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Flight o' Time

Medford and Jackson County History from the files of The Mail Tribune 1920, 30, 40 and 50 years ago.

10 YEARS AGO

April 25, 1953 (Saturday) Front st. buildings are contracted for by a partnership of three Medford businessmen.

20 YEARS AGO

April 25, 1933 (Sunday) Jackson county sales in second War Loan bond drive reach total of \$1,092,981.

30 YEARS AGO

April 25, 1933 (Tuesday) Civilian Conservation Corps camps to be opened in southern Oregon within three weeks.

40 YEARS AGO

April 25, 1923 (Wednesday) Southern Pacific officials and Medford city councilmen confer on Sixth at crossing problem with no decision reached.

50 YEARS AGO

April 25, 1913 (Friday) Maude Adams, in "Peter Pan," to open new Page theater in Medford.

What's Your I.Q.?

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

- 1. Castille and Aragon when combined formed the heart of what modern country?
2. How many equinoxes are there each year?
3. Who popularized the term "relativity"?

RELEASES PRISONERS

Tokyo - (AP) - Communist China announced today it has released 146 more Indian prisoners of war captured during border fighting last winter.

JFK GUIDES GROUP

Washington - (AP) - President Kennedy, acting as his own White House guide, Wednesday took a group of 32 labor leaders on a tour of the executive mansion's private living quarters.

Danger On the Right

Gov. Mark Hatfield made an interesting—and, we believe, accurate—remark the other day at Phoenix, Ariz., where he was attending the western governors' conference.

He said that the Fascists "are here now." They have, he said, gained an aura of respectability through backing from some business leaders.

And he added: "It tends to oversimplify — but if you want to say that the left wing is Communist oriented, then you must recognize that the right wing is Fascist oriented and they are both anti-American."

WHAT IS a Fascist? One who adheres to, or tends to follow the teachings of, Fascism. And what is Fascism? Webster's Third International Dictionary says:

"Fascism . . . (a) any regime with severely nationalistic policies, exercising regimentation of industry, commerce and finance, rigid censorship, and forcible suppression of opposition, (b) any tendency toward or actual exercise of severe autocratic or dictatorial control (as over others within an organization)."

Hatfield also said: "I have no doubt there are men engaged in the fantasies of sitting in the White House in uniform and engaging in a blood bath in carrying out their hate campaigns."

"The blood bath would mean the literal destruction of the minorities — Jews, Catholics and Negroes."

IN OUR view, since the end of World War II (which was fought to destroy Fascism abroad) the dangers of this ideology have been overlooked. This is only natural, since our attentions have been focused on the "cold war" with Communism — an equally hateful form of despotism which in many of its methods and teachings is almost indistinguishable from Fascism.

But there has always been an incipient Fascism in the United States, and it has popped into the open in times of stress. William Dudley Pelly's Silver Shirts, the Nazi-American Bund, of pre-war days, the Ku Klux Klan, the John Birch Society — all of these were either out-and-out Fascistic, or leaned in that direction.

We will be doing ourselves a disservice if, in our preoccupation with Communism, we overlook the potential dangers of our native Fascists.

GOVERNOR Hatfield also said: "I have no time for the extremists or fanatics of either wing of the spectrum . . . Both do violence to the basic concepts of the respective (political) parties as well as American ideals. Often, they are similar in the camouflage and disguises they use."

We agree fully — except as to having "no time" for them. We'd better take time to inform ourselves of the dangers to American liberty, civil rights, democratic procedures and all the other rights and privileges we hold dear.

"Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty" was never truer than it is today. And the vigilance must be in all directions, and not be half-blindly by seeing the danger from the left while ignoring the danger from the right — E.A.

Bay Area Rivalry

In California — particularly in the Los Angeles area, and to a lesser extent in the Bay region — it is not unusual to have a whole lot of contiguous cities, where the city limit of one is also the city limit of the next.

There are fewer of these in Oregon. But to the small list, add one. Coos Bay and North Bend, neighbors and perennial rivals, now touch each other, where for years they have been separated by an unincorporated "strip."

In an election the other day, the residents of the strip voted to annex to Coos Bay.

FOR SOME reason we have never been able to fathom fully, but probably involving a complex of feelings and emotions about city pride, jealousy and rivalry, the residents of the Coos Bay-North Bend-Empire region have always resisted becoming one city, although the whole area is built up, and there are no actual barriers between the communities of any significance.

Perhaps now that Coos Bay and North Bend are cheek by jowl, instead of almost cheek by jowl, the citizens of the area will be impelled to review the consolidation proposal again, before too long.

It was narrowly defeated last November. But the strip annexation vote, while close (115 to 97) may indicate a continued swing in the direction of a consolidation.

Some day, we believe, the communities will join. — E.A.

Statistics

Here are some vital statistics for April, 1963: This is the 25th day of April. So far 28 traffic deaths have been recorded this month in Oregon. On April 25, 1962, 26 persons had died. This is the 115th day of 1963. So far this year, 142 people have died in traffic. Last year, 119 had succumbed by this date. — E.A.

How's That Again? Department

On the cover of the current issue of a magazine devoted in large part to pictorial studies of feminine anatomy and masculine deeds of deriding-do is this teaser:

"Lady Chatterly's Lover — Unexpurgated condensation." — E.A.

"Well, Back To The Old Grind"



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... 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.

Best Possible Park

To the Editor: The unanimous agreement of state and federal officers on the importance of the Oregon Dunes National Seashore makes it almost certain to be established by congress this year. Let us hope that it is the finest possible park.

This can be accomplished only if the area between the highway and the lakes is protected and available for recreational use. The lakes are the natural eastern boundary. Unless they are the boundary, we will have a corridor of unrestrained commercial exploitation running through the heart of this great recreational area.

Senator Neuberger has introduced a bill that is a fair compromise of all points of view. It permits the private homes presently there to remain, but protects the undeveloped land from being despoiled. Its passage would mean that our children will be able to see and enjoy this wonderful area as we have.

It would benefit Oregon's third largest industry, too, the tourist industry, for it would be a nationally known recreational area that would bring people to Oregon from across the country.

Mrs. David Burch Vice Chairman, Benton County Democratic Central Committee, Corvallis, Ore.

Rally Against Communism

To the Editor: Until two years ago we thought that the Monroe Doctrine was a Maginot Line for the defense of this hemisphere against the aggressive march of communism. But the Soviet presence in Cuba has made this doctrine obsolete, and has defied us in the teeth of our military might. Today Cuba has become a challenge to our hemispheric safety, and is bristling with all kinds of intrigues and conspiracies which aim at the overthrow of all the regimes in Latin America. It is the duty of every American to be on constant guard against the perils of international communism which is ninety miles away from our shores. On us lies the sacred duty not only to defend this country from this menace, but all the free governments of Asia, Africa and Latin America.

Some months ago we formed the Council For Freedom And Democracy, a non-profit corporation in Washington which has a number of prominent members of the Congress on its board. The objectives of our Council are to impress upon the countries of Asia, Africa and Latin America the benefits and accomplishments of the democratic way of life, and to warn them against the alien and totalitarian doctrines which are likely to impede their economic development. In doing so not only do we win the friendship of the newly independent countries but we also strengthen the frontiers of our democracy.

Though we know every patriotic American is against Communism, we would like to hear from your readers who are eager to act with us in these positive steps against Communism. With their help we can build an effective American organization that will constructively assist in meeting the challenge of Communism on all fronts and all continents.

D. G. Savarkar, Executive Vice-President, Council For Freedom and Democracy, P.O. Box 1247, Woodhaven 21, N. Y.

Proposed Malaysian Nation Draws Fire From Red China; Friction Stir-Up Seen

By ARTHUR J. DOMMEN United Press International

Hong Kong - (AP) - Communist China, which always objects to intervention by other countries in Asian nations' affairs, has made known its displeasure over the prospective new nation of Malaysia. State Chairman Liu Shao-chi has expressed the opinion that the proposed Malaysian federation is a "trap of neo-colonialism."

Millions of Chinese live in the territories which will form the federation next Aug. 31.

Peking's official opposition to the plan appears to be devised more to appeal to sympathetic factions and to stir up trouble than to prepare the ground for any forcible obstruction, either diplomatic or military.

In the opinion of Communist affairs observers, Peking can make use of the conflict-

ing currents surrounding Malaysia to foster just the proper degree of friction among neighbors whose previous relations have been peaceful. Peking's stand is carefully phrased to make maximum advantage of Indonesia President Sukarno's well known feelings on the subject.

Thus, Liu Shao-chi's speech at Denpasar, Bali, on April 18, stated according to the official New China News Agency:

"The Indonesian government opposes the neo-colonialist scheme for Malaysia and supports the people of North Kalimantan in their struggle for independence and freedom. The Chinese government and people resolutely support the just stand and great efforts of President Sukarno and the Indonesian government, and are convinced that such efforts will surely achieve satisfactory results."

To have said merely that the Chinese government opposes the Malaysia scheme would have been to throw

away a diplomatic opportunity of the first order. Quoting Sukarno approvingly further Peking's aims much more efficiently. By declaring its opposition to Malaysia, Peking also curries sympathy with the Chinese in Singapore, who face the prospect of being a minority in the emerged federation government by a Malay-Stock government.

To potential sympathizers in the Borneo territories, Pe-

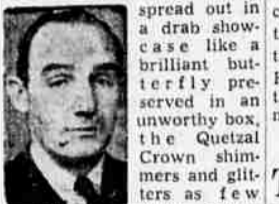
king speaks of Malaya a Prime Minister Tengku Abdul Rahman's "ambition to reduce Brunei, Sarawak and North Borneo to colonies of the Malayan federation."

The men in Peking are confident that the new federation will be open to infiltration and subversion by Red agents, and that the lack of experience in self-government will expose the new nation's potential stability to undermining.

Matter of Fact

By Joseph Alsop

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Vienna - In a rather dusty, half-deserted room in the local ethnological museum, spread out in a drab showcase like a brilliant butterfly preserved in an unworthy box, the Quetzal Crown shimmers as few jewels ever

THE Quetzal Crown would then outline the Holy Empire's Coronation Cape. Yet, as an object heavy with romance, it could make no higher claim than the cape makes. The cape has other competitors in the treasure rooms of the Austrian Imperial Palace, the Hofburg, where they show the regalia of the Holy Roman Empire.

The design is simple. From a headband patterned with smaller feathers, bright blue and red and yellow, and sewn with row upon row of heavy sequins of pure gold, the high coronet of quetzal feathers soars upwards and upwards, blue-green, iridescent, all glory and all grace.

The crown used to be called the "Cape of Montezuma"; for its form is cape-like when it is flattened out, although it was in fact a royal headdress. Whether the prince who wore the Quetzal Crown was truly Cortez's unhappy Emperor-captive, no one nowadays can be quite sure.

THERE is no doubt, however, that it is one of the few surviving objects from the extraordinary collection-Aztec and Maya feather-works, gold and emerald flowers from the jewelry-carvings of the Inca, and the like—that the Conquistadors sent home to Spain, to show the king, their master, what manner of lands they had conquered. Only the bullion and the jewels mattered much to the Spanish Court, so almost all these marvels are now lost.

Yet, somehow or other, the Quetzal Crown came into the possession of Archduke Ferdinand of Tyrol, that all-voracious collector who gathered everything from narwhal horns and two-headed calves and stuffed crocodiles to the finest books, most glorious pictures, and richest armor of his time. His daughter was the ugliest woman in Europe; but profitable marriage was the policy of the Hapsburg House. Thus the Quetzal Crown came to Vienna.

It is odd to find this most superb of all remaining souvenirs of the powerful, cruel Aztec Empire in such dry-dust

have said. Also, I'm proud to be a resident of Eagle Point and the Rogue Valley and I'm proud to live in America! Mrs. Keith Krambeal Eagle Point, Ore.

FROM the Norman kings of Sicily, the Coronation Cape came down to the strangest genius of the Dark Ages, Frederick II, stupor mundi. The marvel of the world wore the cape at his coronation as Holy Roman Emperor; and it was used thereafter at each succeeding imperial coronation, until Napoleon's unhappy Austrian father-in-law glumly proclaimed the dissolution of the Holy Roman Empire, by Napoleon's peremptory command.

Look at the Quetzal Crown and you remember Cortez's march from the sea, and the captivity of Montezuma, and the glories of the Palace of the Birds, and the long, hard fight on the Causeway, and the Aztec warriors terrified by the Spanish horses, and the last, improbable triumph of the Conquistadors.

Look at the Coronation Cape, and you are reminded of those Normans seizing Sicily much as Cortez and his men seized Mexico, and of Frederick and his long struggle with the Pope, and the stories of Frederick's wisdom and wickedness, and the sad death of young Conrad, last of Frederick's race.

(And wasn't it Madame Recamier's definition of a "lady" that "she never thinks of being one"?)

To explain away a mistake is a more grievous error than making the mistake in the first place — the consequences of making a mistake can usually be rectified, but the habit of explaining away prevents all future learning and growth.

If people were prevented from chattering about the recent books they have read, nine-tenths of the volumes on the best-seller list would perish in their first edition.

Knowledge is power only when it is based on self-knowledge; otherwise it becomes either ineffectual or self-destructive.

in your column and also the one Mr. McCabe wrote on the same subject. However, I have heard the other side of the story, too, and I'm not so sure that many people bothered to find out about it. I'll never believe that the members of our school board are not acting in the best way to benefit the people of our community. After all, they are taxpayers, too, as are the members of our school administration!

The Eagle Point schools are growing at an astounding rate and yet the administration has managed to keep the standards high. This is certainly not done by someone who is only interested in filling his pockets. As for full pockets, President Kennedy certainly is not lacking in that capacity, and yet he receives a salary worthy of the President of the United States. These men have more important things than money on their minds, such as the welfare of our children and the betterment of our country.

There were also a couple of other letters that were certainly worthy of notice. One was signed "Name on File" in the April 18 edition and the other was from "Outsider Ditto" in the April 22 edition. We've all heard the expression that you only get out of an organization what you put into it. This is true of a community, too. New people and new ideas are always welcome in Eagle Point. Those who live in a shell of self pity are certainly not contributing anything; therefore, what do they expect in return? There is a place in every community for all types of people, but each person must find his own place and step into it. After all, this is America! This country was built by free men through free enterprise. No one did it for them; they got out and did it for themselves. Let's all get out and do our part so as to be worthy of the heritage those great men gave to us.

Thank you, Mr. Editor, and please DO print my name. I sincerely believe in what I

Wayne Morse U. S. Senate Washington, D. C.

Parade A Success

To the Editor: This is to express my appreciation to the many persons who helped make this year's 10th Annual Pear Blossom Festival Parade a success.

To all the committee members who planned and worked on the arrangements for several months; to the members of the Retail Merchants, both downtown and the shopping center groups; to the Medford Junior Chamber of Commerce and the Medford Police Department for their assistance in assembling and running the parade; all the bands and marching units who participated; all the youngsters and organizations that entered to make this 1963 parade a very successful affair.

A very special thank you to the Medford Mail Tribune for excellent publicity and coverage of the special event and the parade; and to KMED-TV and the several radio stations throughout the valley for their promotion of this annual event.

Mrs. John L. (Kay) Mansfield President, Pear Blossom Festival Committee, Medford.

This Is America

To the Editor: I would like to suggest that you change the name of your "Communications" column to read "Complainers Corner." I am really appalled at the attitude of so many people these days. It seems that the thing to do is sit back and complain, then wait for "George" to do something about it. I'm sure that our forefathers must be turning over in their graves!

I read Mr. Benson's letter

PERSONAL PREJUDICES

The two rarest public types in the world of politics are the liberal who knows what requires to be changed and the conservative who knows which things are worth conserving — but these are only one of a thousand, in both camps.

Small children instinctively feel more at home with animals than with adults; and this natural affinity, I think, is simply that animals do not pretend to be, or feel, what they are not.

Some critics pay so much veneration to the authors of antiquity not so much out of reverence for the dead as out of spite and envy toward the living.

The fatal flaw that forever prevents the clever man from becoming the wise man is his refusal to accept the truth of La Rochefoucauld's maxim: "On peut être plus fin qu'un autre, mais non pas plus fin que tous les autres." One person can be astuter than another, but not astuter than all the others."

A person may not believe your flattery, and may like you no better for it, but still he cannot help being pleased that you consider him worth flattering.

When we say that someone has "independent means," we usually mean precisely the opposite — that he or she has inherited or



"It's like contemporary music — only this goes in one eye and out the other!"