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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. Sept. 26, 1953 (Saturday). Monday will mark the start of the 1954 United Medford Crusade with a "one-shot" campaign for 25 participating agencies; goal is \$101,000.

20 YEARS AGO. Sept. 26, 1943 (Sunday). Bond purchases to be admission to Holly theater. From Arthur Perry's "Ye Smudge Pot" column: "The first overcoats of the season showed up yes. One advocate of an early winter was bald-headed and wore no hat."

30 YEARS AGO. Sept. 26, 1933 (Tuesday). Council votes wage boost for city employees. Dr. Durmo catches his first steelhead in Rogue river.

40 YEARS AGO. Sept. 26, 1923 (Wednesday). Jackson county exhibits win third prize at state fair at Salem. Copeo provides lights for new bridge over Rogue river at Prospect.

50 YEARS AGO. Sept. 26, 1913 (Friday). Union livery stable on South Riverside ave. burns, seven horses die. Gala day marks opening of Jacksonville fair.

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

- 1. When going through a fence, a hunter should drag his rifle after himself, true or false? 2. To which island in the West Indies was the name Hispaniola originally given? 3. Complete the proverb: "Every dog has..." 4. When the Vice President of the U.S. is absent, who presides over the U.S. Senate? 5. What body of water lies between the peninsula of Lower California and the mainland of Mexico? 6. What weapon did David use against Goliath? 7. Potsdam is a suburb of which German city? 8. Many U.S. Communists took part in what European Civil War? 9. Is the Republic of Liberia on the west coast, or the east coast of Africa? 10. In which European country did the breed of dogs known as spaniels originate? Answers: 1. False. 2. Haiti. 3. "... his day." 4. The President Pro Tempore (an elected Senator). 5. Gulf of California. 6. Sling. 7. Berlin. 8. Spanish Civil War. 9. West coast. 10. Spain.

Former Postmaster Receives Probation. PORTLAND (UPI) - Mrs. Louise Hughes, 41, former postmaster at Antelope in Wasco county, was placed on three-year probation Wednesday by Federal Judge John F. Kilkeny in connection with embezzlement of \$1,344 in post office funds. The judge noted full restoration had been made.

The Warren Court

This week, Earl Warren completes 10 years as Chief Justice of the United States. Under his leadership, the Supreme Court has been transformed from a largely quiescent but latent force into a vigorous and active participant in government. The country, and the people, are the better for it. The court has courageously faced up to a number of major problems, and has given its rulings according to Constitutional principles, sometimes extending them into new areas: The rights of minorities; the separation of church and state; the relationship of the states and the federal government; the right of the citizen to seek redress in this involved age of government.

IT IS THE fact that the court has extended Constitutional principles into new areas that has caused the violent criticism of the court from some sources. The Sacramento Bee comments:

"... Men too blind to see that, if the rights of a few are prejudiced, the rights of all are in danger, would impeach Warren; their hate is naked."

Warren, fortunately, is in no danger of impeachment, for the bulk of the citizenry of the United States, while they may disagree with all or parts of individual decisions, are convinced that the court, by and large, is right. They are also convinced that orderly government requires an independent judiciary, who can say No to any President, any Congress, when they transgress the Constitution.

THE BEE compares the Warren Court with the Court in the time of Chief Justice John Marshall—that period when the Court, for the first time, became involved in controversial matters of the day, and did not hesitate to exercise the power inherent to it in the Constitution. It adds:

"In faithfully interpreting the law, as the Warren court has in the fundamental and explosive issues involving the rights of all and the separation of church and state, the judiciary in the highest sense remains a guardian of the conscience, just as much as a guardian of the law."

Chief Justice Warren, now eligible for retirement with full pay, is still the picture of health and vigor, though in his 70s. We wish him many more years of distinguished and valued service. —E. A.

Migrants and Happy Hicks

Last year, California gained an estimated 363,000 in population from people moving there to live. That is almost 1,000 every day of the year.

But is also estimated that this net in-migration is only about half of the annual total influx, which is thought to total more than 700,000. Of this total, nearly half leave again, sooner or later, meaning that about 1,000 people leave the state for each day of the year.

Or, phrased another way, of every two people who arrive, one departs again.

NO ONE knows why, for sure. But many people suspect that it is because living in California is not nearly as pleasant as it used to be. The pressures of population—and the resulting supermarkets, highways and freeways, parking lots, cramped subdivisions, air and water pollution, crowded schools—all the things that go with too many people, drive many away.

Where do they go? Well, some of them return home again, many to the mid-West, which is California's chief source of new residents. Many go to the great Southwest—Arizona, New Mexico and Texas. But many head for the Pacific Northwest.

A NEW YORK Times story says the reasons for moving to Washington or Oregon "often are the same that drew the migrants to California—freedom and fresh air."

No accurate accounting of the California influx into Oregon is available, but there are signs. The U-Haul Trailer company last May increased rates for southern Californians for taking trailers into Oregon. It found that such one-way traffic increased 36 per cent in the preceding six months.

An article by Columnist Neil Morgan, printed in San Francisco and San Diego papers, quoted an unidentified former Medford resident as telling a Californian questioner:

"... We got tall mountains, green fir trees, deep lawns with no crabgrass, decent drinking water, hard liquor if you feel a need for it, no sales tax, plenty of land to run your kids on, readin', ritin' and rithmetic in the schools, and a very strong dislike for Californians who wheel into town acting like they smell something dead."

SHE MAY have hit on the reason why so many new Californians become ex-Californians, when she said:

"But I'll be going back to Oregon, myself. I guess I been living up there too long to fit in where there's nothing but hot, hard city sidewalks. "My husband and three children and I were lured south to California by propaganda put out by some relatives who turned traitor and moved to San Diego. It's been hectic trying to adjust to Southern California living. Even my relatives have a different set of values than I do. "When I tell them, 'California is a state of mind, and I don't have the right mind for it,' my brother shakes his head sadly. But I think it's better to be a happy hick than a rich seen-it-all."

We agree. But we hope too many Californians don't. —E. A.

"Latest Reports On The Non-Free Areas"



... 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.

Now Is the Time. To the Editor: Our dollar today is down to the lowest value it has ever been. It is worth 45 cents. And our taxes are the highest they have ever been. It seems clear that our state government is testing the limit of how high they can tax us before we stop them. So... Now is the time for us to let them know that they have not only reached that limit—they have passed it. Vote on Oct. 15 against the \$60 million crippling state income tax increase.

The brazen threats of what will happen to all of us; property tax increases, curtailment of educational and other services, if this increase in taxes is not approved, have passed beyond the limits of decency in political persuasion. Stop the spenders before they spend all of us out of house and home. Clarice DuBois, 420 Edgewater dr., Grants Pass, Ore.

On Socializing Oregon. To the Editor: Cheers for L. C. Powell (M.T. 9-19-63) for setting the "tax happy" Liberals back on their heels. These people are really shook. They have been staggered by the spontaneous grass roots action that miraculously sprang up overnight in a petition drive against their \$60 million tax law, and by the fact that for the first time in history registered voters in droves hunted up petition bearers to sign the income tax referral petition eagerly and defiantly. With their grip slipping on that \$60 million with which they were going to further socialize Oregon, the power hungry Socialist crowd running this state pulled every dirty trick in the book. They delayed the petition drive in every way possible. Then through the press they tried to intimidate the voters and frighten them into not signing the petition. And how many Oregonians know that Albany Editor J. Francely Howard had to keep an armed guard of the swiftly growing stack of precious petitions that poured in on him? That he and his chief help, Dr. K. E. Vreeland of St. Helens, both received profane telephone calls so threatening and so menacing that they changed the filing date of the petitions, from Sunday to two days earlier on Friday, and asked for state police protection on the way to Salem? That because of unheard pressure from somewhere the state police headquarters in Salem refused to provide protection? And that it was private citizens who finally came forward, armed and ready for trouble, and escorted the Howard card to Salem?

Now that the petitions are safely filed, our Socialist "friends" have turned to the news media with threats against the voters. Clever, subtle threats and cunning propaganda. Well, don't push your luck, fellows. Don't threaten me with a far worse tax, and other dire consequences. And don't threaten the exasperated citizens of Oregon, either. We'll throw a "worse tax" right back in your teeth with another referral petition.

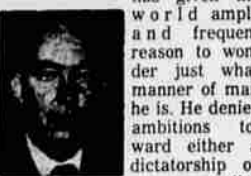
It's time you fellows learned that the people are not your servants—that YOU are the servants of the PEOPLE. And that we want you tax spenders to get off our backs—that we don't want another tax of any kind. Just cut the fat out of the unnecessary, huge budget that you've dreamed up. And if you can't do that, maybe we can put somebody in there at the next election who can.

Frank Koch, 412 South First st., Central Point, Ore.

Exposing the Dross. To the Editor: I view with alacrity the mental washings of

Ben Bella of Algeria Gives World Ample Cause To Wonder What Kind of Man He Is

By PHIL NEWSOM. UPI Foreign News Analyst. In the little more than a year that Algerian strongman Ahmed Ben Bella has been in power, he has given the world ample



and frequent reason to wonder just what manner of man he is. He denies ambitions toward either a dictatorship or a personality cult. Yet since the summer of 1962 he has eliminated all of the "historic leaders" who along with him on the night of Oct. 31-Nov. 1, 1956, launched the Algerian revolt against France.

Ben Youssef Ben Khedda, who headed the former Algerian exile government and waged a short power struggle with Ben Bella, now runs a drug store. Yet Ben Bella honestly can point out that no bloodbath has accompanied his rise to power

and that the regimes few political prisoners have been treated comparatively mildly. He denies being a Marxist, yet one of his idols is Fidel Castro.

As late as last May he declared that Algeria "will have Castro Socialism," and there is speculation that on the ninth anniversary of the Algerian revolt this fall, Castro will be an honored guest.

And, while Ben Bella visits the United Nations in New York

and seeks a meeting with President Kennedy to enlist more U.S. air for Algeria, his No. 2 man, Col. Houari Boumediene, will be in Moscow working out details of a \$100 million credit offered by the Soviet Union.

Last week as Ben Bella took over the newly-created post of president of Algeria, he announced new plans to step up the pace of Socialism.

He said his regime would nationalize "all the lands of the (French) settlers and the traitors as well."

Affected would be some 2 million acres still under French ownership. A day later came an edict seizing three French-owned newspapers.

Involved were clear violations of the accords by which France granted Algerian independence. This week, Ben Bella went a step further.

He threatened to nationalize all French property in Algeria if the French resumed nuclear testing in the Sahara.

Matter of Fact By Joseph Alsop

THE WAR CAN BE WON. SAIGON — The Communists are trying to capitalize on the bitter backlash of the Buddhist crisis by another round of grenade-tossing in this grenade-acclimated city.



Also, Ambassador has sent a second investigative mission to Viet Nam on the very heels of a lower level, just departed mission. On the surface, in short, both the local situation and the American response to it leave few grounds for encouragement. For the short run, moreover, Pollyannaism about the crucially important position here in South Viet Nam is sadly out of place.

The resentment of the government of President Ngo Dinh Diem, which has been so long, so often, and so profusely reported by the local anti-Diem crusaders, was largely a fiction until quite recently. Local politicians out of a job, many of them former French collaborators, blathering about "Vietnamese democracy" provided the main evidence for this famous resentment until just the other day.

Now, however, the Buddhist crisis has had the political effect of a broken mainspring. One result of the crisis has been to cause President Diem himself to lose all sureness of touch. The other and more important result has been to make all those reports of resentment come true at last. There is real bitterness towards the regime now, and the combination of this bitterness with the singular state of affairs in Gia Long palace certainly raises grave questions about the viability of the Diem regime.

There is no cause, however, for the kind of panic to which Washington seems to have succumbed. On any practical calculation, President Diem will either take the needed steps to make his government viable again, or strong internal forces will eventually take steps to secure a new government which will be viable. The odds are very heavy that these are the real alternatives.

On this calculation, patience and calm are the prescriptions for Washington. It is hard to imagine a more ridiculous spectacle than the government of the United States of America reacting like a bee-stung adolescent to the egomaniacal maunderings of Mme. Ngo Dinh Nhu. Surely it ought to be possible to ignore Mme. Nhu—which she will greatly dislike.

The spectacle is rendered alarming as well as ridiculous by Sen. Frank Church, with his resolution designed to undermine the U. S. effort here, and

Strictly Personal

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

PERSONAL PREJUDICES. Those emotional vultures who swoop down to attend a squalid trial ought to be put on trial themselves, on charges of contributing to the delinquency of their own characters.

Most people who bemoan their lack of a basic liberal education either forgot or never heard the good advice of Thoreau: "Read the best books first, or you may not have a chance to read them at all."

The toothpaste companies defeat themselves by bringing out a new "miracle" ingredient every year—thus proving the ineffectiveness of last year's highly touted "miracle."

If I were an employer, I would never hire an executive without first meeting his wife: for a man with an overambitious wife is easily driven to corruption or a crackup. The men who need to be goaded to success are never able to handle it.

The "place-dropper" is a boring variant of the name-dropper, and just as annoying—to speak intimately and casually of Capri as a one-day tour of the island is as impertinent as calling a great man by his first name after shaking hands once.

The line between "discretion" and cowardice is exceedingly fine; and man's worst sin is the negative one of failing to speak up when justice cries out for supporters. Nothing we do is half as bad as what we do not do.

If there is one thing I am certain of in this changing world, it is the unchanging affirmation that the "war to end war" will not be fought with arms.

So long as children are mis-educated to the belief that nature impuses toward sex are "evil," they will grow up in conflict and guilt; natural impulses are neither good nor bad, but neutral, and morality consists in using them for socially and spiritually desirable ends.

The project to transform Bernard Shaw's house into a shrine failed for lack of public support; a fitting rebuke to a man who, though he respected humanity in the abstract, never cared much for people in the particular. History always exercises its adequate revenge.

I am tired of hearing the excuse that America is a "young" country. Nobody as old has a right to act as childish as we do.

vocabulary and therefore may be unable to reach you. I stated my feelings unashamed and signed my name so that all who knew me might also know how I feel.

To go further, I am not a southerner and am of English descent. Being an only child my parents were able to concentrate on what they considered most important. Equality, Freedom, and Justice. I was raised in southern California and went to school with not only Negroes but Japanese, Mexicans, Italians and many other nationalities. I was friendly with them all and didn't get head lice or bedbugs either.

Furthermore I found that they could play jump rope, jacks and hopscotch as well as any white child. Though I grew up with them I married a white man and had five white children who went to school with mixed races too, up to a few years ago. The two oldest boys are married now, to white girls who share their views, that all men are created equal.

So you see, that is the heritage I pass onto my children and they in turn pass onto theirs. Did I understand you to say you have no children? Maybe that was a mistake on your part. I would like you to talk to my youngsters and get their view. You would be surprised at their peace of mind and their ideas on humanity. I'm proud to think that I am the mother of part of the future generation that feels as they do. I regret that you can't or won't see the other side of things. Joyce Williams, Route 1, Box 418, Central Point, Ore.

his attendant chorus of experts on guerrilla wars who have never seen a guerrilla war, but still speak ex cathedra about the impossibility of victory. This is a war which must be won, and experience teaches that it can be won.

Today, if you go out and have a look at operations in the countryside, the area that matters most, this war is still going remarkably well. Later, if the government is not somehow rendered more viable, the feeling in the big cities will spill over into the villages; and then the war will not go well. But this has not happened as yet.

It is a pretty moving experience, moreover, to go out into the provinces and see what is happening. To begin with, the American officers and men who are daily fighting this war, shoulder to shoulder with the Vietnamese, are a rather special breed who make you proud of your country. A great many of them are men to whom that normally awful adjective, "dedicated," can be applied with accuracy. See them in action, and you find yourself recalling that line of Kipling's, "Ye little know of England who only England know"; for they are somewhat unexpected products of the soft affluent society.

Furthermore, these Americans who daily fight the war do not wall that the war cannot be won, or say that the Vietnamese people will not fight for their own freedom and independence. In fact, they say the precise opposite.

The proof of their good judgment is there, in the open, for anyone to see, moreover. It is there in the villages, whose humble, courageous, hard-working people matter so much more than anyone else in Viet Nam. The central fact in the whole situation here is the simple fact that under the strategic hamlet program, the villagers have been given very modest arms to defend themselves against Communist terrorism; and they have used those arms to defend themselves, often against repeated attacks and heavy odds.

If the people in the villages did not wish to defend themselves, or were ready to turn their new arms against the government forces—as some feared when the hamlet program was launched—this would indeed be a war impossible to win. But the great test was made. And despite variations in the quality of the strategic hamlets from province to province, there is no doubt that the gamble has paid off.

This spring, therefore, this war was being won. It can still be won. And those who wish to lay down the burden the U. S. has assumed here, simply because we are going through a political bad patch, are merely serving the interests of that great humanitarian and democrat, Chairman Mao Tse-tung.



"What a charmer! Too bad he's with the wrong political party!"