

# Milk Price to Jump to 18 Cents per Quart Next Week

# Retail Meat Rise Granted; Truman Probes Shortage

## Veal Increase Set; Cabinet Meeting to Scan Issue Today

WASHINGTON, Oct. 10-(AP)—Retail prices on veal cuts will go up from three to nine cents a pound Monday, the OPA announced today as it listed sample prices for New York, Chicago and San Francisco.

The increases are limited to the two top grades, choice and good, and average 7 and 8 cents a pound retail on weighted average basis, the agency said. Revamped prices for other meats are under consideration.

Sample prices below are those for small independent stores on choice (AA) grades of veal. These are the highest retail levels because large retailers, such as chain stores, have slightly lower ceilings.

Cut	Price
Loin chops or roasts	59, up 9
Rib chops or roasts	57, up 7
Shoulder chops or roasts	39, up 6
Veal cutlets, round steaks or roasts	60, up 8
Sirloin steak or chops	48, up 7
Leg roasts	45, up 7
Rump or sirloin roasts (boneless)	55, up 9
Shoulder roasts (square cut, bone in)	37, up 6
Shoulder roasts (square cut, boneless)	47, up 7
Stew meats and other cuts, breast, neck and shank (bone in)	28, up 4

WASHINGTON, Oct. 10-(AP)—With the question of easing meat controls to the fore, President Truman went into a huddle tonight with key advisers, including the two who would draft any executive order.

## IT SEEMS TO ME

By Charles S. Sprague

One of the questions sure to provoke controversy is being kept off-stage for the present while other, more immediate issues receive attention. This is the matter of disposition of island bases in the Pacific. The early attitude of the military and naval leaders was "what we have, we hold."

This conflicts with the declaration of the Atlantic Charter against territorial aggression, which has been reiterated by President Truman and Secretary Byrnes, though not without some qualification in the case of the former.

There are three possibilities: To retain them or as many as we want to return them to former sovereigns or holders of mandate to turn them over to the United Nations. The state department appears to prefer the latter course, and then to accept a trusteeship for the islands.

The probable solution will be something of a compromise. We shall retain Guam as a naval base, as that was American territory before this war.

Banks, Offices to Close On Columbus Day

Marion county offices, except the sheriff's, and Salem banks will close Saturday, observance of Columbus day as a legal holiday, officials announced yesterday. Although no official announcement was made otherwise, it was expected that state and city offices also would close.

## Animal Crackers

By WARREN GOODRICH



"Girls! Girls!"

The decontrol issue was placed squarely up to the administration in a formal petition of the beef packers, backed by sworn statements that livestock on the hoof is plentiful.

Secretary of Agriculture Anderson, to whom the petition was made, promised a speedy answer. He presumably will be governed by the president's position.

The session at the White House reached no decision, Press Secretary Charles G. Ross reported, and the full cabinet will review the meat shortage tomorrow. Ross said tonight's meeting "was simply a session in which the president listened to these men."

The president's unwillingness to commit himself on the question of meat price controls today, in contrast with his previous defense of ceilings, caused a stir among the reporters.

## Three Killed in Portland Blaze

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 10-(AP)—Fire killed three persons tonight in a two-story frame building in downtown Portland.

The bodies, not identified at once, were found by firemen several hours after flames destroyed the building, which housed a semi-hotel where 30 men lived. Fifteen others were driven by smoke to window sills but firemen rescued them from their perches. The building, in a warehouse section of the city, contained a blower bulb storage room and a furniture exchange in addition to the Buckeye rooms.

## Board to Consider Klamath Project

The Oregon state emergency board will meet at 2 p. m. today to consider the state board of education's request for funds to need to operate Klamath Falls marine barracks as a vocational school.

The education board Wednesday voted to apply for the Klamath property to the war assets administration. It was expected yesterday that the emergency board would be asked for \$85,000 with which the education department could operate the barracks, if granted it, as a school until February 1.

## Construction Figures in Salem Tower Above Previous Marks

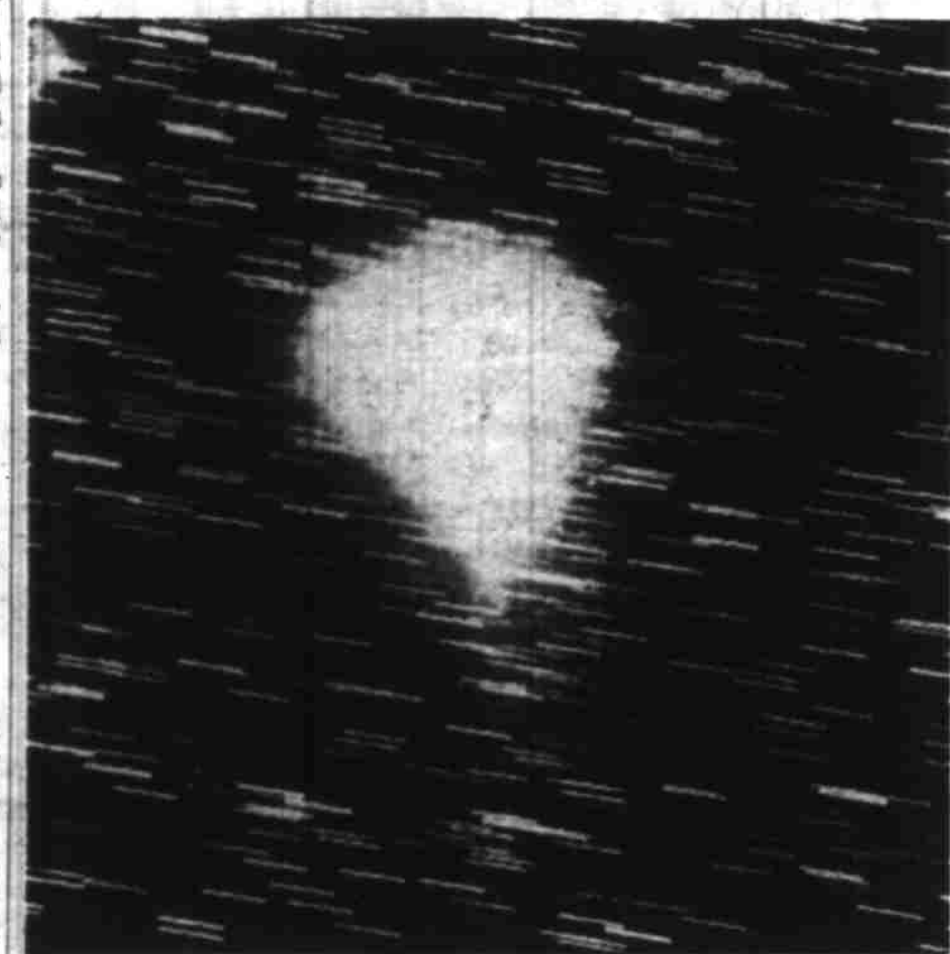
Valuation of new buildings and other construction work in Salem for which city building permits have been issued this year already totals \$3,065,474—a figure nearly twice as high as valuation in the previous, but complete, year.

The report compiles building permits issued since 1929 and shows the high valuation of \$1,893,244 for the year 1938. That year's total included the Salem city warehouse at \$29,229 valuation, which, the engineer said, was the only WPA project listed in the group of buildings valued at over \$25,000 when permits were granted. The warehouse is at 1316 Ferry st.

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## This Caused All the Furor



SAN JOSE, Oct. 10—The Giacobini-Zinner comet, with very faint tail, is shown in this picture taken September 27 by H. M. Jeffers at the Lick observatory on Mt. Hamilton near San Jose, Calif., when it was at its nearest point to the earth, 25,000,000 miles. The picture has just been made available. The earth on October 9 passed close to the comet's orbit and meteors trailing behind it were visible to the naked eye. Streaks in picture are star trails which moved in different direction to the comet during the 18 minutes exposure required to get the picture. (AP Wirephoto)

## Red-Hot Bolt from Blue Thought to Be Meteorite

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 10-(AP)—A curious egg-shaped object, which "fell red-hot from the sky," was sent to an astronomer for study today to determine whether it was a fallen meteorite.

Mrs. Marshall Cowie, Vancouver, Wash., nurse, said the fragment dropped "like a brilliant ball of light" in front of her car during last night's shooting star display.

Others who observed it said it was "tremendously bright" and appeared to fall straight down. "I thought it was a fire," said Mrs. Robert Kadow. "It lit up our dining room window, so I ran outside to see what it was."

The fragment Mrs. Cowie retrieved, was sent to Dr. J. Hugh Pruett, Eugene, Ore., astronomer, after a state geologist here was unable to determine whether it was part of the Giacobini-Zinner comet's meteorite tail.

Observers said the falling object appeared the size of a baseball, but was shattered into hot fragments when they reached it. The spot today was scorched for a four to six inch radius.

By the Associated Press  
Atlantic and gulf coast shipowners withdrew Thursday night from the maritime strike negotiations as efforts to settle the Pittsburgh power and the Hollywood movie strikes continued with little promise of early success.

In Washington, the walkout of the shipowners from the talks aimed at ending the 10-day all-coast tieup of 600 ships again darkened prospects for maritime peace.

The shipowners and agents committee for the Atlantic and gulf coasts withdrew saying "The positions of the unions made a continuation of negotiations futile."

## Survey Ends in Annexed Areas

Field work in the survey of water facilities in areas recently annexed to Salem is completed and the evaluated survey will be submitted soon to the Salem water commission, it was reported to the commission last night by Fred Merryfield of the Corvallis engineering firm retained by the city for the special report.

Merryfield said survey work would continue in the city proper to provide a complete summary of the water grid system which will be of use in long-range planning for the city's development.

The Weather  
Salem Max. Min. Precip.  
Portland 70 42 0.00  
San Francisco 80 48 0.00  
Chicago 81 54 0.02  
New York 62 54 0.07  
Willamette river 28 feet  
FORECAST (from U.S. weather bureau, McNary field, Salem): Mostly clear today; tonight, cooler temperatures again tonight. Light frost in the valley and during daytime temperatures. Highest 70. Lowest 34.

## Romania Treaty Finished

PARIS, Friday, Oct. 11-(AP)—The Paris peace conference approved today a joint American and British proposal for free navigation on the Danube river and completed work on the terms of the peace treaty with Romania.

The vote on the Danube issue was 15 to six—the division being along the usual east-west lines. Earlier the American and British pleas for free navigation on this key European river and unhampered trade in the Balkans were met by soviet accusations that "dollar democracies" were seeking to further their "imperialistic" ambitions.

The conference agreed to the opening of the Danube's navigable tributaries and connecting canals "on terms of entire equality to the nations, vessels of commerce and goods of all states."

By a 14 to 7 vote the conference also provided that Romania, all other Danubian states and the Big Four would have a conference within six months after the Romanian treaty goes into effect for the purpose of establishing the river's "new international regime."

The sharp clash between the western and eastern viewpoints came as the conference rushed toward completion of the peace treaty with Romania after putting the final stamp on the Italian pact.

The delegates began voting on the Romanian treaty at the start of tonight's plenary session, completing the political articles in 45 minutes with little difficulty.

They agreed also to reduce Romania's armed forces to 125,000 men for the army, 5,000 men and 15,000 tons of shipping for the navy and 100 combat and 8,000 men for the air force. Then the delegates went on to vote on the disputed Danubian and commercial clauses.

Senator Arthur H. Vandenberg (R-Mich) told the conference that a free Danube is "indispensable to the economic health and therefore to the peace of central Europe." British Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin, in full support, charged that soviet opposition "gives rise to a good deal of suspicion to the designs of the soviet union in this part of the world."

## Papers Warn Against Reversing McArthur

TOKYO, Friday, Oct. 11-(AP)—The newspaper Jiji admonished its readers today against substituting General MacArthur for Emperor Hirohito as an object of reverence.

The liberal newspaper declared in an editorial that MacArthur must be regarded as a representative and symbol of democracy, not as living God.

## Balanced Budget Dilemma Mounts

WASHINGTON, Oct. 10-(AP)—President Truman today: The budget will be in balance by the end of the year.

Secretary of the Treasury Snyder yesterday: "There have been no changes whatsoever" in the estimate last August which "appeared to be that there will be a deficit of \$1,900,000,000."

President Truman again today: There is no disagreement between Snyder and me.

Reporters trying to reconcile the pronouncements also got from Mr. Truman today the assertion, twice repeated, that Snyder had been misquoted.

The treasury's official transcript of Snyder's news conference yesterday showed, however, that he renewed the previous forecast of a deficit for the current fiscal year ending June 30. Mr. Truman did not specify just what comprised the misquotation.

Snyder was reported authoritatively to feel sure that when the president said Snyder was misquoted, he was referring to stories that there was a difference between them.

An hour after the president's conference today Snyder issued the following statement: "There is absolutely no difference between the president and myself and there has been none. What I told my press conference yesterday was for the purpose of keeping the press on the right track."

"We are making every effort to balance the budget," President Truman said there was no difference between us; I reiterate this statement."

## Enlistment Rise Cuts Draft Quotas

WASHINGTON, Oct. 10-(AP)—The army has cut its November draft call to 15,000 men, the smallest since selective service started before Pearl Harbor.

The October quota was 35,000 and September's 25,000. Maj. Gen. Willard S. Paul, war department personnel director, said the unusually high enlistment of nearly one million volunteers in the last year was the primary reason for the reduction.

Unofficial returns from all the territorial judicial divisions indicated the next house of representatives will consist of 14 republicans and 10 democrats, and that the senate will consist of nine democrats and seven republicans.

Territorial delegate E. L. (Bob) Bartlett's overwhelming victory for return to congress was the one bright spot for the democratic party in Alaska. He was opposed by Almer J. Peterson, Anchorage, a running as an independent, for labor commissioner.

## Salem In Zone Of Increase

The price of milk in Salem will jump to 18 cents a quart next week, probably Wednesday.

This became apparent last night when milk producers in Portland confirmed an increased butterfat price reported in the offering for the past two weeks. Local distributors, echoing an official announcement of the Portland Milk Distributors' association, agreed that the increase must be passed along to consumers.

Present milk price in Salem and Portland is 16½ cents a quart in multiple purchases and 17 cents for a single quart.

Explaining the price rise was unavoidable, these distributors said that the increase is necessary to provide incentive for dairymen to produce fluid milk instead of supplying the factory market. In the low production period of recent weeks the price differential has so favored the factory market that it was feared the bottled milk market might face critical shortages, the local distributors added.

Both Arthur Hurlbut, Salem manager of the Mayflower distributors, and Hans Hofstetter, proprietor of Curly's Dairy, said they had not yet been advised officially of the butterfat price increase, but they had been expecting the increase and the resulting milk price hike to go into effect next week.

Associated Press reported from Portland that the butterfat price goes up from \$1.23 to \$1.37 per pound next week and that distributors there will increase milk price to 18 cents per quart Wednesday. The entire Portland area is affected and it is expected that the price increases on bottled milk will extend to the coast and as far south as Albany and Corvallis.

## Enrollment Over 1,000 at Willamette U.

By a decision margin of 435 to 371, men outnumbered women on the Willamette university campus for the first time since selective service and the war began removing male students from the collegiate scene, a tabulation of Willamette enrollment showed Thursday.

The university reported 1068 students enrolled for the recently opened 1946-47 school year, including 44 special students. By colleges the enrollment shows 844 in liberal arts, 91 in law and 71 in music.

Freshmen number 359 for one of the largest starting classes in Willamette history. There are 263 sophomores, 150 juniors and 161 seniors. The remainder are special or graduate students.

Only 30 students have registered so far in the new night classes offered to accommodate veterans unable to devote full time to a college education. It was reported. Officials of the university said the night registration will remain open a few more days for late-returning veterans.

## No Arrests on Hazing Charge

No arrests were reported Thursday in the case of three Salem 18-year-olds against whom District Attorney Miller B. Hayden has filed charges of assault and battery in connection with the alleged "hazing" of John Day, 3355 D st., a first-year student at Salem senior high school.

School authorities stated Thursday that none of the three charged is a high school student. It was reported by local juvenile officers that all three are recent graduates of the senior high school.

The three youths were identified by the district attorney as James Brown, 760 N. Winter st.; Dudley Slater, 370 Rural ave.; and Douglas R. Yeater, jr., 1930 N. 18th st. The complaint alleges they dougled the Day boy.

## QUICKIES

SALES CHART  
"When we stop using Statesman Want Ads — everything goes blank!"

## Eisenhower at Patton's Grave in Luxembourg



HAMM, Luxembourg, Oct. 10—A sober-faced Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower (center), army chief of staff, and members of his party stand silently at the grave of Gen. George Patton, Jr., war-time head of the Third U. S. Army, in the American military cemetery here, during the general's recent visit to the continent. Others are unidentified. Patton was fatally injured in an automobile accident. (AP Wirephoto)