

India Described in Extremes and Paradoxes

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New Delhi—An Indian pilot with a name like Mukherjee put his skilled hands on the controls of a giant jetliner one day this week and brought a planeload of tourists into Calcutta airport with deft precision.

At the same moment, another Indian with a name like Mukherjee, threw his numbed weight against the wood and leather harness of a crude rickshaw. He dragged his tourist into the streets of Calcutta with the blank eyes and sweating flanks of an overworked cart horse.

and half-naked, barefoot coolie are worlds away from each other in education, politics and the amount of food they put into their stomachs. But by the standards of the paradoxical "nation" of India, they have many things in common.

They are both dark and slim and obviously different from their burly, fair-skinned, low citizens in northwestern India.

Sophisticated Language
They both speak a sophisticated language called Bengali. They look down on India's 13 other "official" languages as crude and barbarous dialects.

They are both Hindus, yet they live in a country which contains more Catholics than Ireland and more Moslems than Egypt.

The two Mukherjees are worlds away from each other. But they are also worlds away from most of the 440 million other Indians who make this the most complicated, confusing nation on earth.

India can only be described in extremes and paradoxes like the Mukherjees.

Compare it for instance with another sub-continent—Western Europe. India is bigger and more populous. It includes more races, religions, languages, peoples and social classes.

Yet India, somehow, is a single nation.

Great Irregular Triangle
The nation sprawls over 1,221,880 square miles enclosed in a great irregular triangle. The triangle's southernmost point reaches as far south as Venezuela. Its northwestern corner is 2,000 miles away, in the latitude of the U. S. state of Oklahoma.

The second highest mountain in the world—K-2—is located on this northwestern shoulder. An imaginary superman with a 2,000-mile vision could see all of India if he climbed to the top of this five-mile high peak.

Looking toward the Indian plains, he would see range of snowcapped mountains directly below him. Slant-eyed Tibetan-speaking Buddhist monks turn prayer wheels and sip yak butter tea on the mountain-sides. Grey-green tents of the Indian army are pitched around the monks' monasteries to guard against further Red Chinese incursions.

Similar tents are pitched further south in the beautiful Kashmir valley, which is disputed between India and Pakistan.

World of Their Own
The fair-skinned Kashmiris, many of whom have blond hair and blue eyes, live in a world of their own, where clear trout streams rush down from pine clad mountains and palatial houseboats drift lazily on the gleaming Dal Lake. Further south, and over another range of mountains, lies the storied Punjab. This is a country of sturdy, independ-

ent farmers who own their own land and have the highest standard of living among the Indian peasantry.

The Punjabis are fighters as well as farmers. They call their land "the sword of India," and send more of their sons to the army than the people of any other state.

Below the Punjab lies the Indian capital of New Delhi. **Strategic Location**

The capital is the most strategic location in India. It lies near the headquarters of the great Indus and Ganges river valleys, which make up the rich and ancient plains of Hindustan.

South of the great river valleys of Hindustan, India begins to change. The people become darker as the traveler crosses the Deccan plateau of central India. Their language changes from the ancient Sanskrit based tongues of the north to the soft accents of the Dravidian languages. The differences are as great, or greater, as the transition from Norway to Sicily.

The southerners are divided into four states, including the narrow, coastal strip of Kerala which was once ruled by the only freely elected Communist regime in the world. At the same time, Kerala is the most Christian state in India, and the only one where

more than half the people can read and write.

250 Hours of Work Done in City Parks

About 250 hours of work in maintenance of Medford parks was completed during May by men on welfare, according to Robert L. Haworth, director of parks and recreation.

Haworth presented the monthly report of the department's activities at the recent meeting of the city parks and recreation commission.

Haworth noted that sophomore boys of Medford High school began a series of swim instruction as part of the school's physical education program during May. He explained that this year one of every 10 boys was a non-swimmer compared to four of every 10 when the program started in 1959.

The Jackson county softball association began league play May 12 and played 30 games during the month. The league, which includes 10 teams, plays at Jefferson, Hedrick Junior High, and Jackson schools and Hawthorne park until facilities are available at Jackson park.

The brief survey from the top of K-2 leaves out many interesting dots on the map of India. It ignores the west coast metropolis of Bombay, where 5 million people live in a bustling, booming city as sophisticated as any in Europe.

It scarcely touches on the ghastly slums of Calcutta, where uncounted thousands are born, live and die in the streets, on even terms with the homeless cows which wander aimlessly through city traffic.

But hardest to see is the social growth which floats up pilots, engineers, doctors and scientists to the surface of the vast pool of Indian humanity.

This educated, cosmopolitan "elite" is numbered in the millions.

They pour steel, build jet airplanes and grind out more movies than Hollywood. They skipper a merchant navy twice as big as Australia's. The engineers turn out more kilowatt hours of electricity than Denmark, Portugal,

Cuba, Ireland and Hungary combined.

Enrolled in Universities
More than 100,000 Indian youth are enrolled in universities in Calcutta alone. The literate population of the country, all by itself, would form the fourth largest nation in the world.

But for 110 million Indians who can read and write, there are 330 million who cannot even sign their names.

For every booming steel mill, there are thousands of villages which have no roads, telephones or schools.

For every white coated scientist at the Trombay atomic reactor station, there are thousands of peasants too superstitious to let themselves be vaccinated for smallpox.

The political leadership of Jawaharlal Nehru is giving the peasants a "do it yourself" education in democracy. The leadership trusts itself to the votes of the poor and ignorant, and so far the peasants and coolies have returned trust at the voting booth.

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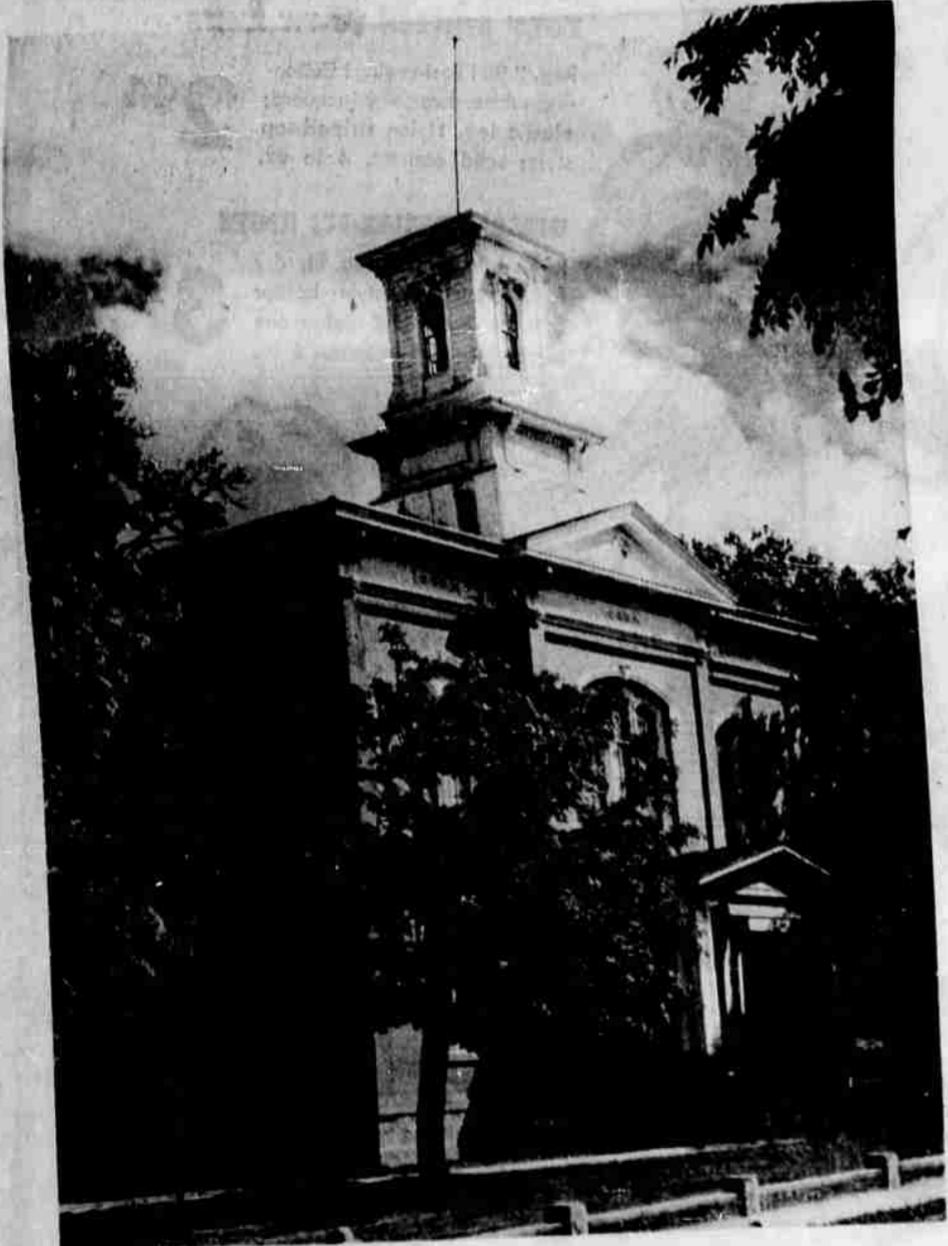
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MAR 22	2 There's	32 And	62 Someone	OCT 23
APR 20	3 Good	33 Promising	63 Top	5-25-44-47
2-7-26-31	4 Gifts	34 Desk	64 Property	55-66-84-85
33-48-67	5 Pay	35 Something	65 Society	
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66-76-80-87	9 Your	39 Close	69 Your	
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19-22-23-50	12 Time	42 Intuition	72 Beg	
58-61-74	13 Or	43 Or	73 Peak	
Cancer 23	14 Go	44 Bills	74 Drugs	
JUNE 23	15 Things	45 New	75 Romantic	
14-17-21-35	16 Friend	46 Save	76 Before	
45-65-75	17 Forward	47 And	77 Times	
LEO 24	18 Day	48 Money	78 Indicated	
JULY 24	19 Shop	49 New	79 Or	
21-24	20 For	50 Footstep	80 Going	
11-19-28-38	21 To	51 Expect	81 Remain	
58-72-81-88	22 Today	52 Dates	82 And	
VIRGO 25	23 For	53 Good	83 Get	
AUG 25	24 Character	54 Reach	84 Expense	
11-19-28-38	25 Necessary	55 Keep	85 Down	
58-72-81-88	26 Signs	56 With	86 Relief	
LIBRA 26	27 Hunches	57 Receipts	87 Vitals	
AUG 26	28 To	58 Rainwear	88 Aloud	
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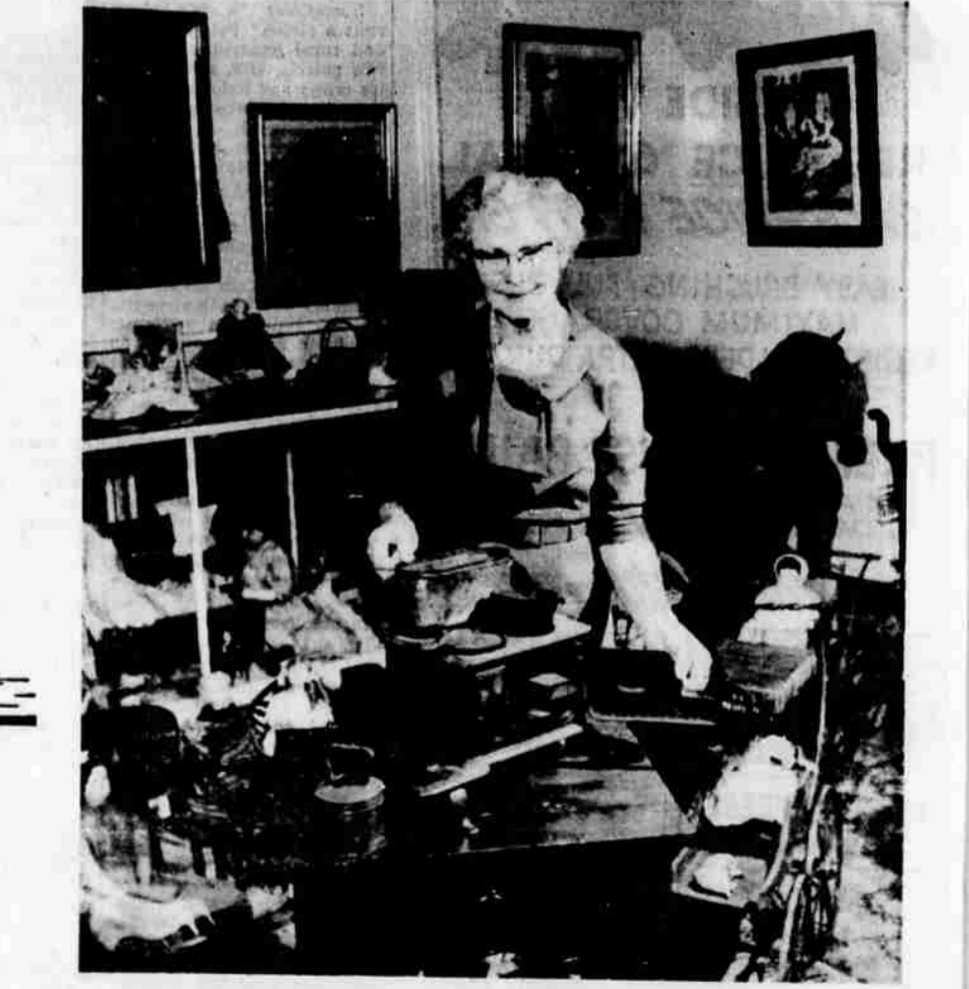


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The entire Rogue River Valley is rich in the romance of the old West, and there's no finer, more enjoyable way to relive those days than to visit YOUR Jacksonville Museum. You, your family and especially out-of-town guests will delight in the more than 6,000 individual collections. Among its most popular exhibits are the Britt Gallery, a replica of Peter Britt's Photographic Studio, one of the earliest in the Pacific Northwest, the Indian Room, containing artifacts and relics made and used by the valley's first inhabitants, the Gun Room, mineral displays and fluorescent room, a children's room, parlor, collection of wedding dresses and a Civil War exhibit. The Southern Oregon Historical Society administers and maintains this museum—one of the finest in the West—and more than a HALF MILLION names appear on the registration book! One of the finest ways to keep our southern Oregon guests here for an extra day is to suggest a visit to the Jacksonville Museum. They'll love it—and it's all FREE!

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One of the popular exhibits at the Jacksonville Museum is the large doll collection. Shown above is Curator Mary Hanley with a small doll stove which has been in her family in the Rogue River Valley for three generations. And be sure, when you visit Jacksonville, to see the old Beckman Bank nearby. With the old town pump at its side, this historic bank stands at the corner as it did when it was the leading financial institution in southern Oregon. The bank has been closed many years but furnishings are the same as they were when it ceased operation upon the death of the pioneer banker. It has recently been reopened as an adjunct to the Jacksonville Museum. The Beckman home, too, is another delightful attraction in Jacksonville. Don't miss it.

An HISTORICAL TREAT!
The attractive old brick courthouse that houses the Jacksonville Museum is, itself, steeped in the history of the days before the turn of the century. The former seat of Jackson County government, dating from 1883-84, this venerable old structure was scene of many bitter court cases, the most sensational being the trial of the D'Autremont brothers, train bandits, and the trial of alleged Ku Klux Klan members for an attempted lynching. To accommodate the growing number of exhibits, the Southern Oregon Historical Society has added buildings adjacent to this old courthouse—all open to the public... all free!