

OREGON TEACHERS GET SMALLER PAY THAN U.S. AVERAGE

State Ranks 22nd in Nation With Composite Monthly Wage Under \$90—Scale, However, Is Trending Up

By Dick Applegate
SALEM (UP)—Oregon school teachers receive an average salary of less than \$90 a month, Superintendent of Public Instruction Rex Putnam announced here after a complete survey of the state.

Monthly checks are actually greater than that, since teachers are paid each month for nine months on a salary which is computed on a 12-month basis, Putnam explained.

National average for teachers in all schools is \$1283 per year, well above Oregon's figures. This state ranks twenty-second in the national averages, Putnam said.

Multnomah Highest
Multnomah county grade school teachers receive the highest salaries for that class of work in the state, \$1,183.00 a year. Wheeler county grade teachers are the poorest paid, receiving \$718.93.

Multnomah high school teachers also receive comparatively high pay, getting \$1,535.85 yearly, while Lincoln county has the poorest showing with \$928.16 a year for high school teachers.

Other averages paid in Oregon counties for teachers are shown:

County	Grade School	High School
Benton	856.93	1,211.50
Clackamas	946.12	1,384.66
Clatsop	1,060.55	1,482.20
Cook	887.39	1,332.10
DeSchautes	1,156.76	1,522.80
Hood River	886.19	1,051.09
Jackson	996.55	1,300.52
Klamath	1,180.84	1,442.41
Lane	914.62	1,244.13
Linn	806.88	1,224.07
Marion	940.70	1,308.12
Union	964.57	1,460.47
Wasco	976.42	1,425.96

Putnam said that salaries in the state, however low, were on the up grade. During the past three years the grade school average has climbed from \$787.65 to \$930.25, while during the same period high school teachers' salaries went from \$1,192.87 a year to \$1,514.96. Much of the climb was attributed to restoration of salary cuts handed down during the lowest part of the depression.

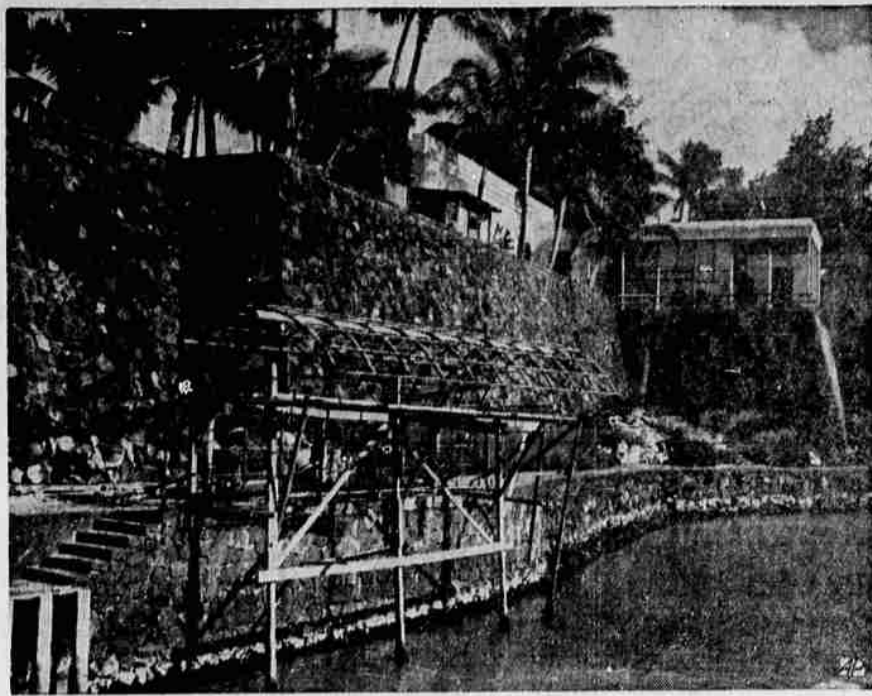
SALVATION ARMY PARTY TUESDAY

Plans were completed today for the Salvation Army's annual Christmas party in its hall at 236 North Bartlett street at 8 o'clock next Tuesday night.

A gala evening is planned with a play, "King Winter and His Court," a feature of the program of entertainment. Toys, candy and nuts are being wrapped in packages for distribution by a group of women from the Business and Professional Women's club.

The Salvation Army kettles will remain on the streets until Christmas Eve, and Capt. Reginald H. Vincent, Medford commander, again reminded the public of the importance of "keeping the pot boiling" so that the army might carry out its complete charity program during the holiday season.

Wrong Door
MARYSVILLE, Cal., Dec. 20.—(UP)—Harold Arens, 34, being taken to jail by two policemen, broke loose and dashed into the first open doorway in his path today. The policemen merely locked the door from the inside, picked up Arens in the women's ward of the city jail, and transferred him to the men's ward.



WITH ITS PRIVATE YACHT HARBOR, the new \$500,000 home of Mrs. James Cromwell, the former Doris Duke, at Honolulu, will probably be one of Hawaii's show places. The home has a glass-enclosed living room and adjoins a sumptuous "playhouse." Mrs. Cromwell is the tobacco heiress.

VARIED PROGRAM WILL BE GIVEN AT KIDDY YULE FETE

Organization was completed today of the staff to function at the annual Gates & Lydiard Christmas banquet, for underprivileged children in the basement dining room of the Elks temple Friday afternoon.

In charge of the corps of dining room servers will be P. C. Bigham as maitre d'hotel, a position he has filled at the Gates & Lydiard parties for several years.

The little guests will be served by a corps of members of the auxiliary of Medford post, American Legion, under supervision of Mrs. C. E. Kuntz, auxiliary president. The auxiliary women have done this important work for a number of years and have become so adept and efficient that they can serve 500 children or more in less than five minutes. Also in less than five minutes they can clear the tables after the first serving and reset them for the second group of children. Last year more than 1000 children attended the big Yule party. Like the other workers, the auxiliary women volunteer their services in order to assist in bringing Christmas joy to the children.

The Rev. E. S. Bartiam, rector of St. Mark's Episcopal church, will say grace and possibly tell the children a Christmas story designed to impress them with the true meaning of the Yuletide season.

Santa Claus will preside at the big Christmas tree from which he will dispense gifts of candy and fruit as the children leave the banquet hall.

An innovation this year will be entertainment for children while they wait for the banquet call in the Elks lodge room. During this period the children will be supervised and entertained by Girl Scout troop 5 of which Mrs. O. H. Bengtson is leader.

Entertainment this year will be more diversified than ever before, several additional organizations having volunteered their services.

As in the past years a chorus of carolers will sing Christmas anthems under the direction of Elsie Carlton Strang who has been coaching the singers especially for the banquet. A unique accompaniment will be provided the carolers by the Trumpet

GRANT FIELDS RETRIAL IN \$12,000 JUDGMENT FOR DOCTOR'S SERVICE

SAN BERNARDINO, Calif., Dec. 21.—(AP)—Comedian W. C. Fields, charged \$12,000 for a month's medical treatment, doesn't have to pay because the amount "shocks the conscience" the state appellate court ruled today.

The court reversed a \$12,000 judgment granted by Superior Judge O. K. Morton of Riverside to Dr. Jesse Citron, who treated Fields when he was ill with pneumonia in 1936.

Judge Morton erred, the appellate court said, when he refused to hear cross-examination as to the Bemet, Calif., physician's earnings and his usual charges in such cases.

"The measure of the value of services is not the value to the patient, but the reasonable value of the services in the community where they are rendered, by the persons who rendered them," the court said.

"The very large judgment... must shock the conscience until supported by more substantial evidence."

A new trial was ordered.

ASTORIA CANNERY VENTURE IS FLOP

ASTORIA, Dec. 21.—(AP)—The first Astoria venture into vegetable canning terminated yesterday when the port commission took possession of the Burk cannery, located on a port pier, for non-payment of rent.

The cannery promised to produce 250,000 cases of peas this year and the port commission installed \$17,000 worth of machinery after farmers had planted nearly 1,500 acres of peas.

The worst drought in 20 years limited the pack to 70,000 cases, and an eastern bumper crop forced the price down.

It was rumored several prominent California concerns were seeking to obtain the lease.

MILL EMPLOYEES RETURN TO WORK

BELLINGHAM, Wash., Dec. 21.—(AP)—Employees of the Biedel Donovan Lumber Mills' waterfront plant, one of the largest on Puget sound, looked forward to a pre-Christmas payday tomorrow, the first since last July.

The workers, who returned to their jobs a week ago after forming an independent union, went to work this morning under the protecting eyes of state patrolmen, city police and sheriff's deputies for the second time.

The officers were on duty to prevent C. I. O. pickets from interfering with the members of the Independent Sawmill Workers' union.

JAY GOULD'S DAUGHTER PASSES IN 70TH YEAR

MARGARETVILLE, N. Y., Dec. 21.—(AP)—Mrs. Helen Gould Shepard, 70, daughter of Jay Gould, railroad builder, died at her summer home early today.

One of America's pioneer philanthropists, Mrs. Shepard had been ill for the past two months.

In 1924, Mrs. Shepard testified at an accounting of her inheritance of one-sixth of her father's \$5-million-dollar estate that she had given most of it to charity.

ONE-FIFTH OUNCE CARGO IN HALF-TON WRAPPER

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—(AP)—The bureau of standard began unpacking today a one-fifth ounce cargo received in a half-ton wrapper.

It consisted of \$200,000 worth of radium for the National Cancer Institute shipped by truck from New York. The bureau will subject the radium to tests for about six months.

LEGISLATORS FACE HOUSING PROBLEM AT SALEM SESSION

Rooming Facilities Limited in Capital City—Spare Rooms of Hotels Taken Month Before 1939 Meet

SALEM—(UP)—As is usual during a legislative session, living accommodations in Salem will be crowded to capacity for the 1939 session.

A month before the opening the two major hotels had announced their accommodations practically all taken. The Senator hotel, which has a large transient trade, had set aside 40 rooms for legislators.

The Marion hotel, largely a residential hotel, had reserved approximately 60 rooms, all of which had been taken. The secondary hotels had vacancies, but expected to be filled before the session opens on January 9.

Private Homes Limited
Secretary of State Earl Buell had been taking listings of rooms in private homes and in rooming houses to take up the slack. Such rooms absorb much of the extra population during the session.

Last session saw four ingenious legislators solve their housing problem by renting an auto court cabin north of town. In this the four did their own cooking for the major meals of the day, eating only a light luncheon in town in an effort to live within their \$3 daily income from the state. Even with those economies they admitted they had failed in their effort.

Home Usually Lower
Hotel rooms range in tariff from \$1.50 a day per person in double rooms without bath, to \$5 per day for a single room with bath. Rates in private homes are generally lower, but in some cases are higher than the \$5 limit at hotels.

Board and room range from \$30 per month to \$50, with the average considerably higher than at ordinary times in Salem. The city has an unusually high number of such establishments at all times because of the many thousands of single state workers stationed here.

HEALTHMAN ASKS MOONEY TO OREGON MEET

PORTLAND, Dec. 21.—(AP)—Arrangements Secretary James Panis said yesterday he had invited Tom Mooney, widely known California prisoner, to address a state congress for industrial organization convention here January 14 and 15.

Governor-elect Olson of California has indicated his intention to pardon Mooney, who was convicted in connection with a preparedness day bombing in San Francisco.

Panis wrote Mooney that "your presence here will be an inspiration to every worker and will instill in him a determination to greater accomplishments in the future."

Panis also indicated Mooney would be asked to aid in a fight against Oregon's new anti-picketing law.

Grangers Vie as Rodent Killers

MONMOUTH, Ore., Dec. 21.—(AP) A rodent killing contest that has been waged for several months between the Monmouth and Pickreall Granges has been won by Monmouth.

By agreement before the contest started the Pickreall Grangers have to treat the Monmouth members to a dinner. Monmouth won with 74,000 points to Pickreall's 32,510. High

Eugene Reaps Profit On Municipal Plants

EUGENE, Dec. 21.—(AP)—Distribution of profits of Eugene's municipally owned water and light system will be spread out in 1939 to the extent of \$70,500 to power and light users. It was revealed today when the Eugene water board authorized cuts in rates to be effective after the January bills.

Rutledge Becomes Grazing Director

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—(AP)—Richard L. Rutledge was formally sworn in today as director of the interior department's division of grazing.

The tall, former forester who succeeded P. R. Carpenter December 1, took his oath in the office of Secretary Ickes before a group of department officials and employees of the grazing division.

Ickes later told Rutledge the oath "made things legal" and that "only a divorce" could get him out of office.

Catches Albino Muskrat
PLYMOUTH, Ia.—(AP)—Roy Butts caught something he didn't expect when he set out his trap line near here one night. The next morning Butts found an albino muskrat in the jaws of one of the steel traps. The animal was pure white with a light grey streak down the center of its back.

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DELAY IS CAUSED BY ERRORS MADE IN WORK REPORTS

SALEM—(Sp.)—Employers who furnish the Oregon unemployment compensation commission with wage and separation reports giving the cause of termination of employment as "discharged" when no misconduct is involved cause delay in determining claims for jobless insurance and involve themselves in needless correspondence, Administrator D. A. Bulmore explained in discussing the number of letters required to clear up some claims.

Wage and separation report forms contain block squares for checking three causes for terminating employment: Work completed, voluntary quit and discharged. In many instances, employees check "discharged" when they should check "work completed" or write in "laid off" under remarks, the administrator said.

The law provides that if a worker has been discharged for misconduct connected with his work, he will be disqualified for benefits for the

calendar week in which he was discharged and for not less than two, nor more than five weeks immediately following, in addition to the two-week period.

When employers check "discharged" on the wage and separation report, without explaining the reason, the commission is compelled to write to inquire into the circumstances surrounding discharge, in order to determine the penalty if the claimant is found at fault.

No Agreement
TOKYO, Dec. 21.—(AP)—The foreign office announced today that the seventh interview between Shigenori Togo, ambassador to Moscow, and Foreign Commissar Maxim Litvinoff had failed to settle the dispute over a new Japanese-Russian fishing agreement. The present pact expires December 31.

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