

Nation's 'Middle Income' Rises Professional Workers Fare Best

WASHINGTON — (AP) — The "middle income" for the nation's 48,500,000 families rose from \$2,029 in 1945 to \$2,300 last year, the Federal Reserve Board estimated Wednesday.

"Middle income" means that half the families received more, half less. The board's survey defined a family as a related group living under the same roof and pooling incomes to meet major expenses.

The board said 60 per cent or 27,500,000 of these families had a joint income of \$2,000 or more in 1946 compared with 53 per cent or 24,500,000 the year before.

Offset By Prices
Fewer than 6,600,000 families had income at that level in the mid-1930s—but dollars would buy more then. The board noted that even the income rises from 1945

to 1946 were offset by "substantial increases in prices of consumer goods."

Incomes of white collar families improved more on an annual basis than those of wage workers the survey showed.

The middle income for families with earnings from clerical and sales work was \$2,600 last year, up \$400 from the year before.

For families of skilled workers alone, the middle income was \$2,800, but for skilled, semi-skilled and unskilled workers' families taken together it was \$2,300, up only \$100 from 1945.

Managers Next Best
Families of professional workers fared best, with middle incomes rising to \$4,000 last year, up \$700 from the year before. Those of business managers and self-employed did next best, with middle incomes of \$3,700, up by \$400.

Middle incomes of families operating farms was given as \$1,300, up \$300, but the board pointed out that substantial supplements in non-money income such as food raised on the farm keep farmers' incomes from being closely comparable with others.

NEW AIRLINE STARTS
PORTLAND — (AP) — Regular passenger and airmail service connecting western Oregon communities will be started Thursday by West Coast Airliner feeder routes. A plane will leave here Thursday at 10:45 a. m. stopping at McMinnville, Corvallis, Eugene, North Bend and Medford, and return via the same route. A second plane will leave Portland at 4:50 p. m. arriving at Medford at 7:50 p. m. via the same route, returning the next morning.

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GERMAN STREET SCENE—A young policewoman directs traffic at busy intersection of Melissen in Soviet-occupied Germany. Spires of the Melissen Cathedral rise in background.

Halsey Dreaded, Then Enjoyed Eleanor's Visit to Fleet Area

NEW YORK — (AP) — Fleet Admiral William F. Halsey said Wednesday he dreaded the visit of Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt to his South Pacific area command in 1943 but he later decided she had accomplished much for the morale of his men.

Writing in the Saturday Evening Post, the former Third Fleet commander said he "marveled" at Mrs. Roosevelt's hardihood and told of her eagerness to visit Guadalcanal at a time when he believed the trip too dangerous for her.

Argued With 'Mac'
Halsey also wrote of arguments with Gen. Douglas MacArthur.

Despite his arguments with MacArthur, which "always ended pleasantly," Halsey said he could recall "no flaw in our relationship." He expressed his deep admiration for the general's wartime leadership and his "masterly administration" of occupied Japan. Of Mrs. Roosevelt's visit to Noumea in New Caledonia, the

admiral said:

"Among an area commander's worst problems are the politicians, admirals and generals, 'special' correspondents and 'do-gooders' who present themselves in the assurance that their visit is a 'moral factor' or that they are entitled to 'see it from the inside.'"

'Good for Morale'

Speaking of her inspection tours, Halsey said he "marveled" at her hardihood, both physical and mental; she walked for miles and she saw patients who were grievously and gruesomely wounded. But I marveled most at their expressions as she leaned over them.

"... When I saw her off, I told her that it was impossible to express my appreciation of what she had done, and was doing, for my men. I was ashamed of my original surliness. She alone had accomplished more good than any other person or any group of civilians who had passed through my area."

Fight Results...

(ASSOCIATED PRESS)
Brooklyn—Rudy Kender, 140, Brooklyn, outpointed Bobby Ruffin, 141, New York, 8.
Los Angeles—Enrique Bolanos, 134½, Los Angeles, knocked out Mario Trigo, 132, Monterey, Mexico, 2.
Seattle—Jack Snapp, 160, Klamath Falls, Ore., outpointed Milo Savage, 167, Seattle, 10.
Fresno, Calif.—Sheik Rangel, 152, Fresno, and Sal Peres, 148, San Francisco, drew, 15.
New Bedford, Mass.—Willie Pen, 129, Hartford, defeated Paulie Jackson, 135, Reading, Pa., 15.

Paterson, Marino Bout Off Once More

GLASGOW, Scotland, June 16 — (AP) — The twice-postponed world flyweight title fight between Champion Jackie Paterson of Scotland and Dado Marino of Honolulu was called off again Wednesday when Paterson failed to appear for the weigh-in ceremony.

Harry McGrattan, secretary of the British boxing board of control, said Paterson had collapsed and was in bed with a nervous breakdown. Marino's manager, Sam Ichinose, said he would claim the flyweight title.

Big Three Advance In Seattle Tourney

SEATTLE, July 16 — (AP) — Notre Dame's Jack Tuero, Los Angeles' Pancho Gonzales and Seattle's Jim Brink continued to show their one, two, three tennis rankings with straight set wins as the Washington State tennis tournament went into its third round.

The state meet will be the final Northwest appearance for the trio. After this Sunday's finals they will enplane for the east to enter various national meets, starting with the Seabright Invitational July 20.

Four Americans Win

PARIS, July 16 — (AP) — The four top-seeded Americans—Margaret Osborne, Doris Hart, Louis Brough and Mrs. Patricia Canning Todd—advanced to the third round of the French lawn tennis tournament Tuesday, but Miss Hart was within two games of suffering an upset before she rallied to beat her opponent.

SUPER-CRANE CREATED
SAN FRANCISCO — (AP) — A new 450-ton twin crane, the world's largest, is under construction at the navy shipyard here to speed repair of major fleet units. It will have a 100-ton greater lifting capacity than the largest ground or floating crane in existence.
The word "tornado" was applied to a violent thunderstorm on African Coast.

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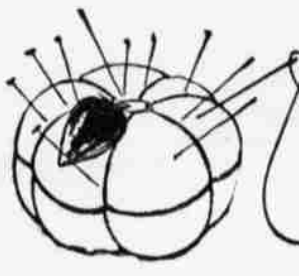
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