# MINIMUM WAGE IS

Cannery men say Scale is Feed use not so Great Discriminatory; men Hold Advantage

taken no part in bringing about ward trend today, largely as a rethe special conference to be held sult of New York stock market in Portland, March 7 under di- setbacks. rection of the state welfare commission to readjust minimum was a report from the United wage for women employed in can- States department of agriculture neries, packers here will be vitally showing that domestic disappearinterested in the outcome.

received minimum wage of 27 1/2 smaller than the previous season, cents an hour in 1931. Cannerymen declared that this scale was discriminatory against women, for most traders. A continuing bearreason that men could be em- ish factor was government figures nerymen declaring they could em- ment or carryover in the four ploy men for 20 cents an hour. | principal export countries previ-

Salem canneries paid men around 30 cents an hour last year. and there was no move to reduce that salary. A few boys received der yesterday's finish, corn 1/2-1/4

Slight Reduction Means Big Saving

With an average of from 900 to 1000 women employed in local canneries, and fully double that number at the peak season, a reduction of the minimum would mean considerable to the packers. This saving could, one packer pointed out, be used to advantage in competition with canned goods offered by producers farther east, where the minimum wage scale is much lower. In New York, the minimum wage for women is 15 cents an hour; and in Wisconsin and Minnesota, 20 and 22 cents an hour.

Salem canners have not discussed the minimum wage matters as a unit, nor have they considered employment of men to replace the women crews, it is said. However, should the welfare commission see fit to reduce the minimum wage, there is no question but that local packers will welcome the change. This would avert any consideration of replacing the hundreds of women with

help. Piece Wage Has Same Limitations

A piece-wage, instead of hourwage, prevails at the canneries here, but the minimum is unchanged, as the minimum ruling requires that at least 50 per cent of the piece workers make the minimum wage.

will be brought up, this having 1.00-2.75; bulls, yearlings excluded, to do with the so-called bonus goed and cheice, beef, 3.25-3.75; cutter,

Reports received by the welfare commission indicated that the 4.00-6.00. present system of holding back from pickers as much as one-half a cent per pound on their pickings

fare commission, C. H. Gram, state labor commissioner; three representatives of employers,

Gram announced that all persons interested in the two problems to come before the commission, were invited to attend.

## STEADY SHIPMEN OF FRUIT IS MADE

The Reid Murdock and company cannery here is making consistent shipments of fruit in recent weeks, and before next season is open present Indications are that all packed goods will be pretty well cleared out.

Last week, six carloads of pears, prunes, blackberries and strawberries were shipped out, three of these to Chicago. Mon-Last week, six carloads of

day another carload of fruit went to Chicago and two more cars are being loaded now. Those on the tracks now will go to San Francisco.

Buying for the 1932 pack has not opened and will not do so for another six weeks or two months, according to the local manager, R. A. Yocum.

14c: old roosters 8c: ducks, Pekin, 15c: gasse. 12c: capons, 18c. Onions: selling price to retailers: Oregon, \$4.55-4.75 cental.

Potatoes: local, 96c-\$1.15; Parkdale, \$1.25: Deschutes \$1.25-1.35; eastern Washington, 75c-\$1.15.

Wool: 1931 crop nominal; Willamette valley, 13-15½c; eastern Oregon, 11-15c pound.

Hay: buying price from producer: alfalfa, \$11-15; clover, \$16-12; Willamette valley timothy, \$15; eastern Oregon timothy \$15; eastern Ore

### MOVES UP



With the appointment of Secre-tary of the Treasury Andrew W. Mellon to be Ambassador to Great Britain, Ogden L. Mills (above), Under Secretary of the Treasury, the Lebanon hospital. The baby will move up a step into the post has been named Patricia Ann. Mrs. vacated by Mr. Mellon. Mills is a Parker was Agnes Kuipers before financial expert of international her marriage. ancient game of golf.

# OF INTEREST HERE BUTTERFAT ADVANCES CENT HERE IN BUTTER PRICES

As Estimated, is Conclusion

CHICAGO, Feb. 9 .- (AP) -All While Salem cannerymen have grains showed a decided down-

Adding to pressure on wheat ance of that grain for the 1931-32 Women employes in canneries season was 14,000,000 bushels indicating that feed use of wheat had been greatly overestimated by ployed at a lesser wage under ex- pointing to almost a billion bushisting conditions, with some can- els of wheat available for shipous to the end of the present crop year, June 30 next.

Wheat closed nervous 14-74 undown, oats 14-% off.

Today's closing quotations: Wheat: March., .54%; May, .57%-%; July, .57%-%; September. .58 1/4 - 1/4.

.37%-.38; July, .40-:40%; September, .41 %. Oats: May, .2414 - 3; July, .34; September, .24 %.

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 9-(AP)-Produce exchange, net prices. Butter: extras, 23; standards, 23; prime firsts, 23; firsts, 22. Eggs: fresh extras, 16; fresh

Portland Grain Ore., Feb. 9-(AP)-PORTLAND.

Open High Low Close

May 59% 59% 58% 58%

July 58% 58% 58% 58%

Sept. 58% 58% 58% 58%

Cash grain: Big Bend bluestem 71%; Low Close 5814 5814 58 58 58% 58% soft white, western white, hard winter, northern spring, western red 57 %2.
Oats: No. 2 white \$24.00.
Corn: No. 2 E. Y. \$28.50.
Millrun standard \$13.00.

#### Portland Livestock

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 9-(AP)-Cattle 50; calves 10; steady. minimum wage.

At the welfare commission hearing March 7, another problem dium, 2.75 4.00; low cutter and cutter, system in berry, vegetable and hop fields.

common and medium, 2.00-2.25; vealers, milk fed, good and cheice, 7.50-8.50; medium, 6.00-7.50; cull and common, choice, 6.00-7.50; common and medium,

Hogs 650; steady Light lights, 140-160 lbs., good and holce, 4.00-4.85; lightweights, 160-180 choice, 4.00-4.85; lightweights, 160-180 lbs. good and choice, 4.75-5.85; 180-200 until the end of the season had worked a hardship on many of the workers. Only pickers who remain through the entire season receive this bonus.

| Season had blue, good and choice, 4.75-4.85; medium weight, 200-220 lbs., good and choice, 4.00-4.85; 220-250 lbs., good and choice, 2.75-4.85; heavyweights, 250-290 lbs., good and choice, 3.50-4.50; 290-250 lbs., good and choice, 3.35-4.00; packing sows, The conference will be attend-ed by members of the state wel-feeder an distocker pigs, 70-180 lbs., good and choice, 3.35-4.00; packing sows, feeder an distocker pigs, 70-180 lbs., good

and choice, 3.50-4.25.
Sheep 50, steady.
Lambs, 90 lbs., down, good and choice, 4.75-5.25; medium, 5.75-4.75; all weights, common, 2.50-3.75; yearling wethers, 90three persons representing the common to choice, 2.75-3.50; three persons representing the ewes, 120 lbs., medium to choice, 2.00-2.50; 120-150 lbs., medium to choice,

## Portland Produce

PORTLAND, Ore.. Feb. 9—(AP)—
Butter: prints, 92 score or better, 24-27c;
standards 24-26c carton.

Eggs: Pacific poultry producers' selling prices: fresh extras, 10c; standards, 15c; mediums, 14c.

Country ments: selling price to retailers: country killed hogs, best butchers under 100 lbs., 6-7c; vealers, 80 to 130 lbs., 11-12c; lambs, 10-12-11c; heavy ewes, 4-5c; canner cows, 4c; buils, 6-

ewes, 4.5c; canner cows, 4c; bulls, 6 Mohair: nominal, buving price, 1931 clip, long hair, 10c; kld, 15c lb. Nuts: Oregon walnuts, 15-19c; pea-nuts, 12c lb.; Brazils, 12-14c; almonds, 15-16c; filberts, 20-22c; pecass, 29c lb. Cascara bark: buying price, 1931 Hops: nominal, 1900, 10-11c; 1981, 12-12-4c lb.
Butterfat: direct to slippers: station.

day another carload of fruit went | 14c; old roosters 8c; ducks, Pekin, 15c;

12.50 Dressed poultry: selling price to retail ers: turkeys, hens, 20-21c; young toms, 13-20c; old toms, 15c.

## Fruits, Vegetables

PORTLAND, Orc., Fcb. 9—(AP)—Oranges: California, navals wrapped, \$3.10.3.25: place pack, \$2.2.10. Tangerinea: Florida, \$2.75 per 14 orange box. Grapefruit: California, \$2.5012.75: Florida, \$3.25-3.75 case. Lemons: California, \$4.50.5.25. Limes: 5 dozen cartons, \$3.25. Bananas: bunches, 5c; hands, 5½c lb. Crapes: Almeria, 7c fb. Cranberries: northwest, \$4 busbel box, eastern, \$7.50 half barrel. Rhubarb: hothouse, fancy, \$1.10; choice, 80c-85c 15-lb. box.
Cabbage: local, 3c lb.; new crop, California, 4½c lb. Potatoes: local, 90c-\$1.25: Parkdale, \$1.35: Peschutes, \$1.25-1.35: eastern Washington, 75c-\$1.25.
Onions: selling price to retailers: Oregon, \$4.50-4.75 cental. Cucumbers: hothouse, \$1.75-2.50 dozen.
Spinach: local, \$1.50 orange box; California 40s; \$3.50; Texas 20s, \$1.60 box. Celery: California, \$1.50 dozen; hearts, local, \$1.25-1.50; Californian, \$2 dozen bunches. Mushrooms: hothouse, 60c lb. Peppers: bell, Florida, 13c.
Peas: Mexican, 16-18c. Sweet potatoes: California, \$3.3½c lb: southern yams, \$1.35 bushel crate. Cauliflower: imperial, \$1.60 crate. Tomatoes: hothouse, extra fancy, \$2.75; fancy, \$2.65; standard, \$2.25 10-lb. box; Mexican, \$4.15-4.25 lng. Lettuce: Sacrameuto, \$1 crate; Imperial, \$2.60-3.25. PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 9-(AP)-

#### Mrs. Scheiman Said Better; Birth Told

RIVERVIEW, Feb. 9 .- A baby daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Justus Parker February 5 at

repute, and next to finance his been critically ill for the past two weeks, is considerably improved.

Grade B, raw 4% milk, co-op pool price \$1.74 per Factory milk, \$1.06.

Butterfat, sweet, 24c. Butterfat, sour, 22c.

FRUIT AND VEGETABLES Price paid to growers by Salem buyers. February 9 Radishes, dos. ... Cabbage .... Potatoes, cwt. \_\_\_\_\_ Green Peppers, lb. Celery, crate, Calif. Buying Prices

Standards Mediums ... Buying Prices light hens Heavies, hens . Medium hens . Springers Boilers ... GRAIN AND HAY er, 58 %-4.
Corn: March, 34 %; May, Wheat, western red. Clover Alfalfa, valley, 2nd cutting \_\_\_\_

Eastern Oregon \_\_\_\_ Lambs Hogs, top Hogs, first cuts ... Steers Cows ... Heifers Dressed veal

MOHATE MINT GERMAN "SMITHS" LEAD MILWAUKEE, Wis .- (AP) The Schmidts, the Schmits and

Coarse

Lambs ...

Salem Markets Top 22 Cents on Sour And 34 on Sweet: Hogs Higher

> Butterfat advanced a cent yesterday for a new top locally of 22 cents on sour and 24 cents on sweet. Hogs were quoted at \$4.60 for top grades. Dressed hogs were down a half cent, to \$6 a hun-

Although northwest apples are reported moving in greater volume than in weeks, the movement has found no reflection in local buying prices. More apples are being shipped to Great Britain now, as that country's 10 per cent tariff becomes effective March 1. Several large ocean carriers, loaded with apples, left Puget Sound and Portland posts last week for Europe.

However, these shipments and thers which will come before March 1 will not make for greatly improved buying, it is predicted. Yellow Newtowns are the only variety showing strength now,

SCIO, Feb. 9 .- John Densmore Jr., was quite seriously injured while working at the Scio Mill & Elevator company Saturday afternoon. An x-ray failed to show any broken bones but he was injured internally. The accident occurred when he slipped and fell, with 600 pounds of grain on a carrier landng on his chest.

Miss Doris Weddle left recently to enter the Northwestern school of commerce in Portland, Miss Weddle was formerly employed by the Borden Milk company at Albany, as bookkeeper. Miss Mabel Bradshaw of Al-

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Weddle of the ippi. Scio Mutual Telephone company. housework and learning to be a home folks over the week end.

All but top Score up one Cent; fat Also Rises. Eggs Unchanged

PORTLAND, Feb. 9.—(AP)-First betterment in the price of butter at Portland for some time: in fact the initial change for an extended period, was shown during the week's initial session of the produce exchange. Cubes were sent 1c higher with the exception of top score, which was unchanged for the session. The fact that top score butter was unchanged appeared a reflection of the complaints of the trade regarding the lack of enforcement of the grading and branding law here.

Butterfat showed an advance of 1c pound effective today. The new delivered price in Portland is 2c pound with country stations showing a spread of 19 to 21c pound.

There was no late improvement in the local make but receipts from the country increased some

Market for eggs was without change for the day. Receipts are increasing generally and storage operations are under way at most points along the coast, although the input is as yet nominal. First storage of the season was begun

Extremely slow trading tone is reflected for dressed turkeys. Practically all leading distributors have their needed supplies and are practically out of the market. Extreme top selling price to retailers is 19-20c pound.

While country stations are buying chickens at the low prices now being generally listed, sales in Portland are generally about 1c pound above the price named for light hens. Heavy hens not generally above 15c pound.

telephone operator. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Haller of Foster spent the week end with Mrs. pany is making her home with Haller's mother, Mrs. Vilas Phil-

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Westen-

### **NEW GOVERNOR TAKES HELM**



Hand raised aloft, Sennett (Mike) Conner, newly-elected Governor of Mississippi, is shown as he took the oath of office as State Chief Executive. Photo shows the scene outside the State Capitol in Jackson, Miss., at Governor Conner's inauguration. The Governor is at the extreme left, while his predecessor in office, former Governor Theodore G. Bilbo, is seen at right, ready to congratulate his successor.

#### New C. E. Officers At Turner Seated: Delzells Are Hosts

president, Louis Fowler; vice president, Herbert Briggs; secretary, snow covered the ground. Lillian Peterson; treasurer, Lloyd F. Brittell; chairmen of committees are: prayer meeting, Margaret Robertson; Lookout, Jack health and is now able to do most strap; publicity, Helen Witzel, who is the retiring president. Anna Johnson is planist.

The new officers took their places at the Sunday night serrice. The local society is planning the Christian Endeavor, and for Miss Bradshaw is helping with the house of Junction City visited day school class of the Christian ing to be held Monday night at church.

## Mrs. Shively Hears

WACONDA, Feb. 9 .- In a letter received by Mrs. Tom Shively | Standard Oll of New Jersey, Santa TURNER. Feb. 9 - The newly from a daughter, Mrs. Hallie Gud- Fe and Allied Chemical closed 1 elected Christian Endeavor offi- gel of Hood River, mention was to 1 5-8 off. cers of the Christian church are: | made of the extreme cold there recently. February 3 it was three degrees below zero and a foot of and Westinghouse gave up frac-Mrs. Gudgel assisted here with National Biscuit firmed. Auburn's the care of her mother. Mrs.

Shively, during the latter's illness. of her own work.

#### 19 AT STUDY CLASS

LIBERTY, Feb. 9 - The study special Washington day exercises, second meeting Monday night at Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Delzell en- the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. tertained with a recent party for Westenhouse, with 19 present. Mrs. Delzel's young people's Sun- are urged to attend the next meet- pled since he was a small baby. the Westenhouse home.

# **Dull Decline Puts Average**

Below Minimum, Rails. **Utilities Above** 

NEW YORK, Feb. 9-(AP)-The last trace of the January raily all but faded from the stock market today.

It was a very dull session, but the snail paced decline was sufficient to send the Standard Statistics-Associated Press composite to the new bear market low of 59.8. two tenths of a point under the January 5 minimum.

Railroad and utility groups held above the old lows. Industrials however, went through the resistance level established slightly more than a month ago when Wall street was hoping that the first quarter of 1932 would bring much greater improvement in pivotal industries than has appeared. Many net losses were fractional, in a few cases did they exceed a point. Transactions totaled only

1,156,221 shares. U. S. Steel with an unfilled tonnage statement coming tomorrow, refused to exert itself, either dur-Of Hood River Cold ing a spell of desultory short covering in the forenoon or during the subsequent decline. It closed 1% lower. American Telephone, Consolidated Gas, Dupont, Case,

> Rethleham General Electric American Can, North American tions, American Tobacco B and break below 100 for a net loss of 8% was one of the day's few high spots. A few large blocks of General Motors changed hands in the

#### IN SHRINE HOSPITAL

WEST STAYTON, Feb. 9 class in World Peace met for its Thomas Sprinklee, eight year old son of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Sprinkle, was operated on this week at the Shriner's hospital for his All people of the community right leg which has been crip-A plaster cast has been applied to his right leg.

By WALT DISNEY

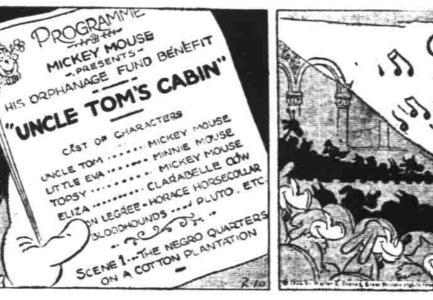
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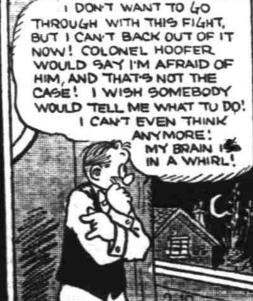
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