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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 10, 1953 (Sunday) Liquor will go on sale over the bar in Oregon tomorrow for the first time since saloon days.

20 YEARS AGO May 10, 1943 (Monday) Flag carried during World War I by Company 7, Oregon coast artillery, to be dedicated Wednesday in ceremonies at Jackson county courthouse.

30 YEARS AGO May 10, 1933 (Wednesday) Civilian Conservation Corps enrollees arrive for Upper Applegate camp. Rogue Valley baseball league to be formed.

40 YEARS AGO May 10, 1923 (Thursday) Tomato planting starts in Eden precinct and Willow Spring districts. New burglar alarm installed in Gold Hill bank.

50 YEARS AGO May 10, 1913 (Saturday) Gold Hill, Wagner Creek and District 10 lead in county Class A spelling and arithmetic contests: Upper Trail, Antelope, Lone Pine, Dewey and Anderson Creek ahead in Class B.

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

Highways and History

The highway commission did the right thing in reversing its "either-or" stand on the Jacksonville highway relocation. We thank them—or should it be "him"—for it.

THE people of Jacksonville, the people of Oregon, of the west and of the nation as a whole, have a real opportunity in Jacksonville to make of it a living piece of history, such as would achieve the fame now accorded to such gems as Williamsburg.

On our desk as this is written is a wire from a major newspaper syndicate in New York, which says: "UNDERSTAND JACKSONVILLE IS BEING DEVELOPED AS HISTORIC TOURIST CENTER LIKE VIRGINIA CITY. IF IT IS NOT DESTROYED WE WOULD LIKE TO DO PICTURE PAGE. WILL PHONE YOU TOMORROW TO DISCUSS THIS."

Perhaps the time has come for the commission to establish an advisory committee to make recommendations on scenic and historic problems—such as that of Jacksonville—for which laymen and engineers do not have the background or training.

Highways are highways, and any good engineer can lay one out. But Oregon is Oregon, and it deserves the best—highways which are an asset and a joy, as well as engineering feats in laying ribbons of concrete and asphalt.—E. A.

Middle Ford Park

What should we name our new soon-to-be city park? One suggestion has been made, "City of Medford Memorial Park."

Why not Middle Ford park? It has character, history, interest, and true applicability. The park is on the "middle ford" of Bear Creek, and much of it is meadow-like in character. Anyone like it? Besides us?—E. A.

A Small Laugh for the Senate

With so many serious problems still facing them, we sometimes get a bit irritated at the members of the legislature for spending time on what seems to be silly, inconsequential or, sometimes, downright outrageous.

THE bill has one virtue, which would be the removal of the silly and meaningless slogan, "Pacific Wonderland," from future license plates. One other possible virtue was that it provided a few moments of levity for the serious Senators when it passed the Senate the other day.

But the measure is still one which would convey little positive good on the citizens of the state, and would cost them more money, either in general taxation or in license fees. The House should kill the bill. Or else amend it to provide only for the elimination of the slogan.—E. A.

"Notice How I Got The Draw On Him"



Will Dick and Jane Embrace Free Love? By Arthur Hoppe

Sacramento, Calif. - Fear not, I'm here to fight the good fight for my friend Assemblyman Robert Badham, a very nice, very Right Wing young Republican. And to lobby for his new bill—the most sweepingly progressive measure of this or any other year.

Like the Zanabeth Temple of Nudism and Free Love, well... Wow, is all I can say. But where Mr. Badham's courage really shines is in his firm stand against patriotism. For the Jehovah's Witnesses, as you know, religiously oppose saluting the flag or fighting for their country.

Thus far, I'm glad to report, Mr. Badham's sweepingly progressive campaign against Darwinism, medicine, pork, meat, monogamy, clothing and patriotism has happily won wide bipartisan acclaim. "At last," said Governor Brown, speaking happily for the Democrats, "the Republicans have come up with a program."

But will it sell? I doubt it. It's just too idealistic. Of course, the only logical alternative is for our schools to ignore religion completely. Pro and con. Under the doctrine of separating Church and State. It's not that we should fear the Church trying to take over the State. NON-SENSE. It's that if the State tries to encompass the religious beliefs of all of us, it'll go smack out of its collective mind and collapse in anarchy.

In the Day's News

From Washington: The Treasury Department estimates that President Kennedy's proposed ten billion dollars tax cut could bring an INCREASE of \$2.9 billion in state and local tax revenues.

IN Salem, balloon bread is back on the legislative agenda. A bill has been introduced to legalize its sale in Oregon if it is identified by adequate labels. The fear is that Oregon housewives will be fooled by the larger size of the "balloon" loaves, and so may be done dirt in their marketing.

AS THIS is written, our state department announces that it has ordered families of U. S. officials in Haiti to leave the troubled country, and is urging private American citizens to do likewise. The evacuation was decided on because of continued deterioration of the situation in Haiti and the difficulty of insuring the lives and safety of U. S. citizens.

Erhard Bolsters Position as Probable Successor to Chancellor Adenauer in Fall

By PHIL NEWSOM UPI Foreign News Analyst It had been an all night bargaining session and dark circles ringed the eyes of German Economic Minister Ludwig Erhard when he finally emerged. "We did good work," he said. "We avoided disaster." Erhard referred specifically to a compromise agreement to end a metal workers strike which had laddled a half million German workers and which, if allowed to spread, would threaten the whole of West Germany's booming economy.

But Erhard, the portly economic professor, who for 14 years has guided West Germany's economic destinies, might well have applied his remarks to his own political future. For his night's work Erhard won a standing ovation from parliamentary members of his Christian Democratic party and went far to assure that sometime next fall he will be elected to replace the aging Konrad Adenauer as West Germany's Chancellor.

In late April Adenauer reluctantly agreed to a three-to-one vote of party leaders that this fall he should step down from the office through which he had guided Germany back from the ruins of

defeat to make it one of the most prosperous and powerful nations of Western Europe. He pledged to lend his counsel to his successor, even though that successor be Erhard, whose ability to run the tough job of chancellor Adenauer continues to doubt.

Critics of Erhard had termed him "soft in times of crisis, a rubber lion." But in the metal workers' negotiations Erhard had placed his prestige on the line and that criticism now would be harder to support. It also would make it more difficult, if that should be Adenauer's intent, to maneuver Erhard out of the job for which he has waited so long.

But whatever the future should bring for Erhard, it was apparent that in West Germany an era was coming to an end.

Where Adenauer once ordered, he now had been reduced to persuasion. His opponents accused him of submitting docilely to the ambitions of President Charles de Gaulle of France in bowing to the latter's veto of British membership in the West European Common Market.

Echoing the charges were some of his own ministers, including Erhard. Erhard is credited with formulating the policies which led to Germany's economic success. He now sees Germany industrial growth slowing and he opposes de Gaulle's closed-door policies which he fears will lead to European stagnation. Britain, he believes, would open new trading doors to the Common Market.

These were among the reasons for the repudiation of Adenauer after years of magnificent effort. Germany's close ties with the West cannot be expected to change regardless of who becomes the next chancellor. Nor can a squabble now dim Adenauer's brilliant record.

But Germany is moving toward parliamentary, rather than one-man, rule, and that should be to the good.

... 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.

Hung Snake To the Editor: I am writing to request the person who hung the snake from the wire which crosses the road between Ruch and lower Applegate Store, to please remove it. It only serves to reflect on the person's mentality.

Statistics To the Editor: I respectfully wish to give some statistical information for the consideration of our readers. In America, thankfully, the dissident voice, though contrary to strong interests, often can be heard.

Edification To the Editor: To those who question my edification concerning the things I have written, I was called by "The Father" to be a servant to the Lord, who has sent his angel, and through the power of the "Holy Ghost" has made these things known to me, according to his grace and mercies, toward me. Which calling is spoken of in Gal. 4, vs. 6, and Romans 8, vs. 14 to 18, which is no mystery but a miracle.

Rash Judgment To the Editor: I am a student at St. Mary's High school and I read "Communications" quite often. In the Wednesday, May 8, edition, Lella Morrow wrote: "It will be interesting to see what kind of 'crisis' the Kennedy's, the Pope and Khrushchev cook up to persuade the American people that they must not change this administration in 1964."

"Duty" To the Editor: Being a returned mental patient from Oregon State Hospital, I have nothing else to do but to sit and think and write letters to the editor.

Truly though - vaguely - I am thinking, that I wish I could tell people about the wonderful service of the Jackson County Family and Child Guidance Clinic and Health department. It is hard for me to put it in writing, and I doubt that I could even begin to scratch the surface. However, what I am about to relate to you is and should be of interest to the community.

If you will remember the message from the President of the U.S. - in part he stated, "We must promote - to the best of our ability and by all possible and appropriate means - the mental and physical health of all our citizens." Which brings to mind Miss Donna Gilkey of the Jackson County Family and Child Guidance Clinic and Mrs. Joan Bass, Health Department, who have been counseling and consulting mentally ill patients outside of their regular office hours.

Whosoever says that these things I have written are a lie, speaks against the Holy Ghost, and has not the spirit of God in him, and of a truth is a liar. For these things are as sure as the orbiting of the earth, for who shall stay the hand of the Lord? So doubt it not, and hold fast to your faith. I have been drawn near unto the Lord, in His righteousness, and shared His glory. And in another time, His glory was near unto me, in my shame, and the creature that I am, and my shame was unbearable. Therefore I know why it is written, there shall be weeping and wailing and gnashing of teeth, whosoever taketh hold of the Lord shall not bear this shame, but will share His glory.

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Do Something! To the Editor: We have been a subscriber to the Tribune for a few years and once in a while we get pushed to the point of writing a letter. Your "Bisecting Jacksonville" editorial of Thursday, May 2, 1963, has moved us to forward the following thoughts: We recently sent 100 copies of the Pacific Power Company's letter extolling the attributes of Oregon to friends throughout the nation. These attributes include Jacksonville!!!

The Oregon State Highway Department had better get their Travel Information Division together with their Route Location Department! We

What picture should a child get of adult reality after hearing a constant stream of complaints and recriminations and self-pity from one parent or the other? How is the child to know that this exaggerated verbal response is not a faithful portrait of conditions in adult life?

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But I happen to know, for instance, a little girl whose mother is always complaining about a housewife's role - how hard it is, how thankless, how martyred she has become to home and husband and children. Most of the time, the woman does not even know she is whining - it is so much a part of her temperament.

The little girl, however, will take her life's cue from the mother. She will not accept femininity, she will always feel cheated at not being a man, and will unconsciously resent men in later life. This kind of emotional crippling is much more common than we think.

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"Phoniest beard I ever saw!"

Answers: 1. Width. 2. National Assembly. 3. El Salvador. 4. New, First Quarter. Last Quarter, Full, 5. Iraq. 6. No. 7. ... has been affected. 8. Don Grate, 445, 1956. 9. USS Arizona. 10. Star Spangled Banner.