

Nation's "Middle Income" Figure Shows \$280 Gain Says Federal Reserve

WASHINGTON, July 16 (AP)—The "middle income" for the nation's 45,500,000 families rose from \$2029 in 1945 to \$2309 last year, the federal reserve board estimated today.

"Middle income" means that half the families received more, half less. The board's survey defined a family as a related group living under the same roof and pooling incomes to meet major expenses.

The board said 60 per cent or 27,500,000 of these families had a joint income of \$2000 or more in 1946 compared with 13 per cent or 24,500,000 the year before.

Fewer than 6,500,000 families had income at that level in the mid-1930's—but dollars would buy more then. The board noted that even the income rises from 1945 to 1946 were offset by "substantial increases in prices of consumer goods."

Incomes of white collar families improved more on an annual basis than those of wage workers, the survey showed.

The middle income for families with earnings from clerical and sales work was \$2600 last year, up \$400 from the year before.

For families of skilled workers alone, the middle income was \$2800, but for skilled, semi-skilled and unskilled workers' families taken together it was \$2300 up only \$100 from 1945.

Families of professional workers fared best, with middle incomes rising to \$4000 last year, up \$700 from the year before. Those of business managers and self-employed did next best, with middle incomes of \$3700, up by \$400.

Middle incomes of families operating farms was given as \$1300, up \$300, but the board pointed out that substantial supplements in non-money income such as food raised on the farm keep farmers' incomes from being closely comparable with others.

Northwest Wheat Crop Held Good

PORTLAND, July 16 (AP)—The Pacific Northwest wheat harvest will be within 4 per cent of the high yield of last year, despite the May drought, the department of agriculture forecast today.

Nels I. Nielson, federal statistician, reported cool weather in June boosted the yield and that the estimated gain for Oregon since June 1 was 2,820,000 bushels. The total for the state was estimated at 24,406,000 bushels.

The department estimated 25,000 acres of dry edible peas for harvest compared to 19,000 a year ago. Smaller per acre yields were indicated, however.

Class one railroads in this country have about 37,000 steam locomotives in service.

Bid On Swan Island Withdrawn

PORTLAND, July 16 (AP)—The bid of the port of Portland for the Swan Island shipyard installation was withdrawn today because of the Kaiser interests' failure to take up an option to lease the property.

Port authorities announced they had rejected the proposal of the war assets administration for \$400,000 payment by the port on the war-built installation. The commission originally offered \$25,000.

SA Camp Ends Session

Last Saturday afternoon nearly 80 boys and girls returned from a week of fun and frolic at the Salvation Army camp at Lake o' the Woods.

They were a dusty but happy lot as the bus pulled in front of the Salvation Army offices at 4th and Klamath, where their parents awaited them.

During the course of their stay each boy and girl had made from one to three craft items: such things as colorful wooden trays, photo albums, wall plaques and plastic rings and bracelets. They also brought home a lot of good healthy tan.

One of the features of the week's encampment was a miniature water frolic which offered competition in rowing, diving, and long distance, short distance and underwater swimming. Prizes for the winners of these events were given out at the last camp fire program.

Also on the last night best campers pins were given to Jack Tidd of 1936 Etna street and Joyce Johnson, Route 2, Klamath Falls. These awards were presented to Jack and Joyce for their outstanding contributions to the success of the encampment through their camp spirit, cooperation and participation.

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Former OSC Man Offers Tax Advice

Dr. William Dreesen, professor of agricultural economics at Oregon State college from 1918 until his retirement from active service the first of this July, has proffered his assistance to the Oregon sales tax committee in a consultant and advisory capacity throughout the remainder of the campaign ending with the special election of October 7, next.

Throughout his long service with Oregon State college, Dr. Dreesen has been recognized as an authority in the field of economics and taxation, and especially as it applies to the problems of agriculture and those engaged in that field of endeavor.

In stating why he has enlisted as a proponent in the campaign for the approval of the sales tax Dr. Dreesen says: "During the past 25 years taxation has been one of my main fields of study. During this period I have watched the development of the Oregon tax structure along with the growth of increased public services and resulting increased public expenditures. Due to high income tax yields and

the liberal payment of back taxes, general property enjoyed a decade of low tax levies. No levy for state purposes has been made on general property since 1929. However, due to increased public demand and inflated prices, available state revenues are becoming inadequate to meet the demands made upon the state, and a broader tax base is becoming imperative.

"I am convinced that the approval of the sales tax measure referred to the people by the 1947 legislature would constitute a constructive step in the financial history of Oregon. Were this not my 'inere conviction' I would not have joined with the sales tax committee in its advocacy of the law."

Radio Station Permit Asked

WASHINGTON, July 16 (AP)—The Yamhill Broadcasters, Inc., McMinnville, Ore., has filed application with the federal communications commission for a standard radio station permit.

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Farmer Held In Murder Of Wife

WILMINGTON, Del., July 16 (AP)—A 26-year-old tenant farmer was held without bail for grand jury action on a charge of murdering his 23-year-old wife early today.

Major Herbert Barnes of the Delaware state police said the farmer, Berlin Thomas Cain, of Clark's

Corner, near Delaware City, admitted the brutal slaying of his wife. Her bruised and battered body was found in a ditch beside a highway 14 miles south of here.

Cain first told police he found his wife's body while walking home from a Delaware City taproom. However, Major Barnes said Cain later signed a statement admitting the slaying.

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Logger Faces Liquor Charge

DORRIS, July 16—Monroe E. Noblin, 38, millworker of Reedsport, Ore., was arrested Saturday night by Chief of Police J. W. Mather on a charge of giving intoxicants to a minor.

He appeared before Justice of the Peace C. E. Motchenbacher and was released under \$350 bond until his hearing, which is tentatively scheduled for Saturday.

The minor involved, also a lumber worker from Reedsport, gave his age as 17, and said he accompanied Noblin to Dorris to attend a dance.

According to the youth's story, when he arrived in Dorris, he purchased a bottle of whiskey at a local bar and left it in Noblin's car. Later, the story alleges, Noblin went to the car and got the bottle, and with the youth went in back of the city hall and consumed part of the contents.

Local law enforcement officials are attaching considerable importance to the case because of numerous complaints that minors are able to obtain whiskey in Dorris, and in several instances have appeared at local public places in an intoxicated condition, and also caused disturbances. Where the minors are obtaining the whiskey, local officials have not yet determined, but are investigating the Oregon youth's story in the hopes they will be able to prosecute and stop the practice.

The state board of equalization has been apprised of the situation, and will be asked to assist in curbing the condition.

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