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War Brings Pay Boosts To Civil Service Workers

Wartime pay adjustments have resulted in substantial wage and salary increases for most civil service workers.

This was indicated in a survey by the Civil Service Assembly of adjustments made by 133 federal, state and local civil service agencies since December, 1941. Increases were given usually by one of three methods—sliding scale increases, generally with larger increases for lower paid employees; cost of living increases; and flat percentage increases—or by combination of the methods.

Wage increases were given on a sliding scale basis, either by sliding amount or sliding percentage, by 27 per cent of the agencies. Ranges varied from \$5 to \$25 a month in Santa Cruz, Calif., to \$2.50 to \$7.50 a month in St. Louis county, Minn. Percentage changes usually were grouped around a range of 5 to 10 per cent.

In addition many agencies indicated they have granted increases of a flat monthly or yearly amount to all employees. This trend is in effect a form of sliding scale increase since it results in a decreasing percentage as the rate of compensation rises, the assembly said.

Isolated Jap Region

Rocked by Earthquake

Recent earthquakes in the southwestern extremity of Japan's main island—Honshu—which killed or seriously injured 1,400 persons and caused widespread property damage, were centered near Tottori, an out-of-the-way city of 37,200 inhabitants on the Sea of Japan.

By striking about 340 airline miles west of Tokyo, the principal earthquake of September 10 missed by considerable distances the vital regions of Japan. The Osaka-Kobe-Kyoto industrial triangle lies about 100 airline miles east of the stricken area—a comparatively undeveloped region of wild natural scenery which seldom has been reached by occidental tourists.

The Tottori calamity is the worst in 10 years, with at least half the town's 6,400 houses crumpled. It is not at all comparable to the Tokyo earthquake of 1923 in which 99,331 persons perished, nor to the greatest earth shock of all time in Japan—the 1703 quake which took an estimated 200,000 lives.

Big Oil Pipeline

One of the longest continuous paint jobs in all history is the protection from corrosion of the new "Big Inch" pipeline which extends under ground from Long View, Texas, through the states of Texas, Arkansas, Missouri, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, West Virginia, Pennsylvania and New Jersey, to deliver Texas petroleum to the oil-starved Atlantic coast area. That great pipe, which is 1,588 miles long, 24 inches in outside diameter and composed of three-eighths-inch wall thickness steel pipe in individual joints of 38 inches to 44 inches, electric welded in the field, is coated with a coal-tar asphalt base pipeline paint, two grades of which are used to meet varying laying conditions, with a shield of spirally applied 15-pound tar saturated pipeline felt bonded to the underlying coating. Differences in the chemical composition of the soil were taken into account in formulating the special protective paints. Also, some sections through which the pipeline is laid are relatively waterlogged and more destructive in their action than some of the better drained sections. About 500 miles of the pipe in the eastern section were spot-coated where conditions indicated that treatment.

First Locomotive

The first locomotive west of the Alleghenies was purchased in October, 1837, by the newly organized Mad River and Lake Erie Railroad Company of Ohio, although not a foot of track had been laid when the purchase was made.

Since it was the first locomotive north of the Ohio river, its gauge was made the standard for Ohio. The designer was Thomas Rogers, who was also its builder, at his locomotive works at Paterson, N. J. In this locomotive the driving wheels were made with cast iron centers and hollow spokes, and the crank and connecting rod were counterbalanced by adding sufficient extra weight to the section of the wheel opposite the crank.

It was given the name Sandusky and designed from the McNeill, the first locomotive on the Paterson and Hudson River railroad, imported from England in 1833.

Portable Homes

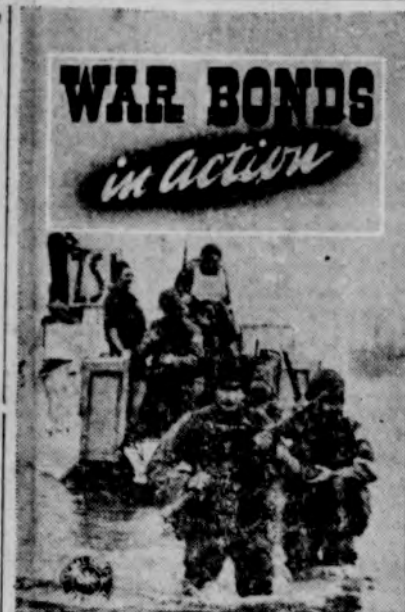
Complete and furnished five-room-and-bath homes are being produced on assembly lines. No fabrication of any kind is required on the site. These modern homes, complete with basic furnishings will sell for about \$3,000.

Making these wonders possible are three methods of expanding portable structures into full-size homes. Structures only eight feet wide are carried on trucks to the site, where their sides are unfolded to provide extra rooms on each side of the center section. The finished house is sturdy, insulated and comfortable, conforming in construction factors and roominess to the strict mortgage requirements of the Federal Housing authority.

Meat is absent from the diet of three-fourths of India's population, largely because of religious prohibitions.



V FOR FIVE AND V FOR VICTORY



Your money goes into battle every time you invest in War Bonds—goes up to the German lines in the form of tanks, planes, assault boats as pictured here in the Mediterranean area.

Success of our troops depends upon the help they get from the home front. Bullets fired yesterday won't win tomorrow's battle. War Bonds bought last month won't pay for our next offensive. Give your dollars their action: Buy More War Bonds.

U. S. Treasury Department

Mary, Mary, Quite Contrary, How Does Your Garden Grow?



Careful Picking Prolongs Crops

When picking peas or beans, take care not to break off or pull up the vines. Hold onto the vines with one hand while breaking off pods with the other. Well handled, they will go on producing for a longer time than when roughly treated. The same is true of peppers, eggplant, and tomatoes. If the plants are uninjured, young fruits coming on will grow better and ripen properly.

Begin to pick and use young summer squash as soon as they are a few inches in size. Keep the fruits picked, and the vines will yield more abundantly than if the first ones are left to grow to full size.

NOTICE OF 1944-45 BUDGET MEETING

In accordance with the provisions of the "Local Budget Law" (Sections 110-1201 to 110-1215 O. C. L. A. as amended) notice is hereby given that the Budget Committee of the City of Hermiston, Oregon, has prepared in compliance with the "Local Budget Law" Budget Estimates for the ensuing fiscal year July 1, 1944, to June 30, 1945. All persons are hereby notified that on Wednesday, the fifth day of July, 1944, at 8:00 P. M. in the council room in the Reclamation Building, Hermiston, Oregon, the following Budget Estimates for the ensuing fiscal year ending June 30, 1945, for the City of Hermiston, Oregon, may be discussed with the City Council, the levying board for said City of Hermiston, Oregon, and any person subject to the proposed tax levy, or tax levies will be heard in favor of or against said proposed tax levy or levies or any part thereof. The estimates of expenditures, the estimated receipts and the estimated taxes to be levied as prepared by the Budget Committee, and adopted June 7, 1944, are set forth in the accompanying statements.

CITY OF HERMISTON BUDGET

Estimated Expenditures	
GENERAL GOVERNMENT—	
Mayor	\$ 120.00
Mayor, Clerical Help	600.00
Travel Expense	150.00
Recorder	1,200.00
Treasurer	96.00
Council	280.00
Stationery & Supplies	120.00
Notices & Advertising	150.00
Telephone & Telegraph	60.00
Election Expense	100.00
Audit	150.00
League of Oregon Cities	20.00
Surety Bonds	50.00
Sundry Expense	50.00
Attorney Fees	350.00
	\$3,496.00
POLICE DEPARTMENT—	
Salary	2,700.00
Deputies	700.00
Jail Expense (heat, light, phone, etc.)	390.00
	3,760.00
FIRE DEPARTMENT—	
Members	600.00
Equipment & Supplies	500.00
Storage—Equipment	150.00
Phone	50.00
	1,300.00
SOCIAL WELFARE—	
Health Officer	120.00
Relief	50.00
Boy Scouts	50.00
	220.00
PUBLIC LIBRARY—	
Salaries	744.00
Heat & Light	145.00
Books & Magazines	121.00
Janitor	200.00
Building & Grounds	270.00
	1,480.00
PUBLIC WORKS—	
Street Maintenance	2,500.00
Street Lighting	900.00
Refuse Disposal	450.00
	3,850.00
ACCIDENT INSURANCE	
	250.00
GENERAL SINKING FUND	
	4,000.00
EMERGENCY	
	1,000.00
	5,250.00
WATER DEPARTMENT—	
Superintendent	2,100.00
Labor & Supplies	3,000.00
Electric Power & Light	1,700.00
Office Supplies	170.00
Clerical Help	600.00
Auto Expense Allowance, Superintendent	240.00
Reserve for Replacements, Extensions	5,010.00
Incidentals (office rent, etc.)	180.00
	13,000.00
GRAND TOTAL	32,356.00
Allowance for Delinquent 1944-45 Taxes	1,600.00
TOTAL REQUIREMENTS	33,956.00
ESTIMATED REVENUES—	
Delinquent Taxes	1,600.00
State Liquor Apportionment	350.00
Road Fund Apportionment	505.00
Licenses & Fines	4,000.00
Franchises, Permits, Services	1,075.00
Water Revenue	13,000.00
	20,540.00
Estimated Available Cash Balance July 1, 1944, after Reserve for Street Oiling	5,795.00
Total Estimated Revenue	26,335.00
TOTAL TAX LEVY	7,621.00

We, the undersigned Chairman and Secretary of the Budget Committee of the City of Hermiston, Oregon, hereby certify that the foregoing is correct as made by the said Budget Committee June 7, 1944.

LEANDER QUIRING, Chairman
R. C. McREYNOLDS, Secretary

(June 15-22)

Detailed Budget Report of ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES

FUND & CLASSIFICATION	Estimate	July 1, '43 to June 30, '44	Actual for	Actual for	Actual for	
	July 1, '44 to June 30, '45	Actual for First Six Mos.	Budget Year	Period July 1, '42 to June 30, '43	Period Jan. 1 '42 to June 30, '42	Actual for Year Ending Dec. 31, 1941
GENERAL GOVERNMENT—						
Mayor—Salary	\$ 120.00	\$ 60.00	\$ 120.00	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00	\$ 42.00
Mayor—Clerical Help	600.00	300.00	600.00	600.00	600.00	600.00
Travel Expense	150.00	37.50	60.00	215.88	60.00	65.04
Recorder—Salary	1,200.00	600.00	1,200.00	1,200.00	450.00	600.00
Treasurer—Salary	96.00	48.00	96.00	96.00	48.00	60.00
Council—Salaries	280.00	114.00	280.00	248.00	128.00	143.00
Stationery & Supplies	120.00	17.80	120.00	134.17	49.39	177.71
Notices & Advertising	150.00	66.55	150.00	117.10	115.65	131.75
Telephone & Telegraph	60.00	45.77	60.00	37.04	71.56	52.99
Election Expense	100.00			46.99		
Audit	150.00	150.00	150.00	150.00		75.00
Capital Outlay				39.25		150.00
League of Ore. Cities—Dues	20.00		15.00	32.12		15.00
Surety Bonds	50.00	22.47	50.00	50.00	25.00	50.00
Sundry Expenses	50.00		50.00	45.14	51.00	48.85
Attorney Fees	350.00	180.00	350.00	350.00	180.00	240.00
TOTALS	3,496.00	1,642.09	3,311.00	3,480.79	1,238.60	1,861.34
POLICE DEPARTMENT—						
Police—Salary	2,700.00	1,350.00	2,700.00	4,323.14	2,062.50	3,325.00
Deputies	700.00		700.00	15.00	15.00	190.00
Police Supplies			100.00	55.83	47.57	347.09
Jail Expense (heat, light, phone, etc.)	360.00	68.43	360.00	306.19	101.96	248.44
TOTALS	3,760.00	1,418.43	3,860.00	4,700.16	2,227.03	4,110.53
FIRE DEPARTMENT—						
Members Wages	600.00	373.00	400.00	378.00	283.00	286.00
Equipment & Supplies	500.00	31.70	500.00	23.58	37.21	340.27
Storage Equipment	150.00	75.00	150.00	97.50	37.50	90.00
Phone	50.00	25.33	40.00	38.45	19.80	19.50
TOTALS	1,300.00	505.03	1,090.00	537.53	377.51	735.77
SOCIAL WELFARE—						
Health Officer	120.00	60.00	120.00	120.00	60.00	120.00
Relief	50.00		50.00	1.00	6.76	5.02
Boy Scouts	50.00		50.00	50.00		50.00
School Band and U. S. O.						66.19
TOTALS	220.00	60.00	220.00	171.00	66.76	241.12
PUBLIC LIBRARY—						
Librarian—Salary	744.00	251.00	420.00	445.00	210.00	380.00
Heat and Light	145.00	5.28	100.00	100.71	3.30	95.96
Books and Magazines	121.00	12.00	85.00	84.10	100.00	32.17
Janitor	200.00	59.00	200.00	240.00	64.28	54.50
Building and Grounds	270.00	57.60	270.00	18.32		127.23
TOTALS	1,480.00	384.88	845.00	888.13	377.58	689.86
PUBLIC WORKS—						
Street & Maintenance	2,500.00	1,204.73	2,500.00	1,523.01	519.06	1,022.61
Street Lighting	900.00	419.38	900.00	826.41	426.35	690.52
Refuse Disposal, etc.	450.00	153.00	100.00	104.50	26.25	7.75
Capital Outlay (Equipment)				645.38		22.50
TOTALS	3,850.00	1,777.11	3,500.00	3,099.30	971.66	1,743.38
ACCIDENT INSURANCE						
	250.00	108.93	250.00	236.35	105.59	196.58
GENERAL SINKING FUND						
	4,000.00	1,835.00	1,835.00	1,000.00	500.00	350.00
PUBLIC PARK INDEBTEDNESS						
				1,693.61		
EMERGENCY						
	1,000.00			1,287.70	307.38	100.00
TOTALS	5,250.00	1,943.93	2,085.00	4,217.66	912.97	646.58
WATER DEPARTMENT—						
Superintendent	2,100.00	1,050.00	1,800.00	1,800.00	789.63	1,000.00
Labor & Supplies	3,000.00	1,329.01	2,800.00	1,635.74	650.66	2,389.73
Electric Power & Light	1,700.00	745.95	1,350.00	1,232.68	582.79	1,067.13
Office Supplies	170.00	47.45	170.00	132.88	104.28	144.59
Clerical Help	600.00	300.00	600.00	480.00	240.00	240.00
Auto Expense	240.00					22.25
Bond Retirement						5,000.00
Interest						200.00
Capital Outlay				2,953.75		
Reserve for Water Extensions	5,010.00		5,180.00			
Incidentals—office rent, etc.	180.00	2.30	100.00	84.10	23.63	115.00
	13,000.00	3,474.71	12,000.00	8,339.15	2,390.99	10,778.61
GRAND TOTALS	32,356.00	11,206.18	26,911.00	25,433.72	8,563.10	20,807.19
Allowance for Delinquent 1944-45 Taxes						
	1,600.00					
TOTAL REQUIREMENTS	33,956.00		33,956.00			
ESTIMATED REVENUES						
	20,540.00					
Estimated Available Cash Balance after \$5,000.00 Reserved for Street Oiling	5,795.00		26,335.00			
AMOUNT NECESSARY BY TAXATION			7,621.00			

THE CITY HAD NO OUTSTANDING BONDS OR WARRANTS AS OF JUNE 7, 1944.

I, Charles Taylor, do hereby certify that the above estimate of expenditures and revenues for the fiscal year July 1, 1944, to June 30, 1945, budget allowances and expenditures for the first six months of the current year, and expenditures for the year 1941 and the first six months of 1942, and the fiscal year 1942-43, have been compiled from the records in my charge and to the best of my knowledge are true and correct.

CHARLES TAYLOR, City Recorder, Hermiston, Ore.

(June 15-22)