

Oregon Potato Industry Confers On Various Phases

SALEM — Representatives of potato growers, shippers and sellers organizations in Oregon have organized a 12-man advisory committee to consult with the State Department of Agriculture on regulatory and inspection matters, J. F. Short, director of Agriculture, said Tuesday.

Roy Snel, Powell Butte, was named chairman and Merrill Webb, Redmond, ex-officio member, was elected secretary. Both are members of the Oregon California Potato Market Area Committee.

Short has asked the committee to act as unofficial liaison between the department and the potato industry and to advise on such matters as potato grades and standards, inspection costs, operation efficiency, shipping point inspection services and enforcement policies.

The complete committee personnel will be announced prior to the next meeting, scheduled for Aug. 18 in Salem. Besides those mentioned other groups represented are the Klamath and Central Oregon Potato Growers Assns., Troutdale Seed Potato Growers Assn. and the Oregon Potato Commission.

Man Days Of Employment Up To New High Record

SALEM — Man-days of employment in Oregon were up an unprecedented 21.29 per cent in firms covered by the workman's compensation law for the first 28 weeks of 1955.

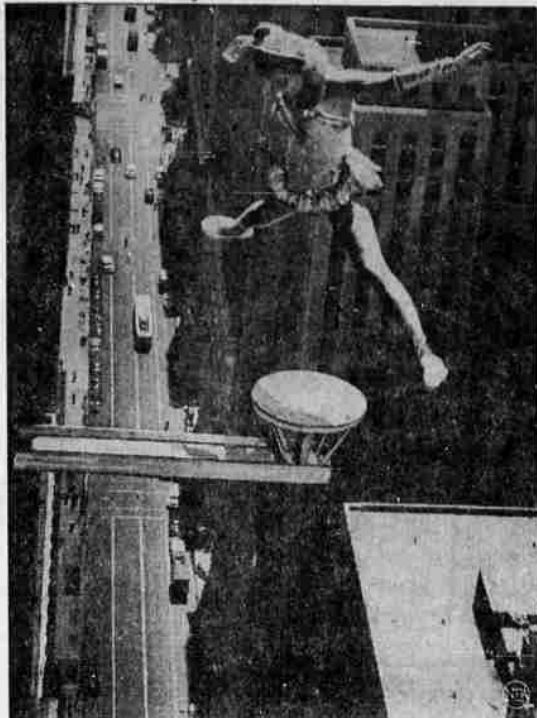
Accident claims rose only 8.71 per cent over the same period, according to figures released Thursday by the accident prevention division in Salem.

The work record for the first half of the year was 42,493,161 as against 35,031,808 for 1954, an increase of nearly seven and a half million man days. Meanwhile, the increase in claims was only 2,328.

Hoover's Boyhood Home Dedication Set Aug. 10

NEWBERG, Ore. — The house in which Herbert Hoover lived as a boy will be dedicated as a shrine Aug. 10. The former President plans to attend the ceremony.

Hoover also is to be guest of honor at a luncheon at George Fox College here. He attended the school as a boy when it was Quaker Pacific Academy.



WHEE—Daring Betty Fox does tricks 40 stories above a Chicago, Ill., street. Betty, the other half of the Betty and Benny sky dancers act, did her jumping exercises from an 18-inch board thrust from a hotel window. She was practicing for an appearance before thousands of Shriners at the "Shrinorama" pageant at Soldiers Field.



OUCH!—Waldo Corthes doesn't even clench his fists as a Volkswagen auto runs over his pillow-covered head in Wiesbaden, Germany. Of course, a Volkswagen is not the biggest car around, but would you like to try the trick?

Paying For Home 'Just Like Rent' Costliest Plan

By SAM DAWSON
NEW YORK — The easier the mortgage payments are on your current budget the more money you'll have to put out before you finally get full title to your home.

Lending agencies are starting to stress that paying for a home "just like rent" costs more in interest payments over the years. One a \$10,000 loan a veteran can save himself more than \$3,000 by taking out a 20-year mortgage instead of a 30-year one, the Northwestern National Life Insurance Co. of Minneapolis notes.

OR, put another way, on each \$1,000 down payment you can manage to put up, you can save over \$800 in interest payments on a 20-year program, or more than \$500 in interest payments on a 20-year schedule.

Many families who'd like a home of their own, or a larger house for a growing brood, are discussing today how best to finance it. The problem: they can save interest payments in the long run by taking the 20-year payment plan instead of the 30-year one—but their monthly payments in the meantime will be about \$12.50 higher. And they may want to use that \$12.50 toward payments on the refrigerator or stove.

Committing themselves to buying a house "just like rent" may be the only way they can afford one on their present income. So they decide to run the risk of their

income dropping in the future and thus making payments a burden, or of their moving to another city and leaving behind a house in which their equity may be tiny.

"Easy Payment" Popular
The insurance company notes that under a 20-year payment plan on a \$10,000 deal, all borrowed, they would in 10 years have paid off about \$3,900 in principal. It says that under a 30-year schedule, their payments on principal in the first 10 years would be about \$2,000.

The easy payment plans grow in popularity, however. The Veterans Administration reports that 43 per cent of the GI plan loans now being made are the no-down-payment type. And the percentage of the longer maturities has doubled in the last two years.

The total of mortgage debt outstanding mounts as the housing boom continues most places unchecked. Since the end of the war the amount has increased four fold and crossed the 75 billion dollar mark as 1955 started.



GABLE TRIES AGAIN—Actor Clark Gable and his new bride, the former Kay Williams, ex-actress, married in a surprise ceremony at Minden, Nev. It was his fifth marriage, third for Miss Williams.

McKay Will Officiate At Champoeg Memorial

AURORA, Ore. — Interior Secretary McKay is expected to lay the cornerstone marking restoration of the old Robert Newell home at nearby Champoeg on Aug. 13. The ceremony will be a feature of a "county fair" celebration being planned by the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Newell platted the town of Champoeg on the site where settlers called for application of United States laws. His old home was donated to the DAR by Mrs. Albert Powers of Coos Bay, state regent. The house is being rebuilt to conform to the original structure.

Mrs. Karl Engelman, chairman for the Mothers Memorial Cabin at Champoeg State Park, reported McKay's acceptance for the cornerstone laying.

Baker Installs Third Manager In Five Years

BAKER — Robert M. Applegate, formerly city manager at Nyssa, officially became city manager of Baker Monday.

He is the third city manager there since the manager-council form of government was voted in approximately five years ago. Baker's first city manager went to Port Orchard, Wash., and David C. Koester, whom Applegate succeeds, is now manager at Roseville, Calif.

On of Applegate's first duties will be to name a permanent chief of police, which this city hasn't had since the resignation of Asie Gundersen April 1.

LICENSES PAY OFF

PRINEVILLE — The number of dog licenses issued in Crook County has averaged about 150 a year. This year for the first time a dog catcher was appointed, effective July 1, and in the first 15 days 400 licenses were issued. County Clerk Hezel Powell reported.

Magazine Settles Big Libel Action

HOLLYWOOD — Actor James Mason and his wife, Pamela Kellino, Tuesday announced an out-of-court cash settlement of their \$1,199,000 libel suit against Rave Magazine.

The amount of the settlement was not disclosed. The Masons' attorney, Paul Caruso, said it must be paid within the next nine months.

The magazine also will print a retraction of its previous story on the Masons, Caruso said. The Masons contended that the article in the March issue of the magazine accused them of immoral conduct and was maliciously false and degrading.

Caruso said the settlement was not large but represented "a tremendous victory for Hollywood people" and "a sign that the trend toward destroying character must stop."

In New York, a representative of the defendants said the settlement was for \$1,000.

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Wildlife Mistake

DALLAS — About six weeks ago Mrs. Margie Lyons found a shivering, soaking - wet puppy on the street.

She took it home, gave it the best of food and medicine, and watched happily as her new pet tried to make friends with her tiny Chihuahua.

This week Mrs. Lyons took her two dogs to a veterinarian for their rabies vaccinations. It was then she learned her new pet is a wild coyote, not a dog.

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