

Cooperation Asked In Burning Safety

Jacksonville — Residents of Jacksonville are asked by city officials to cooperate in burning grass or eliminating other fire hazards before the fire danger season arrives. If anyone has

more debris to dispose of than they feel they can burn safely, it can be arranged for the fire department truck and men to standby. Those wanting this service should call James Minnis,

Oregon Records Gain In Covered Pay Rolls

Salem — (U.P.) — Curry, Umatilla and Jefferson counties more than doubled Oregon's 15.3 per cent gain in covered pay rolls last year, but the greatest dollar increase came from Multnomah and Lane counties, the State Unemployment Compensation Commission said Tuesday.

Coos county also climbed rapidly, jumping nearly 10 millions to enter the select \$50 million group, which includes Douglas and Marion counties in addition to the two leaders.

fire department chief, telephone 9-8218.

The volunteer firemen will not be available for burning off grass or other materials on private property this year as in the past, the city officers pointed out. However, they will, if necessary, standby where there are possibilities of a fire spreading.

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Completed tabulations of 18,000 employers' reports by the commission showed Douglas county ahead of Marion for the first time, but still only about half of second-place Lane county's \$104,452,568. Douglas' 1951 total of \$54,608,517 is more than 20 times the amount reported in 1938, 1939 or 1940.

New lumber and plywood mills in Curry county enabled that southwest corner of the state to gain 66.2 per cent over 1950, reaching \$4,306,014 and passing three other counties. Umatilla's expansion was due cent to \$30,508,151 was due mainly to dam construction. Most dams and timber helped Lane, Marion and other western Oregon areas.

...Falls To Keep Pace
Multnomah county's covered pay rolls last year gained \$62,000,000 over 1950 but failed to keep pace with downstate increases aggregating nearly \$100,000,000. The metropolitan district's \$529,809,317 was about five per cent under all-time records set in 1943 and 1944 when emergency ships were being built. Less than 44 per cent of the state's covered jobs now are in the Portland area, compared with nearly 70 per cent in wartime.

Only two counties—Deschutes and Morrow — failed to record gains in 1951 but eight others increased less than 10 per cent. Sherman and Gilliam still have less than a million dollars subject to the unemployment tax. Before the war, when the state's total was about a fifth of last year's, as many as a dozen counties remained in the hundred-thousand group.

VFW SPONSORS DANCE
Shady Cove—A public dance, sponsored by Steelhead post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, will be held at 9 p.m. Saturday in the Veterans hall here, it was announced today by VFW officers.

Spokane — (U.P.) — Humane Society Superintendent Norman Finch Tuesday estimated there were 14,500 dogs in the city—highest in history.

Dead line Sunday Classifieds is at noon Saturdays.



RENATO ANTONACCI Copco Group's Foster Son

Italian Youngster 'Adopted' by Copco Record Department

Renato Antonacci, an 11-year-old Italian boy, has been "adopted" by the 17 employees of the California-Oregon Power company's record department. The "adoption" is financial and not a legal procedure, and was arranged through the Foster Parents' Plan for War Children, 55 West 42nd street, New York City, N. Y.

The local group has set up a regular organization with by-laws, and has a chairman, Jack D. Wood, and a secretary, Mrs. Maxine Hammond. Each year they will elect new officers. Contribute \$15 Monthly
Through the plan, they have promised to contribute \$15 monthly toward the child's support for at least a year. In return they have received a photograph and brief history of the child. In addition, individual members of the group are en-

couraged to correspond with him and those who care to be sending him packages. They started their contributions three months ago.

Renato was born in Albano, the youngest of four children. His father was killed in a bombardment over the city May 3, 1944, and the mother was wounded. She suffered a lacerated leg which never has healed, and she is unable to work regularly. When she does, the mother works at domestic chores and earns about 45 cents a day. As a war widow she does get \$18 a month. The eldest son, 21, is unemployed as there is little work at Albano. A sister, 15, helps with the housework and the two younger children attend school.

The family lives in two small rooms with no hygienic facilities. Sickness, hunger and demoralization are constantly attacking the little family that wants to have the opportunity of being decent human beings with the chance of looking forward to some sort of future, according to the history furnished by the foster plan.

Renato is described as dark complexioned, tall and thin for his age. He likes school but cannot study much because of hunger. He likes outdoor games.

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