

State Industrial Accident Board Announces Reduction in Rates

Rate reductions that will result in annual savings of \$1,065,000 for employers covered by the Oregon Workmen's Compensation law were announced Saturday by the State Industrial Accident Commission.

The new contribution rates, which become effective July 1, were recommended by Gov. John H. Hall after an examination of the commission's trust fund revealed a sound and solvent condition.

Of the 215 industrial and trade classifications established by the commission for rate purposes, 174 have been awarded reduced rates. Practically every part of the state's economy will be affected, but the two basic industries—farming and lumbering will receive the largest shares in the new savings program.

The law gives the commission the authority to adjust base rates annually on a basis consistent with good insurance practice and commissioners hope that they can continue to lower contribution rates with the cooperation of management and other agencies in their prevention program.

Among other industries which will save materially on next year's rates are machine shops, planing mills, plywood plants, box factories, paper and pulp mills, printing and publishing plants, bakeries, fruit and vegetable processors, road construction, building and residential election, plumbing and sheet metal transfer and trucking, garages, automobile dealers, service stations, restaurants, salesmen, office workers and various state departments.

High payrolls of recent years have combined with an effective safety program to put this state agency on an extremely sound basis, commission members said.

Members of the commission are Paul E. Gurske, chairman, T. Morris Dwyne and L. O. Arenis.

Recreational Leader to Talk


James E. Rogers, nationally-known recreational leader, will address a public meeting sponsored by the Salem Recreational Association at the Chamber of Commerce 5 p.m. Tuesday.

Rogers, who for the past 35 years has been a leader in community recreation, will meet with the building committee of the Salem Memorial Auditorium association, to discuss civic auditoriums, community centers and their arrangements in other cities. The meeting will take place at 5 p.m. Tuesday in the offices of W. H. Baulie, committee chairman.

Rogers, special field representative of the National Recreation Association, will be accompanied by Willard H. Shumard, northwest representative of the association, and several other representatives.

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Voter's Pamphlet Promises to Be Largest in State's History

The voters' pamphlet now being compiled by David O'Hara, state elections bureau chief, for circulation before the primary election, May 21, probably will be the largest in the history of the state. O'Hara said the first batch of candidates' statements should reach the state printer early this week. The law provides that these pamphlets shall be mailed to all registered voters in the state, which means more than 600,000 will be printed. The charge for space in the pamphlet ranges from \$10 to \$100 per page, depending on importance of the office sought.

Records of the elections bureau show that 418 candidates filed for various offices at the primary election. The original number was 420, but there were two withdrawals—State Treasurer Leslie M. Scott who filed for the republican nomination for governor and George N. Davis, Hood River, who filed for state representative from Hood River county.

Certification Made

Certification of candidates' names and ballot slogans to county clerks was made Saturday. County clerks will use this information in printing their ballots. O'Hara said the number of candidates for this year's primary election was larger than ever before. He also estimated that the cost of this year's primary would be somewhat in excess of that in the past. Some of the additional expense will be reflected in cost of printing and mailing the pamphlets. Printing costs have advanced not less than 10 per cent in the past two years, O'Hara said.

O'Hara's latest estimate fixed the cost of this year's primary election in excess of \$125,000. Of this amount, the state will contribute approximately \$40,000 and the counties the remainder. Counties, under the election laws, must pay for printing the ballot, distribution of the ballot boxes, rental for voting booths, and salaries of election clerks and judges. The state's cost is confined largely to printing the pamphlets and providing certain election forms. There are now more than 1,800 election precincts in the state, a substantial increase over the number four years ago.

Helps Lay Cost

Receipts from the sale of space in the pamphlet will be used as a partial offset against the cost of printing and mailing.

The registration for the 1948 primary election, O'Hara estimated, will be larger than either two or four years ago. He said he based his estimate on figures already received from county clerks. The increase, according to O'Hara, will come largely from upstate counties which recently have reported substantial gains in population. This particularly is true of Clatsop county, in counties where lumbering and logging operations are in progress.

The state printer, because of a shortage of mechanical equipment, indicated that some of the press work in connection with printing the pamphlets would be farmed out. Nearly one-third of the pamphlets will go into Multnomah county.

Under a recent enactment the pamphlets must be in the mails at least 15 days before the election.

3 Salem Girls Hurt in Wreck

Three Salem girls injured in an auto collision near Gladstone Thursday night were reported improving Saturday night in the Oregon City hospital where they were taken after the accident.

In the hospital are Frances Wong, 15, Katerlyn Wong, 13, both of 665 Court st., and Mary Fong, 244 N. Commercial st. Hospital authorities said Miss Fong was suffering from a skull fracture and cuts. Katherine sustained a fractured leg and cuts and Frances, cuts and bruises, authorities said.

State police said Miss Fong's car was struck by a vehicle driven by Leonard R. Roth, 20, Oregon City. Roth is being held in the Clackamas county jail on charges of driving while intoxicated and failure to yield the right-of-way to another vehicle.

Manual to Stipulate

It is definite the person is missing and the area known, local county organizations will be given immediate authority to function, according to the manual. The search and rescue program will not prevent individual searching but this practice is not recommended and will receive no compensation from the aeronautics board.

Maps will be used to locate missing aircraft and the program will make use of the radio communication facilities of the state police, state forestry department and the U. S. forest service, and radio amateurs. Also available is the state police and the CAA teletype network.

The area concerned in the rescue program will comprise the entire state and as far out to sea as is reasonably safe to fly a plane. Bordering states are also entitled to use Oregon's facilities for rescue missions.

Nelson expressed confidence that a well-organized organization can go a long way toward saving many lives in plane crashes and other accidents.

Bodies of Five Salem Marines Killed on Iwo Returned on Ship

Five Salem marines, all killed in the bloody battle at Iwo Jima, are included in more than 3,000 bodies of Americans who died in the Pacific islands due to arrive in San Francisco today aboard the U. S. army transport Walter W. Schwenk.

Also among 33 bodies being returned from Saipan and Honolulu to next-of-kin in Oregon is that of G/Sgt. John Basione, marine hero, whose wife resides at Brooks.

Basione became one of the famed heroes of the Pacific war when his platoon held a strategic machine gun post for three days and nights without food against a Jap regiment on Guadalcanal. He piled up 38 Jap bodies in front of his machine gun and his citation said his bravery and that of his men contributed to the annihilation of the Jap regiment.

President Roosevelt awarded Basione the congressional medal of honor at the White House in 1948 and he went on a U. S. war bond drive tour. In July, 1944, he married Lena Riggi at Camp Pendleton, Calif. A short time later he applied for overseas duty and was killed on Iwo Jima.

Salem's war dead returning are PFC Floyd W. Howard, jr., son of

Floyd W. Howard, sr., 350 W. Lincoln st.; PFC Mervyn L. Hurley, son of Guy G. Hurley, 2016 Lee st.; PFC Paul A. Pettit, son of Ora M. Furlough, 2090 S. Church st.; Sgt. Herbert Schmalz, son of John L. Schmalz, Salem route 2; and PFC Edwin E. Powers, son of Mrs. Emma J. Powers, Salem route 5.

Howard, 19, was killed Feb. 19, 1945, while with the 5th marines. Prior to the war he was employed by the Blue Lake cannery and had lived in Salem since 1933.

Hurley was killed March 1, 1945, fighting with the 3rd marines. Prior to enlistment in March, 1944, he was a sophomore at Willamette university and a member of Sigma Tau fraternity.

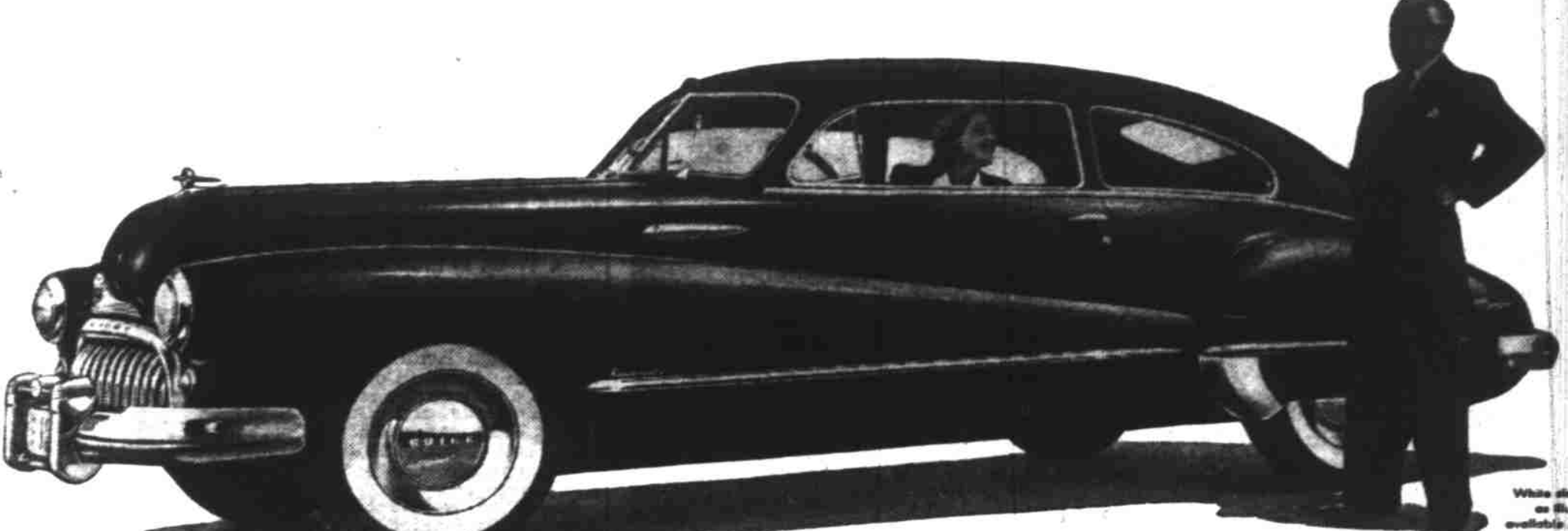
Pettit was killed March 9, while with the 27th division, 5th marines. He had lived in Salem and Silverton before the service.

Schmalz was in the marines for two years and one day and was killed February 19, 1945, while with the 4th marines. He was born at Mt. Angel in 1924 and later moved to the Clear Lake district. He graduated from Salem high school in 1945.

Taft Asks U.N. Charter Revised to Include Teeth

MIDDLETON, O., March 20—(AP) U.S. Sen. Robert A. Taft (R-Ohio) tonight urged the United Nations charter be re-written with legal teeth in it.

In a speech prepared for a Butler county republican organization dinner, Taft declared that the U.N. security council's present action is one of "policy and expediency rather than law," with nothing to prevent the destruction of any nation.



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