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## ASHLAND POPULATION CLIMBS

### ALL OVERLOOKED RESIDENTS TO BE SOUGHT MONDAY

**STATISTIC-MINDED** residents of Ashland will be cheered to learn that census returns from this community already indicate that population total will exceed the 1930 count of 4544 by at least several hundred, according to A. Moore Hamilton, assistant area manager now stationed in Portland.

Nose counting here resulted in a 5020 total in 1910, a drop to 4283 in 1920, a surge back up to 4544 10 years ago and this year probably will finish somewhere just short of the 1910 figure, unofficial returns indicate. Although enumerating has been completed in Ashland and most sections of the county, audit of census reports will not be completed for some time, according to Hamilton, when exact and official figures will be announced.

An additional one per cent enumeration is expected Monday, May 13, when a census taker will be stationed at the Ashland Chamber of Commerce to contact all residents who may have been overlooked during the regular count, said Hamilton. Residents unable to get to the office during Monday are asked to phone in and some arrangement will be made whereby they can be included in the official count.

Ashland's population gain, although comparatively small, comes at a time when most cities in the state and throughout the nation are experiencing a decline. Portland and Medford are among cities busy rechecking their counts in a desperate effort to equal their 1930 totals.

"The general decline in urban population returns is due mostly to better roads and more cars," explained Hamilton, "and although the immediate trading area of most cities has increased, actual residence within the cities' boundaries has shrunk. More and more people are moving into rural suburbs, as evidenced here in Jackson county, where the total population will be increased by the rural count."

### Citizenship Day Is Set for May 13th

According to announcement by Mrs. J. W. McCoy, the third annual citizenship recognition day observance sponsored by the Mt. Ashland chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, will be held in the Southern Oregon College of Education auditorium at 9:45 a.m. May 13.

This program will form a greeting to those who have become 21 years of age since the same time last year and was conceived by the Ashland chapter and since has been adopted as a nationwide practice.

An extensive program has been arranged and includes an address by Dr. Sherman L. Divine, state president, Sons of the American Revolution.

### SEEN IN A DAZE



**CLARENCE (Squeak) SHAFER** scratching his head and wondering why his slippers won't hold water.

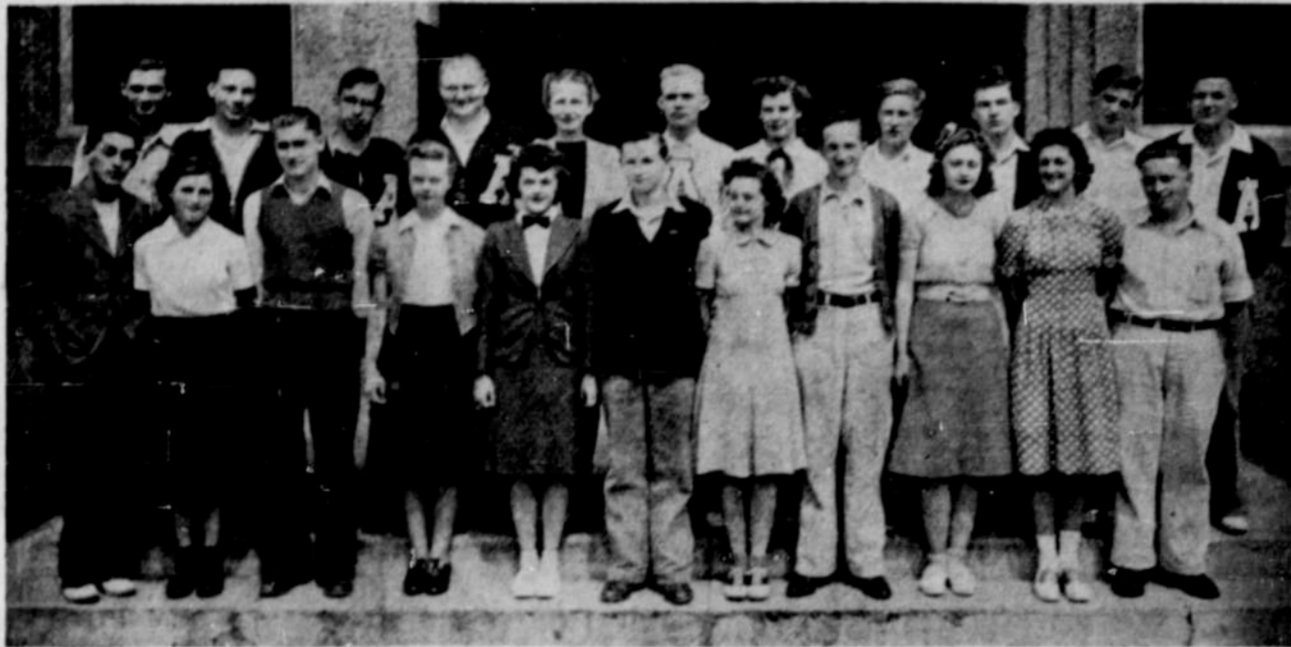
**CHICK FARLOW** muttering "when" to keep himself from getting too much sugar in his coffee.

**WELDON (Little Ike) HEARD** riding a merry-go-round horse without the aid of n.asic.

**BUZZ ROBERSON** claiming he was misquoted in The Miner last week; it seems he didn't cut up all the grass with his golf game because you can't dig up the fairway when you're in the rough all the time.

**J. H. HARDY** joining the ranks of grandfathers on the arrival of **STANLEY DAVID COOK** early today.

### Principals in High School Play Tonight!



**CURTAIN** at 8 o'clock tonight, May 10, will display result of weeks of effort on the part of the above high school senior dramatic and technical talent. A three-act farce, "Stop Thief," was selected by the seniors and Director Ruth Woods for the annual presentation. Shown above is a Bushnell Studio portrait of the staff and cast and they are, reading from left to right, back row—Carl Isenhower, Joe Wurzer, Paul Brower, Earl Schilling, Miss Woods, Dale Kaegi, Rosemary Bell, James Coomes, Jim Beebe, Dick Leigh and Jack Hanel. Front row, left to right—Gene Perry, Dorotha Flaharty, Ardis Warren, Joan Whitmore, Carol McCollum, Dale Williams, Jeannette Burton, Peter Barker, Caroline Sander, Nellie McLain and Dick Putney.

### Let's Keep What We've Got!

With election day just a week away, Ashland voters who are proud of their community and jealous of its many civic resources had better consider seriously their golf course, acquisition of which is proposed by ballot. Cost to the city would not exceed \$5500 for the self-sustaining tract, which includes more than 40 acres of ideal industrial site, with trackage available, as well as an unusually fine nine-hole course.

Residents should keep in mind, when making their decision, that they will be voting for or against a community asset, not for the support of some stranger's hobby. Golfers will continue to foot the course's bills, just as they have in the past. Only change will be that Ashland will own the land, which easily is worth its cost as ranch property, and be in a position to furnish free water which now is being wasted, and remove the land from under its present tax burden. Maintenance of the property will continue entirely at the expense of players, NOT TAXPAYERS, and Ashland will be assured of a continuance of this civic asset.

Rejection of the measure by voters probably will result in loss of the property as a golf course and loss of it as a recreational asset to the community.

The city now has the cash on hand with which to make the purchase, and no cost will be passed on to taxpayers. How much more useful that \$5500 can be to residents, school students and visitors if it is invested in the golf course property than if it is kept on deposit, where it can earn but a few dollars interest a year! Isn't the saving of a beautiful and popular golf course worth more than the \$25 or \$30 a year the money will bring in interest if not used?

Not all of us use our park, few regularly drink our lithia water, and many never hear the summer band concerts. But all of these features are acknowledged assets we would not want to see forfeited. So, whether you play golf or not, take the large view of the question—that our golf course is worth keeping, especially when it can be acquired for a few cents on the dollar!

### Music Treat Packs 1000 Into Junior Hi

More than 1000 spectators and student performers packed the Junior high school auditorium last Friday night when the city schools sponsored their second annual spring music evening.

Feature attraction of the program was the 25-piece Washington school orchestra made up of third to sixth-grade youngsters and directed by Miss Eunice Hager. The group, which has been practicing only since September, played three selections with the flourish of veterans. Miss Elizabeth Voles directed a chorus of 100 voices from Lincoln school, Miss Maxine Conover directed the Junior high school orchestra in three numbers. Ward Croft led the high school band, and Miss Harriett Hill directed the high school boys' glee club and the girls' chorus in several numbers which were the highlight of the evening. The boys' glee club had received a superior rating at the SOCE music festival held here several weeks before.

### Kubli Tells Reasons For Seeking Election

Edward W. Kubli, republican candidate for nomination for county commissioner, this week issued the following explanation of his candidacy for Miner readers:

"I am 38 years old, have lived on the Kubli ranch in the Applegate valley all my life, and during the last 25 years have been engaged in the general farming and stock raising business. "The Applegate valley has had no representative in the court house for many years, and at the request of many people who believe this section should be represented, I have consented to run for county commissioner."

### COOKS GET NEW SON

Mr. and Mrs. J. Morgan Cook became the parents of an eight-pound son early Friday when the lad arrived at Community hospital, where he and his mother, the former Frances Hardy, are doing well.

● R. S. Schuerman of Ashland was a business caller in Talent Friday.

### FOUR OF BARD'S PLAYS WILL BE PRODUCED HERE

**THESEPIANS** from southern Oregon and all corners of the nation will produce four of William Shakespeare's most famous plays in Ashland's outdoor Elizabethan theater during August, according to plans formulated at a meeting of festival association officials in the Lithia hotel Thursday night, May 9. This summer's series, covering a week of presentations, will comprise the sixth annual production of the famous works in original form.

William Cottrell, of Hollywood, will direct the plays in the absence of Angus Bowmer, and Lois M. Bowmer will act as art director. Plans for the festival include streamlining of the plays with presentation in a modernized manner, while the outdoor theater itself will have improved acoustics. Other progressive innovations are planned to make this the most successful series of all.

Greater local participation in the dramatic, technical, costume, design and publicity phases of the plays will be stressed, according to Cottrell, who has served as assistant director during last four years of the productions.

Annual meeting of the Shakespearean Festival association will be held in the Lithia hotel Monday, May 20, at which time new officers for the coming year will be elected. Present officers, who have given the "go-ahead" signal to the famous productions, include Dr. Walter Redford as president, Porter J. Neff vice president, Frank Van Dyke secretary and J. W. McCoy, treasurer. Ticket chairmen include Mrs. Etta Schilling for Ashland and Mrs. Chan Egan for Medford.

### Roberts Lauds Hanna As Best Qualified In Circuit Judge Field

**TO THE EDITOR:** The office of circuit judge is one of the most important that the voters of Jackson and Josephine counties have to fill at the coming primary election. Since a judge has to pass upon matters which may affect the life, liberty or property of any person, it behooves all of us to unite in electing an attorney who is well qualified for this important task.

Realizing my civic responsibility and believing that as a lawyer who has been engaged actively in the practice of law in this district for many years I should be in a position to properly assist the voting public in its selection of the best candidate to fill this position, I unhesitatingly urge the election of Herbert K. Hanna as possessing all of the qualifications that go to make an impartial, just, learned and able judge, and one who would fill this office with honor to himself and credit to the community.

Very sincerely yours,  
GEORGE M. ROBERTS.

### Bentley Low-Scores Way to Medal Award

Seventy-four strokes for 18 holes gave Hubert Bentley the low medal award for the combination open golf tournament at the Ashland golf course last Sunday. The tourney officially opened the summer golfing season for Ashland fans.

Bentley took 37—one over par—on each round with George Harrington, Medford golfer, taking the position of runner-up with a first-round score of 39 and a second-round par to total 75.

Bentley and Bill Hutchinson, local pro, took first place in the two-man best ball play with a combined score of 72. Harrington and Jean Eberhart were close on their heels with 73.

Hutchinson, with a scratch 83, and Jack Bentley, with a net 81, shared the blind bogey award. Bogey was 82.

### GOLFERS TO HOLD MEET

Ashland citizens are being urged to attend an open meeting at 8 p. m. Tuesday, May 14, in the Lithia hotel where a discussion of the acquisition by the city of the local golf course property will be held. Purchase of the property will come up for vote at the May 17 primaries and all citizens are urged to attend.

SOUTHERN OREGON is one of those delightful spots in the west where, during fishing season, most of the manpower goes to tongue.

Trouble with most political arguments, just before election day, is they won't hold as much water as a snood.

English speaking peoples have more in common than we thought. Chamberlain, like our own Hoover, seems to be a fellow whose mouth is his own worst enemy.

Oregon journalism still exhibits occasional evidence of an unjealous camaraderie, the Journal this week congratulating the Oregonian for receiving a college award for journalistic excellence. However, the bouquet was so brief that the type itself wouldn't make an impression if molded into a bullet.

Science in all its wisdom still is able only to destroy life, not create it.

From the way things look, about the only person who could ever beat Roosevelt was his mother.

The other day someone accused this department of dialing republicans and we'd like to correct the ugly rumor now. We love 'em, for they made us democrats what we are today.

The supreme court has upheld anti-trust convictions and fines brought against middlewestern oil companies and motorists are withholding their rejoicing, knowing that the court costs, fines and retaliation all will be passed on to them.

Railroads are inaugurating a credit plan for purchase of tickets, but imagine embarrassment of the pay-as-you-go traveler who defaults on a payment several hundred miles from home. Or when the repossession agent takes non-paying customers back to where they started.

Ever since reading that Editor Clark Wood set a record with "Asleep in the Deep" after more than 60 years we've been wondering just what he regards as the "deep" in a country print shop.

Yep, Clark's so lazy it takes him until 7 o'clock at night to get up in the morning.

### Clinic for Crippled Children Set May 14

As part of the crippled children's program of the state public welfare commission, a clinic for crippled children in Jackson county will be held in Medford May 14, 15 and 16 in the Jackson county health unit office.

Admittance to the clinic will be by application, which can be made through the Crippled Children's services of the state, public welfare commission, the Jackson county public welfare commission or the Jackson county health unit, who made arrangements for the clinic.

### Children Flock Here For Festival Today

The 11th annual music festival, children's division, opened at 1 p. m. today in the SOCE physical education building.

Mayor Thornton Wiley and Pres. Walter Redford were to open the program with addresses of welcome, followed by musical numbers by Medford Junior high orchestra, grade school choral ensemble, band ensemble, junior high choral ensemble, Butte Falls band, folk dances, Rogue River boys' chorus, Ashland Junior high chorus ensemble and several numbers by the Grants Pass schools.

### FORFEIT BONDS HERE

Ball bonds of \$10 each were forfeited by Roy Delaney and James A. Mullen for failure to appear in city court Monday. The pair were arrested early Sunday by city police and charged with being drunk.

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