

## Manufacturing Payrolls for Oregon Decline

Salem, Ore., June 17—(U.P.)—Oregon's manufacturing and construction pay rolls declined \$36 million in 1949 from 1948's record, but wages paid to workers in trade, finance, utilities and other service groups increased \$6,500,000 over 1948, the state unemployment compensation commission reported today.

Last year's pay rolls by covered employers showed a 3 per cent decline over the 1948 record, to \$943,753,414 from \$973,102,450.

The entire drop in wage payments was reflected in the logging and lumber industry, with a fall of \$29,703,582 to \$243,253,480 or 25.8 per cent of all pay rolls subject to the unemployment law.

The 1949 average monthly employment in the woods products group also dropped from the 1948 high, to 70,138 from 82,369.

The commission reported that overall covered employment averaged 17,069 a month less than the 1948 peak-time high of 317,492. The peak year employment hit 323,969.

Only fields showing employment gains last year were finance, insurance and realty. However, the commission said 1949 average employment in wholesale trade, food processing and utilities was nearly the same as the 1948 totals.

By quarters, 1949 fell short of the previous year's record except in the April-June period. Only in the third quarter did 1949 pay rolls reach the billion-dollar pace, with \$252,697,997.

## North Bend Passes Coos Bay in Population

Coos Bay, June 17—(U.P.)—

North Bend passed Coos Bay by four on the basis of census figures received by city officials today, the report showing North Bend with a population of 5,960 to 5,956 for Coos Bay. Coos Bay had a population of 5,259 in 1940 as against 4,262 for North Bend. The North Bend growth rate was 39.6 as against 13 per cent for Coos Bay. The two cities are separated by a strip of land about the width of a city block.

Lawrenceburg, Tenn., June 17 (U.P.)—Funeral services were held Friday for Mrs. Emma Hershberger Gingerich, 39, who died during the birth of her 19th child.

## Sewage Disposal Line Completion Awaiting Meters

Central Point, June 17—Central Point's new sewage disposal facilities are complete except for the installation of meters, City Recorder Arden Pinkham said yesterday.

The meters are en route and should arrive shortly, he said. New facilities consist of a sewage pumping station and line connecting to the Medford-Camp White trunk. The pump and line will give Central Point joint use with Medford of the Camp White treatment plant.

The pumping station is near Bear creek, adjacent to the John Ellestad property, and the line joins the Medford trunk where it crosses the Central Point-Crater Lake road just east of the Table Rock road four corners.

An \$85,000 bond issue was required for the project. Of this about \$72,000 was for actual construction. The remainder was for various fees such as attorney's and engineer's charges and for payment on plans made for a previously contemplated disposal unit at Central Point.

## County's Bond Quota 34 Per Cent Complete

Jackson county has achieved 34 per cent of its assigned quota of \$150,000 in the current independence savings bond drive, County Chairman Morris B. Leonard Sr., reported yesterday.

He stated that sales last week were \$6,866 bringing the total sales since May 15 to \$52,211. The county is now in 13th place in Oregon on sale percentage basis.

The state total last week \$868,267 or 38 per cent of its assigned quota.

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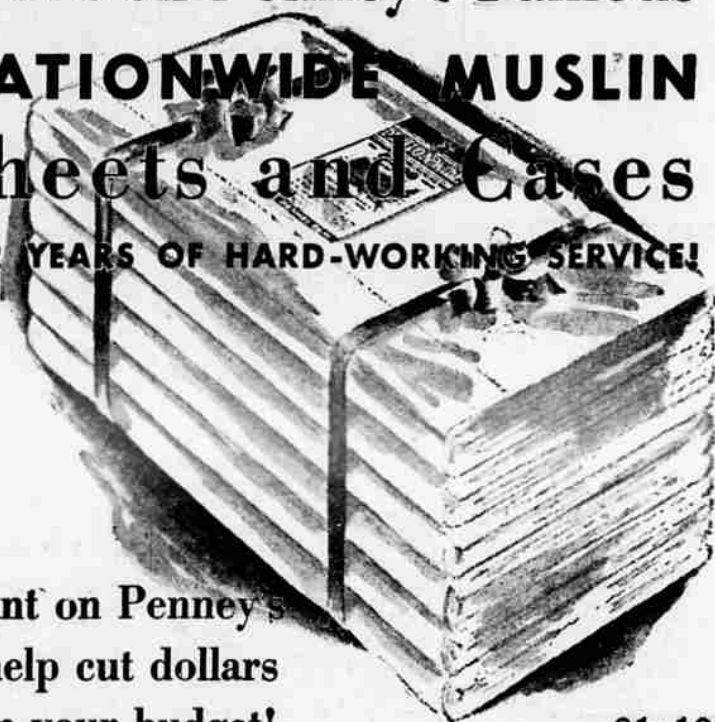
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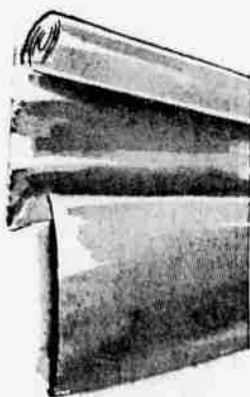
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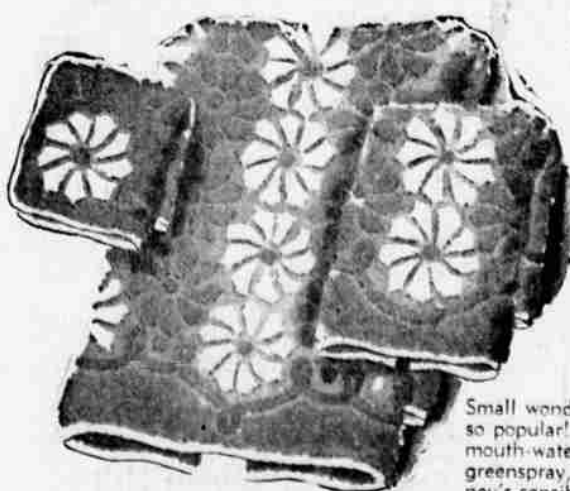


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