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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

Aug. 26, 1953 (Wednesday) Water fluoridation will be debated at public forum.

20 YEARS AGO

Aug. 26, 1943 (Thursday) Andrew Hearn, Phoenix postmaster for 33 years, retires.

30 YEARS AGO

Aug. 26, 1933 (Saturday) Many in county to seek loans on homes, filings show.

40 YEARS AGO

Aug. 26, 1923 (Sunday) Air mail assured as result of recent tests.

50 YEARS AGO

Aug. 26, 1913 (Tuesday) State aid promised for paved highway in Jackson county.

What's Your I.Q.?

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

1. From what town in England did the Pilgrims come to Plymouth, Mass.?

2. What war was won by using a wooden horse?

3. Correct the following: "The recipe calls for three spoons full of flour."

4. Does the earth's surface obtain most of its heat from the sun, or from internal heat?

5. Whom did Napoleon divorce to marry Marie Louise?

6. Which of these fruits has the most calories per pound—apples, bananas, peaches, or avocados?

7. A device on which an amount of electric current is controlled by moving a slide along a resistance coil is called a what?

8. A fifty megaton atom bomb is equivalent to how much T.N.T.?

9. What was the popular slogan of Americans during the Spanish-American War?

10. Is strontium 90 a cleaning agent, atomic fallout, or motor fuel?

Answers: 1. Plymouth, Eng. 2. Trojan War. 3. 'spoonfuls.' 4. Sun. 5. Josephine. 6. Avocados. 7. Rheostat. 8. Fifty million tons. 9. 'Remember the Maine.' 10. Atomic fallout.

INCORPORATE

Salem - UP - Articles of incorporation were on file today for Rocking "SE" Brand Land and Cattle company.

Ashland, signed by Earl K. Edsall, Jimmie D. English and Kenneth D. Snyder.

A Program That "Works"

The 1963 Legislature, which was far more money conscious than backers of the referral would have us believe, knew where the money goes. It goes for education.

Many of them reasoned that if the state offered less education, it could save money. One way to get away with offering less education is to increase tuition.

Of course, that tuition was already the highest in the West. But it wasn't quite high enough to keep sufficient students from going to college. It had to be raised again.

It was a great plan. And it's worked fine.

PRELIMINARY figures suggest that enrollments on some of the state's campuses will not exceed last year's. Some may be smaller. This is so despite the fact that 1963 high school graduating classes were larger than any previous classes, and despite the fact that high school students are becoming ever more aware of their own need for more education.

As the Legislature understood, many students can afford the higher tuition. Every legislator knows, or knows of, some rich kid who drives to the campus in his Jag and who has an unlimited allowance. And that kid ought to pay more. Well, he will pay more. He can afford it, so the tuition increase won't hurt him a bit.

The ones who will be hurt are the poor ones, the ones from families that politicians speak of so solicitously during campaigns. It is the poor, not the rich, who are being priced right off the campus.

TUITION, \$330 a year for resident students next school year, has doubled since 1955. Other costs have gone up too, although not so sharply, possibly because other costs are not controlled by people with such sharp heads for business.

True, much of the decrease, but not all of it, is accounted for by the strange reluctance of out-of-state students to come here. They seem to be balky at the \$900 tuition, which is up from the \$525 they paid last year and the \$345 they paid in 1955. The \$900, by the way, is the actual cost of education.

So no longer does Oregon subsidize out-of-staters, although many other states remain willing to encourage Oregon's brightest boys and girls to sample living and studying in their states.

THIS plan for cutting state expenses is working so well that maybe the next Legislature (and governor, who's in this thing to his hips) can so arrange it that even fewer students can afford to go to college. The rich ones, again, can survive.

But eventually the people of Oregon must make some policy decisions.

Are Oregon boys and girls, even the poor ones, to get a crack at college, or are they not?

Are Oregon boys and girls to pay more for that experience than the boys and girls of other western states?

Can we really afford to neglect wise management of the state's most important resource, the brains of our own young people?—Eugene Register-Guard.

Our Washington Team

There are a good many "special correspondents" in Washington — men and women who serve the particular needs of specific newspapers, as differed from the reporters for the great news services who of necessity must center their major attention on state, national and world issues of vital interest to everyone.

Of these "special correspondents," increasing recognition has come to a young man who walked into The Statesman office nearly 12 years ago and "sold" him self as the special Washington representative of this newspaper. He is A. Robert Smith, now crowding 40, who was then building a clientele of select newspapers in the Far Northwest.

(Editor's note: These now include the Statesman, The Bulletin of Bend, the Eugene Register-Guard, The Oregonian, the Pendleton East Oregonian, and the Medford Mail Tribune.)

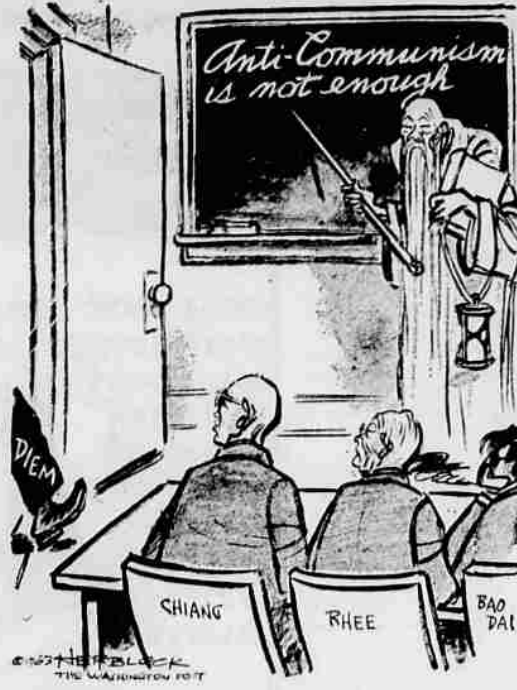
ALLEN DRURY, famed author of "Advise and Consent," calls him "a top reporter." For his book "Tiger in the Senate," Oregon's Wayne Morse called him a lot worse, but that only boomed the book's sales and it still ranks as a fair appraisal of an intelligent and complex man.

And now we find this comment in a summary of Washington correspondents appearing in Columbia University's "Review."

"There are some who specialize in analytical or interpretive pieces, deliberately staying away from wire coverage or releases, and provide a useful view of Washington to papers which might otherwise be unable to afford regional-oriented analysis. Among the best of these is A. Robert Smith who covers for a number of papers in the Northwest. Smith and his wife work separate beats, he on politics and economics, she on health, education, and welfare. They operate on Smith's Law: 'The handout is a clue, not news.'"

Now, before we close this opus we must expand on the "his wife" part of that tribute. "His wife" is Yvonne Franklin, who in recent years also has become a familiar by-line. We hadn't bargained to get Yvonne, too, when we took on A. Robert. But we're glad we have her and she has added vitality to the service provided by our Washington news headquarters. They make a great team.—Oregon Statesman, Salem.

New Boy In School



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.

Ethics Code

To the Editor: It is with delight that I notice the Medford High students have a "code of ethics" to follow, however, it is with disgust that I am advised the Junior High students have no such codes to follow. The very things "outlawed" for the Senior High students are allowed in the 7th, 8th and 9th grades. Is it any wonder the Senior High students rebel? After all, they've been practicing these "outlawed" styles, etc., for years.

It would seem an opportune time for the school board to enforce rules for the lower grades re (1) dying hair, (2) curlottes, (3) nylons, and (4) heavy make-up.

Weren't public schools set up as a place of learning? It's evident the Medford Junior High students are learning more about college dress than how to prepare for a college education and/or working for his or her own living.

What's wrong with the school board? They take action re Senior students—now where do said students hail from? Yes! They come from Junior High schools where almost anything is allowed. Is it any wonder students drop out disgusted because the school administration is infringing on their personal life and habits?

Mrs. William Nelson 428 Fairmount Medford.

Street Numbers

To the Editor: Our good city has passed the 25,000 population mark. Business people complain about shopping center activity drawing from the downtown area.

Walk up the street and look around you. How many businesses have the street number over their doorways? I doubt if you will find 30 percent of the business institutions with the street number showing on the front of their locations.

It's easy for those of us who "know" where these shopkeepers are, but this is a city of 25,000 persons and we attract many out of town shoppers. If our street numbers are not shown on the fronts of our buildings, doors or windows, it is natural that people will end up out of the downtown area. Let's do something about it!

There is a city ordinance which requires numbering of all buildings with outside entrances.

Try and Stop Me

By BENNETT CERF

"WHY DON'T you play golf with Lester any more?" asked a wife one evening. "Hmph," snorted her husband. "Would you play with a sneak who puts down the wrong score and moves his ball when you aren't looking?" "I certainly would not," asserted the wife. "Well," said the husband, turning back to his paper, "neither will Lester."

A Harvard graduate, serving his stretch as a G.I., snaked off the drill field for a rest in the shade of a tree. There he was discovered by a tough old sergeant who barked, "What the blank blank are you doing under this tree?" The Harvard graduate stammered, "I'm procrastinating, sir." "Hmph," mused the old sergeant. "Well, okay then, but see that you keep busy."

Joey Bishop knows a Texan who loves Thanksgiving Day so much he just bought the whole month of November.

OVERHEARD: From a lady in a branch post office: "This package contains a very fragile vase—so please throw it underhand."

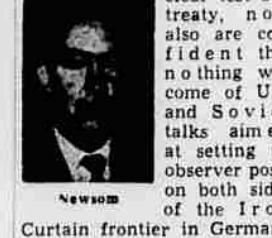
On a beach in Long Island: "It can't be much of a yacht; he says he keeps it in a basin."

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Foreign News: France, W. Germany Cool Toward Inspections; Mideast Nasser Push

By PHIL NEWSOM UPI Foreign News Analyst Notes from the foreign news cables:

No Deal The French, who have refused to sign the partial nuclear test ban treaty, now also are confident that nothing will come of U.S. and Soviet talks aimed at setting up observer posts on both sides of the Iron Curtain frontier in Germany.



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to guard against surprise attacks. A first round of discussion in the NATO council last week showed West Germany and France cool to the idea. Several smaller NATO members are against any kind of direct Washington-Moscow deal.

The Mideast

The French also see little serious danger that the latest outbreak between Israel and Syria will grow into a major conflict. They believe the Syrians and the Iraqis are interested mainly in pressuring U.A.R. President Gamal

Abdel Nasser into showing his solidarity with the Baath-controlled government in Damascus and Baghdad with which he has little real sympathy.

Spanish Bases

Madrid expects developments shortly in U.S. and Spanish negotiations over U.S. military bases in Spain. The present 10-year pact ends Sept. 23. Spain is believed pressing for U.S. political support in a bid to enter the North Atlantic Treaty Organization. But Madrid observers are speculating that U.S. missile strength has reduced the importance of Spanish air bases to the strategic air command and that the United States will not be willing to bid too high for them.

Japan-Korea Relations

Tokyo expects the South Korean military government to step up efforts for the resumption of normal diplomatic relations with Japan before the promised presidential and national assembly elections in Korea this fall. Successful conclusion of the protracted normalization talks between the two countries would be a feather in the cap of the military government and an accomplishment well worth exploiting in its election campaign.

Red China Shakeup

Diplomatic reports out of Red China suggest that a major shakeup is in the making for the Peking government. Most likely to be affected, it is said, are those who map and guide Red China's foreign policy — not because of what they did but how they did it. These observers expect the Red China hard line to be maintained but without some of the diplomatic crudities that have become a trademark of many Chinese Communist diplomats.

Editorial Comment

JACKSON COUNTY'S FINE NEW PARK

The other day, a new recreational area on Howard Prairie lake in Jackson county was dedicated. The story behind it is significant.

This is a man-made reservoir which is a part of the Talent irrigation project. The primary purpose is the reclamation of land for agricultural purposes.

But the recreational potential was seen as early as five years ago. The problem then was to find the way to develop the potential.

How this was done provides a heartening example of inter-agency cooperation. Howard Prairie is a U. S. Bureau of Reclamation project on Bureau of Land Management land. Recreational facilities were built by the reclamation bureau in accordance with plans prepared by the National Park Service. They have been turned over to Jackson county, which is operating the area through a concessionaire.

It's worth noting that the recreational and Natural Resources Committee of the Portland Chamber of Commerce in 1958 took a hand in getting the various agencies together.

What has been done is a source of pride for the Bureau of Reclamation and Jackson county. At the dedication, H. T. Nelson, the bureau's regional director, called it "the cleanest, best managed facility in the Northwest." He called attention to the fact that the pre-construction recreational estimates were for 20,000 usage days per year and that last year the actual usage days had exceeded 213,000.

The facilities, which include a boat-launching ramp, campgrounds and picnic areas, are already overcrowded.

Not many years ago, the Bureau of Reclamation didn't regard recreation as important. Experience has proved that recreation follows wherever the reservoirs are built. And in some parts of Oregon the economic value of recreation outweighs the value of watering the land.

Howard Prairie lake helps fill a real recreational need in southern Oregon. We are glad the agencies involved found a way to get the job done.—Oregon Journal.

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

South Viet Nam gets back into the news. There appears to have been a palace revolution in Saigon, the capital, and Henry Cabot Lodge, our new ambassador, has been hustled down there to find out what is going on and what we can do about it.

Dispatches indicate that President Diem's brother has taken over in the palace and appears to be running the shebang.

WHAT kind of person is this brother who has taken over?

It's hard to say, but recent news reports seem to indicate that it is his wife who wears the pants in his family. There are religious aspects to the trouble. Buddhist monks have been protesting against the attitude of the ruling family. Their protests have taken the form of burning themselves to death in flaming pyres.

Of these protests, the lady said the other day: "I would clap hands at seeing another monk-barbecue, for one can not be responsible for the madness of others."

A pleasant sort of character, isn't she?

New Elevator Rules Scheduled for Study

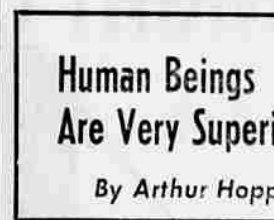
Salem - UP - Rules on new elevator safety standards will be considered Sept. 4 at a public hearing in Portland, Labor Commissioner Norman O. Nilsen announced today.

The hearing will be held in room 36 of the state office building, starting at 9:30 a.m.

New rules are necessary to conform with changes in the elevator safety law enacted by the 1963 legislature. The amendments will become effective Sept. 2.

Human Beings Are Very Superior

By Arthur Hoppe



HOPPE

Washington - Mr. Kennedy has asked the Senate for a "historic debate" on the nuclear test ban treaty. But like most of his proposals to Congress it just isn't panning out.

True, there is a division of opinion among our Senators. One faction is firmly for the treaty, but has reservations. The other just has reservations. But, if you ask me, this doesn't make for much of a debate.

Now there's no question a lot of our Senators would like to be against the treaty. In fact, they'd love to be against the treaty. But the trouble, I think, is that they just haven't come up with any good reasons for everybody to keep on blowing up thermonuclear bombs. It's lucky they've got me.

For, in order to please Mr. Kennedy, help our frustrated Senators and promote a decent historic debate, I've been working up arguments in favor of bomb testing. And, when you put your mind to it, there are surprisingly many.

First of all, what do those who favor the ban say? They say if everybody keeps testing bombs that air is going to get very radioactive. Which is not very good for human beings, not to mention caribou, turtle doves, halibut and daffodils. And who is man, they say, to louse up this planet?

Well, I feel a little sober reflection will dispose of these specious arguments in short order. Take the fact that radioactivity poisons human beings. Do we have the right to poison human beings? But we're human beings too. And if human beings don't have the right to poison human beings, who does? That disposes of that.

Now then, about those other living things which crawl, swim, fly and grow. The issue gets a little touchy here, but I feel we can resolve it. After all, who is the most superior life form on our planet? We human beings. Who is endowed with the wisest wisdom of all? We human beings. Who, then, is the day-to-day custodian of these lower forms which crawl, swim, fly and grow? We superior human beings.

And, being superior, isn't it up to us to decide whether to poison them or not? Of course it is.

So all we need do is ask ourselves whether it is not our solemn duty to save all the caribou, the turtle doves, the

Strictly Personal

By Sydney J. Harris (c) Field Enterprises, Inc.

TRUE REASON The man on the beach was talking to his teen-age son about "reason," and the need to follow the rule of reason in one's life.

I could not help overhearing what he said, it was clear, simple, logical and true—as far as it went. But it did not go far enough. As he spoke, I recollected a lovely line from one of Santayana's books, in which the philosopher said: "Reason in my philosophy is only a harmony among irrational impulses."

What is most valuable among Freud's discoveries—and ultimately much more so than the current emphasis on sexuality—is his exposure to the light of our irrational impulses, of the blind and sometimes demonic forces that compel us to repeat our childhood patterns of relating to others and to ourselves.

Reason is not, as the ancients thought, the power to think logically, while rigorously expelling all irrational feelings from one's mind. Rather, it is the rare ability to accept and understand such irrational feelings, and to make them work in harmony with one another, instead of in conflict.

This is the task of the mature human ego—to deal out even-handed justice both to the dictates of reality and to the infantile needs that persist within us. And the dangerous paradox of "reasonableness" is that, inevitably, it leads to severe repression of our instinctual needs and makes us wildly irrational in our defense of "reason."

Parents of this type most often fail to understand their children, because the parents have "grown up" in only one direction. They are responsible, prudent, rational, in terms of the social roles they play—but they have, at the same time, not grown up enough to reach a harmony among their irrational impulses. They push back and deny impulses (except when they drink), and therefore resent them in their children.

To know that one is incomplete, imperfect, irrational, at times dominated by childishly wicked wishes, is to be truly rational. To pretend otherwise is the height of folly.

It is no accident that the greatest tragedies of history have been committed by men who followed an utterly "reasonable" goal, which led them to the bloodiest depths of fanaticism. Denying the child within us is the surest path to monsterism.

So there you have the argument in favor of our right to go on blowing up bombs. And I trust we'll now have a more spirited historic debate, with Senators leaping to their feet to oppose the treaty fortrightly.

For if there's one concept that appeals most to our Leaders, it's the idea that they are endowed with Superior Wisdom.

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"A domestic Peace Corps is a good idea. It'll give young people a chance to see how the other half lives!"