

Festival Members 25 Per Cent Over Number Last Year

Ashtand — Membership sales for the 12th Shakespearean festival are running 25 per cent higher than last year, with the total now more than 400, it was reported today by William Dawkins, executive secretary.

While the total sales are up, the number of Rogue valley purchasers has declined, but it anticipated that most of those wishing memberships will purchase them in the final two weeks before the opening night performance of "The Tempest" on August 1.

Added Incentive
Memberships carry an added incentive this year, Dawkins pointed out. Each \$10 membership includes 8 reserved seat tickets, which may be used in any way and represent a saving of 55 cents on each reserved seat. In addition, a special "dividend" for members will be included in the form of two free reserved seats for the Elizabethan music concert on August 29.

The concert, an addition to the festival program this year, is being prepared under the direction of Hans Lampl, music director. It will feature a full evening of Elizabethan music.

Memberships, which will be on sale only until August 1, are being sold at the festival box office (telephone 2-8636), at the Plaza cafe in Ashtand and at Purucker Piano house and Pruitt's Music center in Medford. Other places in downtown Ashtand where memberships will be sold are to be announced at a later date.

Number of People Hospitalized Last Year at New High

Chicago — (U.P.) — More Americans were hospitalized last year than ever before.

The American Medical Association's council of medical education and hospitals says the 6,637 United States hospitals registered with the council in 1951 admitted 18,237,118 patients.

The average daily census was 1,293,658 patients. The rate of admittance was one patient every 1.7 seconds.

In 1950, the former peak years, 17,023,613 Americans were hospitalized.

Births Hit Peak

Births in hospitals in 1951 also hit a new mark. The Council reported one birth every 10.7 seconds for a total of 2,999,371.

Nearly half — 48 per cent — of last year's hospital capacity went to mental patients. General hospital patients got 42 per cent and tuberculosis six per cent.

Federal, state and local governments controlled three out of every 10 hospitals and provided seven out of every 10 beds. Three out of every four admissions were to non-governmental institutions.

That was because patients in government hospitals stayed longer.

The nation's hospital facilities last year were at a record peace-time high, the council says. Bed space was available for 1,529,988 patients.

Stays Grow Shorter
The average stay per patient last year in general hospitals as a whole was 10.1 days, a rate that has been fairly constant for the last three years.

As late as 1945, the average stay was 15.9 days.

The average stay in governmental general hospitals was 17 days, compared with 7.7 days in non-governmental general hospitals.

State hospitals maintained the highest bed occupancy rates — 94.5 per cent — because of the prolonged hospitalization necessary for medical patients.

The report also showed 216,047 graduate nurses employed by hospitals last year, compared with 205,389 in 1950.

BIRD KEEPS COOL

Memphis, Tenn. — (U.P.) — Mrs. Clara Bracey thought it was just the usual heat wave when the air conditioning unit began making queer noises. Investigating, she found a bird's nest in the part of the unit which faced

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HASHING THINGS OVER—California's Senator William Knowland (left) and Governor Earl Warren talk things over during lunch at the governor's campaign quarters in Chicago's Conrad Hilton Hotel.

High Conviction Rate Reported in FBI Cases

Washington — (U.P.) — FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover reported Tuesday that 97.2 per cent of FBI-investigated cases tried during the year ended June 30 resulted in convictions. There were 9,036 convictions of which 8,316 or 92 per cent, were on pleas of guilty. Remaining convictions were obtained after trial.

STILL VOTING AT 101

Columbus, O. — (U.P.) — Charles D. Heacock of West Unity, is Ohio's oldest voter. Heacock, 101, cast his first ballot in 1872 for the re-election of Gen. Ulysses Grant. Heacock hasn't missed an election since.

NOTHING BUT "A's"

Portsmouth, O. — (U.P.) — School officials here said that when Janet Gail Teeters received her high school diploma it marked the end of 12 perfect academic years for her. All of her grades were "A's."

Nitrogen Makes Grass Unpalatable to Cows

Lincoln, Neb. — (U.P.) — Brome grass which has been fertilized with a high rate of nitrogen seems to be unpalatable to cattle, according to experiments at the University of Nebraska college of Agriculture.

The tests showed that dairy calves readily will eat grass which has been fertilized with 70 and 140 pounds of nitrogen per acre. They seem to shun the grass which has been treated with 350 and 740 pounds per acre.

I. L. Hathaway of the dairy department said the cattle in the highly fertilized plots have clipped the unfertilized fence row grass closely. He said none of the calves have got sick from the highly fertilized grass but they seem to dislike it.

Tupelo, Miss. — (U.P.) — Thomas Barnes was digging for worms here when he turned up a Dutch coin, minted in Utrecht in 1791.

Gambling Debts Blamed For Leap from Pyramid

Cairo, Egypt — (U.P.) — Gambling debts were blamed Tuesday for the first recorded suicidal leap from the 4,000-year-old Great Pyramid of Giza.

Leon Capelli, 34, an oil company worker, leaped from the top of the 420-foot pyramid Monday and rolled down the huge stone steps to the ground. His skull was fractured.

Dead line Sunday Classifieds is at noon Saturdays.

Veterans' Club Remodeling Done

Completion of the remodeling of the Veterans' club, 42 North Fir street, was announced today by Manager J. M. Arnold. Arnold said it is now one of the state's outstanding dining and club rooms.

The club was opened in February, 1947, and is operated by a board of directors. It has been completely remodeled and an open house has been set for Wednesday so the public can see the improvement, Arnold said. There will be a grand opening Thursday.

Albert W. Gandt was designer for the remodeling. Lee Williams was in charge of the construction work.

Arnold announced that the dining room will continue to be open every day for lunches and that it will soon remain open until 11 p. m. for dinners.

FOOTPRINTERS SPONSOR

The Medford chapter of the Footprinters association was inadvertently omitted Monday in a Mail Tribune story listing the sponsors of the Rogue Valley Soap Box derby. The chapter was a sponsor along with Barnes Chevrolet, Medford; the General Motors corporation Chevrolet division and The Mail Tribune.

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Ed Knapp, manager of Hawthorne park swimming pool, has issued a request for loan of old fashioned bathing suits and dresses for use in a city water pageant planned for some time in August.

Swim suits and costumes of the

Gay Nineties era are wanted. Knapp pointed out that the dresses would not be used in the water. Persons who have such articles to loan should contact Knapp or Phil Sanders at the pool. The telephone number is 3-1077.

Knapp reported that it is planned to use music to a great extent in the pageant this year.

CONSTANT VOTER

Memphis, Tenn. — (U.P.) — Mrs. Eugenia Bethel, 74, is ready to vote again this year, just as she has done in every election since women first got the vote.

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