

Relief Rolls Are Greatly Increased

IDAHO JOBLESS EXPENDITURES AGAIN CLIMB, SAYS L. F. PARSONS

Boise, Oct. 27, (AP)—L. F. Parsons, secretary of the state chamber of commerce, quoted figures today which he said showed that Idaho's relief population increased 14.9 per cent in the past year and relief expenditures gained 9.18 per cent.

Parsons said he obtained his figures from the social security board at Washington, D. C.

"The total number of persons receiving assistance through the Idaho state department of public assistance during the months of July and August, 1938, was 20,197," Parsons said.

This was an increase of 2,628 or 14.9 per cent from the same months of 1937.

"The expenditures for the department totaled \$584,560 for the same 1938 months, an increase of \$49,187 or 9.18 per cent over July and August, 1937."

PWA JOBS IN IDAHO BEING PUSHED BY REGIONAL OFFICE

Although the January 1 deadline set by congress for the start of construction on all Public Works projects is more than two months off, PWA jobs in the Northwest are being rushed into construction at top speed, the regional office at Portland reported.

The Public Works Administration announced this week that work was started during the past week on two additional projects in Idaho, two in Oregon and one in Washington, bringing the total number of projects under the new PWA program for which ground already has been broken to 17 in Idaho, 24 in Oregon and 38 in Washington.

Complying with instructions from Public Works Administrator Harold L. Ickes, PWA officials in the regional office are co-operating with local sponsors in every possible way in an effort to get a majority of the projects authorized for this region under way by November 1, it was stated.

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