



DOGS HELP POLICE—Policeman Robert Ebbert, left, finds frisking two suspects for weapons easy with a K-9 Corps police dog standing guard. Seventeen dogs have been trained for police service at Pittsburgh, Pa., and plans call for more. —(UPI Telephoto)

Population History Of Area Recorded In Census Report

The population history of Medford and Jackson county, from the time of the first United States census in this area, is traced in a report from the bureau of census, Washington, D.C.

Jackson county's population in 1860, one year after Oregon became a state, and when Jacksonville was the county seat, was 3,736.

Another 10 years of population change will be measured by the 18th decennial census of the United States which begins April 1.

At the time of the first national census in 1850, no count was recorded for southern Oregon.

First Census

Medford's first census, made in 1890, was 967.

Next month's county by census takers is expected to record over 26,000 for Medford and over 72,000 for the county.

The county's population growth has shown a steady increase, except for the period from 1910 to 1920. The total in 1870 was 4,778; 1880, 8,154; 1890, 11,455; 1900, 13,698; 1910, 25,756; 1920, 20,405; 1930, 32,918; 1940, 36,213; and 1950, 58,510.

Medford developed from 967 in 1890 to 1,791 in 1900; 8,840, 1910; down to 5,756, 1920; 11,007, 1930; 11,281, 1940; to 17,305 in 1950.

Oregon's growth has shown a steady increase since the 18,093 residents were counted

in 1850. An additional 1,201 were taken from the state in 1853 and 1859 when parts of Oregon were joined to Washington territory.

In 1860 the state had 52,465 population; 1870, 90,923; 1880, 174,768; 1890, 317,704; 1900, 413,536; 1910, 672,765; 1920, 783,389; 1930, 953,786; 1940, 1,089,684; and 1950, 1,521,341.

The rates of growth for Oregon between censuses have always been higher than rates for the nation as a whole. The numerical gain of 431,657 between 1940 and 1950 was the largest in the state's history.

Oregon was organized as a territory in 1848, at which time it included the area now constituting Oregon, Washington, Idaho and parts of Western Montana and Wyoming. The area was greatly reduced in 1853 by the organization of the territory of Washington.

In 1859, with the transfer to Washington territory of the area now comprising southern Idaho, western Wyoming and a small tract in western Montana, Oregon assumed its present boundaries and was admitted to the Union as the 33rd state.

In 1950 there was an average of 15.8 inhabitants for each of the 96,315 square miles, compared with 11.3 in 1940. It was 32nd in population and 9th in land area among the states.

Plans for Park, Museum Aired By Cavalcade

Independence—Plans for development of a park and construction of a museum by the newly-formed On To Oregon organization were discussed at a recent meeting of members of the Centennial covered wagon train and Independence city officials. Joint committees were set up to further the proposal.

The meeting was the first to be held at the encampment site by members of the Cavalcade in Independence since the completion of the 2,050-mile wagon journey.

Mayor Ray Dunkle welcomed the newly-elected president, Weaver Clark, Hillsboro, and members of the Cavalcade and pledged support of the community to the project. Cavalcaders voted to have their grounds committee work with a museum and park committee from the city to facilitate construction of an Oregon Trail museum.

Members of the Cavalcade found they had accumulated hundreds of historic museum items during the journey, including pieces of wrecked pioneer covered wagons, strands of barbed wire used to mark the old trail, and pieces of furniture and personal belongings that had been carried by early settlers of Oregon.

Many books, maps and other papers were given to the Cavalcade by historically minded donors along the travel route.

The group viewed the first showing of a sound film documentary of the trek to Independence, "Wagons West," which was filmed by officials of the train and edited as a public service by the New York Life Insurance company.

The next general meeting of the organization will be April 24 in Independence.

4-H Club News

Westside Blockers

The meeting of the Westside Blockers 4-H Sheep club was held at the home of Jan Main March 5. Special reports on breeds of sheep were given by Kathy Holstrom, Vicki Caldwell and Jan Main.

Next month's reports will be given by Christie Barnes, Sharon Boettcher, Ken Boettcher. Our roll call topic will be on parts of a sheep. We discussed our community service which is giving an Easter basket to a needy family.

The meeting was adjourned and refreshments served. The next meeting will be held at Carolyn Barnes.

Jan Main, Reporter



ADENAUER IN HAWAII—German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer reviews an honor guard on his arrival in Honolulu for a two-day rest en route to Japan after his tour of the United States. Adm. Harry D. Felt, left, commander in chief, Pacific, and his aide, center, accompany Adenauer. —(UPI Telephoto)

Wall Street Chatter

New York—All the major clues of 1960 business based on government, consumer and business spending are in now and the results are "moderately bullish," says Prentice-Hall.

Business spending on new plant and equipment, at better than 14 per cent over 1959, shapes up somewhat higher than projected at the start of the year, it adds.

Several authoritative surveys indicate another record round of consumer spending this year, although the rate so far has been a shade below earlier projections, Prentice-Hall says in its weekly report on business.

federal, state and local levels, is showing only modest gains over a year ago," the report says, but this was clearly indicated in advance and should come as no surprise.

Standard & Poor's recommends Georgia-Pacific as an interesting long-term speculation. The stock is selling well below its 1959 high of 72 and prospects are that earnings this year will reach \$3 or more a share.

Lent Began as Instruction Period for Baptism Candidates

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How surprised we would be to hear a friend say "Happy Lent!" to us. Even so, it would be a greeting in keeping with the first uses of this holy season. Lent, we must remind ourselves, points directly toward Easter. This is really how Lent began—as an instruction period for baptismal candidates prior to Easter. Any self-denial, prayer or discipline they undertook was in anticipation of celebrating the Lord's triumphal resurrection. They were spiritual athletes in training for the great battle of self-mastery. How could a disciple of Christ be gloomy? Had not the Lord himself said, "When ye fast, be not, as the hypocrites, of a sad countenance. But thou, when thou fastest, anoint thine head, and wash thy face."

Church scholars, both Protestant and Catholic, are recalling us to this earliest understanding of Lent which reaches back to the 2nd Century Christians. The English historian, Bury, once wrote that "the cheerful virtue of the Christian life" was, in his opinion, the great influence for converting the ancient world. May you find an inward radiance as you prepare for the festival of Easter.

POLO CONFERENCE

Washington—UPI—Dr. Albert Sabin, inventor of the live polio vaccine, will be among four American scientists attending a joint U.S.-Soviet conference on poliomyelitis in Moscow May 12-16. The conference will be part of the U. S.-Russian program of exchange visits of medical specialists, Surgeon General LeRoy E. Burney said Wednesday.

MYSTERY WRITER DIES

New York—UPI—Herman Landon, 77, a mystery writer and former newspaper editor, died Tuesday.

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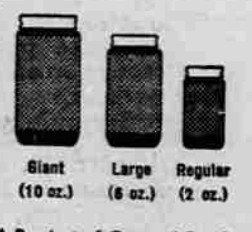
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