

Census Review Shows More Women Than Men In Medford; Other Population Features Told

Men. If you're looking for that supposed statistical paradise where the women outnumber the men, you've found it. It's Medford.

Medford is one of five Oregon metropolitan areas where there are more women than men. That's the report of the recently published pamphlet, "General Characteristics of Oregon," which compiles data on Oregon shown in the 1950 United States census of population.

541 More Women

According to the latest census there are 541 more females than there are males in Medford—8,923 females, 8,382 males. At the age of 15 the women gain the numerical supremacy and they maintain it consistently. Medford boys and girls babies outnumber the girls and girls babies. But girls in the 15 to 19 age group take the lead and (with one exception) they outnumber the men in every age group up to and including 85 years and over.

At 15 through 19 years of age there are 153 more Medford girls than boys. By the time the 85-and-over classification is reached the numerical superiority still remains, although it has dwindled to 14. The census figures for 1950 showed 53 Medford women who were at least 85. Only 39 men had lived past that age.

The only point between adolescence and old age where there are more males than females comes in the 45 to 49 age group. In 1950—573 men fell in this group as against only 548 women.

More Bachelors

Although there are more women in the city than men, there are more unmarried men than there are unmarried women. There also are more married men than there are married women, by the slight margin of eight. The population difference is accounted for by the large number of women who were widowed or divorced. The total number of women who have lost husbands through death or the courts was nearly three times the number of men who lost wives these ways.

Eugene, Salem, Portland and Pendleton are the other Oregon metropolitan centers registering more female than male citizens. Thus the state's four largest metropolitan areas—Medford, Portland, Salem and Eugene—fall in this classification.

Figures Show Growth

The census figures effectively show Medford's growth since 1940. The current census lists the population as 17,305; this is a 10-year increase of 6,024 persons. There are at least 1,000 Medfordites in each five-year division to the age of 50, the records show. The 1940 census listed 1,008 Medford people in the 25-29 age group, but in no

other division were there as many as 1,000 people.

Over 2,000 Medford citizens came either from another country or another country during the year immediately preceding the 1950 census.

Nearly half the city's foreign-born population of 558 came here from the British Common-

wealth. One hundred eighty-seven were born in Canada (16 of them in the French section), 70 in England and Wales and 17 in Scotland.

From Scandinavia

More than a hundred were born in the Scandinavian countries; 46 in Sweden, 41 in Norway and 22 in Denmark. Other

foreign states that have contributed generously to the Medford population include Germany, 65, the Irish Free state, 17, and Russia, 12.

Only 87 of Medford's foreign-born population over 21 years of age are aliens. The great majority, 427, have been naturalized.

The average Medford family man earns a yearly salary of \$3,720, according to the census figures. The largest number of families fall in the \$3,500-4,000 wage group. Only 175 of Medford's listed 4,835 families have an annual income exceeding \$10,000. Somehow, 225 families manage to survive on an annual income less than \$500, the figures show.

Most In Industry

The bulk of the Medford working population is employed in industry; there are 4,870 Medford men and 1,935 women in what is termed "industry." The 1,063 hundred twelve of the 1,063 people in manufacturing are employed processing furniture, lumber and other wood products.

Eighty-seven per cent of the Medford five to 17-year-old population attends school, the survey shows. There are only 50 Medford adults—25 males and 25 females—who have not attended school at least one year. At the other end of the scale there were—in 1950—420 women and 410 men who had attended colleges or universities for at least four years.

More adult Medford women than men have completed high school. Figures for people over 21 years old indicated that 1,910 women had halted their formal education after four years of high school. The men who went that far and stopped totaled 1,250. The medium number of school years completed by Medford women is 12.1 (barely past the high school graduate level). The medium for Medford men is 11.9 years.

County Trends Similar

Population statistics for Jackson county showed trends similar to those in Medford—with one major exception. County-wide population figures show that the men have the numerical supremacy. There were 29,815 Jackson county males and only 28,697 females.

During middle-age the sex ratio remains about even. And at the age of 75 and on the women outnumber the men. But there are so many boy babies and little boys in the county that the males are able to take the population lead.

Jackson county's population of 58,510 includes 33,466 rural people, but only about one-quarter of the rural population is four or on farms. The census survey lists only 9,951 farm dwellers in Jackson county. The average Jackson county

Convention Tickets Finally Passed Out

Chicago—(U.P.)—Precious tickets to the Republican National Convention were in the hands of national committeemen and committeewomen Saturday and a party worker sighed, "it's a real relief to get these things off our hands."

Burly Pinkerton detectives had guarded the tickets for two days and stood by Friday night as they were distributed to the national committee members.

"A ticket to paradise would be almost easier to come by," said Pennsylvania Committeeman G. Mason Owlett, who was in charge of distributing the tickets.

The tickets, which are greater demand than ever before in GOP history, will be handed over to convention delegates from each state by the national committee members.

Police Seek Father Of Kidnapped Child

Camden, N. J.—(U.P.)—A two-year-old girl was snatched from the rear of her home Saturday by a man believed to be her father and driven off in an automobile bearing North Carolina license tags.

A state-wide police alarm was dispatched for the girl, Candace Wiles, and her father, Robert Lee Wiles of Goldhill, N. C., described as a professional baseball player with a St. Paul, Minn., team.

The girl was placed in the custody of her mother, Marilyn, last year by a Camden judge after the parents had separated. Police throughout the state were ordered to search for the father and arrest him on a contempt of court charge.

Change to Electricity

Brings End to Idanha

Idanha, Ore.—(U.P.)—The Ramelia Lumber Co. will close its mill here about July 14 while the plant switches from diesel to electric power.

Idanha, the city whose first ordinance was to declare a

family lives on an income of \$3,210. This is \$510 less than the median yearly income for Medford families. Yet there are 1,015 families in the county who have a yearly income exceeding \$10,000. One hundred seventy-five of them live in Medford, so Medford has more than a third of the county's families in the \$10,000-and-up class.

Ten is the median number of years of school attended by Jackson county men over 21. The adult women have attended an average of 11.4 years. Four years of college is the boast of 1,005 men and 880 women in the county. There are 110 men and 25 women who have not attended at least one year of school.

GOP Convention Difficulties Show Advantages of Oregon's System

Chicago—(U.P.)—Oregon entire group at the Palmer House.

Also on hand was F. E. Epton of Portland, a supporter of Gen. Douglas MacArthur and one of the group now spearheading talk of running MacArthur as a vice-presidential candidate on a ticket with Sen. Robert A. Taft.

State Sen. William E. Walsh of Coos Bay sat in on the contests before the national committee as a member of the credentials committee.

"This experience on contests from the South convinces me more than ever that in Oregon we have the soundest election system," Walsh said.

Only One Flaw

He said he could see only one flaw—the provision which permits candidates to run unpledged—but hoped the legislature would change this to make the majority vote binding on all delegates.

Most of the Oregon delegation had arrived Saturday and the remainder were due for a Sunday morning breakfast of the

Grass Fire Near Camp Agate Road Under Control

A 75-acre grass fire on the Agate road near the Camp White hospital was brought under control by two crews yesterday afternoon, according to the state forest patrol.

The blaze started about 3 o'clock in the afternoon with control coming one hour later, the patrol reported. Grass conditions in the area were described as "pretty dry," although the grass wasn't burning too fast, they concluded.

The Delaware river forms a natural boundary for parts of four eastern states, New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Delaware.

SEATTLE HEARING

Washington—(U.P.)—A House subcommittee, headed by Rep. Mike Mansfield (D-Mont.) will conduct a hearing in Seattle July 14 on problems of small businessmen resulting from the defense program.

Dead line Sunday Classifieds is at 5:30 p.m. for following day; 10 a.m. Monday for Monday; noon Saturday

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We are proud to announce that we have purchased Franklin's cafe and have taken over its operation as of July first.

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During the time we were operators of the Top Notch Cafe we realized that Mr. and Mrs. Franklin were competitors of the highest business ethics and a very good influence on the entire restaurant industry in Medford, but not until working together with them in this business transaction did we find just how fair and just they are. We wish them contentment and happiness during their vacation and the utmost success in all future business ventures (even if it's a restaurant).

We humbly pledge ourselves to make every effort possible to uphold the worthy ethics, principles and reputation of this fine restaurant.

Sincerely

Harry Stratman
Travis Mitchell
(Operators of the Top Notch Cafe from 1948 through 1951)



Shelia Franklin handing the keys to Franklin's cafe to Harry Stratman. Travis Mitchell is giving her a check.

Thank You

To the patrons of Franklin's cafe

We wish to express our very real gratitude to the people of Medford and surrounding area for their patronage during the more than 27 years we have owned and operated Franklin's cafe. It has been a pleasure to serve you there. Now that its ownership and operation are being assumed by Mr. Travis Mitchell and Mr. Harry Stratman, we extend them our best wishes for success and hope that you will continue to give to them the loyal support you have given us these many years.

Signed

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Franklin

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ASSETS

First Mortgage Loans	\$5,703,260.76
Loans on Savings Accounts	35,882.88
Properties Sold on Contract	14,990.15
Real Estate Owned and in Judgment	11,220.23
Investments and Securities	99,500.00
United States Government Bonds	442,560.98
Cash on Hand and in Banks	399,881.42
Office Building and Equipment	43,050.42
Deferred Charges and other Assets	62.85
	\$6,750,409.69

LIABILITIES

Savings Accounts	\$6,002,899.58
Loans in Process	131,150.47
Other Liabilities	89,659.38
Specific Reserves	5,291.05
General Reserves	254,134.35
Undivided Profits	267,274.86
	\$6,750,409.69

GROWTH IN ASSETS

1943	\$1,229,806.28
1944	\$1,330,288.65
1945	\$1,463,515.02
1946	\$1,921,388.26
1947	\$2,689,235.08
1948	\$3,361,859.98
1949	\$4,304,583.06
1950	\$5,311,210.48
1951	\$6,251,344.26

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