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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 Oct. 4, 1953 (Sunday) A Richmond, Calif., man reported missing in the Dead Indian-Fish Lake area during the week end, turned up Sunday at Klamath Falls, state police said.

20 YEARS AGO Oct. 4, 1943 (Monday) Yanks beat Giants 4 to 2 in World Series opener. From Arthur Perry's "Ye Smudge Pot" column: "Males are running around with gay rooster feathers in the bands of their new fall hats. None as yet have strolled by the laundry and been shot for a Chinese pheasant."

30 YEARS AGO Oct. 4, 1933 (Wednesday) First liquor advertisements appear since prohibition, as dry repeal nears. Mrs. Ward McReynolds of Eden precinct raises 1 pound, 9 ounce tomato.

40 YEARS AGO Oct. 4, 1923 (Thursday) First snow of season falls at Crater Lake. During September, 3,177 tourists stopped at city auto camp.

50 YEARS AGO Oct. 4, 1913 (Saturday) Mahlon Purdin, pioneer resident, elected mayor at special meeting of city council. WCTU delegates report on Corvallis meeting.

What's Your I.Q.?

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

- 1. Is the Blue Danube in Europe or Asia? 2. How many quinoxes are there each year? 3. Did John Quincy Adams serve as Representative in Congress before or after he served as President? 4. Is an artesian a deep well, a blood vessel, skilled craftsman or an imitation of painting? 5. For whom was the month of October named? 6. Caliber indicates the muzzle velocity of a weapon, true or false? 7. The American Red Cross was organized by Florence Nightingale; true or false? 8. Which state of the U.S. is second smallest in area? 9. Where was the first cheese made? 10. The motion picture, "The Pride of the Yankees," was based on the life of which New York ballplayer? Answers: 1. Europe. 2. Two. 3. After. 4. Skilled craftsman. 5. Caesar Augustus. 6. False. 7. False. 8. Delaware. 9. Egypt. 10. Lou Gehrig.

\$22 Billion Spent For Health Care

NEW YORK (UPI) — The American people spent an estimated \$22.7 billion last year to maintain their health and remedy their ailments, the Health Insurance Institute reported. The billions averaged \$124 for each man, woman and child in the nation. The money paid hospital, doctor, drug, dentist, nursing home and other health-connected bills.

Conant on Teacher Education

James B. Conant is one of this nation's most distinguished citizens. He has been an outstanding scientist, president of Harvard University, wartime science advisor to the government, ambassador to West Germany, and has held dozens of lesser but still important roles in the nation's behalf. Since his "retirement," he has performed still another function—that of investigator and constructive critic of the nation's elementary and secondary schools. It is entirely possible that this latter role is the one he will be longest remembered for.

IN THIS day of committees to investigate and survey and report, Conant's work is that of an individual, and the findings are published in his name, although he had a staff to assist him. Two previous books have grown out of his studies, one concerning high schools, the other about junior highs. But his most recent book is apt to be the most controversial of all, for he has stepped into the long-simmering conflict between "educationists"—those who put the emphasis on teaching methods in the training of teachers—and the "academicians"—those who put the emphasis on adequate preparation in subject matter in training teachers.

He calls for greater cooperation between the two camps. But it is obvious in reading his recommendations that his heart is with the subject-matter people, not the methodologists.

HIS book, "The Education of American Teachers," hits hardest at present methods of teacher certification. He would eliminate many of the tradition-hallowed criteria for such certification (calling the whole process "a nuisance" which "ought to be simplified"). And he calls upon the colleges and universities to use greater intelligence and initiative and imagination in properly preparing future teachers.

Aside from academic preparation and the backing of the institution from which the teacher graduates, Conant would require only a period of successful, supervised practice teaching. He feels this is important—far more important than meeting certain arbitrary certification requirements.

Space prohibits a detailed review of his findings and recommendations, but in essence he is calling for a real revolution in the education and preparation of teachers.

PUTTING his recommendations into effect would require action at all levels—in local school districts, by legislatures and state education officials, and by colleges and universities. In any long-entrenched group of professionals, change comes slow and hard, and it is too much to hope for that any significant degree of change, along the lines he recommends, will come overnight.

But his book is clear-eyed and clear-headed. It is bound to have a long-range impact, even though change comes slowly.

Change for change's sake is hardly ever desirable. But change based on common sense and an intelligent look at problems and possible solutions is not only desirable, it is inevitable.

And that well may be Conant's most important contribution to coming generations of teachers and students.—E.A.

Orchard Labor Problems

Medford district fruit growers, long confronted with a "public relations problem" of telling local people about their problems, how they go about solving them, and how important the industry is to the economy, are going at it more positively than at any time in the recent past.

Some days ago they invited a representative group of valley residents to visit the farm labor camp near the airport, to have lunch, and to hear discussions of the problems encountered in finding fruit pickers for the short and crucial harvest season.

Those attending were impressed—not only with the magnitude of the problem, but with the constructive manner in which it is being handled. State and federal officials were high in their praise of local fruit men for the cooperative program that has been worked out.

THE story is well-known to many valley people, but it bears periodic repeating. Local labor sources simply are not adequate, in numbers, or willingness to do the hard work, or in availability, particularly after school opens. Migrant workers are often unavailable during the period when fruit must be picked. Itinerants are either unavailable, or unsatisfactory, or both.

The answer, in most cases, is to supplement what labor forces are available with contract workers from the southwest, and with Mexican nationals—the braceros brought from Mexico for farm work.

THE solution, as with many complicated problems, boils down to a series of make-do's and compromises, none of them wholly satisfactory, but which, in combination, do the job.

It is expensive, it is inconvenient, it requires a high degree of cooperation among the fruit growers (who are pretty individualistic cusses, mostly), and it should have the understanding and sympathy of the community.

We are pleased to see that, at long last, the fruit men are going out of their way to seek that understanding and sympathy from their friends and neighbors.—E.A.

"Observe Closely, Mi Amigo"



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.

ADDRESSER NEEDS? Editor's note: To be considered for publication, letters to the Communications column must bear the name AND the address of the sender. Several recent letters lacked a return address, and for this reason can be neither used nor acknowledged.

Utility of Words To the Editor: Re: C. R. Burhill. Congratulations on your adroit example of superfluous articulation. I didn't know you were a sycophant or Webster not a homospian.

In a past letter you say in regards to civil rights, "In other words what seem to be obstacles now will disappear as we approach them." Approaching my letter you say you could make my letter "More understandable, even to its author." Then, later, "... What DID you say?" How do you reconcile THIS?

Why Send Two? To the Editor: Yesterday my husband and I received our Voter's Pamphlets. Since we are both registered in the same political party and reside at the same residence, this is my point:

Why send two? I recall reading in a past Tribune article which told of a bill to abolish this thing. The saving was \$150,000. This bill was defeated. Why?

Why pay a publisher this amount for something as unnecessary as this, when there are much more worthwhile things to spend it for, such as education, welfare, etc.?

It states in the Voters Pamphlet — 450,000 school children will be victimized by a no vote. Now if that is true, and no doubt it is, who would be guilty? The legislators set the foregoing example.

Why threaten our children's education for lack of funds and make such foolish expenditures as above?

Another thing that comes to my mind is the furor over prisoners working on construction of women's (penal) quarters, etc. The objection was, the prisoners deprive organized labor. Why not let them earn their keep, and at the same time remove another financial burden of the state and taxpayers?

Most homemakers soon learn what is necessary and what is not, when they must maintain a budget based on a husband's monthly income. Often times the income is subjected to layoffs due to low market prices, inclement weather and what not. Furthermore, when they do make a blunder, stupid or otherwise, they must make do, as there are no other funds from which to draw. Most certainly they cannot raise taxes to offset a mistake.

So before all the threats to education and welfare, etc., perhaps it might be well for our state legislators to do some re-vamping along these lines. No doubt there very well could be more of these types of situations.

I believe most people don't object to taxes, especially when their money is wisely spent, but when they are being threatened with more taxes and the money has been squandered in the past, then I think they are entitled to question and object to any new tax issue.

I urge voters to compare their last year's income tax return with the new rates and schedules in the Voter's Pamphlet. Eunice Richardson, 110 Haskell St., Central Point, Ore.

Class Rule! To the Editor: What is the cause of teenage crime? Although this is a serious problem in other countries as well as our own, statistics show that the United States leads in youth crime.

Teenage terror is most rampant in slum areas, but it is significant that delinquency is hardly less common in the suburbs and among sons and daughters of the rich. Anti-social attitudes are certainly not class-limited. In fact, they may well exist as commonly among people of adequate income who commit more sophisticated and subtle offenses and who are less frequently arrested or convicted for their infractions of the code.

While children of the working class automatically acquire police records when they get in trouble, children from upper-income groups have their delinquencies, even crimes of violence, treated as "pranks." All thoughtful adults shudder inwardly over the implications of teenage crime. Although the crimes are often shocking in themselves, there is also the utter absence of reason and human feeling among many of the perpetrators. Judges, social

THE INCOME TAX MEASURE

This is one of a series of brief presentations of some little-known aspects of the income tax measure on which Oregon voters will decide at a special election on Oct. 15.

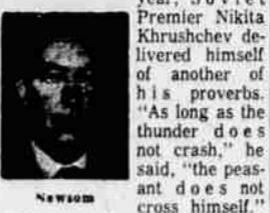
A "yes" vote approves the law; a "no" vote defeats it, and paves the way for reductions in state services and a second legislative session.

QUESTION I am a widow earning \$3,000 and supporting two children. How will the tax law affect me?

ANSWER The tax bill contains several income tax reforms that are long overdue. You would now have "head of household" status, which would reduce your taxes from \$105 per year to \$77. Until this year, only families qualified for the special lower rate. Under the old law that would continue if the 1963 tax measure were defeated, you paid 35 per cent more tax than a man, wife and child paid on the same income.

Soviet Farm Problems Bring Nearer U.S. Wheat Exports; Policy Revision Necessary

By PHIL NEWSOM UPI Foreign News Analyst In the Ukraine surveying the wreckage of what had been hoped would be a banner crop year, Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev delivered himself of another of his proverbs. "As long as the thunder does not crash," he said, "the peasant does not cross himself."



The remark was interpreted as a suggestion to Soviet planners that they might have done more to foresee this year's disaster which has turned the Soviet Union from a normally grain-exporting nation to one forced to scramble on the world wheat market to meet its minimum needs. For this, aside from a bitterly cold winter and a long summer drought, the Soviet premier could give himself a large share of the credit, since the direction of Soviet agriculture has been his own particular baby.

workers, psychiatrists, police, and others, have offered various explanations for this animalistic behavior. Violence on television, broken homes, parents too engrossed with their own problems, courts that are "too soft," not enough police, etc., are some of the "answers" given by those supposed experts on teenage crime.

The fact is that youth-crime co-exists with class rule, and there is, therefore, no solution to the problem as long as class rule exists. It is a monstrous reflex of cynicism, greed, selfishness, callous unconcern for the rights of the weak, violence and the ever-present threat of annihilation that are the common experience of all people living under class rule.

How can juvenile delinquency be arrested in such an environment? Every trend and every example in this outmoded society—the flaunting of material wealth beyond the reach of the majority of youth, the cynical pervading corruption and competitive dog-eat-dog struggle, and above all, the threat of nuclear catastrophe—all encourage a cruel, live-it-up philosophy and a blind hatred of everyone and everything that obstruct self-indulgence.

The corruption of citizens in the spring-time of life, when they are most susceptible to example, is conclusive evidence of moral decay and impending social collapse.

Lydia Burnham 814 Warner St. Prescott, Ariz.

Post Cards To the Editor: I am a 13-year-old girl who collects picture post cards as a hobby and I was wondering if you could help me out of a predicament? I need cards from your very beautiful and picturesque state of Oregon most desperately! Would you please be so kind as to print my plea for cards in your newspaper? I'd be most grateful if you would as I do not know how I will ever get cards from Oregon otherwise. All cards will be used, old, such as: unused, old, cards from other states and also from foreign countries. Thanks a million, dear editor! Sheralee Rhodes, 237 Keyworth ave., Baltimore, Md., 21215.

Sad Songs To the Editor: The present generation of young men is the unhappiest of this century. Just listen to their songs. The poor fellows sing of the tragedy of losing their girlfriends. It is all very sad. But what of those guys who win the girls? Do they feel lucky? Suggested title for a song: "I Won the Girl (that my best friend lost)" Question: When a girl is called "baby" does she feel flattered? David Frisch P. O. Box 292 White City, Ore.

From Washington: Senator Hubert H. Humphrey, of Minnesota, assistant Senate Democratic leader, believes that President Kennedy may decide soon to lift restrictions on the sale of wheat to Russia.

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WHAT cooks? Well, business is business—and this wheat deal is Big Business. It may run into the hundreds of millions of dollars.

Mr. Khrushchev is the buyer. As the buyer, he naturally wants to beat the price down as low as possible. So... he plays casual and uninterested, intimating that he has about all the wheat he needs and will be interested only if he gets an extraordinarily good deal.

WELL, let's HOPE that's the way it is. If we can get our relations with Soviet Russia down to a BUSINESS basis, we will be making progress toward peace.

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His virgin lands project had not been a success and it appeared he now was abandoning a previous belief that the Soviet Union's growing population needs could be met simply by expanding acreage.

Instead, the emphasis now would be on irrigation and a vastly expanded output of fertilizer.

Contributing also to the disaster were the weaknesses which annually plague the Soviet agricultural economy—low incentives, inadequate transportation facilities and a shortage of farm machinery.

At any rate, as the premier said, the U.S.S.R. was in a "difficult position."

For Canada and Australia, one man's loss was another man's gain.

From Canada alone, Soviet buyers purchased nearly seven million tons of wheat in a record \$500 million deal which scraped the bottom of the bins of Canada's exportable surplus.

From Ottawa, where U.S. wheat dealers were meeting with a Soviet delegation, came reports that the Soviets wanted still more and would buy up to 200 million bushels from the United States if the U.S. government would authorize it.

What has been on the U.S. list of goods embargoed against sale to Russia and such a sale would require a major change in U.S. policy.

There also was the virtual certainty that if the United States sold wheat to Russia some of it would find its way back to Cuba.

But the temptation also was great. The U.S. government held more than a billion bushels of surplus wheat and another billion was on the way.

Crop damage suffered by the Soviet Union and by much of the remainder of Europe already had benefited U.S. farmers.

Analysts already were predicting record wheat shipments and

grateful if you would as I do not know how I will ever get cards from Oregon otherwise. All cards will be used, old, such as: unused, old, cards from other states and also from foreign countries. Thanks a million, dear editor! Sheralee Rhodes, 237 Keyworth ave., Baltimore, Md., 21215.

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total farm exports of another record close to \$6 billion. By this week, it seemed the U.S. government had made up its mind. If they asked for it, the Soviets could have 200 million bushels of wheat for \$350 million cash on the barrel head.

The Hootennannies Will Get Us All

By Arthur Hoppe

Senator Keating, the New York Republican, is poking fun at the Right Wing for demanding a Congressional investigation of folk songs. On the grounds, says the Right Wing, that these "Hootennannies" have been used to brainwash and subvert" us all.

The Senator is making speeches about "Mine Enemy, the Folk Singer" which is very funny and all that. But, personally, I think the Right Wing's right. Do you want to be brainwashed by a hootennanny? It's enough to give you nightmares.

Moreover, most authentic folk songs are laments about love and peace and that sort of thing. Issues which definitely smack of Left Wing tendencies these days.

Is this fair? Of course not. What our Nation needs, so that we can be brainwashed equally by both sides, are more Right Wing folk songs.

So I've been working on it. And we now have plans for a Superpatriotic Hootennanny in the Hollywood Bowl starring the Slimefighters, a dashing quartet composed of a Young American for Freedom, two chiropractors wearing steel-rimmed glasses and a little old lady in tennis shoes. Who sings bass.

To warm up the crowd, the program will open with one of those typical love songs you hear at hootennannies. You know, the girl is torn trying to choose between two swain. The lights will go down, the three men will hum mournfully into their kazooes and the little old lady will clutch the microphone to a croon that sad ballad: "I've Got

Of course, the purists will sniff at our hootennanny. They'll say these old folk songs we made up aren't authentic. But what can we do? Very few authentic old folk songs have militant Right Wing messages.

I guess it's that the plain people who make up folk songs would rather sing yearningly about love and peace than militantly about hate and war. But, after all, they've been doing it for a couple of hundred years. I say let's give the other side a chance.

them in the beginning turns into anti-one-another in the end. This is worth remembering in an age when evil seems ascendant, powerful, organized, and ruthless; when society assumes the dimensions of a magnified racket; when expediency becomes the mark of polity; when nations, like sophisticated gangsters, engage promiscuously in threats, bribes, blackmail, and all the lower forms of intimidation.

It is no mere sentimentalism to insist that — barring some cosmic cataclysm — evil cannot survive and flourish; for it contains the seed of its own destruction. Its center does not hold, it flies apart, it cannot cope with the one thing it wants above all — success.

For success, to have any meaning requires order, coherence, unity, proportion, and equity. All these factors are alien to the spirit of evil. Most of all, success calls for cooperation at the deepest level — cooperation is impossible for the separatist spirit.

Rival gangs kill one another off; within each gang, struggles for power disintegrate the group. Hitlers and Stalins cannot maintain "non-aggression pacts" for very long. Tyrants are assassinated by their own lieutenants. The same instinct that drives a man into wickedness drives him to dominate and destroy his associates in the enterprise. Evil in its very nature is self-defeating; in dark days, this truth is sometimes all that good men have to cling to.

Samuel Johnson put it pithily two centuries ago: "Combinations of wickedness would overwhelm the world did not those who have long practised perfidy grow faithless to each other."

Thieves fall out; thieves must fall out, for it is the essence of their character, the mainspring of their behavior. They can have no enduring loyalty to one another, no basic trust, no disinterested activity. What is anti-social in

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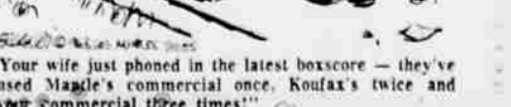
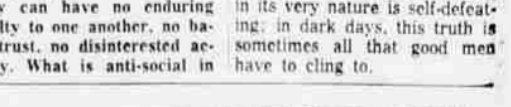
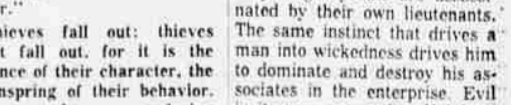
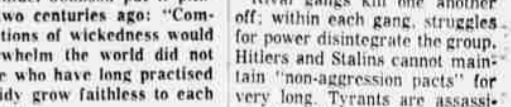
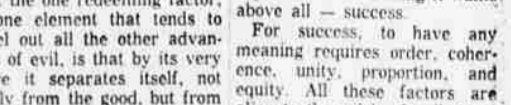
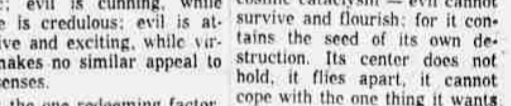
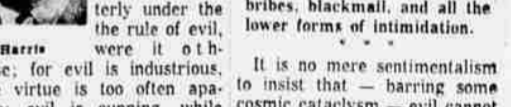
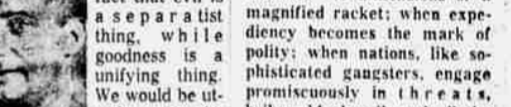
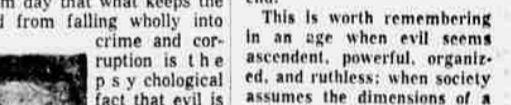
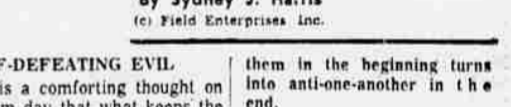
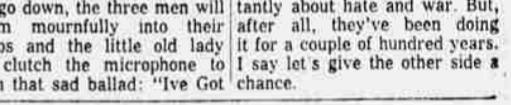
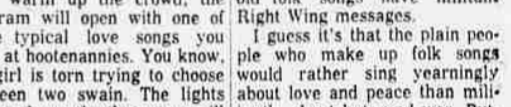
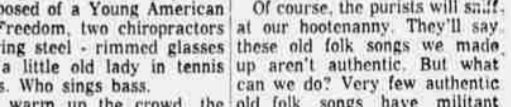
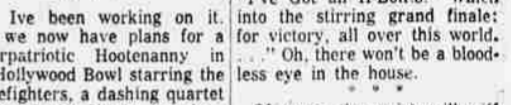
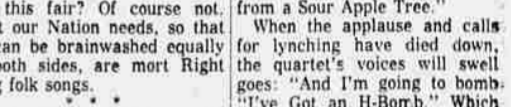
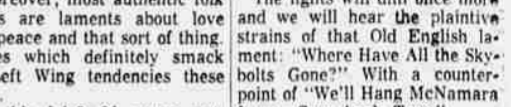
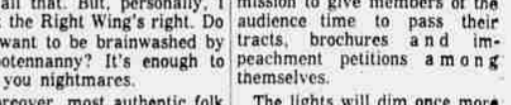
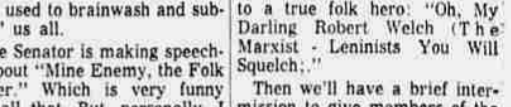
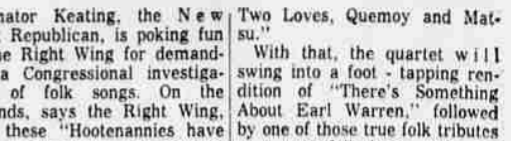
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