

LIBRARY YEAR SEES INCREASE IN BORROWERS

By JOY ROLPH

Another year has rolled around and now it's time to speak volumes again. In other words, Mary McComb, the county librarian, has completed her annual report and finds the library continuing steadily along on the side of growth.

On the last day of the year, it had 9058 registered borrowers, an increase of 300 over the first of the year's 8758. Its greatest number of patrons are outside the city where 7989 have library cards.

These readers have 25,691 books from which to choose, the total number now owned by the library, and a net gain of 1519 books since the first of the year. There were 920 volumes worn out or lost, but 1997 new books were purchased.

Reducing these figures to the percentage division, slightly more than 57 per cent of Klamath county's populace, excluding those in Klamath Falls, were reading county library books last year. Of course, if the city must be included it would lower the figure to 28 per cent plus. Circulation per capita, exclusive of the city, was 10.8.

Side note: 544 books were borrowed from the state and other libraries; 794 volumes were rebound; 76 magazines and newspapers were subscribed to and 15 subscriptions were received as gifts.

When it came to home reading, it looks like the juveniles put it all over the adults, for they read 76,859 non-fiction books while the adults only read 9468 in this classification. The adults read 80,760 fiction and the juveniles 2481, making a total of 83,241 fiction and 86,327 non-fiction. The grand total is 171,293, which includes 1725 magazines borrowed for home use.

An interesting fact is that the percentage of fiction circulation was 42.1, showing that non-fiction was more in demand by quite a bit. This was largely due to KUHS and county school reading lists.

Circulation at the main library here in the city was 32,142; at the branch libraries 64,738 and in the school libraries 74,413. Miss McComb stated that the school circulation showed the greatest increase of any other.

The library operated last year on a fund of \$12,217.83; of this amount \$7071.76 was provided by the county, \$5027.33 by the county and high school districts, and a balance of \$118.74 from the previous year. Of this amount \$2559.35 was spent for new books, \$187.85 for periodicals, and \$550.55 for binding, the remainder going for salaries, operation and maintenance of the library.

High spots in the report: Bly branch library showed increase in borrowers from 104 to 265 and circulation from 2294 to 4615. Chemult borrowers increased from 79 to 144 and read 1325 books, 245 more than previous year. The number of Merrill borrowers jumped from 94 to 256 and circulation from 3981 to 4204. Other substantial increases were shown at Modoc Point and Weyerhaeuser camp.

More high spots: Book van traveled 7000 miles, taking about 28,000 books to schools and branches. Librarian and assistant made 227 visits. 379 packages of books were mailed out to borrowers in the last three months of the year. Branches at Forest camp and county infirmary were closed by fires.

Due to the large number of high school students using the library, it is necessary to open an hour earlier, at 3 a. m., the librarian stated. A special library room for students was opened in the basement and is in constant use from 8 o'clock in the morning until 6 o'clock at night with Kathryn Hornbrook in charge. On the shelves of this room are 3206 books reserved for student use, and since this addition was made to the library Miss McComb said that an improvement has been noted in the type of reading done by students.

The various branches of the county library and custodians are listed as follows: Algona, room in hotel, Mrs. Robert Keeling; Beatty, general store, C. J. Schmidt; Bly, drug store, Mrs. Naomi Detrick; Bonanza, library building, Mrs. Irene Hartley; Chemult, store, Mrs. Thelma Van Hise; Chiloquin, city hall, Mrs. Bertha McCain; Crescent, school, Ray Oelerich.

Crescent Lake, home of Stella Fields; Dairy, store, Mrs. C. A. Brewer; Gilchrist, school library, Maryjorie Sumpter; Fort Klamath, room in grange hall, Mrs. Jeanne Hess; Henley and Mt. Laki, store, Verne McClellan; Hildebrand, store, Mathilda Challice; Keno, school, Edna Bloom;

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The "Last Supper" scene from the original Luenen Passion Play of the Black Hills is one of the highlights of the production to be presented here beginning Friday with Josef Meier, internationally famous portrayal of the Christus. The lines are spoken in English.

Josef Meier Began on Stage When 10 Weeks Old, Followed Father in Role of Christus

Kirk, store, E. J. Weber; Langell valley, irrigation office, C. A. Revell; Mallin, room, Mrs. T. H. McComb; Merrill, library building, Mrs. Joe Stukel; Modoc Point, room in hotel, Mrs. Sybil Langley; Mowich, home Mrs. Marion Hays; Olene, postoffice, Mrs. Ada Odum; Pelican Bay camp, school, Mrs. Dora Golding.

Poe Valley, grange hall, Mrs. Gertrude Ross; Sprague River, store, Curtis Hedrich, Jr.; Swan Lake, school, Mrs. Dorothy Collman; Upper Langell, home Mrs. A. C. Duncan; Weyerhaeuser camp, library building, Mrs. Lloyd Harbin; Yamasey, school, Mrs. Donna Ridenour.

Josef Meier, Bavarian-born who is coming here to portray the Christus at the high school auditorium for three matinees and three night performances starting Friday, February 9, in the original Luenen Passion Play, speaks perfect English, according to Victor Spouse, press representative for the company.

People meeting him for the first time marvel at the absence of Teutonic accent and are informed that he was educated at Oxford.

Hailed as the greatest living Christus, Meier is the seventh in his family to play that role. In Luenen, he was only 10 weeks old when he started playing the

Messiah. He was then the babe in the manger, while his father represented Christ, the man. At the death of his father, 13 years ago, young Meier succeeded and has since taken part in more than 18,000 performances all over the world. The Luenen Passion Play is the oldest of all, having originated with the Luenen Westphalia monks in 1242 A. D., or four centuries before the Oberammergau, more widely advertised version.

Following the recent death of

Anton Lange of Oberammergau fame, Meier, who is only 34 years old, is recognized universally as the most eminent Christus. He has dedicated his whole life to the Passion Play. He has taken this course, not only because of its spiritual and historical significance, but that it may be proven an agency for

promoting peace among the nations. To that end he has located the original Luenen company permanently in a huge amphitheater with a stage setting out doors three blocks long in the Black Hills of South Dakota, and last year 100,000 tourists visited the showing given on Wednesdays and Sundays during

the summer months.

CLINCHER

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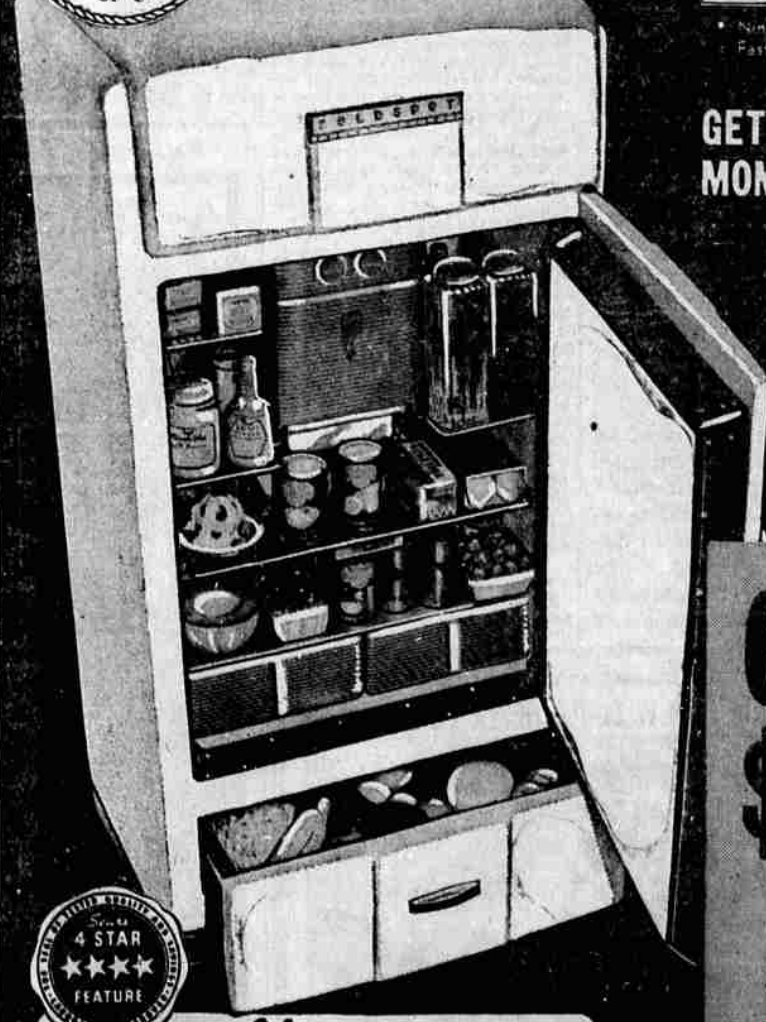
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