

Farm Wage Rates Soar

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28 (AP)—Average farm wage rates in the state of Washington are now the highest in the country, a report of the bureau of agricultural economics disclosed today.

Farm workers in Washington on the first of this month received wages averaging \$167 a month, an increase of \$19 from a year ago, the bureau said.

In California, where farm wages averaged \$166 a year ago to top the nation, farm workers were being paid an average of \$165 a month on January 1.

In Oregon, average farm wages increased from \$149 a year ago to \$157 this month.

The average for the three Pacific coast states remained unchanged at \$154 a month compared with a national average of \$151. The six New England states were the second highest region, paying farm workers \$125 a month, while farm wages were lowest in the four South Atlantic states, Kentucky, Tennessee, Alabama and Mississippi, averaging \$63 a month.

The bureau's report showed that Washington's increase came mainly from workers paid by the day. Daily rates, with board, jumped from \$6.30 to \$7.20 during the year, while wages without board rose from \$8.40 to \$9.30 a day.

Oregon's wage rates the first of this month were \$143, with board and \$180, without board, for farm workers paid by the month, and \$7.80 with board and \$8 without board, for workers paid by the day.

CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



"Oh, I'm afraid I haven't a cent of money with me—I must have hurried out and left it at home in my husband's trousers!"

Unsold Wheat Holdings Very Low

PORTLAND, Jan. 28 (AP)—Unsold wheat holdings in the Pacific Northwest are at the lowest level in 13 years and trade groups said today they would recommend no resumption of government buying for export.

The federal crop reporting service reported holdings January 1 in Washington, Oregon and Idaho were 55,802,000 bushels, 33 per cent below a year ago, and just enough to meet normal feed and flour needs in the region until a new crop is harvested.

Of the total on hand, the federal commodity corporation holds between 5,000,000 and 10,000,000 bushels for export purposes.

Crowds Flock To See Freedom Train

ENID, Okla., Jan. 28 (AP)—It reminded them of Valley Forge.

The Freedom Train rolled into this Northern Oklahoma wheat center yesterday. With it rolled snow, a driving north wind, and an eight-degree temperature.

But 6130 men, women and children waited an average two hours each in the knife-like air to see precious documents inside the train. This was only 17 less than in Oklahoma City—eight times larger.

Police treated nearly 20 cases of frostbite.

Meier Estate Tops Million

PORTLAND, Jan. 28 (AP)—The probated will of the late Mrs. Minnie E. Meier, whose father-in-law was co-founder of the Meier and Frank company department store here, today listed an estate valued at \$1,051,575.

A \$25,000 bequest was made to the Portland community chest and the residue divided among heirs in three blocks. The estate assets, mostly in industrial stocks and bonds, included 12,418 shares of the family business valued at \$263,840.

Heirs include three grandchildren, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Heller, San Francisco, who divide a third; Allen E. Meier and Jane S. Meier, son and daughter-in-law, Portland, who receive a third in trust; and sons, Allen E. Meier and Frank Elsing Meier and wife, Clair, who receive another third in trust.

Klamath Flying News

By JOY BIGGS

Shasta-Cascade Flying Service is starting the new multi-engine course February 1 for all pilots holding private licenses. Those interested should call 6668 and make arrangements.

To Portland

Dave Zumwalt and Bud Stevenson flew Stevenson's Stinson to Portland Monday on business and returned the same night. Stevenson lives in Stockton, Calif.

Operation Sunshine

Mike and Margie Houser plan to join the Oregon-International air tour, "Operation Sunshine," a nine-day flight to Mexico which starts February 21. The flight includes a three-day stopover at Eureka and Hermosillo, with side trips to Guaymas on the Gulf of California and other points.

Honolulu Arrivals

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Kent of this city arrived by United Air Lines in Honolulu Monday. Mrs. Samuel D. Earhart and Mrs. William Yates arrived Tuesday and another party of Klamath basin folk including Mrs. Clara Shaw of Klamath Falls, Mr. and Mrs. J. Frank Adams and Mr. and Mrs. Dale West and daughter Sara, of Merrill, will arrive Friday by air.

Ground Manager

Homer J. Merchant has been named assistant general manager of ground service for United Air Lines with headquarters at the new operating base at Denver. It was announced today.

With 20 years of aviation behind him his experience includes being manager of the western regional traffic and sales and of eastern regional sales. Norval B. Pader, assistant director of traffic and sales will temporarily assume Merchant's former duties.

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(Below) Comparative charts show papers delivered, and advertising cost, in 1939 as compared with 1948. Colored sections indicate papers delivered the same day of publication, the balance delivered the following morning by mail. Advertising cost per 1000 now is less than prewar.

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