

Phone Stocks Brighten Mart

Statement of Dividend Brings Rise; Steels Lead Losing Trend

NEW YORK, May 20-(AP)—American Telephone put a little sunshine in an otherwise drab stock market Wednesday, pushing up 3 1/4 points on the company's announcement of the usual quarterly dividend of \$2.25 a share.

To many in Wall Street the dividend declaration by the big communications company was unexpected good news. For many weeks there had been much talk that mounting taxes might force a cut in the \$9 annual rate paid the last 20 years.

But far from following Telephone the market generally moved in step with the steels which were on the defensive throughout. The losses in US Steel, Bethlehem and Youngstown sheet ran to a point or more and all entered new low ground for a year or longer.

In rubbers, aircrafts, farm equipments, coppers, rails and industrial specialties moderate declines were the rule. Motors and merchandising stocks held up well and Dupont added 2 points.

The Associated Press 60-stock average recorded a net decline of .1 of a point at 33.8. The rail composite was down .3 of a point. Transactions were the largest in nearly a month at 405,460 shares against 376,780 Tuesday.

Proposed AAA Changes Have Wartime Basis

Comparatively few changes in the 1943 AAA program are sought in recommendations proposed by 1300 Oregon farmer committeemen and reviewed this week by the state AAA committee, R. B. Taylor of Adams, state AAA chairman, announces.

The state recommendations, based on action of the state AAA conference and the results of questionnaires filled out by county and community committeemen last month, demonstrate that the present farm program is adaptable to wartime as well as peacetime adjustments, Taylor said.

The changes sought, mostly designed to give greater assistance to farmers in meeting Food for Freedom production goals, place greater emphasis on pasture improvement, weed and rodent control, and simple conservation methods of farming needed to keep soils in condition for top production for the duration of the war.

One proposed change would encourage growers to utilize legume straw left on the land after seed crops are harvested, by discouraging burning of such crop residues. High in plant food content, legume straw has become more important for its fertilizer value since nitrates have become scarce, Taylor said.

Maintenance of the present allotment system for surplus crops and continuance of the provision requiring that 20 per cent of a farm's cropland be devoted to soil conserving uses were also asked.

Use of lime has developed to the point where existing lime plants in the state cannot keep up with the demand and are now 10,000 tons behind on orders from farmers, the state committee learned. Continuance of the conservation materials program, which provides for distribution of lime and phosphate in lieu of AAA payments earned, was recommended for its contribution to pasture improvement and increased milk production.

Adoption of a modified "honor system" whereby farmers would report their own compliance with the program and performance of practices was also recommended by the committeemen.

Produce Mart Prices

FORTLAND, May 20-(AP)—Asparagus had a firmer tone on the Farmers' Wholesale market Wednesday with sales generally around \$2.50 pyramid and some to 10 cents higher.

Increased supplies of lettuce still were inadequate to meet the demand. Prices ranged from \$2.00 to \$2.25 crate.

Spinach was slow at a top price of 50 cents orange box. Cauliflower is sold to \$1.50 crate and 2s to 60 cents.

The bunched stock by the dozen: Green onions around 30 cents, radishes to 35 cents, mustard greens from 35 to 40 cents, Swiss chard to 40 cents, watercress to 85 cents, parsley between 30 and 40 cents, beets from 75 to 90 cents, turnips to 80 cents, carrots from 30 to 40 cents.

Strawberries brought \$1.75 for 12s. Rhubarb was 60 cents apple box.

Cabbage, Endives Sold

FORTLAND, May 20-(AP)—Two seasonal firms marked trading at the Farmers' Wholesale market Wednesday, round type cabbage and endive both coming from the mid-Columbia area.

"Strictly Private"



DEAR MOM: TODAY I WAS PUT IN CHARGE OF SOME REPLACEMENTS. REPLACEMENTS IS DRABBERS BRING IN TO FILL THE PLACES LEFT VACANT BY ADVANCEMENTS, ETC. ETC... I BEGAN TO SEE WHY I AMN'T BEEN ADVANCED.

YOUR SON (with a speech bubble) 'Strictly Private' like link

Quotations at Portland

Produce Exchange

PORTLAND, Ore., May 20-(AP)—Butter-Prints, A grade, 42 1/2c in parchment wrappers, 42 1/2c in cartons, B grade, 41 1/2c in parchment wrappers, 42 1/2c in cartons.

Portland Livestock

PORTLAND, Ore., May 20-(AP)—(USDA)—Hogs: Saleable 500, total 550. Barrows and gilts: \$12.75@14.00.

Portland Produce

PORTLAND, Ore., May 20-(AP)—Live poultry—Buying prices: No. 1 grade Leghorn broilers under 1 1/2 lbs., 18c; over 1 1/2 lbs., 19c; colored fryers, 2-4 lbs., 22c; under 2 1/2 lbs., 19c; colored roasters, 2 1/2-4 lbs., 22c; light, 14-16 lb., Leghorns, under 2 1/2 lbs., 17c; over 2 1/2 lbs., 19c; No. 2 grade hens, 5c lb.; roosters, 10c.

Portland Grain

PORTLAND, Ore., May 20-(AP)—Wheat Open High Low Close: May 20, 90 1/2, 91, 91 1/2, 91 1/2.

Stocks and Bonds

Table with columns for Stock Averages, Bond Averages, and various market indices like Net change, Unch, D, U, etc.

Irrigation Pipe Line Being Laid

UNIONVALE — Early spring planting of potatoes is completed at the U. S. Alderman farm where the largest acreage of this area is grown. A new large steel permanent irrigation pipe line is being laid underground from the east side of the main Dayton-Salem highway to the large sugar beet seed fields west of the highway, to replace temporary small lines in use several years.

Charlie Chan

Chinese Herb Co. Office Hours Only: Tues. and Sat. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Wed. 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. 123 N. Com'l. St. Salem, Or.

By Quinn Hall Grain Mart Is Nervous

CHICAGO, May 20-(P)—Grain prices bobbed up and down in a very nervous market Wednesday but wheat managed to close with fractional net gains after having been off about 1/2 cent at one time.

The market's nervousness was blamed largely on light trade, with minor transactions easily affecting prices. Uncertainty regarding senate action on disposal of government-owned surplus grain also unsettled the trade. After the close the senate tentatively approved sales for feeding purposes at less than parity prices.

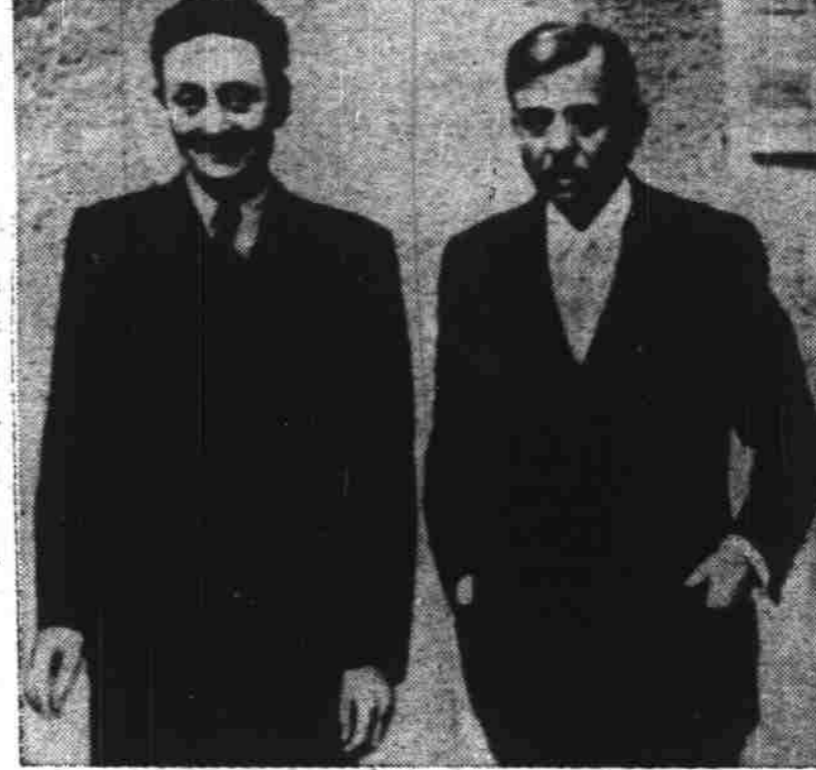
Wheat was up as much as a cent in the final hour but closing figures were only 1/4-3/4 higher than Tuesday, May 19 1/2, July 1.21-1/4. Corn finished unchanged to 1/4 up, May 85 1/2, July 88 1/4-1/2; oats 1/4-1/2 lower; soybeans 1 1/2-2 1/2 down; rye 1/4 off to 1/4 up; lard unchanged to 3 higher. At times wheat, corn, oats and rye were at or near lows for the past several months.

Buying of wheat was inspired partly by the fact that prices are substantially below the 1942 loan rate. Sales of 15,000 bushels to outside mills resulted in some lifting of hedges and spot prices were 1/4-1/2 cent higher.

Montana Women Visit Roberts

ROBERTS — Mrs. L. C. Olson of Billings, Montana, niece of Mrs. Lee Eyerly and Paul Wiegand, visited at the two homes recently.

He Got the Nod From Herr Hitler



Here is the first picture to be taken of Pierre Laval since he got the nod from Hitler. Mr. Laval (right) is pictured in the above photograph, posing as top man of France. Beside him stands M. Cathala, minister of finance. Laval had just conferred with his secretary of state, M. Paul Marion.

Time Due for Walnut Spray

DALLAS — Walnut growers have been notified to apply the second spray for the control of walnut blight.

This is what is usually known as the late prebloom application

and is recommended that this be applied to grafted Franquette walnut orchards. Those located on the valley floor should have been sprayed about the first of the week while those in the high elevations will not be ready for several days. It is quite possible that many of these should be sprayed now or within the next few days, states, W. C. Leth, county agent.

Farmer to Get Gas for Tractors

Tractors and all other motor-driven machinery to work the farms of Oregon will get all the gasoline they need for crop production, under the regulations for gas rationing which go into effect in the state on June 1. This assurance came Wednesday from O. L. Price, state rationing administrator.

Price also stated that in line with the purpose of the regulations not to work any difficulty or hardship upon motorists who can show a need for gasoline, applicants may go before any of the rationing boards, which will begin convening after June 1, to ask for special cards should such motorists need added gasoline to leave the state and reach stations outside the ration area where gas can be obtained without a card.

Thursday, Friday and Saturday, May 28, 29 and 30, have been officially set by Price for the registration of motor vehicle owners throughout the state to obtain gasoline rationing cards. "It was impossible to advance these dates, even one day earlier, because of the extremely short time intervening for the preparation and printing of registration forms," he said. "Registration will be made at the motor vehicle owner's nearest public elementary school."

state motor vehicle registration certificate for each automobile or other motor-driven vehicle for which a ration card is desired. If the owner can not register in person he must authorize an "agent" to present the vehicle registration certificate in order to obtain a card.

Army Man to Speak At Pioneer

PIONEER — A representative of the interceptor command at Portland will speak at the school house Friday night at 8 p.m. All men are urged to be present.

LOANS advertisement for State Finance Co. with contact information: 344 State Phone 9261, Lic. S-213 M-222.



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