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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. 11, 1953 (Monday)

A tall Canadian rancher from Medicine Hat, Alberta, Canada, was the 100,000th Jacksonville Museum visitor at about noon on Thursday.

20 YEARS AGO Feb. 11, 1943 (Saturday)

Glenn L. Jackson, Medford, advanced to rank of major in Army Air force.

30 YEARS AGO Feb. 11, 1933 (Monday)

Judge Skipworth of Eugene to arrive in Medford to hear bailor recount case in race for sheriff.

40 YEARS AGO Feb. 11, 1923 (Tuesday)

Ku Klux Klan disorders trial to start in county courthouse in Jacksonville next Monday.

50 YEARS AGO Feb. 11, 1913 (Thursday)

W. H. Gore, just returned from Salem, reports there is little chance of construction of state highway in this area during coming year.

What's Your I.Q.?

- 1. Name the three cities that have served as capitals of the United States. 2. Who is majority leader of the United States Senate? 3. What famous painter is credited with inventing the wheelbarrow? 4. What movie won the Academy Award for 1960? 5. Where are genuine Panama hats made? 6. Is General Charles de Gaulle the Premier, Prime Minister or President of France? 7. What famous character did not want to grow up according to the story? 8. How many sides does a snowflake have? 9. What is the shortest Psalm in the Bible? 10. When was the American Clipper Ship Era? Answers: 1. Washington, D. C., New York City and Philadelphia. 2. Mike Mansfield. 3. Leonardo da Vinci. 4. Ben Hur. 5. Ecuador. 6. President. 7. Peter Pan. 8. Six. 9. 117th. 10. 1850 to 1860.

ONE MORE TO GO

Camden, Maine—RIP—Oscar Grinnell, 55, went water skiing Sunday in Camden Harbor wearing a thermal rescue suit and a life preserver even though the temperature was 32 degrees.

A Celebration

The Rogue river valley was covered with glory the other day with the news that a hardy group of Southern Oregon college students had broken the national kite flying record.

We confess with a certain embarrassment that we were ignorant a kite flying record even existed. It's so difficult to keep up with things these days.

That's why we were all the more thrilled to learn that not only did our own SOC students know of the record; they were sufficiently challenged by it to go right out and smash it to smithereens.

WE DID just a bit of checking and we're proud to pass on to you the information that this was definitely an extra-curricular undertaking.

There is absolutely no truth to those stories being spread about that:

- 1. The kite was flown as part of a field experiment for a class in meteorology. 2. The students were history majors attempting to verify the story of how Ben Franklin flew a kite and discovered electricity. No sir. This was just good, clean, youthful American fun, and had no serious academic connection whatsoever.

WE SAW a story the other day by one of the wire service correspondents in Russia, who said that hordes of young Muscovites, eager to break the newly established record, may be seen daily now on the hills around the Soviet capital, determinedly practicing their kite flying.

There is a rumor too, we understand, that the international Olympic committee is giving serious thought to including kite flying among its approved list of competitive sports and games.

We would like to suggest to the college administration that a two or three day moratorium from tests and studies on the campus be proclaimed so that proper celebration can be made of the record-breaking kite-flying achievement.—G.H.B.

Kiddies' Special

Georgia is upset about the state's homicide law, which makes it possible to execute a fellow now in death row. He was 15 when he committed his crime. That is five years older than he would have had to be under the Georgia law, which permits execution of criminals as young as 10.

Sixteen states set 7 as the minimum age at which a criminal may be executed. Three others put the age at 8.

In the last half century at least 70 teenagers have been executed in the United States. The youngest was a 14-year-old Negro boy put to death in South Carolina in 1944. West Virginia executed a 17-year-old Negro girl in 1912.

OREGON is more enlightened. The present juvenile code makes it virtually impossible that a child of under 16 would be executed here. It is unlikely that this fate would come to a youth of 18, although it might.

Many young boys in their teens have been convicted of homicide, although, if memory serves, only one has been sentenced to death. He was a 17-year-old Hood River youth. Governor Paul Patterson commuted the sentence to life imprisonment because of the boy's age.

Currently, however, Oregon is preparing to send to the gas chamber a girl who was 19 when she committed her crime. We're two years more advanced than West Virginia was in 1912.—Eugene Register-Guard

"Psychologists"

Have you ever thought you would like to be a psychologist? It's easy to go into the profession in Oregon these days.

Just list yourself in the telephone book as a psychologist and start in, even if you don't know the difference between a psyche and a spittoon. Or in cities which require a business license—get one and call yourself a "licensed psychologist."

That has been done in the state but efforts are now being made to assure that those who call themselves psychologists have adequate training.

A BILL in the legislature by Sen. Alfred Corbett, (D-Portland), and others seeks to control unqualified and improper practice of the profession. It calls for the certification of psychologists similar to that required in 22 other states including Washington and California.

Under the bill a person who calls himself a psychologist or describes himself with phrases involving the words "psychological," "psychologist" or "psychology" would need certification.

The measure asked by the Oregon Psychological Association is described as a certification bill, not a licensing one.

TO BE considered for certification a person must hold a doctoral degree with primary emphasis in psychology and have two years of post-doctoral experience in psychology.

The practice of psychology is described as the "application of established principles of learning, motivation, perception, thinking and emotional relationships to problems of personal evaluation, group relations and behavior adjustments by persons trained in psychology."

A special provision is written into the bill which would require that when a certified psychologist engages in psychotherapy he is to "collaborate with a physician" in order to make provision for diagnosis and treatment of medical problems.—Capital Journal, Salem.

"The Delinquency Problem Must Be Faced—We've Got To Build More Jails"



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.

Good Record To the Editor: I am pleased and happy to report that the Southern Pacific Railroad placed "first" in the Class "A" American Railroads during 1961 for setting out hot boxes, thus saving the railroads and shippers millions of dollars in damages plus many lives.

Supt. Kirk of the Tucson division says: "If the Southern Pacific's record of 10 hot box setouts was 66 per cent better than the average of all American railroads up to June 23, 1961, it must be assumed that this carrier is still a leader in this category."

The Southern Pacific Co. can attribute this honor and high score against burned out journals and terrible wrecks to two things: (1) alert and fine train and engine crews (2) Oregon and many other states where SP lines have the bulk of their roads have the famous Full Crew Law of six men (1 fireman, 1 engineer, 1 conductor, 2 brakemen and 1 flagman) ever watching their train for hot boxes, while many eastern states only have 1 brakeman and 1 flagman on their crew, thus the heavy losses and terrible wrecks caused by burned out journals.

People of Oregon should be proud of our full crew law known as Oregon Public Law No. ORS 764.120. The Oregon railroads seek to abolish this law this legislature 1963. "Don't let this happen."

Al Fisher, Legislative Representative, Oregon Legislative Board, Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, 1310 West 15th ave., Eugene, Ore.

Clean Air To the Editor: Also the signers on the mill situation (MT Feb. 1): My heart is with you, as we were also plagued with the same thing (minus the poth) but with plenty of smoke.

We also tried to obtain help from our township, county and state officials, with each passing the buck to the other. Finally as a last resort we petitioned the Industrial Commission, and thank God, we again breathe the fresh clean air.

Good luck and may you also win in your battle. Mrs. Keith Hammond DeSoto, Wisc.

All Out Atomic War To the Editor: There will be no grass growing and no birds singing in the trees. No farmers tilling the soil. No sleek fat cattle grazing in the pastures.

Shepherds never more to lead their flocks. Only rubble where churches, homes and schools once stood.

The stench of the rotting thousands of dead assail the nostrils of those who were able to reach shelters. Then finally come out to a destroyed world.

No animals, birds, bees, flowers, plants or trees. The culture of all nations blasted away.

Only the rubble strewn skeletons of all countries left as an eternal monument to attest to the brilliant minds of men.

What an ignoble end! Pauline Baker Kirk 123 Chestnut st., Medford.

Hacking at Freedom To the Editor: Your editorial, "Never on Sunday" (2-5-63) should remove the cobwebs from the minds of the legislators and Dr. G. Herbert Smith. If they keep hacking away at our freedoms, we will soon have to move to some other planet and start all over again. It appears now that before we elect or ap-

Foreign News: Watch for Counterattack Against De Gaulle's Veto of Britain

By PHIL NEWSOM UPI Foreign News Analyst

British Counterattack

Watch for a possible sudden counterattack against French President Charles de Gaulle's veto of Britain's entry into the Common Market. Members of Parliament are predicting that Macmillan quietly will seek the advice of Sir Winston Churchill for pointers on how to "put de Gaulle in his place."

Washington Report

By William S. White (c) United Feature Syndicate

LYING DOGGO

Washington — The United States government is lying strictly doggo in the Canadian political crisis which has driven Prime Minister John Diefenbaker from office, accusing us of having lured in to Canada's internal affairs.

Official fingers have been painfully singled by Canadian indignation; and as to Mr. John Diefenbaker's forthcoming campaign to win back power we wish only to be included out.

Nevertheless, the hard reality which produced all the trouble — the persistent refusal of the Diefenbaker government to carry through with us on vital arrangements for the joint nuclear defense of North America — will not go away.

OUR people are sorry they had to call attention to this matter — and call attention they did only after Mr. Diefenbaker had compounded years of foot-dragging by grave misrepresentations of the whole case.

Mr. Diefenbaker's cry of American "intrusion" into Canadian affairs is totally wrong. For these are not "Canadian affairs" any more than they are "American affairs." They are the joint affairs of both countries.

A small, parenthetical irony in it all is that the same man — Rusk — who is often muttered at here for being too gentlemanly and unaggressive is denounced in this case for being too aggressive. Some days you can't win.

THE SICK COMIC "I can't understand the rise of those 'sick' comics," said a man the other day. They attack everything, and they're against everything. They seem to take a perverse pleasure in turning all our traditional values upside down."

As a matter of fact, I happened to be reading the comment of a famous "sick comic" not long ago. His bitterness, his cynicism, his rancor, his iconocasm, were evident in everything he said.

He was irreligious: "All religions issue Bibles against Satan, and say the most injurious things against him, but we never hear his side." He was misanthropic: "All that I care to know is that a man is a human being—that is enough for me; he can't be any worse."

He was contemptuous of the American success story: "All you need in this life is ignorance, and confidence, and then success is sure."

He mocked our social conventions: "Good breeding consists in concealing how much we think of ourselves, and how little we think of others."

He despised our political system: "Ain't we got all the fools in town on our side, ain't that a big enough majority in any town?"

He deprecated our American institutions: "In our country we have those three un-speakably precious things: freedom of speech, freedom of conscience, and the prudence never to practice either."

He attacked our civic life: "In the first place God made idiots; this was for practice; then he made school boards."

He maligned the U. S. Congress: "It could probably be shown by facts and figures

de Gaulle. "Charley boy's got Mac's Scottish temper up." One conservative party member of Parliament said. Some Conservative members are predicting that Macmillan quietly will seek the advice of Sir Winston Churchill for pointers on how to "put de Gaulle in his place."

Gaulle's own Common Market partners, all of whom would like to see Britain in the European economic grouping.

Atomic Subs The United States will find it neither quick nor easy to get permission for its Nautilus-type atomic-powered submarines to call at Japanese ports, despite official Japanese government friendliness to the idea.

No Agreement There is little hope for an early nuclear test ban agreement at the East-West talks which resume in Geneva Tuesday, Feb. 12. The recent test ban probe in Washington which was terminated by the Soviets, after talks with the United States and Britain, gave no indication that the Russians are prepared to meet the West's insistence on effective arrangements against cheating.

As this is written, there is BIG news—for which let us give humble but heart-felt thanks. The BIG news gives us all the shivers—as well it may.

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SPEAKING of power, British Historian Dr. Arnold J. Toynbee, visiting in this country, is interviewed by a reporter who asks him what he thinks of de Gaulle. He replies:

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He adds: "De Gaulle's feeling—and that of the rest of the Western world—is NO ANNIHILATION WITHOUT REPRESENTATION. And this is the crux of America's somewhat strained relations with de Gaulle, with Canada, and sometimes with my own country (Britain)."

HE'S probably right. Nobody likes to see supreme power in SOMEBODY ELSE'S hands.

BUT—It was that way when Toynbee's country ruled the waves—when all that was necessary to squash impending trouble anywhere in the

world was for the British fleet to arrive and square away for action.

That period in history was known as the Pax Britannica (the peace of Britain). It was preceded historically by the Pax Romana (the peace of Rome). Both Britain and Rome have gone over the hill. What we have now is presumably the Pax Americana.

QUESTION: How long will it last? Both the Pax Romana and the Pax Britannica lasted for generations. Let's hope the Pax Americana lasts at least as long.

QUESTIONS: What of this modern world which may come to be known to future historians as the Pax Americana? What will it be like?

FOR a possible answer, let's turn to Cottage Grove, where last week a union official told an audience of planners for the future that automation is advancing so fast that soon there will be computers that will PUT OTHER COMPUTERS OUT OF WORK.

HE went on to say: "DECISION MAKING machines may in a few years take over the jobs of thousands of engineers, scientists and technologists—not to mention MANAGERS. Our technology is moving faster than our social conscience to take care of the people. In the next 10 years, some 41½ million people will be out of work unless that many NEW jobs are created."

WHO is he? He is Irving Bluestone, administrative assistant to Walter Reuther, chief of the United Automobile Workers Union. He spoke at the first day meeting of the Pacific Northwest Assembly, sponsored by the University of Oregon in cooperation with the American Assembly at Columbia University.

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In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

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Try and Stop Me

By BENNETT CERF

SEVERAL YEARS after she had married Charles MacArthur, stage star Helen Hayes announced to him and their young son James that she had secretly been taking cooking lessons, and proposed to cook dinner for them that very evening.

"If I spoil it," she ordered, "I don't want to hear a word from either of you. We'll just get up from the table, without comment, and go to a restaurant for dinner."

A short time later, she entered the dining room, bearing aloft the first steak she ever had cooked. Mr. MacArthur and son Jamie were sitting in silence at the table—with their hats and coats on.

From the Limerick collection of Frank and Eliot Sharp: When the Lord made the France pterodactyl He was not satisfied, for a fact, till One sunny day He made man out of clay To improve the arts plastic and tactile.



"Let's see... if we had another big world crisis, that would reunite the Atlantic Alliance and help the Common Market—course, it'd scare the hell out of the common man!"