

Stock Trend Downward

Closing Recovery in Utilities Bolsters Mart NEW YORK, Jan. 7.—(AP)—The general direction of the stock market was downward during the greater part of Thursday's proceedings but a last minute recovery in utilities helped steady trends.

Experiments Are Inspected; War Needs Developed

Every one of the 267 projects of the research program of the Oregon agricultural experiment station branches has been completely readjusted and geared to meet war needs, according to William A. Schoenfeld, director of the station, and Ralph S. Besse, assistant director.

Among expanded projects are those dealing with dehydration and other forms of food processing. One example of such research is that being conducted at the cooperative seafood laboratory in Astoria, where at the request of the military authorities, a high protein canned product suitable for emergency rations is being worked out making use of fish formerly little used for human food.

Another emergency wartime project is the testing of rubber-bearing plants in this state. One result already is the finding that Klamath county irrigated soils have produced on a trial basis at the rate of 7000 pounds of Russian dandelion root per acre, averaging 2.5 per cent rubber. As this crop takes less than a year from seed time to harvest, it may prove a practical source of rubber during the war.

DeSart Property Burns Near Swegle

SWEGLE—The first loss by fire of any home in this district in over a year occurred Sunday when the small home on the Ronald DeSart ranch occupied by the Anderson-Merger family burned. Only a small amount of clothing was saved. Mr. DeSart plans on rebuilding at once and the Merger family are living at the Clyde Bailey home.

The Merger family came to Oregon from Kentucky last year. Kenneth Vrbsky, who has been visiting at the Eskel Brandt home, received his call to the Navy Monday and left for Portland. His home is at Crete, Neb. Kenneth Swingle spent the weekend at the home of his mother. He did not get home from his work at Tacoma for the holidays. Miss Doris Runner was a holiday guest at her home. Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Runner, Wilbur and Lyle were guests on New Year's day at the Kenneth Runner home at Fruiland district.

Barbara Panek III UNIONVALE — Barbara Panek of Broadmead is seriously ill at the general hospital at McMinnville where she was taken Monday. Mrs. J. E. Finnicum has been quite ill at McMinnville. Her daughter, Mrs. Marion Boulden visited her Saturday. Neal Stoutenburg, whose birthday was January 6, was commemorated with a family dinner Wednesday night.

"Strictly Private" By Quinn Hall



Salem Market Quotations

Table with market quotations for various commodities like Butterfat, Eggs, Poultry, and Livestock.

Quotations at Portland

Table with market quotations for Portland, including Produce Exchange, Portland Grain, and Stocks and Bonds.

Buying Wave Lifts Wheat

CHICAGO, Jan. 7.—(AP)—A fresh wave of buying Thursday lifted wheat prices as much as 2 cents a bushel at one stage to the highest quotations for more than five years. In fact, when May and July contracts sold above \$1.41 they came within 4 cents of the top figures chalked on board of trade blackboards since 1929.

Portland Livestock

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 7.—(AP)—(USDA) Salable 100 total 750; calves salable and total 25; market active, fully steady on small supply; 120-140 lbs. 20; heavy, 12-16; strictly good steers quotable at 14.75; common to medium heifers 9.00-12.00; light dairy type down to 7.50; canner and cutter cows 6.00-7.75; fat dairy cows 10.00-11.25; common bulls...

Taylor Favors Support Prices

9 Oregon Vegetables On List; Container Problem Eased Supported prices to growers for nine vegetables is a major feature of the government's 1943 canning vegetable program, reports Robert B. Taylor of Adams, chairman of Oregon's USDA war board, whose organization is contacting canners and growers preparatory to recommending support prices for Oregon. Specific support prices, Taylor said, will be established for snap beans, corn, peas, tomatoes, beets and carrots for canning, dehydrating and quick-freezing; pumpkin and squash for canning, and cabbage for kraut.

These prices will be maintained through certification of processors who agree by contract to pay not less than the specified prices to growers, Taylor explained. The program is similar to the canned tomato and pea expansion program in operation last year. Ceiling prices at processor levels will be established on the basis of grower support prices. A higher price will be paid certified canners for government purchases. Taylor emphasized that the government will not guarantee prices to growers, but will give every grower an opportunity to contract with a canner who will pay the approved prices.

Seed Growers Study Cover Crops, AAA

FOREST GROVE—Two special committees of the Oregon Seed Growers League are preparing reports dealing with Oregon's cover crop seed production and federal relationships to be presented at the forthcoming state convention of the league at Eugene January 15 and 16, announces R. Glenn Ritchey of this community, who is president of the state organization. George Berg of Canby is chairman of the cover crops committee, with Clifford Smith of Oregon State college, secretary. Berg is querying the members of his committee, as well as others in both the production and distribution end, regarding their opinions on current problems, says Ritchey. Berg's committee is gathering facts on how to increase hairy vetch acreage in eastern and southern Oregon; how to cope with the hairy vetch weevil, which is cutting down production in the Willamette valley, and how to increase the output of rye grass as requested by the government. The committee is also investigating High production of this and other canner crops is being sought this year as part of the food-for-free-dom goals.

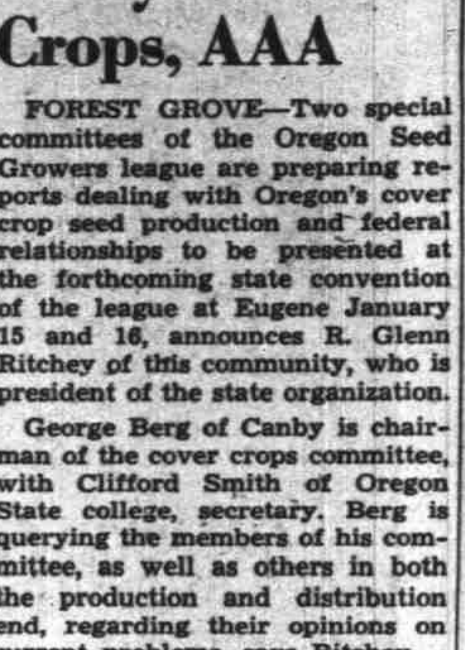
Oregon First in Beets

Oregon now ranks first among the states in yield of canner beets per acre and about fourth in total tonnage produced, says A. G. B. Bouquet, vegetable crops specialist at OSC in a revised station circular of information No. 283, dealing with the control of canker in table beets. The new circular, written in collaboration with Dr. W. L. Powers, head of the soils department, gives full details for the use of boron in controlling beet canker.

3 Army Engineers Pulled From River

EUGENE, Jan. 7.—(AP)—Three members of the Portland army engineers' office escaped from the Willamette river here late Wednesday after their survey craft had been capsized by a submerged log. The trio, Hal Myrand, Ronald Kring and M. B. Hodge, managed to reach a small gravel bar. They were rescued by boats manned by Jake Fischer of the local engineers and C. C. McCane, Eugene boating enthusiast. The survey party was making a photographic study of damage done by recent flood waters. Numerous other questions will probably be reported on, including the possibility that southern states will eventually develop local seed sources. Joe Harland of Rickreall, head of the federal relationships committee, is being assisted by Albert Girod of Corvallis, vice chairman, and W. C. Lett, Polk county agent, secretary, in gathering information on this phase of the seed business. Facts on the constant fight of southern seedsmen to take over distribution of cover crop seed in the south will be presented at the convention, as will the 1943 AAA rules and the present system of practice payments. The whole procedure and scope of the AAA seed program will be scrutinized, as will the possibility of using the Agricultural Marketing association as a direct outlet for seeds to be used for lend-lease shipments.

Scorchy Smith



OH, I DO WISH YOU COULD FIND TIME TO HELP ME DURING MY RUSH HOUR, MR. SMITH - I-I CAN'T PAY MUCH - BUT - YOU CAN HAVE ALL YOU WANT TO EAT AN' BY JEEPEERS!! I ALWAYS WUZ A COMMODATION CRITTER, CELIE - HONDSOMEVER - I'LL HAFTER CHAW IT OVER WIF TH' ARMY BIG BUGS FIRST, VE KNOW HOW FERTICKLER THEY BE



YOU MADE ME LEAVE MY OVERSHOES OUTSIDE AT YOUR HOUSE! YOU'VE GOT TO LEAVE YOURS OUT OVER HERE! OH, ALL RIGHT! BUT I THINK YOU'RE JUST DOING IT TO BE SMART!



PERHAPS YOU CAN DO SOMETHING WITH HIM, MISS OYL. I'LL TRY, WIMPY. POPEYE, I HAVE AN INTUITION, SOME DAY YOUR MOTHER WILL TRY TO FIND YOU. NO! I AIN'T LOST, SHE IS THE ONE AT'S LOST - I KNOWS WHERE I YAM AT. YOU ARE GOING ON ANOTHER WILD GOOSE CHASE, I CAN SEE IT IN YOUR EYE - YES, YOU ARE. I KNOW YOU ARE. I WANTS ME MOMMA! WELL, YOU DON'T HAVE TO BITE MY HEAD OFF!



HONEST, MRS. RANCE, I THINK YOU'RE GRAND, GOING ALL AROUND ALL THE TIME - HELPING POOR FOLKS - GIVIN' 'EM THINGS TO MAKE 'EM HAPPY. HUSH-CHILD, YOU'RE THE ONE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE LITTLE THINGS I AM DOING. I'M ASHAMED TO REMEMBER ALL THE YEARS I WASTED - SELFISHLY THINKING OF NOBODY BUT MYSELF - AND MY OWN TROUBLES. YOU COULDN'T HELP IT - YOU WERE SICK AND - THANKS TO YOU, HONEY - I AM NO LONGER SICK, BUT I FEAR I AM STILL VERY SELFISH. SELFISH? G'WAN, YOU'RE JUST FOOLING ME. NO FOOLING, HONEY - I REALLY BELIEVE THE HAPPINESS I DERIVE FROM HELPING OTHERS IS GREATER THAN THE HELP I AM ABLE TO GIVE THEM!



TEXAS JACK SENT TONTO AND ME HERE TO SMASH YOU AND YOUR GANG, PLUMMER! YES, THE LETTER HE SHOWED ME SAID YOU WERE TARANTULAS. THEN YOU RECEIVED A LETTER, TELLING YOU TO KILL ME. A KNIFE WENT WITH THE LETTER. I WROTE THAT LETTER, MYSELF - I COPIED THE WRITING IN THE LETTER TEXAS JACK GAVE ME. YOU RECOGNIZED THE WRITING AS THAT OF THE BOSS OF THE TARANTULAS. YOU MEAN - ? LISTEN TO THIS!

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