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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

June 10, 1953 (Wednesday)

Oregon's Grangers blasted at Interior Secretary Douglas McKay today, and proposed an Oregon law to "protect power development in Oregon."

The Medford citizens' budget committee has completed work on the city's 1953-54 spending proposals and gave approval to the budget.

20 YEARS AGO

June 10, 1943 (Thursday)

Medford City Superintendent Frank Rogers declares local garbage disposal conditions worst in many years; asks Medford residents to cooperate with sanitary service.

30 YEARS AGO

June 10, 1933 (Saturday)

Fourth street crossing ordinance passed by Medford city council.

40 YEARS AGO

June 10, 1923 (Sunday)

Civic organizations urge approval of bond issue for new Medford senior high school building.

50 YEARS AGO

June 10, 1913 (Tuesday)

Home owned by Stanton Griffiths destroyed by fire. Brakeman rides runaway freight car from Ashland to near Gold Hill tries to warn Medford residents by waving red lantern as car goes through town at 75 miles an hour.

What's Your I.Q.?

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

- 1. In which state are the Carlsbad Caverns? 2. What is the next number in this series: 16, 20, 12, 16, 8, 12, 4, ...? 3. Which is the brightest planet viewed from the earth? 4. Is penology the study of pensions, penmanship, or prison management? 5. From what ancient language are most of the terms used in music derived? 6. An action in what war is commemorated in Tennyson's poem "The Charge of the Light Brigade?" 7. Correct the following: "It tells about the war in this book." 8. How many furlongs are there in one mile? 9. Is Louis Bromfield best known as a scientist, novelist, or actor? 10. On the average, do men, or women live the longer? Answers: 1. New Mexico. 2. Eight. 3. Venus. 4. Prison management. 5. Latin. 6. Crimean War. 7. This book tells about the war. 8. Eight. 9. Novelist. 10. Women.

To Get Well

Poverty makes people sick, sickness make people poor.

Write that 10 times on the blackboard. The fellow who said it was Charles W. Mayo, one of the "brothers."

It takes on new importance in light of Gen. Lucius Clay's monumental report on American foreign aid. The report makes it clear that no people, in any place, can lift themselves from poverty and hopelessness unless they are physically well enough to carry on what we in healthier climes consider a normal kind of life.

TWO figures suffice.

In Libya a few years ago 71 per cent of the elementary school children were afflicted with trachoma, a disease causing blindness. That figure has been cut to 34 per cent. In our way of thinking 34 per cent is still all too good. But think of the improvement.

In Haiti, especially in the rural areas, yaws, a disease of great running sores, afflicted 80 per cent of the population just a few years ago. Now yaws has been all but eliminated, and at a cost of just about 10 cents a person.

The two examples above are the kind of thing that must make the American foreign aid people feel that all is not hopeless. They point up major achievements in mankind's long struggle against his cruel environment.

THOSE of us who are paying, and we certainly are paying, may reflect that our money has gone for good cause—good in its immediate humanitarian effect, and good in its long-range effect of enabling people who otherwise would be burdens to all mankind to carve out their own destinies.

We may, and should, be critical of foreign aid when it is used to prop up a decadent regime, when it is used in a manner that makes it seem unnecessary for a nation to work out its own problems.

But we can also know that our money was well spent when it enabled people to get out of the sick bed and almshouse and into the productive mainstream of a society.—Eugene Register-Guard.

Who's for the Constitution?

President Kennedy has directed national attention to one of the anomalies in the pressure campaigns conducted by the super-patriots of the radical right. The tendency of these self-appointed defenders of the Constitution, the President noted, is to work ceaselessly for constitutional changes so basic they would upset its essential principles.

Mr. Kennedy was referring specifically to the three "states' rights" amendments, which have already slipped through a score of state legislatures almost without debate. These proposals would subvert the form of government established in 1787 by removing many of the powers of Congress and the Supreme Court. They are indicative of the perils that reside in the extreme right—perils well summarized by Senator Kuchel, the Republican whip, in a recent speech on the Senate floor.

His theme was that right-wing fright-peddlers were doing "devil's work far better than Communists could do." He charged that those who to hate and fear in the name of conservatism "defile the honorable philosophy of conservatism with that claim as thoroughly as the Communists defile the honorable philosophy of liberalism."

This is a judgment that will find widespread endorsement among responsible Americans of all political persuasions.—New York Times.

Consistency?

A chief reason given for votes against the new constitution in the Legislative Assembly was fear of the one-man executive, the governor. Those who felt this way like the three elected officials, governor, secretary of state, state treasurer, who make up the Board of Control and the State Land Board.

But what did the Assembly do to these boards? It took away the Tuberculosis Hospital from the Board of Control and gave it to the Board of Higher Education. And it scattered functions of the Land Board among other state agencies.

Then it raised the salaries of the governor, the secretary of state and the state treasurer.—Oregon Statesman, Salem.

Twister

A phonograph record is 12 inches in diameter. There is a blank half-inch at the outer edge, and a grooveless center 4 1/2 inches in diameter. The grooves total 70 to the inch. When it is played through, how far does the needle travel?—E.A.

Sorry Waste

Oregon's legislature again has refused to allow the people to vote on a proposed New State Constitution. Thus goes down the drain about two years' labors of a commission of that state's most able and distinguished citizens. This is an example of the burden of effort, often seemingly wasted, which our democratic system requires.—The Argus, Seattle.

"Perhaps Mac Might Be Glad To Have Some Old, Tired Blood In The Government Again"



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.

Miraculous Cure

To the Editor: Permit me if you would to briefly share with your readers a true human interest story.

It happened several years ago on the Oregon coast near Gold Beach. I personally know most of the characters involved.

A speeding stolen car with two youthful criminals struck and demolished another car which was coming on Highway 101 from a side road.

The youths, who were unhurt, were soon captured and placed in prison. Roy Slaybaugh, the other driver, was not so fortunate. His bleeding and mangled, almost lifeless form was rushed to the hospital in Gold Beach.

Besides a severed ear, an eye hanging from the socket, fractured jaw and general bruises, his skull was fractured and the cerebral fluid was oozing from the wound. Death was not far away.

Roy's wife was advised to call her pastor but not to "bother" relatives who were over 500 miles away.

Two Bible believing ministers came and asked that any who did not believe in prayer to leave the room. They then knelt and asked God to heal Roy if it was according to His will, then quietly left. Up until this time Roy was unconscious. The evidence of an oncoming death had already set in.

Now he roused, soon spoke and asked where he was. To make a long story short, Mr. Slaybaugh walked from that hospital three days later a well man. He would have left sooner had they released him. Any who might doubt this story, I can say I know it actually happened. Both of the pastors were personal friends. One now dead was my uncle, a former Medford pastor. I have visited and sat at Roy Slaybaugh's table. I've seen his scars. I've heard his story from his own lips.

But the story doesn't end there. A number of persons in that area gave their hearts to God. And to top it all the two youthful criminals were won to Christ in the Oregon State prison by none other than Roy and Rose Slaybaugh. To any who might deny God, His Son, or say prayer is like talking on a line with no one on the other end, I submit this true story. I have only related a small portion of this thrilling experience. The whole true story is available in book form from a book store in Portland. I believe it costs a dollar or less. Phone or write me for details. Henry Johnson Jr., 2313 Highway 66, Ashland, Ore.

A Christian Nation?

To the Editor: Enough has been said about this vile book which was referred to by these fine Christian ladies. I do hope however that they do not lose heart concerning the Lord's power to overcome such as these. When He was here in the flesh, He was persecuted in every way by the ones who were supposed to be His people. His word had been interwoven and distorted by men's vile interpretations and traditions set up by men, so the very power to guide His people was no more.

It is not the power from without that endangers Christianity, but within the churches that can destroy His people. The very fact that there are 269 different denominations of churches existing today in the U.S.A. shows that He has left all so-called churches of Christ. When people can call themselves Christians and then deprive such laws that deprive another human the right to

full freedom, then we cannot call ourselves a Christian nation any longer.

Again and again we have violated every one of His laws. We build large churches, spend millions printing literature that tells someone that their church is wrong, even that Satan runs their church, and tries to prove that a particular day qualifies us as a Lord's people. Then we wonder why our children are confused.

Man cannot say at any time that he is a Christian. Only the Lord qualifies you. Search your heart for there is where the Lord searches for His own.

The books put out by different churches are much more dangerous than by some agnostic who has no power. By bringing books of this sort, spoken of by the ladies, only puts light on a book of darkness.

If you are really interested in doing the Lord's work, study your own Bible and learn what the Lord has for you. The same churches that preach here have representatives in the southern states and they persecute the colored people. By not standing fast there, their power here is of little value. The churches need a lot of soul searching. Maybe some day again we can be called a Christian nation.

R. L. Nyburg, 141 Oak Grove rd., Medford.

Townsend Plan

To the Editor: Here is the Townsend plan in only 180 simple words:

A bill to bring about full industrial production for the nation, limited only by the people's capacity to consume, rather than by their inability to buy. It will make jobs for the jobless. It is also a program of insurance for all American business against loss of customers due to their lack of money or purchasing power.

The Townsend plan would collect a 2 per cent tax from the gross income of all companies and individuals, exempting that portion of individual income required to provide a decent standard of living. This tax would be collected monthly. All revenue from it would be equally distributed every 30 days to the aged, the blind, the crippled and mothers with minor children. Distribution would be in monthly payments equal to all and given without a means test, paupers oath or lien clause.

Benefits would be equal in all states. Sole requirement would be that recipients be 60 years of age or over and retired from gainful occupation, thus making room for younger workers. Benefits would average \$150 monthly. Bert Kissinger, 322 South Riverside ave., Medford.

Unmitigated Gail

To the Editor: In reference to Mr. Clifford's letter of June 7, I just had to answer.

Mr. C. makes me sick! Such unmitigated gail! To lay the blame for mixed blood on the shoulders of the Negro—how dare he! Past history shows it was the white slave owner who originally committed this act. I'm true white but I know this, I wouldn't want Mr. C. for a neighbor. I can see he is extremely intolerant of anything that doesn't fit his snobbish, self-centered rut! It is his "kind" that kindle and keep burning the flame of violence and hatred. We are a farm family, and were it possible, we would gladly sponsor a Negro cou-

Foreign News: Japanese Premier's 'Foot In Mouth' Disease; Czech Secrets Lead

By PHIL NEWSOM, UPI Foreign News Analyst

Notes from the foreign news cables:

Incurable

Japan's Prime Minister Hayato Ikeda has suffered long from an ailment known as "foot-in-mouth" disease.

It is an ailment which leads him to say things which may be true but also are not popular. There is a cabinet shift coming in July, and Ikeda would like to do it on a basis of strengthening his government and not just satisfying the vari-

ous factions of his conservative party. But trouble may be ahead, from a source that has been one of his main strengths—the people. Prices have been going up six per cent a year, which is bad enough. What is worse is that one of Ikeda's ministers admonished housewives to cut living costs by living less luxuriously. The 40,000-member Kansai Housewives' Association has written Ikeda. "We heard you said at a recent cabinet meeting that the people should eat more cheap fish. This reminds us of your infamous remark that the poor should eat barley instead of rice." That reference was to an Ikeda statement in 1949.

Three years later Ikeda did it again, saying the government couldn't help it if small business went bankrupt. That

one brought about his resignation as finance minister. Ikeda's most recent relapse into "foot-in-mouth" disease is not expected to prove that serious. But it will not help him with his party problems.

Leaks

The Western powers aren't the only ones that have trouble keeping secrets. The monthly publication of the Czech railway workers has complained that official secrets are getting into the hands of unauthorized persons and that documents are being lost. It may be the signal of a new Czech crackdown on official carelessness.

Majority Vote

French Socialists, Communists and some of the old line middle-of-the-road parties are expected to bring heavy fire to bear on the French-German alliance treaty when it comes up for discussion in the national assembly this week. But the Gaullists, who have an absolute majority in the House, will vote for it and ensure its approval.

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

Do you remember the Walrus in Lewis Carroll's "Through the Looking-Glass"? If so, you will recall that at a certain point it struck an attitude and remarked: "The time has come (the Walrus said) 'To talk of many things: 'Of shoes—and ships—and sealing wax—'Of cabbages—and kings—'And why the sea is boiling hot—'And whether pigs have wings.'"

WELL—

The news these days is like that.

It is reported from Geneva that President Kennedy and Premier Khrushchev are near agreement on the much-talked-of HOT LINE—which would be a teletype line running overland from Moscow to London and thence by ocean cable to the National Command Center in Washington and from there directly to the White House.

The idea is that in the last final pinch, when it looked like nuclear war was inevitable and just about to begin, President JFK and Premier Khrushchev could get together over the hot line and call it off.

IT SOUNDS wonderful. But there's a fly in the ointment.

This is the fly: Of Lenin's Ten Commandments, this is the Ninth: "Promises are like peccadilloes: made to be broken." Suppose Mr. Khrushchev DID agree to call it off? How could we know he would keep his word?

AND—

In San Francisco the other day, a wallaby (a pint-size kangaroo) escaped from the zoo, and they've had a heck of a time catching it. Every time they are about to lay hands on it, it gives a mighty leap and gets away.

An Australian the other day offered this advice: "To catch a wallaby, first grasp it by the tail and lift its hind legs off the ground SO IT CAN'T JUMP."

RELATIONS WITH THE WORLD

Each time I visit New York, I think that the traffic cannot possibly be any worse—but it always is. On my latest visit, a few weeks ago, I walked the two dozen blocks from my hotel to the theater every night, in order to be on time.

If we want to understand international relations, the simplest analogy lies in a city itself. A city generally does nothing about its problems until the situation gets so bad only radical remedies will work.

Most cities began one-way streets too late. They restricted parking too late. They built superhighways only when the traffic was so congested that the superhighways were obsolescent by the time they were finished.

Every American metropolis today faces the immense task of turning itself around, of demolition and rebuilding, of cutting out the cancer at its core, of coping with staggering problems of slums and race relations with the world and high taxes and the utter lack of planning that has characterized the growth of all large communities.

If we have not had the foresight to come to terms with relatively small problems within a given city, how can we expect that our

and Savior to open shame. Is it any wonder that long suffering Christians are beginning to cry out in righteous anger?

In case you are in doubt, in 1891 the U.S. Supreme Court was asked to determine whether or not this is a Christian nation. It handed down a decision containing the following words: "This is a Christian nation."

Nevertheless, watch for a future drive of the anti-Christ forces to accomplish the following: 1. To put an end to opening Congress and our Supreme Court with prayer. 2. To take "under God" out of our Pledge of Allegiance. 3. To take "In God We Trust" off of American currency. 4. To abolish chaplains in the armed services. Also watch for leftist periodicals to defend this campaign to destroy Christ's name and all evidence of His life, death, resurrection, and gospel; and the Christian faith that grew out of them. Even as the leftist magazine, "Time" has just defended the anti-Christ book, "The Last Temptation of Christ" and its author, Nikos Kazantzakis. W. F. Murray, 415 S.E. L. St., Grants Pass, Ore.

is that the dogs lick the buns and get affectionate." The bobbies, their ferocious beasts all lying on their backs wagging their tails, were understandably bitter. "A mean trick," a police spokesman told reporters. And then he hurled the gravest charge one can hurl in Britain. "It is not," he said stiffly, "playing the game."

And it certainly is not. Moreover, it cannot be mere coincidence that the Anti-Dog Bun was quickly followed by the far more sophisticated Anti-Dog Can, an extract of cayenne pepper in an aerosol spray. First exploded by our own U. S. Post Office Department.

I realize the department argues such chemical warfare is justified to discourage Our Friend the Dog from his favorite brand of dogfood. Postman's Ankle. But if an official Government department sanctions dealing thusly with vicious dogs, what will this do to our traditional respect for law and order?

Moreover, what if this weapon should fall into the wrong hands? Let "Ban the Can!" be our battle cry.

The need is urgent. This incredibly rapid evolution from the Anti-Dog Bun to the Anti-Dog Can leaves no doubt that mankind stands today on the threshold of unleashing the ultimate weapon: The Anti-Dog Dog.

I shudder to contemplate this not-too-distant scene. Perhaps it will be Birmingham or Greensboro or Durham. There stands the crowd on the main street, defying racial law and segregated order. Here come the police with Our Friends the Dogs snapping and snarling as they strain at their leashes.

And then from the sulkily terrorized throng steps forth the Rev. Martin Luther King, carrying a small black box. He sets it down. He opens it. And out steps the ultimate weapon! A friendly little dog.

Who happens to be a female.

Well, I won't offend the sensitive by describing the awful havoc that will inevitably follow. But did you know our policemen tie these leashes to their wrists? Have you ever had a large male dog who was in love tied to your wrist? Why, the cost in new uniforms alone staggers the imagination. And as for the cause of law and order...

Our only hope is the very existence of the Anti-Dog Dog will be deterrent. Making the unleashing of Our Friends the Dogs by either side unthinkable.

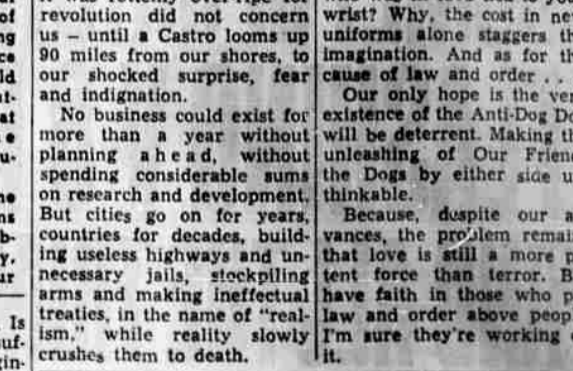
Because, despite our advances, the problem remains that love is still a more potent force than terror. But have faith in those who put law and order above people. I'm sure they're working on it.

The most important part of medicine is preventive medicine. Everybody knows this. But we have not applied this knowledge to the social areas, whether it is traffic, or slums, or juvenile delinquency, or war and dictatorship. We spend, for instance, billions on prisons and reformatories, but hardly a dribble to erase the social and psychological conditions that create crime and delinquency.

Which American, private or public, was really interested in Cuba during the long dark years of Batista's regime? It was an exotic isle, a pleasure spot, a gambling haven. That it was rottenly over-ripe for revolution did not concern us—until a Castro looms up 90 miles from our shores, to our shocked surprise, fear and indignation.

No business could exist for more than a year without planning ahead, without spending considerable sums on research and development. But cities go on for years, countries for decades, building useless highways and unnecessary jails, stockpiling arms and making ineffectual treaties, in the name of "realism," while reality slowly crushes them to death.

There's half the trouble in the world—too many people enjoy watching other people work!"



Ultimate Weapon -- An Anti-Dog Dog

By Arthur Hoppe