

Contribution Rate Slashes Slated By State Commission

SALEM—Reductions in employer contribution rates have been announced by the State Industrial Accident Commission, effective July 1, 1950. These reductions will apply in 277 industrial and trade classifications of Oregon business. Only 78 classifications did not qualify for base rate reductions, but rates in some of these classifications are already so low further reductions are virtually impossible.

Reductions result from the excellent co-operation of labor and management in reducing accidents by establishing and maintaining effective safety programs, both preventive and educational.

These reductions in employer contributions to the Industrial Accident fund will result in estimated savings of approximately one million dollars per year to employers insured by the State Industrial Accident Commission.

The law provides that the State Industrial Accident Commission shall adjust employer contributions in keeping with good insurance practice when their experience justifies such reductions.

The new employer contribution rate schedules mark the fourth reduction in State Industrial Accident insurance premium rates

since 1943. During the same period the various legislatures have increased workmen's benefit payments under the Act four times. While the increase in compensation for workmen is in keeping with the increase in the cost of living, the downward trend in employer contribution rates is more startling by comparison.

In all of the enumerated classifications where hazards have generally been high, the reductions have been accomplished because of earned experience ratings within the respective industries which prove that accidents can be prevented through accident prevention programs.

The largest dollar savings will be reflected in the classifications of general farming, machine shops, logging, sawmilling, pulp & paper manufacture, printing publishing, road and street construction, residence erection, building erection, plumbing and sheet metal work, transfer and trucking, and garages & service stations. While practically every portion of the state's economy will benefit

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Americans Are Determined To Continue Boom Buying

By CHARLES MOLONY
WASHINGTON, —(P)—Americans appear somewhat bothered by economic prospects but nevertheless bent on boom-level buying—something that should help business stay good.

The Federal Reserve board supplied this estimate. Furthermore, it said people have less hope of general price cuts this year than last, although more than half figure that prices of cars and major household items will come down.

A board survey of consumer buying plans pointed to continued record sales of homes and autos this year, more than doubled sales of television sets, and a strong market for furniture, refrigerators, etc.

Want Lower Price
As to housing, it found more than a million persons "definitely" plan to buy new homes this year, but a growing number are determined to pay less than \$10,000. About as many more intend to buy in 1951.

On the auto front, there was a "preliminary" evidence that middle and low income consumers comprise a larger part of the prospective demand in 1950.

Since this referred to prospective buyers of new rather than used cars it suggested that the auto industry's best sellers are likely to be the less costly models.

The board's survey sought to find how people felt about a good many things. Here are some of the results, as announced by the board:

More think their incomes will rise this year than think they will fall—which is much what people thought a year ago, although drops in income have occurred more frequently in the meanwhile.

Greater Uncertainty
There is greater uncertainty about the business future than there was a year ago. But while there is "less optimism," there also is "somewhat less outright pessimism."

This year, as last, a greater proportion of consumers think their financial situation has improved the last 12 months than thought so during earlier years, when they were complaining about rising living costs.

Nearly half consider times are good now. But a still larger proportion was willing to say that a year ago. "High income groups" feel better about 1950 than the lower income groups.

So far as workers are concerned, more than half think it would be "difficult, if not impossible, to get another job paying about the same

amount of money if, for any reason, they were to lose the job which they had at the beginning of the year.

SWEET GROWTH

ALAMOSA, Colo. —(P)—Beekeeping was introduced to the San Luis valley in 1924, and it is estimated the valley now has 14,000 colonies of bees producing 1,500,000 pounds of honey each year.

SCHOOLS CRITICIZED
SPOKANE —(P)—Schools too often put a wall between pupils and real life in a community, Dean Murray J. Lee of Washington State college says.

Lee, head of the school of education at W. S. C., speaking at the session of the Washington Association for social welfare, said schools should concern themselves with more state problems and increase their coverage of social problems to a national and international basis.

In 1949, a total of 520 stake races with a value of \$7,701,979 were run at tracks in the United States.

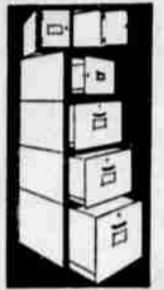
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from the new employer's contribution rate schedule, the basic industries of general farming and lumbering in its various phases will experience the greatest savings because of the larger payrolls in these two industries. Because of the "safety know-how" now becoming evident in high hazard Oregon logging industry, an estimated annual net premium reduction of some \$213,000 will result on payrolls which have aggregated more than \$45,000,000 for the year 1948-1949. General farming will participate in an estimated net reduction of \$45,623 on an overall payroll of slightly over \$20,000,000. Both residence erection and building erection have also earned substantial rate reductions.

Under the experience rating provision of the Oregon law all employers under the Act can qualify for from 10 percent to 50 percent reduction from the base rates established after one calendar year of favorable accident experience.

Former Philadelphia Athletic star Max Bishop is in his 13th season as baseball coach at the Naval Academy.

Modern Surgery Cuts Deaths From Brain Tumors

SEATTLE, —(P)—Mortality from brain tumors — the most common form of malignant tumor in children — has been largely reduced by early diagnosis and advances in surgery, western physicians were told here.

Dr. Edwin B. Boldrey, associate professor of neurological surgery medical school, told a sectional meeting of the American College of Surgeons that the chances for the successful treatment of brain tumors is now as good as for any other part of the body.

Dr. Boldrey was one of the principal speakers at the opening session of a two-day conference of some 400 physicians, surgeons and hospital representatives from the western states and Canada.

nection with arterial lesions in arms and legs.

He warned that muscles and nerves can be damaged irreparably and gangrene set in unless prompt emergency treatment is given.

Dr. Freeman gave three don'ts in connection with emergency treatment:

1. Don't use heat at the point of injury, although the patient should be kept warm.
2. Don't put on compression or even a bandage which could cut off the blood flow through the collateral vessels.
3. Don't elevate the injured extremity.

RACING PURITY SOUGHT

TOKYO —(P)—The Japan Cycle Racing association is mulling over a 12,000,000 yen (\$33,900) project for "cyclist training schools" to teach sportsmanship.

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3. Take a clean tea towel or food-saver plastic bag. Dip towel in cold water and wring dry. Lay it flat on table and dust with flour. Put dough in center, bring corners up and tie loosely. Leave plenty of room for dough to expand.
4. Put 3 quarts lukewarm water in large mixing bowl. Drop dough in carefully. Set aside to rise. It will float when ready. Lift dough out of water carefully and turn it into a bowl.
5. Mix sugar and grated orange rind. Cut off a piece of dough with a teaspoon and dip quickly into melted butter, then in sugar-and-orange mixture.
6. Butter bottom and sides of an angel-food cake pan. Sprinkle bottom with sugar mixture.
7. Place balls of dough in bottom leaving spaces between them by staggering them. Place second layer of balls in pan with balls covering air spaces left by the first. Continue until pan is a little more than half full. Cover and let rise until double in bulk.
8. Bake 60 minutes in 350° oven. Turn out carefully onto a cooling rack or serving plate. Serve with 2 forks to be used in breaking off the little rolls.



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