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The Weather

U. S. Weather Bureau Office
Roseburg, Oregon
Forecast for Roseburg and vi-
cinity: Partly cloudy tonight and
Sunday; fog in morning.
Highest temp. for any Feb., 79
Lowest temp. for any Feb., 50
Highest temp. yesterday, 60
Lowest temp. last night, 38
Precipitation yesterday, 0
Precipitation from Feb. 1, 2.78
Deficit from Feb. 1, 2.00
Deficit from Sept. 1, 3.64

In the Day's News

(Continued from page 1)

executive branch of our govern-
ment, he explained, is called be-
fore a committee of the legisla-
tive branch, he is under a DUTY
to answer frankly relevant ques-
tions not involving a matter of
policy incompatible with the
public interest.

Marshall concluded:
"You characterize the content
of his statement as a rude slander
and hostile to the Soviet Union.
Under our standards, a restrained
comment on a matter of public
policy is not a slander."

ABOUT the best comment one
can make is that in General
Marshall we have found a good
man to handle our foreign affairs.
Our most troublesome foreign
affair is Russia, who persists in
dealing with us much in the man-
ner of an inferiority-complexed
small boy "kissing" another boy.
Such conduct can easily lead to
a fight. In fact, in such a situa-
tion, a fight can usually be avoided
only by unusual tolerance,
forbearance and common sense
on the part of the one who is
being sassed.

General Marshall, who as sec-
retary of state is our spokesman
in such matters, appears to be
tolerant, forbearing, sensible, and
yet FIRM.

If given a free hand, he may
be able to keep us out of BAD
trouble.

MULL this over in your mind:
If, in this period of ex-
treme international gravity, we
persist in paring down our armed
forces to the point where they
will no longer be feared by Rus-
sia or anybody else we could
have any reason to fear, Marshall
will NOT have a free hand.
Instead, both of his hands will
be tied behind his back.

If you were a small boy sassing
another boy whose hands ap-
peared to be tied behind him, you
might so far lose your head as
to say or do something that
would undoubtedly precipitate a
fight.

Such things have happened.
When they happen on an inter-
national scale, the result is ex-
tremely apt to be the blood and
the suffering and the horror that
we call war.

WE Americans want tax reduc-
tion. We need tax reduc-
tion. High taxes result in high
costs, and high costs lie at the
root of a lot of the domestic
problems that are troubling us.
Before we can have materially
lower costs we must have lower
taxes.

BUT—
If our prestige throughout the
world is to be lowered to the
point where anybody can sass us
at will, with the knowledge that
there isn't anything much we can
do about it, war will be about as
certain as anything can be.

We won't submit indefinitely
to being sassed. Our history has
proved that pretty clearly.

IN the past, we've always had
"somebody to hold our coat
while we rolled up our sleeves
and got ready to fight. It won't
be done that way the next time.
There will be nobody to hold our
coat while we get ready. If a
fight starts and we aren't ready,
we'll be likely to get licked.

The obvious moral is that we'd
better STAY READY—no matter
what it costs.

Forum Speaker Dated
Robert Plerson, planning con-
sultant for the League of Oregon
Cities, will participate in the
Chamber of Commerce forum
luncheon Monday in a discussion
of community planning. Reserva-
tions may be made at the Cham-
ber of Commerce office.

FEUD SETTLEMENT SEEN

By CHARLES V. STANTON

Possibility for settlement of the feud between the county
court, logging contractors and small mill operators is seen
in proposals submitted Thursday night at the meeting of
truckers and loggers. Adoption of a five-point resolution
submitted to the court will result in withdrawal of petitions
for a recall election, it was indicated.

The court, we believe, should not yield to the demands set
forth in the resolution if it does not believe the proposals
to be fair, well founded, and for the best interests of the
county as a whole.

On the other hand, if, in the court's opinion, the sugges-
tions are sound and offer the basis for a better timber
management policy, the court should not withhold approval
out of stubbornness or through fear of appearing to have
yielded to pressure.

The county court undoubtedly will be the first to admit
it has made mistakes in timber management. It would be
very surprising if the court failed to make mistakes.

The timber industry came into Douglas County without
advance warning. We had known for years that we eventu-
ally would have a large forest products industry in our
county, but we did not expect it would come so quickly, for
we did not reckon with the war emergency.

The great rapidity with which the industry developed
found our people and our county court unprepared. We had
no experience and no opportunity to learn gradually through
trial and error.

Our first mistake, perhaps, was that we failed to go into
Washington state and Willamette valley counties, where
lumbering has exhausted itself, to learn experiences of those
localities with problems similar to ours. Of course, we have
had the added problem of heavy mobile equipment, a com-
paratively recent development.

We did not have roadways built to withstand the impact
of log trucking, and, because of the war, could not secure
road building equipment, nor even sufficient manpower to
do ordinary maintenance work.

Wrestling constantly with emergency problems, the
county court tried, we believe, to do an honest and con-
scientious job. Certainly it could not please everyone.

Its timber management policy has been based upon a
determination that county-owned timber, insofar as possible,
should be sold only for manufacture within the county. It
has, upon occasion, refused better financial offers, and has
sold to a lower bidder, because the latter agreed to manu-
facture the product within the county, thus providing local
payrolls, whereas the high bidder would have transported
the raw material to another county. We hold to the opinion
that the county court is entirely correct in this policy and
should not recede from its position.

Demand now is being made that county-owned timber
shall be sold only upon bids and that it shall be advertised
in small tracts. This is designed to give the small operator
equal opportunity with larger and better capitalized con-
cerns.

There can be no quarrel with this policy, providing the
county court reserves unto itself the right to accept and re-
ject bids and award contracts on a basis of long-range
benefits with sustained yield objectives constantly in mind.
The county court, we believe, should make every effort
to bring about closest cooperation in coordinating its road
program and its timber management policy with the needs
of the industry. In so doing there should be full recognition
of our lack of experience, and an effort made to bring into
consultation operators who have had experience in other
counties where similar problems have developed.

We have tremendously big problems ahead. Our indus-
trial development still is far from reaching its peak. We are
inadequately prepared to cope with demands for all needed
road construction, maintenance and surfacing to keep log
trucks rolling to capacity. We cannot fail to step on some
toes with a timber management policy, no matter how care-
fully we strive to avoid friction. No policy can please all
operators.

But if the court will proceed cautiously, working at all
times in as close harmony as possible with the industry, we
should be able to avoid another open break.

Pressure-Cooked
Vegetables Keep
More Vitamin C

Vegetables retain more vitamin
C when cooked according to
schedule in a pressure sauce pan
than in an ordinary pan, accord-
ing to a comparative study made
with several frozen vegetables,
reports Miss Lucy Case, exten-
sion nutritionist at O. S. C. A num-
ber of home demonstration ag-
ents in Oregon counties are now
making demonstrations with var-
ious kinds of these pressure sauce
pans, and all county extension of-
fices have a circular, HE 1966,
"Pressure Saucepans and Their
Uses."

Possible explanation of the
higher vitamin C content is that
such a small amount of water is
used in a pressure saucepan, veg-
etables are cooked in steam with
most of the air expelled, and the
cooking time is short, says Miss
Case.

A good pressure saucepan cooks
food in about one-third the time
needed in an ordinary pan, and
even less in some cases. They are
especially useful with foods that
require long cooking, such as pot
roasts, dried beans, beets and
long-cooking cereals, Miss Case
adds.

Safe use of pressure saucepans
is important and is emphasized
in extension demonstrations. Miss
Case points out. Steam vents need
to be kept free from obstructions
at all times. Filling the pan too
full, especially of solid masses
such as beans or soup, may clog
the vent. A good rule is, not to

let such food touch the cover.
Removing the weight before the
lid is an unvarying rule to
make sure the pressure is gone.
Setting the pan in cold water be-
fore removing the weight reduces
the pressure rapidly. Other pre-
cautions suggested by Miss Case
are to avoid laying the lid on a
hot burner or stove top, and to
start the cooking without the
weight lid steam emerges freely
to get rid of the air and facili-
tate quick cooking.

Loan Assns. Tighten
Financing of Homes

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 21.—
(AP)—One savings and loan asso-
ciation here refused today to
make loans on new homes and
others reported difficulty in fin-
ancing homes.

President Ben H. Hazen of the
Benjamin Franklin Federal Sav-
ings & Loan Association said his
firm would not make loans until
building prices stabilize.

He said mounting costs had
made it impossible for contract-
ors to guarantee fixed prices for
houses and that as a result the
lending risk was too great.

Cecil M. Gartrell, head of the
First National Bank's home loan
department, said some institu-
tions were making loans only to
those with sufficient means to
cover 25 per cent beyond the orig-
inal estimated cost of the house.

Drop in Boosted
Lumber Prices
Seems Probable

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 22.—
(AP)—A tapering off in the recent
increase of lumber prices appear-
ed probable today, although an
eastern prediction that prices
would drop 10 per cent within
three months was not confirmed
in local lumber circles.

Orville Miller, president of the
Mt. Jefferson Lumber Company,
said that reported weakening of
the eastern lumber market was
not reflected in either mill prices
or demand here.

"We have not seen any indica-
tion of it in our own dealings,"
Miller said. He added that eastern
wholesalers and distributors
might have unsold lumber on
hand because of large backlogs
which arrived after the maritime
strike's end, and which could not
be used during the abnormally
bitter eastern winter.

"It is conceivable that some
firms there may have overbought
and be trying to unload," Miller
said, "but such a situation would
be only temporary."

H. V. Simpson, executive vice-
president of the West Coast Lum-
bermen's Association, returned
from an eastern trip to report
house construction almost at a
standstill because of weather con-
ditions.

He predicted that contractors
would show more caution in
building this year—not starting
houses until they are assured of
sufficient labor and materials to
complete them. The housing de-
mand, however, remains very
high, he said.

Russian Sailor
Shuns Homeland
In Fear of Death

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 22.—
(AP)—Alexander Feodorovich Lo-
banov, a Russian seaman, who
fears he will be killed if he ever
again boards a Soviet ship or re-
turns to his homeland, was quoted
by the Chronicle yesterday as
saying Russia exercises the closest
surveillance over its seamen when
they visit foreign ports.

"I have been a Russian sailor
since 1928," Lobanov told the
Chronicle. "Since then I have
been everywhere. Russian seamen
must sign a paper that they
will not go anywhere ashore
alone. They must sign a state-
ment saying that they will not
read foreign papers, that they
will not answer questions about
Russia or visit any homes in the
ports they reach."

"On Jan. 11, 1945," he said,
"your immigration officials helped
me get a job aboard a Belgian
ship. Since that first voyage I
have sailed on American ships.
But, last month when I docked at
Los Angeles, they told me I could
no longer sail because I have no
passport."

Lobanov told the Chronicle a
lawyer advised him to go to the
Soviet consulate and ask for a
passport.

"What an idea," he said. "That
consulate is not the consulate of
France or England. It is the
Soviet consulate. That is the dif-
ference. If I went there I would
get something but it would not
be a passport."

"If I were to sail on a Russian
ship do you know what would
happen? I would be killed when
the ship reached the three-mile
limit. Or maybe I would be killed
when the ship got to Russia. Or
maybe I would be thrown in a
concentration camp. This I
know."

So Lobanov says he wants no
pass of Russia, or his home city
of Leningrad. The next step, ac-
cording to the Chronicle, is for
him to be interviewed by a social
worker who specializes in cases
like this.

Codification of Oregon
Dairy Laws Requested

CORVALLIS, Ore., Feb. 21.—
(AP)—The Oregon Dairy Manu-
facturers Association last night
urged codification of all Oregon
laws pertaining to the dairy in-
dustry.

O. K. Beals, head of the State
Department of agriculture's di-
vision of foods and dairies, said
it would remove conflicts and
deadwood.

The association elected Jack
Wright, McMinnville, president;
Richard Trout, Portland vice-pre-
sident; F. F. Moser, Corvallis,
treasurer; and Dr. G. H. Willard,
Corvallis, secretary. Jorgen Jer-
gensen, Medford, and F. A. Keas-
ey, Eugene, were named directors.

Life Term Given Killer
Of Wife and Stepson
SPOKANE, Feb. 22.—(AP)—
Charles A. Branscombe, 53-year-
old Spokane printer, pleaded
guilty in Superior Court yester-
day to second degree murder in
the gun slaying of his wife, Ruth
Branscombe and 13-year-old step-
son, Paul Baker, last Oct. 17. He
was sentenced to life imprisonment.

Attorney H. Earl Davis, repre-
senting Branscombe, told the
court there was "plenty of miti-
gation for his offense." He said
Mrs. Branscombe had "driven her
second husband to suicide and
made Branscombe's life unbear-
able."

He "just went to pieces," Davis
said, after Mrs. Branscombe told

Standard Gas Offers Its
Copro Stock for Sale

NEW YORK, Feb. 22.—(AP)—
Directors of Standard Gas & Elec-
tric Co. decided yesterday to offer
for sale the company's holding
of common stock of California
Oregon Power Co. and of Mount-
ain States Power Co. dates for
both sales are expected to be set
next week.

Throughway Bill
Compromise to be
Tried at Salem

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 21.—(AP)—
Efforts to compromise differ-
ences over the throughway bill,
which would let the Highway
Commission limit limited access
highways, will be made next
Tuesday when the proponents and
some of the opponents meet with
the Senate roads and highways
committee to iron out differences.

That compromise move began
last night after a three-hour hear-
ing at which proponents declared
the bill is needed to reduce the
cost of toll and to speed up traf-
fic, and the opponents charged
the main purpose of the bill was
to give the Highway Commission
more power.

The compromise offer was
made by Fred Inkster, Oswego,
one of the sponsors of the bill,
who offered an amendment
which would permit access to all
existing places of business along
highways, but to deny access to
new businesses.

That idea sounded good to L. R.
Roestel, Milwaukie, representa-
tive of the Oregon Motor Courts
Association, who was head of the
opponents last night. Roestel sug-
gested an amendment which
would permit freeways in all
places except in congested areas.

However, some of Roestel's sup-
porters became enraged at Roestel
for making the offer, asserting
they would be satisfied with
nothing less than defeat of the
bill.

The hearing was held in the
House chamber, which was packed
with opponents of the bill.
Safety Need Emphasized
Principal witness for the pro-
ponents was William Tugman,
newspaper editor representing
the Eugene Chamber of Com-
merce.

Tugman said:
"All of the state is vitally con-
cerned with safety. We spend
lots of money inviting tourists
to come to see our state, but we
don't dare put in our advertising
our tremendous death rate in ac-
cidents. Our death rate is 300
per cent of the death rate on the
freeway systems of Connecticut
and California."

He told how the system is in
effect in 24 other states, and is
endorsed by the federal govern-
ment. He said the bill would hurt
no one because every person
would have access by service road
which would parallel highways.

Answering charges by the op-
ponents that the highway com-
mission has not spent its money
wisely, Tugman said the commis-
sion has done a fine job with the
money available. He declared that
the value of good roads depre-
ciates rapidly when business is
allowed to congest highways,
which in effect narrows the road.

Safety Claim Disputed
Louise Palmer Webber, Port-
land, denied the bill would reduce
accidents, and said "permission
to live in Oregon depends on
whether the Highway Commis-
sion wants you to live here."

"Why should we spend thous-
ands and millions of dollars," she
asked, "on highways so tourists
can wander through our state on
their way to Seattle or Los An-
geles? The bill is only for the per-
sonal aggrandizement of the
Highway Commission."

Representatives of farm groups
also appeared against it, but Lane
County Commissioner Allen P.
Wheeler, a farmer, spoke for the
bill, asserting the bill protects the
farmer by guaranteeing him ac-
cess via service roads.

Taft Seeks Showdown
On Proposed Budget Cut

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—(AP)—
Senator Taft (R-Ohio) called
for a Senate showdown today
on whether to offer federal agen-
cies—principally the army and
navy—\$1,500,000,000 more than
the House did in voting 239 to
139 to trim \$6,000,000,000 off Pre-
sident Truman's budget.

Taft, who heads the Republican
policy committee, told a reporter
he sees no reason why a decision
should not be reached quickly
on the proposal by Senator Mil-
lkin (R-Colo.) to put a ceiling
of \$33,000,000,000 on government
costs in the year beginning July 1.

The House specified a "limit"
of \$31,500,000,000 compared with
Mr. Truman's request for \$37,
500,000,000.

Fraud Charge Denied by
Ex-Official of House

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—(AP)—
Kenneth Romney, former ser-
geant-at-arms of the House for
16 years, pleaded innocent today
to charges of attempting to de-
fraud the government by conceal-
ing a \$143,863 shortage in his
accounts.

Federal District Court Judge
Blitha J. Laws, set trial for April
21.

The sergeant-at-arms office ser-
vices as a "bank" for House mem-
bers.

Although half of Mexico lies
within the tropic zone, only its
coastal regions and the peninsula
of Yucatan have a tropical cli-
mate.

Court-Martialed
Army Officer On
Promotion Slate

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—(AP)—
The War Department said yester-
day it will be compelled by
law to include again the name of
Col. James Killian in an officer
promotion list to go to the Senate
for confirmation.

Killian was convicted by court-
martial and fined \$500 on charges
growing out of investigations of
brutality to American prisoners
at the Lichfield prison camp in
England.

Killian's nomination for pro-
motion from lieutenant colonel to
permanent rank of colonel was
sent to the Senate in the last
Congress but was not acted upon
because his case then was being
tried.

Maj. Gen. Floyd L. Parks, Army
director of public relations, in
answering questions of reporters
regarding the automatic nomina-
tion of Killian, made two points:
1. The War Department has
been working for more than six
months on legislation to amend
the law requiring automatic pro-
motion by seniority (under which
Killian's nomination comes up
despite his court-martial conviction).
It proposes instead that
promotion be by selection of in-
dividuals, in a manner similar to
that used by the Navy for several
years.

2. With each of the more than
600 names on the list now being
prepared will be attached a re-
cord of the man's service, includ-
ing, in the case of Killian, a nota-
tion of his court-martial conviction.

Parks explained:
Killian is a lieutenant colonel
in the regular Army and by law
(the National Defense Act) will
be promoted if he meets certain
requirements as to service and
eligibility (which Parks said he
did meet).

Any list that is issued by the
War Department for congress-
sional action, which also contains
names of officers of rank junior
to Killian's would by law have
to include his name.

Parks emphasized that the list
has not been completed.

KRNR
Mutual Broadcasting System
1490 Kilocycles

REMAINING HOURS TODAY
4:00—Hawaii Calls
4:30—Music
4:45—Around the County, International
News Events
5:00—News
5:15—Prayer That Christian Science
Heals, Christian Science Church
5:30—National Security Week
5:45—Musical Interlude
6:00—WOR 25th Anniversary Program
6:15—State and Local News, Roseburg
Motor Co.
7:15—Musical Interlude
7:30—Herald Veterans
7:45—Voice of the Army
8:15—Musical Interlude
8:30—VFW
8:45—Washington Birthday Cele-
bration
8:50—Alka Seltzer News, Miles Labs.
9:15—Selling World News, Miles Labs.
9:30—Hunting and Fishing Club of the
Air
10:00—Latin American Serenade
10:30—Ten-Thirty Club, Lawson's
11:30—Sign Off

SUNDAY, FEB. 23, 1947
8:00—Dr. Talbot and Choir, Bible
Institute
8:30—Voice of Prophecy
9:00—Pilgrim Hour, Gospel Broadcast-
ing Assn.
9:30—Lutheran Hour, Lutheran Lay-
man's League
10:00—Alka Seltzer News, Miles Labs.
10:15—Commander Scott, Greyhound
10:30—Garden Time, Gill Bros. Seed
Co.
10:45—Organ Concert, Umpqua Hotel
11:00—Christus Under the Stars
11:15—National News
11:30—Eddie Oliver
12:30—Crimes of Carleson, National
Board of Crime Investigators
1:00—House of Mystery, General
Foods
1:30—True Detective Mysteries,
Williamson's Candy Co.
2:00—The Shadow, Radio, Bar
2:30—Quack as a Flash, Hellobro Watch
Co.
3:00—House Websters, Quaker Oats Co.
3:30—Nick Carter, Old Dutch Cleaner
4:00—Kassidy, Radio, Bar
4:30—Dr. Floyd Johnson
5:00—Mediation Board
5:30—Social Investigator, Commercial
Credit Co.
5:45—County News Roundup
6:00—Exploring the Unknown, Revere
Copper & Brass
6:30—Double or Nothing, Feenemist
7:00—Gabriel Heatter Show, Mutual
Broadcast
7:30—Meet the Press
8:00—Twenty Minute Play
8:30—Jergens Journal, Andrew Jergens
8:45—Rayne Presents Sheila Graham,
Raymond Labs.
9:00—Alka Seltzer News, Miles Labs.
9:15—Rex Miller, Purex
9:30—Decision Now
9:45—Around the County, International
News Events
10:00—Old Fashioned Revival Hour
10:30—Gospel Broadcasting Association
11:30—Sign Off

MONDAY, FEB. 24, 1947
6:00—Farm Bulletin Board
6:30—Yaven Patrol
6:45—Scherer Auction
7:00—Frank Hemmingsway, J. A. Folger
Co.
7:15—Rise and Shine, Sterling Drug
Co.
7:30—State and Local News, Boring
Optical
7:45—Judd Furniture
7:50—Rhapsody in Wax
8:00—Music
8:30—Wally's Wake Up Time, Wally's
Grocery
8:45—Lester H. Lindlar, Healthbuds
9:00—Art Baker and His Notebook,
Commodore
9:15—Morning Melodies
9:30—Man About Town, Joske and
Lowy
9:45—Shopper's Guide, Nartli's and
Marshall-Wells
10:00—Musical Interlude
10:15—Alka Seltzer News, Miles Labs.
10:30—Music
10:45—East Listennin'
11:00—Swap Shop, Kamper's
11:15—Modern Melodies, Modern
Urethane
11:30—Quest for a Day, Miles Labs.
11:45—Musical Interlude
12:00—Sports Review, United Petroleum
12:15—Musical Interlude
12:30—Buyer's Guide, Associated
Distributors
12:45—Shubin at Hand
1:00—State and Local News, Hansen
Motors
1:15—National News, Douglas County
State Bank
1:30—National Market Reports, Sig
Fett
1:45—Man on the Street, Hemmings
7:00
1:55—The Johnson Family
2:00—R's Requested, Roseburg Meat
2:30—Music
2:45—Showboat Theater
2:55—Western Serenade
3:00—Behind the World News, Bill
Colvin
3:00—Evening Vespers, Methodist
Church
3:15—Wheel of Fortune
3:30—Alka Seltzer News, J. A. Folger
Products
4:15—Rex Miller, Nalium
4:30—Voice of the Army
4:45—Black Rogers, General Foods
5:00—Supernatural, Bellings

3:30—Captain Midnight, Wander Co.
3:45—Tom Mix, Rastan, Parina
4:00—Gabriel Heatter, Carier
Products
4:15—Musical Interlude
4:30—State and Local News, Roseburg
Motor Co.
4:45—Hit Parade of Novelty Tunes,
Douglas Paint & Hardware
4:55—Songs for Everyone, Roseburg
Refrigeration
5:00—M/Garry and His Mouse
5:15—The Clio Kid, Modern
Furniture
5:30—Richard Davis, Pvt. Detective,
Union Oil
5:45—Rhapsody, Douglas County
Flour Mills
5:55—Songs of the West, Lockwood
Motors
6:00—Alka Seltzer News, Miles Labs.
6:15—Mel Winter's Pictorial, S&W Fine
Foods
6:30—H. Neighbor, Carstens
Furniture
6:45—Henry J. Taylor, General Motors
10:00—Pulton Lewis, Jr., Wilder's
10:15—Nocturne
10:30—Ten-Thirty Club, Lawson's
11:30—Sign Off

Rising Prices for
Pork Expected to
Go to \$30 Hundred

CHICAGO, Feb. 22.—(AP)—The
pigs coming to market now-a-days
are the most valuable combina-
tion of meat and lard ever to land
in the stockyards.

With prices experiencing a per-
sistent upturn, pigs today are
"black gold" to the farmer who
reared them and a mighty wal-

lop to the pocketbook of the con-
sumer who will eat the meat that
comes off them.

Average price of all hogs sold
on the union stockyards Thurs-
day was the highest in history at
approximately \$26.50 a hundred
pounds. Top price of \$27.50 match-
ed the all-time record high set
last Oct. 15. A year ago the OPA
ceilings on live hogs was \$14.85.

Responsible for the price ad-
vance, livestock sources said,
were small receipts and a con-
tinued good demand for pork
from housewives, who still haven't
met up with the retail prices
which correspond to the quota-
tions live hogs have brought this
week.</