

### 4 NEW TEACHERS CHOSEN FOR DUTY IN CITY SCHOOLS

Glenn Linn, 34, Umatilla School Head Will Be Medford Junior High Principal

The Medford district school board, meeting in city hall Monday night, elected four new teachers for the 1940-41 year, including a principal for the junior high school. It was announced today by E. H. Hedrick, city school superintendent.

New principal of junior high school is Glenn Linn, 34, a graduate of Pacific university at Forest Grove in 1929, and for the past three years superintendent of schools at Umatilla. Prior to his Umatilla position, Mr. Linn taught at Tigard Union high school for eight years, and comes to Medford "very highly recommended." Mr. Hedrick stated. He is completing his masters degree work at the University of Oregon.

**Replaces Mullins**  
Mr. Linn will replace James Mullins, who resigned a year ago to take a government position, and whose place was filled during the past school year by Della Whisenant, assistant principal. Mr. Hedrick stated that Miss Whisenant's role as substitute principal was highly satisfactory, and expressed his appreciation of her fine work.

Alex McDonald, 25, was elected to teach history, economics and sociology in the senior high school, and to become a member of the athletic coaching staff, especially for baseball. He received his A. B. degree at Pacific university in 1936, and has been working for his masters degree at the University of Oregon.

He taught and coached athletics at Grass Valley high school last year, and the year prior he was at Ione high school. He is a 1932 graduate of Forest Grove high school, and was elected here on the best of recommendations. He was an all-around athlete at Pacific, and has had three years professional baseball experience in the Western International league. At present he is living here and playing shortstop for the Medford Craters of the State league.

Mr. McDonald will take over many of the classes taught previously by Miss Carin Degermark, who resigned to accept a position at a junior college in Missouri where Maurine Carroll, who left the local school system in 1939, also is teaching.

**New Dean of Girls**  
Miss Starla Parvin of Klamath Falls, a graduate of the University of Oregon in 1937, was elected assistant dean of girls and history teacher at senior high. She has taught the past two years at Redmond high school, and here will take over the history work of Glenna Mae Early, who resigned this spring to assist her husband in business at Sheridan, Ore.

Miss Lula Elaine Metzger of 60 Quince street, Medford, was elected to teach music, art and penmanship at Jackson grade school, succeeding Mrs. Gertrude Lorton, who resigned this spring. Miss Metzger, a graduate of Southern Oregon College of Education at Ashland, taught the past two years at Sams Valley and before that at Little Applegate and Griffin Creek.

**Burke Resigns**  
Mr. Hedrick also announced the resignation of Delbert Burke, public speech, debate and social studies teacher at senior high school, to enter aviation service. "We regret very much to lose Mr. Burke," Mr. Hedrick stated, "as he did a wonderful job." Mr. Burke, it was pointed out, trained Harry Thurman and other fine Medford debaters. No successor for Mr. Burke has been elected, the school superintendent said.

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### Counted Out by Physicians, Invalids Organize Club and Live on "Borrowed Time"

By Fred E. Hampson

Ellensburg, Wash., July 11.—(P)—"We are a non-sectarian, self-governing and self-supporting group of young and middle-aged people living beyond our life spans as predicted by our various physicians."

That explains the "borrowed-timers" of Ellensburg. This strange organization began in 1936. Every one of its members has been marked for early death by an accredited doctor. Not one has reached the obituary column yet.

In 1935 Jesse W. Green's wife, Nancy, was told by her physician she could not live out the year. She suffered from a heart ailment.

In 1936, still alive, she one day heard that a family friend, Civil Engineer Guyer T. Thomas of Yakima, Wash., had been conceded only two more weeks of life.

**Milk in Plenty**  
Thomas could consume only milk and cream. On Green's Ellensburg ranch there were cows. The Greens brought Thomas to the ranch. He improved, outlasted his two weeks and lived to become the current president of the Borrowed-Timers.

Lucille Bolding, an invalid, visited the dairy ranch occasionally. On one such visit she became violently ill and was put to bed. During her convalescence Thomas and the Greens learned that arthritis had been complicated by an emergency operation on a kitchen table. She had been given only a few days to live and had outlived them.

Her story, roughly paralleling those of Thomas and Mrs. Green, prompted them to organize the Borrowed-Timers. She became member No. 1.

A girl with a weak heart suffered two paralytic strokes. The physicians shook their heads and said she couldn't last out the month. She now is a borrowed-timer.

**Organization Grows**  
A woman suffered third degree burns over a large part of her body, spent 32 hours in surgery while scalpels removed burned flesh. The surgeons said she didn't have a chance. She had other ideas. She is a Borrowed-Timer.

As the club grew, it imposed a few limitations on membership. One is that 90 days must elapse after the approximate time of death as predicted by a



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### CORN AND WHEAT OUTLOOK BENEATH 1939 PRODUCTION

Corn Crop Estimated at 2,415,998,000 Bushels—Wheat 728,644,000 Bu.

Washington, July 11.—(P)—The agriculture department today estimated the 1940 corn crop at 2,415,998,000 bushels and total wheat production at 728,644,000 bushels, on the basis of July 1 crop conditions.

Corn production was 2,619,137,000 bushels last year and in the 10 years, 1929-38, averaged 2,299,342,000 bushels.

The country's wheat crop totaled 754,971,000 bushels last year and averaged 754,685,000 bushels during the 10 years.

Winter wheat production was put at 523,990,000 bushels, compared with 488,858,000 bushels estimated a month ago 563,431,000 bushels produced last year and 571,087,000 bushels, the 10-year average.

**More Spring Wheat**  
Today's first estimate of spring wheat was 204,654,000 bushels. Production was 191,540,000 bushels last year and the 10-year average was 183,619,000 bushels.

Durum wheat, included in spring wheat, was forecast to yield 34,954,000 bushels, compared with 34,360,000 bushels last year, and a 10-year average of 29,619,000 bushels.

Indicated production of other important crops, based on their July 1 condition, was estimated as follows: (with comparative figures for last year and the 1929-38 ten-year average): Sugar beets 10,019,000 tons, against 10,773,000 and 8,937,000.

Hops 39,868,000 pounds, against 39,380,000 and 34,310,000.

Peaches 52,436,000 bushels against 60,822,000 and 52,723,000.

**Pears Near Last Crop**  
Pears 31,240,000 bushels, against 31,047,000 and 28,333,000.

Grapes 2,422,000 tons, against 2,471,000 and 2,220,000. This year's acreages, their percentages of last year's acreages, and the indicated yield per acre of the various crops, were reported as:

Wheat (all) 52,680,000; 98.1 and 13.8. Winter wheat 34,922,000; 92.4 and 15.0. Spring wheat (all) 17,758,000; 111.7 and 11.5. Durum wheat 3,330,000; 108.6 and 10.5. Potatoes 3,087,000; 102.0 and 120.3 bushels. Sugar beets 913,000; 99.6 and 11.0 tons. Hops 33,000; 105.5 and 1,219 lbs.

Condition on July 1 of certain crops for which the indicated yield was not given; and comparative figures for a year ago, were:

**Apple Outlook Less**  
Apples 69 per cent of a normal, against 64 a year ago; peaches 60 and 69; pears 65 and 63; grapes 78 and 85; pasture 33 and 73, peanuts 80 and 73.

The acreage, yield per acre and indicated total production, based on July 1 conditions, of the various crops, by principal producing states follow:

Winter wheat: Idaho 657,000; 24.0 and 15,768,000; Washington 1,078,000; 25.5 and 21,489,000; Oregon 640,000; 21.5 and 13,760,000; California 750,000; 15.0 and 11,250,000.

Spring wheat (other than Durum): Idaho 320,000; 27.0 and 8,640,000; Washington 1,002,000; 18.0 and 18,036,000; Oregon 250,000; 20.5 and 5,125,000.

Potatoes: Idaho 124,000; 240 and 29,760,000; Washington 42,000; 175 and 7,350,000; Oregon 46,000; 165 and 7,590,000; California 41,500; 275 and 11,412,000.

**Weather**  
Northern California: Fair tonight and Friday; higher temperatures in interior; fog on coast; gentle to moderate north-west wind off coast.

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### M'NARY TERMED FARM VOTE BAIT

Washington, July 11.—(P)—Secretary Wallace asserted today that the "same forces" which drafted what he called the "poisonous" Republican platform farm plank also chose Senator McNary of Oregon to be the vice-presidential nominee as "bait for the farm vote."

President Roosevelt's chief of the agriculture department made the statement to a national conference of about 350 county agents and members of state AAA committees. The conference, called to consider 1941 crop programs, probably included "many Republicans," Wallace said, and all those present,

he added, were subject to the Hatch anti-political act. "What I say may be political in nature," he continued, "but it is for the welfare of the nation and of agriculture."

### DOUGLAS POPULATION INCREASED BY 3,657

Roseburg, Ore., July 11.—(P)—Douglas county's population has increased 3,657 from 21,965 to 25,622, since 1930, according to a preliminary 1940 census report received here today.

In the same interval, the number of farms has increased from 2,539 to 2,731, but the 1940 farm total is considerably below the 1935 farm enumeration of 3,259.

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### BAD CHECKS FINANCED COAST TRIP WITH GIRL

Roseburg, Ore., July 11.—(P)—Earl Joseph Klesendahl, 23, son of a Portland dentist, was sentenced in circuit court here today to two years in the state penitentiary after pleading guilty before Judge Carl E. Wimberly to a charge of obtaining money by false pretenses, through issuance of fictitious checks.

District Attorney J. V. Long presented to the court a statement signed by Klesendahl, in which it was stated that the defendant issued a number of fictitious checks to finance a trip for himself and an unnamed girl along the Oregon and Washington coast.

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The three original Borrowed-Timers found the hardest obstacle to overcome, both for themselves and the additions to their organization, was a periodic lagging of spirits and a tendency to give up.

**Pray in Private**  
They turned to prayer—in private.

"None of us," wrote one member of the organization which lives a one-for-all-and-all-for-one life on the Green ranch, "are emotionally religious and there is no group worship."

During the early days of the Borrowed-Timers, when illness of the "downs" consumed more money than the efforts of the "ups" could bring in, Thomas designated a "prayer reminder." On it was a cross in luminous paint, visible in the dark.

The group decided to try to finance itself by sale of reminders. A benevolent banker who smilingly pointed out that he had the world's three best reasons not to loan them money—"an uncertain business, no security, and death at your elbows"—let them have \$100.

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### DREADED PARALYSIS REACHES PENDLETON

Pendleton, Ore., July 11.—(P)—Infantile paralysis has broken out in Umatilla county and four cases, two in the Hermiton vicinity and two in Pendleton, were reported today by the Umatilla County Medical society and the Umatilla county public health unit.

One of the Pendleton cases resulted in no paralysis but the other had some paralytic involvement. Names were not announced.



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