liked
To the Editor: My husband and I want to thank all of your staff for their part in the article about our doll hospital, written by Mrs. Simmons, that was in Sunday's Medford Mail Tribune. We had lots of phone calls and many wonderful comments on it, as well as customers, and we think it couldn't have been nicer.

Alberta Denzer
Humpty-Dumpty
Doll Hospital,
16 Western ave.
Medford

Mill Nuisance
To the Editor: At Central Point, Oregon, in 1962, a petition was signed by 260 property owners and residents to put a stop to the destruction of their properties and property value by mill fall-out of

Somoza Dynasty in Nicaragua Favored To Retain Power, Despite New Election

By PHIL NEWSOM
UPI Foreign News Analyst
When, on June 2, 1958, Gen. Anastasio Somoza seized the government of Nicaragua he set up a regime which was to pass from father to son and for nearly 30 years make Nicaragua a domain of the Somoza family. On Sunday, Feb. 3, the nation which is about the size of the combined states

of New York and New Jersey is scheduled to elect a successor to President Luis Somoza. The opposition already charges that the election is rigged.

It is charged that the Somoza name may disappear from the presidency but that the man who fills it simply will be a front for the Somoza family.

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

This is another day when there's no doubt as to what's the big news.

It's the black-balling of Britain for membership in the European Common Market.

YOU may ask: What is this European Common Market?

It's a trade organization composed of six Western European countries — West Germany, Italy, Belgium, the Netherlands, Luxembourg and France. These six countries joined some years ago in a mutual trade agreement. It was a FREE TRADE agreement. They abolished TRADE frontiers. In this "common" market, trade flows as freely from one country to another as from one American STATE to another.

It has been IMMENSELY successful. It has brought to these six countries prosperity such as they had never even dreamed of before.

WATCHING what has happened in these six Common Market countries, Britain came to the conclusion that she needed to join the lodge. She is physically separated from them by a body of water not much wider than San Francisco Bay, if one measures from north to south instead of from east to west.

So she applied for membership. Her application was turned down.

HOW? Each member of the Common Market has a veto. When they passed the box for the voting, President De Gaulle of France dropped in a BLACK marble. The other five dropped in white marbles.

That did it. Britain was turned down for membership in the Common Market.

WHY? Nobody knows — for sure. But it is suspected that another Frenchman got delusions of grandeur. The French have a habit of that sort. Napoleon, of course, is the shining example. It just could be that De Gaulle would like to be another Napoleon. In their personality, the two have much in common.

Some diplomats profess to believe the French are starting a long process of lessening U.S. and British influence on the continent, with the idea of making France top dog in Europe.

That was Napoleon's idea, too.

THE big question: WHY ARE WE CONCERNED?

WE ARE not necessarily concerned on Britain's account. Britain can survive. She has her own organization of states — her Commonwealth, composed of former British colonies. The British Commonwealth has a sort of Common Market of its own.

The trouble is, as we see it, that this is the FIRST BREAK in the Western Alliance. As this is written Old Kroosh hasn't been heard from on the subject. But you can safely bet your bottom dollar that he is rubbing his hands and grinning from ear to ear.

Strictly Personal

By Sydney J. Harris (c) Field Enterprises, Inc.

ARTIST AND LAYMAN
A college student majoring in music asked me after a lecture not long ago, "What would you say is the difference between the artist and the layman?" I gave him some long, clumsy and not quite satisfactory answer. The question rang a dim bell in my mind, however, and upon returning home I hunted through my library and eventually found what I had been looking for.

It was a paragraph from the preface to a collection of short plays, "The Angel That Troubled the Waters," published by Thornton Wilder 40 years ago. In speaking of the anguish involved in the creative process, Wilder says:

"An artist is one who knows how life should be lived at its best and is always aware of how badly he is doing it. An artist is one who knows he is failing in living and feeds his remorse by making something fair, and a layman is one who suspects he is failing in living but is consoled by his success in golf, in love, or in business."

It is the degree of talent, of course, that determines how much of an artist one really is. But it is the inability to be consoled by other forms of endeavor that sharply distinguishes the artist from the layman. If he cannot be, he wants to make rather than to have.

Most of us fail at living, because most of us fall far short of being what humans ought to be. The artist not only knows this, but he refuses to accept substitutes in the way of possessions. This is not to say that he does not enjoy possessions; but he cannot delude himself that they compensate for his failure at living or his failure in making "something fair."

A friend of mine, many years ago, showed great promise as a poet. But he listened to the siren song of Hollywood, and moved there, soon acquiring a vast income, along with the appropriate swimming-pool psychoanalyst and ex-wife—who was an actress. When I saw him, a film he had written had just won an Academy Award.

But he was miserable because a book of poems he had just published had been paned in an obscure literary journal not read by more than a few thousand people. His commercial success might have consoled him for his failure in his personal life; it could not console him for his deterioration as a poet, as a maker.

One reason that civilization has always valued the arts is this prickly conscience of the artist, which gives him no rest unless he is working, and working at his highest pitch, not to possess something but to distribute it, not to collect or amass but to scatter for all people and for all times. He pays with art for his deficiencies in life.

I agree with him 100 per cent. There are entirely too many long articles dealing with Bible quotations and the pros and cons of some religious belief. None of these people ever come to an agreement or win their arguments. It just takes up space which could be used to print a wider variety of subjects and ideas, which would be much more interesting.

I hope the editor will keep this in mind for those of us of like opinions.

This applies to all the "Agitator" letters we've been getting lately also. These gentlemen could use their talents to give us a different and

ly, paving the way for the election, four years later of younger brother, Gen. Anastasio Somoza.

The Somoza brothers deny it. "I am tired," said Luis, "and all I want is a long rest." Odds-on favorite to win the office is former Foreign Minister Dr. Rene Schick who also happens to be the candidate of the Somoza-dominated Liberal party.

Whether it is this or whether it is because the opposition Conservative party is split, the campaign has been one mostly waged by the newspapers.

The voters have shown little interest, apparently agreeing with the political posters which plaster Managua proclaiming that Schick will be elected.

His only opposition is a man named Diego Chamorro who led a splinter group away from the main Conservative party. Traditional Conservatives refer to the Chamorro group as "mosquitos."

There is general agreement that a much stronger candidate would have been Dr. Fernando Aguero. Aguero withdrew his candi-

Washington Report

By William S. White (c) United Feature Syndicate

MAJORITARIANISM
Washington — Under cover of demands for seemingly dusty changes in Senate rules, a profound attack on the very constitutional balance in this country is now unfolding. The ultimate objective is to reduce the power of the smaller, less urbanized states in the only national forum where such power still exists, the United States Senate. The ultimate effect would be the substitution of a Gallup poll kind of a majority rule, based almost wholly upon the wishes of the populous urban centers and states and interests, for the matchless system of checks and balances written into the constitution nearly two centuries ago.

The end of it would be a new majoritarian rule based upon megalopolis — the super city, the super-state — which would give little time and less heed to any and every section or interest in the United States which was not allied with the new majoritarianism.

IN SHORT, what is finally sought here is the creation of a new political system of totally unchecked majority rule — instant government like instant coffee — in spite of the fact that the whole heart of the Constitution is meant to restrain majorities from running over minorities. Not even a majority of 99 per cent can presently take away the basic rights of minorities, even the irreducible minority of one man, to free speech, free religion, the private enjoyment of private property.

Those attempting this fateful amendment of the Constitution by unconstitutional means are naturally centering upon the one place where they have not already won the game — the Senate. They are generally called "liberals" and generally they are Democratic Senators from big urban-controlled states plus a handful of Republican "liberals" from the same kind of states.

A more exact term for them, however, is majoritarians. Chief among them are such Democratic Senators as Paul Douglas of Illinois, Wayne Morse of Oregon and

Joseph Clark of Pennsylvania and such Republican Senators as Jacob Javits of New York and Clifford Case of New Jersey.

THEIR immediate objective is to end the effective power of any minority to resist by prolonged talking in the Senate through applying a parliamentary gag. Their case is superficially attractive. The filibuster has a bad name because southern Senators have long used it to retard civil rights legislation. The fact, however, is that what is poison to the majoritarians in other hands is meat in the hands of the majoritarians themselves. The same weapon has been used by them more often than their opponents, to retard legislation sought by conservatives generally.

Civil rights, therefore, is only the vehicle by which the majoritarians really intend to break not merely southern resistance to civil rights bills but any and all minority resistance on any and every issue with which minorities may dare to disagree with the majoritarians. For when a minority, however "wrong" can be gagged today, a minority, however "right," can be gagged tomorrow.

THERE was a time when 26 states were soundly estimated to be under control of the shadowy Ku Klux Klan. These 26 states could have voted a clear majority in the Senate and, under the new debate restrictions now being demanded, undeniably could have halted all debate on any issue whatever.

The great, bottom truth is that the Senate is literally the only place left where political minorities have truly effective rights. The House is a strictly majority-rule-by-one institution. And minorities, including small-population states, have little to say about either the nomination or election of a President.

Those demanding "changes in the Senate rules" are demanding infinitely more than this. They are demanding, consciously or not, a revolutionary overturn in the basic form of government toward a monolithic, automatic, foredoomed conformism to whatever megalopolis might decide at any given moment.



"Caramba. The politicians fight good, so? We could have used them!"