

Standard Grade Cube Butter Is Down One Cent

PORTLAND, Apr. 14 (AP)—Cut in the price of standard grade cube butter on the Portland produce exchange for the late season indicated more or less congestion. It also reflected the work of distributors of the higher score to force once again a differential between the two grades. The cut in standard butter was followed by the like loss of 1 lb. in the buying price of butterfat both here and at country stations.

There continues a liberal increase in the make of butter at practically all Pacific northwest points although the reverse appears true of the southwest and the California territory.

Increasing stocks here have weakened the general trend of the trade, creating a surplus that is becoming more or less bothersome to receivers and distributors.

General egg market trading continues to reflect nothing better than steadiness with weakness in spots with more or less price shading by outsiders.

Fractional price losses are reflected in buying prices on some lines of poultry with heavy hens down to 15c generally and colored broilers no higher than 18c-20c lb.

Owing to the much milder weather conditions now prevailing, it is not advisable to ship dressed poultry into Portland from the country. Some recent arrivals of chickens and turkeys were condemned by officials.

Arrivals of strawberries from California are increasing but demand is good and prices are held up. Carload is in from Los Angeles and another due tomorrow. Also a carload, the first from Fresno. The latter will be 20c.

Lower prices are being named for asparagus, all arrivals are included. Seattle is in such bad shape that it is shipping Sunnyside stock here on an already overfilled trade. Local grass

of best quality slow at 90c @ \$1.00 doz. bunches. Only two full carloads of onions are reported unsold in the hands of Western Oregon growers. One of these is on the west side, the other in the Brooks district. Several carloads have recently moved on consignment.

There was practically no change for the day in the market for country killed meats. Veal is fully steady while hogs and lambs are just about holding at late values.

Notes of wholesale trading: Celeris is lower priced due only to poorer quality. Some very good sweet potatoes are arriving from New Mexico and quoted down to \$1.25 bushel hamper.

Radish market is lower with extreme supplies but quality is good. First carload of rutabagas out of Yakima storage is here and the price is higher at 2c lb.

New potatoes and green peas are unchanged. Cauliflower is practically steady.

OFFICERS FACING DIFFICULT TASK

(Continued From Page One) Heve carried Charles A. Lindbergh in his search for trace of his kidnapped son, flew over the Vineyard today.

LIMA, O., Apr. 14 (AP)—Suspicious actions of a man and woman with three children here last night caused police to make a search for them on the possibility that one of the children was the kidnapped son of Charles A. Lindbergh.

The woman was carrying a curly-haired child, about 21 months old, and seemed to be making special efforts to shield his face with a blanket.

They stopped at a tourist camp and then went to a restaurant. At both places, the man tendered a \$20 bill, which the proprietors were unable to change. Later, the adults and children returned in apparent haste to the camp, restored their baggage to an automobile and sped away.

MARKET NEWS OF THE DAY

Table with market news for Chicago Wheat, Portland Wheat, and Chicago Corn. Columns include Open, High, Low, Close, and various price points.

MANY KILLED IN EXPLOSION IN COLUMBUS

(Continued From Page One) state had planned to move into the building May 10. While the cause of the blast was undetermined, it was known that it could not have been a gas explosion, since no gas lines had been laid in the structure.

The basement and first floors took fire and fire companies were summoned to the scene. The firemen were trying to extinguish the blaze and at the same time determine how many, if any, workmen had been trapped by falling stone.

Those near the scene when the explosion occurred said large slabs of marble were blown high into the air. Some thought the blast occurred near the boiler room in the southwest corner of the basement.

Fire was sweeping through the basement and lower floor of the structure and firemen said there was little hope for any men trapped by the debris.

Closing Tone In Exchange Strong

NEW YORK, Apr. 14 (AP)—The stock market finally managed to poke its head up today without attracting a fresh barrage of selling. After an early slump of 1 to 4 points in several issues, pressure abated, and the list worked almost steadily higher, registering numerous net advances of 1 to 4 points over the previous close. The closing tone was strong. Transfers approximated 1,600,000 shares.

A brisk rally in some of the small issues, coincident with a reassuring statement regarding the operating companies, was helpful. A more favorable interpretation of the federal reserve's new credit expansion program, was also an important factor.

PORTLAND LIVESTOCK

PORTLAND, Apr. 14 (AP)—Cattle 95, calves 10; quantity steady. Steers 600-900 lbs. good \$6.25 @ \$7, medium \$5.00 @ \$6.25, common \$3.75 @ \$5.00; 900-1100 lbs. good \$6.25 @ \$7.00, medium \$5.00 @ \$6.25, common \$3.75 @ \$5.00; 1100-1300 lbs. good \$6.25 @ \$7.00, medium \$4.00 @ \$5.75; heifers 550-850 lbs. good \$5.75 @ \$6.50, medium \$4.50 @ \$5.75, common \$3.25 @ \$4.50. Cows, good \$4.75 @ \$5.25, common and medium \$3.25 @ \$4.75, low cutter and cutter \$1.50 @ \$3.25. Bulls yearlings excluded, good and choice (beef) \$3.25 @ \$3.75, cutter, common and medium \$2.00 @ \$3.25. Vealers milk fed, good and choice \$6.00 @ \$6.50, medium \$4.50 @ \$6.00, cull and common \$2.50 @ \$4.50. Calves 250-500 lbs. good and choice \$4.50 @ \$6.00, common and medium \$2.00 @ \$4.50.

Hogs 250; 10c higher. Light lights 140-180 lbs. good and choice \$3.75 @ \$4.00; lightweight 160-180 lbs. good and choice \$4.25 @ \$4.50, 180-200 lbs. good and choice \$4.32 @ \$4.60; medium weight 200-220 lbs. good and choice \$3.75 @ \$4.00, 220 to 250 pounds good and choice \$3.50 @ \$4.50. Heavyweights 250 to 290 lbs. good and choice \$3.25 @ \$4.25, 290-350 lbs. good and choice \$3.00 @ \$4.00. Packing sows 275-500 lbs. medium and good \$2.75 @ \$3.50. Feeders—stockers 70-150 lbs. good and choice \$3.00 @ \$3.50.

Sheep and lambs 900, steady. Lambs 90 pounds down (spring) good and choice \$6.50 @ \$7.00, medium \$4.50 @ \$6.50. Lambs 90 lbs. down, good and choice \$5.50 @ \$6.00, medium \$4.00 @ \$5.50, all weights, common \$3.00 @ \$4.00; yearling wethers 90-110 lbs. medium to choice \$3.00 @ \$3.50, 120-150 lbs. medium to choice \$1.75 @ \$2.75, all weights, cull to common \$1.00 @ \$1.75.

LIVERPOOL WHEAT LIVERPOOL, Apr. 14 (AP)—Wheat closed: May 59 1/2; July 62; October 64 1/4. Exchange \$3.77.

SILVER BARELY STEADY NEW YORK, Apr. 14 (AP)—Bar silver barely steady and 1/4c lower at 77 1/2c.

BUTTERFAT SAN FRANCISCO, Apr. 14 (AP)—Butterfat f. o. b. San Francisco 20c.

LARGE EGG SAVES HEN FROM AX REDWOOD CITY, Cal. (AP)—Mrs. James Borgie has a Rhode Island Red hen that's going to be spared from the executioner's ax because of its egg-laying. The hen laid an egg seven and seven-eighths inches long and six and five-eighths inches the other.

Nordstroms of Seattle won the Pacific northwest independent basketball championship this year.

ROOSEVELT'S CANDIDACY IS ATTACKED

(Continued From Page One) project, quoted this word "stop-gap" in referring to the plan. It was exactly taken to his plan in the recent speech of a leading Democrat whom he did not name. It was that reference which gave his audience one of the definite clues to the direction his words were taking.

Leaders Weighing Effect Today the Democratic leaders were weighing the effect of this startling development on the party fortunes and upon the candidacy of Roosevelt who now is way beyond any rival in the race for nomination, with 216 pledged and claimed delegates. Immediate repercussions were awaited.

Smith flung into the meeting also a proposal for setting up a war debt and stimulating American foreign trade by this government's offering the debtor nations to "forget" their obligations for 20 years, meanwhile reducing their total each year by 25 per cent of their purchases of American goods. Considerably elaborated, this plan received an uncertain response, with much less applause than was volunteered many of his utterances.

Earlier the group had been startled by the proffer of a compromise plan from the dry state of Virginia. Former Governor Harry Flood Byrd proposed immediate amendment of the constitution to make possible a direct referendum by the people, to be held thereafter at a date unmarked by political contests on the direct issue of prohibition, with repealing the 18th amendment.

This, with Smith's renewal of his urging for a states' rights plank, allowing states to remain wet or dry as they chose, was one of the few references to prohibition in the party proceedings.

The gathering of more than 2000, coming at the end of a day replete with rallies, speeches and campaign planning, heard also Governor Albert C. Ritchie of Maryland, former Governor James M. Cox of Ohio, the postmaster, and John J. Busch, the party's national chairman. Senator J. Hamilton Lewis, of Illinois, on the program for a speech, was not able to attend. The general tenor of the talks was an assault on the Republican administration, coupled with predictions of triumph for Democracy this election.

"Some Democrats say 'give us a short convention;' others say 'nominate a candidate against whom nothing can be said while there cannot be much said for him.' The disposition to gloss over controversial questions in an attempt to please both sides of the argument will bring forth a meaningless document, a colorless candidate and a weakened party. Experience will win nothing for democracy," Smith said.

A short convention is the particular objective of the Roosevelt forces, although many not definitely in his column join in wishing at all costs to prevent the type of long deadlock which occurred in the 1924 Madison Square garden convention. Several speakers last night mentioned a long Democratic convention as a Republican hope and promised the opposition would not have its wish.

For Clear-Cut Program Smith advocated a clear-cut platform, which besides his war debt plan and liquor control project reiterated the demand for scientific tariff rates written by a non-partisan commission, and a thorough reorganization of the government machinery.

He called for a short platform, criticizing the party for devoting space in the past to attacking the Republicans instead of concisely and definitely offering constructive proposals. Unemployment, he said, would have to be remedied gradually, for "there is no such thing as waving the magic wand."

But his greatest emphasis went into an attack on demagoguery.

"This is no time for demagogues. At a time like this when millions of men and women and children are starving throughout the land, there is always the temptation of some men to stir up class prejudice, to stir up the bitterness of the rich against the poor, and the poor against the rich. Against that effort I set myself uncompromisingly.

"I protest against the endeavor to delude the poor people to their ruin by trying to make them believe that they can get employment before the people who would ordinarily employ them are also again restored to conditions of normal prosperity."

Upon this followed his declaration that he would fight, Smith pointing out he was making the one exception to his earlier declaration that while he would accept the nomination if tendered by the convention, he would not, up to that time, be for or against any candidate.

Senator Wheeler, Democrat, Montana, a supporter of Roosevelt, said Smith's speech was "unworthy of him," and sounded like "the house of Morgan speaking."

Senator Warren, Democrat, Massachusetts, a Smith advocate, praised the speech as a "frank and courageous statement of his views on the political questions of the hour."

Wheeler said that "as an ardent supporter of Governor Smith in 1928, I am sorry to hear him for his own sake utter such foolish statements as he did last evening."

Referring to Smith's debt statement, Walsh said it would "provoke most favorable reaction."

"He has presented in his debt suggestion," Walsh said, "a view that has not heretofore been emphasized."

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