Enrollments Indicate Leveling Off Process In Douglas County Schools

Stability Kept Despite Drop In Economy

Attendance Decreases Few, Small; Roseburg Shows Decline Of 202

It won't be until Sept. 30 that a complete picture will be available of the effect the weak lumber market and labor problems have on school populations of the county, but reports so far from most of the population centers indicate stability.

Most districts were remaining at about the same level as or showing only slight losses, from last year. Others were showing record school enrollments, but nothing indicated mass evacuations from the county. The definite picture will be available when all schools report populations to the county Sept. 30.

Roseburg's sprawling school district was one of those which had dropped slightly. But the decrease had little affect on the district.

Because of shifts being arranged, due to the new Eastwood School, and additions to Hucrest, the picture of changing population was a little cloudy. But among those schools not directly affected, two had shown an increase in pupils, according to the latest report. Green was up to 443 from 425 at the same time last year, and the high school was up to 1,383 from 1,371 last year. Other schools were either stable or slightly below last year. Examples are Central Junior High which had 398 last year and 395 last week, and Joseph Lane which is down from 405 to 383. The total was down 202, with a current district enrollment of 5,165.

Other School Figures

Other schools and their population figures are: Benson 248, Eastwood (children designated to enter when the school opens), 124, Fullerton 541, Garden Valley 14, Hucrest 314, Melrose 153, Riversdale 32, Riverside 506, Rose 413, Wilbur 106, Winchester 110.

At Sutherlin, the picture was basically the same as the district finished its first week.

The district's first week enrollment in four schools was 832, down 97 from last year.

The elementary grades showed a decrease of 97 and the high school was up 31. By schools, the enrollments are: West Elementary 231, East Elementary 350, junior high 176 and high school 343.

Four districts which have reported so far showed increases in their early registrations over the previous year. They are Curtin with 55 pupils, Yoncalla Union High with 123, Reedsport Union High with 361 and Yoncalla Elementary with 263.

Small Decreases Noted

Only two school districts showed losses of more than 100, and they were big districts so the percentage of loss was comparatively small. The two are Roseburg and Dillard, both of which were down 202. The only other dips of any note are Glendale with a drop of 75 and Sutherlin with a drop of 97. All other decreases are insignificant. None was over 45.

Reports on parochial schools were not in yet, except from St. Joseph's Catholic School in Roseburg and the Roseburg Academy, the Seventh-day Adventist School. Both noted insignificant losses. St. Joseph's was down 10 from 240 last year to 230 this year. And the academy noted the same drop, from 84 to 74.

Other districts which have reported gave these early enrollment figures: Oakland 536, Canyonville 386, Gardiner 163, Glide 724, Days Creek 225, Myrtle Creek 1,448, Camas Valley 188, Drain Elementary 450, Elkton 252, Curtin 55, Riddle 586, Glendale 648, Reedsport Elementary 781, Tiller 104, Drain Union High 175.

CHILDREN A'PLENTY — No mass exodus from Douglas County because of weak lumber market or strikes were indicated if school enrollments mean anything. Scenes such as the one above at Riverside Elementary in Roseburg showed parents had plenty of hope for the economic future of the county. (Paul Jenkins)

New Oregon Laws Affect Douglas School Districts

Douglas County school districts will soon be affected by two new laws passed by the 1957 Oregon Legislature pertaining to school district reorganization.

As a result of the revised rural school law, five Douglas County school districts have been annexed to the Rural School District. The five districts are: Reedsport Elementary, Glide, Roseburg, Dillard and Glendale.

Under the stipulations of this law the Douglas County Rural School District is now obliged to convene a convention and elect two new members-at-large to the rural school board to represent the annexed districts.

The board has announced that the convention will be held Oct. 10 at Elkton High School.

Far Reaching

The second law will have a more far-reaching effect and contains long-range consequences that will not be immediately felt.

The purpose of this law is to reorganize and consolidate all school districts in the state, thus reducing the number of districts and giving better education at greater economy.

Under this law a new class of school districts will be formed. They will be "administrative school districts" — first class districts which will absorb all present districts within their borders.

To get this new law in progress all county school boards must hold conventions and elect a county committee for the reorganization of school districts.

Convention Set

The Douglas County school board will hold such a convention on Oct. 18 at the Central Junior High School in Roseburg. The purpose of this convention is to elect nine members to serve as the Douglas County Committee for the Reorganization of School Districts and to elect five alternates to fill vacancies.

Under the law any legal school voter of the county, including school board members, is eligible to serve as a member of the committee. Anyone who is employed by a local or county school board is not eligible to serve on the committee, so this automatically eliminates teachers.

Individuals elected to this committee must meet by Nov. 18 and elect a chairman and vice chairman. The committee must meet two additional times during the first year, and by Oct. 19, 1958, must submit a plan for reorganizing all the districts within the county. If the committee doesn't, then the State Board of Education will do it. A final plan must be submitted by April 19, 1959.

Youngster Booked On Assault Charge

A fight between two youngsters Saturday resulted in one of the combatants being booked at Roseburg police headquarters on a charge of assault. The boy, 14, was later released to his parents.

Police reports state that the affray started in the yard of the assault victim, a 13-year-old boy, with a fight between the two. When the victim's mother tried to break it up, police were told, the 14-year-old turned on her and her son ran into the house where he got a butcher knife and returned to the battle scene. He denied striking the other youngster with the knife, but his foe said he had been hit, although with the blunt edge.

Reports of the affair are to be turned over to the juvenile officer.

Camp-Awards Dinner Slated For 'Y' Group

A camp-awards dinner for members who attended the YMCA's boys' camp at Diamond Lake this summer will be held Tuesday evening at the Christian Church Hall starting at 6:30.

The awards will be made for outstanding leadership abilities demonstrated during the Y's two-week camp at Diamond Lake in July which was attended by about 120 local boys, ages eight through 14.

Presentations will be made by Bill Garrison, chairman of the camp committee of the local YMCA. The dinner will be a pot-luck salmon bake, according to Wayne Shulz, local YMCA director.

TWO CARS DAMAGED

Minor damage was inflicted on two vehicles Saturday evening when a car being backed out of a driveway struck one parked at 154 W. Cardinal St.

According to Roseburg police who investigated, the accident occurred when Wayne Harvey Henninger, 19, backed a 1952 sedan across the street and hit a 1950 sedan owned by Craig Richard Dishman, 154 W. Cardinal St.

Minor Fires Do Small Damage

A small fire in the supply shed at the U.S. Plywood Co., 612 NE Rifle Range Rd., Saturday, did $50 damage.

The fire, which occurred about 10:30 p.m., was quickly extinguished by the sprinkler system in the shed, and was under control when members of the Roseburg Rural Fire Dept. arrived. Firemen reported the cause of the fire was unknown.

In other fires over the weekend, a car, owned by L. E. Linthicum, 1665 NE Todd St., Roseburg, was burned slightly when it was driven with the emergency brake on, according to firemen. The fire occurred on NE Stephens St. near the bridge, shortly after 11 a.m. Sunday.

A grass fire at the home of J. L. Sheppard, Happy Valley Rd. near Green, burned 1½ acres about 1:15 p.m. Saturday. The fire was caused by sparks from a burning barrel, firemen reported, and burned around the chicken house.

Thief Plays Fireman With Fire Chief's Car

KANSAS CITY (AP) — A battalion fire chief's shiny red car was stolen while the chief was occupied with a minor fire in the house.

Later police found the car and arrested the driver, Leonard James Nuzzo, 40, who was wearing the chief's helmet.

Nuzzo, released just three days earlier after serving a federal prison term for car theft, had been sounding the siren while driving around town.

"I've always had a desire to play fireman," he said.

Emma E. Nickel Passes Sunday

Emma Elizabeth Nickel, 75, a resident of Roseburg, died Sunday at a local hospital.

She was born July 28, 1882 in Lawrenceburg, Mo. and was a former resident of Omak, Wash. before coming to Roseburg two years ago to make her home with her daughter, Mrs. Walt Watkins. She was preceded in death by her husband, James R., in 1951.

She was a member of the Ladies of the Moose and the Rebekah Lodge of Omak.

Surviving are a son, Clarence Nickel, Seattle; two stepsons; Clyde and Clay Nickel, Omak; three daughters; Mrs. Arthur (Emma Jean) Michel, Albany; Mrs. Robert (Delma) House, Coulee Dam, Wash.; Mrs. Walt (Evalyn) Watkins, Roseburg; a sister, Mrs. Frances Andrews, Florida; eleven grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

The body has been removed to The Chapel of the Roses and will be taken to Omak. Funeral services will be held in Omak on Wednesday and interment will be in the Omak Cemetery.

Mrs. Oscar Backlund Of Elgarose Passes

Mrs. Oscar (Lilly) Backlund, 76, well-known resident of Elgarose, died Saturday evening at a local hospital.

She was born April 26, 1881 in Sweden and came to the United States in 1886, residing at Chicago and later at Great Falls, Mont. She moved to Elgarose in 1917.

Mrs. Backlund was married at Spokane, Wash., Dec. 19, 1923, to John Oscar Backlund, who is her only survivor.

Graveside funeral services will be held at the Elgarose Cemetery, Tuesday, at 2 p.m. with the Rev. Lester D. Olson, pastor of Faith Lutheran Church, officiating.

Funeral arrangements are in care of Long and Orr Mortuary.

Mrs. Lowell Wood Passes Away In Eugene

Word has been received here of the dezth Friday in Eugene of Mrs. Lowell (Frances) Wood.

She was the wife of the former manager of the Pacific Fruit Co. terminal in Roseburg. The couple lived here for 15 years, from 1940 to 1955.

Funeral arrangements were not immediately known.

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LOSER — This small foreign car came out second best in a tangle with a power pole east of Sutherlin Sunday morning when the driver apparently fell asleep. Hospitalized with injuries suffered in the crash were Jimmy G. Pichette, 15, and Ila Carmen Gourley, 21, both of Sutherlin. (Jim Burns photo)

Negro And White Pastors Named For 2 Churches

CHICAGO (AP) — Negro and white ministers, each with equal authority, have been named for the integrated congregations of two Protestant churches — one Chicago's oldest.

Services were held on a integrated basis for the first time yesterday at the Normal Park Baptist Church. It also was the first service in the 250-member church for the new copastors — one white, the other Negro.

At the same time, the 124-year-old First Presbyterian Church announced a Negro pastor and a white pastor would replace the retiring white pastor, Dr. Harold L. Bowman, 68. The new pastors assume their duties Oct. 20.

Dr. Bowman said the copastorship plan by a white and a Negro clergyman was the first ever tried by a Presbyterian Church.

"This is the fulfillment of my hope and prayer for this church," he told his 1,000-member congregation. About 100 members are Negro and several Negroes occupy leadership positions in the church, he said.

The Rev. Ulysses B. Blakeley, 46, Philadelphia, a Negro, and the Rev. Charles T. Leber Jr., 35, Detroit, were named to replace Dr. Bowman, pastor for 24 years.

Installed as copastors of the smaller Baptist congregation were the Rev. Merrel D. Booker, a Negro, Gary, Ind., and the Rev. Fred R. Tiffany, Pontiac, Mich.

Syrian Leaders Again Assail U. S.

DAMASCUS, Syria (AP) — Syrian officials have returned to the attack on U.S. policy, accusing the United States of warship diplomacy and trying to make Syria a 49th state.

After several days of more temperate statements, Maj. Gen. Bizry and Foreign Minister Bitar strongly denounced the United States yesterday.

Syria does not fear Soviet penetration, Bizry declared at a news conference. Asked whether the Russians might be allowed to establish a base in Syria, he replied: "Why should we give the Soviets a base when we refused to give the Americans one? The Americans asked for a base in Syria every time we asked them for arms. Russia never asked for a base in Syria."

When U.S. pressure is ended, he said, it will be possible for Syria "to begin considering friendly relations with the United States."

Little Rock Deadlock May End This Week

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after the Newport session were "disappointing to all Americans who believe that respect for the law of the land must be paramount."

At Nashville, Gov. Frank Clement said that the dynamiting of Hattie Cotton grammar school last Tuesday did more than any integrationist to hasten race mixing in Nashville schools.

"It shocked the conscience of this city as I've never known anything else to shock its conscience," he said over a national television program. "It put decent people who wanted to oppose integration in a position so they could not."

Other Developments

Elsewhere tension eased in Southern trouble spots. School and police officials said they thought Nashville, Tenn., was "over the hump" in quelling violence. It was Students' Day at the Nashville State Fair and no classes were held.

The Arlington, Va., school board said it would appeal an order by Federal Judge Albert V. Bryan that seven Negro children be admitted to previously all-white schools Sept. 23.

The board also said it would seek a stay of the order pending outcome of the appeal. Parents of two Negro children said they would enter the youngsters in the white schools.

POPULATION INCREASES

OLYMPIA (AP) — Washington's population has increased 333,737 since the last federal census in 1950 to a total of 2,712,700 as of July 1, the State Health Department estimated.

Largest increases were shown in the heavily populated Puget Sound area, Spokane County, and the growing Columbia Basin. A few counties showed slight losses.

PRESENTED to Umpqua Chapter officers of the Daughters of the American Revolution Saturday was a portrait of Gen. Joseph Lane, Oregon's first territorial governor. The ceremony was conducted Saturday at the Swedish Dining Room with Marvin Joseph Lane, a descendant, making the presentation. Accepting on behalf of the DAR are from left, Mrs. Ward Raymond, vice-regent of the local chapter; Mrs. Lester Nielsen, state recording secretary and Mrs. Celia Day, regent. The protrait will be displayed at the DAR's new historical museum at Champoeg. (Paul Jenkins).

Bedrest At Home Said Best Cure For New Asian Flu

CHICAGO (AP) — If you catch Asian flu, says an American Medical Assn. Council, don't take antibiotics or sulfa drugs and don't go to a hospital.

A report by the AMA Council on Drugs, prepared at the request of the AMA's Special Committee on Influenza, said the best treatment to guard against complications is bedrest at home, sufficient fluids, and agents to reduce fever.

The council said the sulfa drugs and antibiotics do not affect the flu virus. Their use may lead to the development of bacteria that becomes resistant to their action and may make the patient sensitive to the drugs.

The AMA Journal cautioned in an accompanying editorial that antibiotics and sulfa drugs sometime produce unpleasant reactions that are "merely annoying in healthy persons" but "disastrous for the critically ill."

The council recommended home treatment to avoid possible exposure to bacterial complications in hospitals.

However, all flu patients who develop secondary bacterial infections should be treated with a sulfonamide or antibiotic after careful checks for sensitivity, the council said.

Other exceptions to the no-sulfa and no-antibiotics recommendation include the patient who contracts the disease while receiving the drugs for bacterial infections, very ill or run down infants and older persons and patients suffering from chronic, non-allergic respiratory tract disease, the council said.

Surprised Gunman Also Gets Gridder's Money

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A gunman got a shock as well as $95 from Lamar Lundy, rookie end for the Los Angeles Rams professional football team.

The robber invaded Lundy's hotel room, waved his gun and ordered the athlete out of bed. Then he watched in fascination as Lundy rose to his barefoot 6 feet 7.

"My gosh:" the prowler exclaimed. "You . . . you'd better get in the bathroom. And close the door."

Lundy peered out of the washroom a few minutes later. The man — and the money — were gone.

RIDER 'DITCHED'

A motorist who had given him a ride "ditched" him at Roseburg and departed with his suitcase and several boxes of personal effects, Charles Dinnis, reported to state police Saturday. He said the driver who had given him a ride had left him at a Roseburg market.

PICKUP RECOVERED

Recovered at Corvallis where it had been abandoned after running out of gasoline, was a 1952 pickup truck reported stolen from Oakland Sept. 9. The vehicle was located Saturday and the owner, Leonard Whittaker, Oakland, was notified by Oregon State Police.

JAIL STREET RENAMED

JACKSON, Ky., (AP) — The residents of Jail Street don't have to put up with all the wisecracks any more.

The City Council, bowing to long-time criticism of the name, changed it to Brown Street in honor of a former mayor.

CHECK CHARGE FACED

Lodged in the Douglas County jail on a charge of obtaining money by false pretenses is Johnnie B. Yarbrough, 21, Dillard. He was arrested by Winston police Sunday and is accused of passing a worthless $20 check.

BOYS CAUGHT

Allen Tinsdale, Drain, notified state police Saturday that he had caught two young boys who had taken a blanket and his wife's purse from his car. The affair is being investigated further by the sheriff's office.

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Telephone Equipment Installers Walk Out

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sion of Western Electric, who represented management in the negotiations, said the union package demand would cost the company about 25 cents an hour. He said the company considers this "exorbitant and totally unrealistic for a one-year contract."

Billotte said the strike "is most unfortunate and uncalled for."

Present wages range from $1.39 to $2.80 an hour.

Western Electric is the manufacturing arm of the American Telephone and Telegraph Co.

The installers handle equipment for the Bell System. Their one-year union contract expired Aug. 25.

Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont and Montana, where local telephone companies maintain their own equipment installation operations, would not be hit by a strike.

One Agreement Reached

Separate negotiations covering the Ohio employes failed to reach a contract agreement here this morning.

In another phase of contract negotiations agreement was reached early on a two-year contract between Western Electric and 10,000 distribution and warehouse employes, L. J. V. Lindberg, Western Electric personnel manager, said.

These employes are at 31 centers across the country.

Separate negotiations involving 18,600 employes of the Ohio Bell Telephone Co. were unsuccessful.

Ike Urges More Civil Defense Aid

WASHINGTON (AP) — In a film recording for television, President Eisenhower yesterday appealed for widespread participation in civil defense programs. He said the United States is devoted to a search for enduring peace but meanwhile must be strong militarily.

"The atom," he said, "can be made to work usefully for mankind, for the good of all, instead of growing as a menace to our very existence. But until it is made so to work, and until the possibility of nuclear destruction is removed, it is of the utmost importance to all of us that we create and maintain a total national defense readiness.

"We cannot permit weakness in either military or civil defense to tempt a reckless aggressor. Total readiness is the greatest deterrent to any aggression. . ."

FAG TAX TAKE UPPED

NEW YORK (AP) — Smokers used more than a billion more cigarettes in July than the previous month, according to government figures. The Internal Revenue Bureau said taxes were paid on 35,248,000,000 cigarettes in July, compared with 34,189,000,000 in June and 31,032,000,000 a year earlier.

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Prejudices Said Holding Back Water Projects

MONTEREY, Calif. (AP) — A gigantic effort for conserving and increasing the nation's water supply is complicated by prejudices, conflicts and unknowns, Dr. Reuben G. Gustavson told the Soil Conservation Society of America.

Water use in the United States has quadrupled while population has doubled, and population continues increasing by two million a year, said Dr. Gustavson, of Washington, chemist and educator who now heads the Ford Foundation's Resources for the Future, Inc.

Gustavson, former University of Nebraska chancellor, noted there was wide disagreement on the value of rainmaking for producing water when and where needed.

Gustavson said most meteorologists would say "there is only limited usefulness in present techniques."

New discoveries by nuclear science have been applied to exploring unknowns about ground water, now supplying 25 per cent of the country's irrigated acreage.

The water (H2O) that falls as rain contains hydrogen atoms carrying triple the weight of ordinary hydrogen, and these tritium atoms are radioactive with an established half life of 12½ years, Gustavson said.

By analysis of radioactivity, water taken from a 150 feet deep well at York, Neb., was identified as rain that fell 50 years ago.

"This gives us food for thought," he said. "Are we mining water, using up ground water faster than it can be replaced?"

Chase For Ball Brings Buried Boy's Rescue

SANTA MONICA, Calif. (AP) — A bouncing beach ball followed by a 10-year-old boy led to the rescue of a youth trapped in the cave-in of a tunnel he had been digging in a sand bank.

Only one foot of Bruce Livingston, 14, was sticking from the bank when young Ed Drake, chasing the ball, saw the foot and sounded the alarm.

Joel Freeman, 35, dug the unconscious boy out and gave him artificial respiration until lifeguards revived him with oxygen.

PULP PRICE UPPED

NEW YORK (AP)—Weyerhaeuser Timber Co. has announced an increase of $5 a ton in bleached pulp, effective Oct. 1.

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