

**Labor Demands May Force Railroads to Seek Higher Rates**

Any increase in labor costs in excess of 10 cents an hour will force the railroads to ask for further rate increases, the carriers warned the presidential fact-finding board that is weighing the wage and hours demands of 16 unions representing one million non-operating employees.

In a brief filed with the board December 2, Guy W. Knight of Philadelphia, chief counsel for the carriers' wage committees, said that the 13 per cent increase in freight rates now pending before the Interstate Commerce Commission "will not produce adequate earnings for the railroads if the employees are granted more than a wage increase of 10 cents per hour."

The non-operating unions ask for a 25-cent an hour boost in wages, 48 hours pay for 40 hours

work, time and one-half for Saturdays and double time for Sundays and holidays, with a minimum of 8 hours pay at the overtime rate for any work performed on those days.

The railroads estimate the cost of the unions' demands at one and one-half billion dollars annually.

Hearings which have been in progress at Chicago since October 26 were concluded November 27 and the fact-finding board has until December 17 to make its

**Kaiser-Frazer's Willow Run Plant**



Willow Run, Mich.—This is an aerial view of the giant Willow Run plant of Kaiser-Frazer Corp. Largest single-floor manufacturing plant in the world, the \$90,000,000 war-time bomber factory was purchased by K-F from the War Assets Administration. Until the purchase, the auto company occupied the plant under lease from the government, and converted it from bomber production to the fourth largest auto manufacturing plant in the world. K-F has turned out more than 325,000 cars in the factory.

recommendations to the president.

**Pedestrian Death Rate Big in Three Month Traffic Count**

Approximately one-third of the traffic fatalities that will occur in Oregon during the months of November and December, 1948, and January, 1949, will be pedestrians, the Oregon State Motor association said today.

Based on past experience, the association said the pedestrian toll for the final two months of the year and the first month of the new year will amount to 32 per cent of the total traffic fatalities reported for that period.

more hours of darkness, and the excitement of the holiday season contribute heavily to the heavy pedestrian death toll during the months, November, December and January," the association said. "These three months annually contribute the heaviest toll of pedestrian deaths."

"These fatalities could be prevented if motorists and persons on foot would recognize the dominant hazards of the period and take the simple steps necessary to neutralize them."

Here are the dominant hazards listed by the association as endangering the person on foot during the three winter months:

- 1: Darkness and the pedestrian's failure to realize the motorist may not see him, regardless of the brilliance of the car's lights.
- 2: Unsafe walking practices such as stepping out between parked cars, stepping into the path of approaching vehicles, crossing streets against traffic lights or at mid-block.
- 3: The effects of alcohol in both drivers and pedestrians.
- 4: The fact that persons who do not drive, fail to understand the rate at which approaching cars cover ground. They thus walk into danger they don't realize exists.
- 5: Failure on the part of drivers to consider the rights and feelings of the person on foot.

The association urged pedestrians and motorists to remember these hazards during the holiday season and to share the responsibility for preventing this type of accident.

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than in years past there will be approximately 37 pedestrians killed from Nov. 1 to January 31. Let's drive and walk in such a manner as to assure the preservation of these 37 lives."

**Club News**

A new 4-H knitting club has organized in Heppner under the leadership of Mrs. Gene Ferguson. This six-member club has met twice and elected as their officers—JoJean Dix, president; Marilyn Miller, vice president, and Eleanor Rice, secretary. This is one of the newest kind of 4-H clubs in the state. It is a project planned for anyone who wants to knit — beginners intermediate, and advanced students. Mrs. Gene Ferguson states that there is still room for more members but each meeting missed puts procrastinators farther behind.

4-H club members in Morrow county will be receiving soon 4-H calendars that are being sent by the Morrow County Grain Growers. These are fine little calendars and Ted Smith manager of the grain growers, should be complimented on his interest in 4-H club work. The calendars contain the 4-H pledge, motto, emblem and colors. The calendar pads are large with room for memos of club meeting dates, events and club project requirements.

While we are complimenting the Morrow County Grain Growers on their interest in 4-H club work we should give them a belated thanks for a sizeable contribution made to the 4-H club council fund. The contribution of approximately \$100 was the educational offset fund from the cooperative.

The lone livestock club met at the Earl McKinney farm on Rhea creek Sunday, December 5. President Ingrid Hermann opened the meeting with all club members giving the flag and 4-H pledges. A program of work for the club year was set up with the club's next meeting to be held at the Hermann farm on January 8. Record books will be the main interest at this meeting.

Club members present at the Sunday meeting were Ingrid Hermann, Joan Coleman, Duane and Ronald Baker, Leland and Malcolm McKinney, Herbert and Richard Ekstrom.

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**Heppner Unit Elects Officers**  
Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Alva Jones, the Heppner Home Extension unit elected Mrs. Douglas Drake, chairman; Mrs. R. E. Rice vice chairman, and Mrs. Pat McIntyre, secretary. Mrs. Gene Ferguson and Mrs. Alva Jones demonstrated poultry cookery to a group of interested homemakers.

**Lena Unit Elects Officers**  
Thursday at the regular meeting of Lena Home Extension unit, Mrs. Marian Brosnan was elected chairman. Mrs. Elb Hughes is the newly elected vice-chairman and Mrs. Dallas Craber, the secretary. Mrs. Hughes and Mrs. Brosnan demonstrated the new method of cooking poultry. Mrs. Daisy Cline was a new member attending the meeting. Lexington, Boardman and Irrigon units meet next week.

**The Eastern Oregon Wheat League**

The Eastern Oregon Wheat league committee on taxation and legislation recommended at their 21st annual meeting held at Condon Dec. 2-4 that a bill be passed requiring millers to enrich flour and white bread with specified amount of three B-Vitamins (thiamine, riboflavin, niacin) and iron. The total number of states having such legislation now in force

**ONE TOPIC CLUB MEETS**  
The social meeting of the Topis club met at the home of Mrs. C. W. Swanson Monday afternoon. Bridge was played and those winning prizes were Mrs. E. R. Lundell high, and Mrs. Clell Rea, low and Jack High. Refreshments were served by the hostesses Mrs. Cecil Thorne, Mrs. Gordon White and Mrs. Swanson.

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The nutrients designated by prescribed standards was considered in part to replace those removed in bran and middlings during manufacture of white flour. Enrichment legislation does not discourage the use of whole wheat, it does not discourage the continued incorporation of milk in bread, nor does it discourage the use of any wholesome food in any way.

The vitamins added are recognized as being the most important of those human nutrients and usually found lacking in low diets. The vitamins used to enrich bread and natural vitamins are identical.

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The cost of enriching bread for 20 loaves of bread is about 1 cent and is absorbed by the baker—thus not raising cost to consumer.

State legislation is needed because federal legislation governs only those products that go into interstate trade. Approximately 90% of all baker's bread is sold within the state in which it is made. If that state does not require enrichment, bakers (because of competition) may not enrich their least expensive products. Yet it is these products which the low income group buys and which constitute a large part of their diet. Enrichment is low-cost insurance against certain nutritional ills.



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