BUTTER STEADY GRAPEFRUIT DUE FROM FLORIDA

Portland (AP)—Condition of the butter market appears more or less of steady character throughout the country. Little change in the general quotation is indicated at any of the leading marketing points. Production is showing a decrease in spots and increased elsewhere.

Prices were maintained generally in the local territory for both cubes and prints while butterfat was inclined to show more or less steadiness.

General trading in the egg market is reported as fully steady. No price change has been announced by Manager Dixon of the Pacific co-ops who are maintaining fully their recent advances. Others are following.

With a liberal per cent of the present supply consisting of small stock, the demands for live turkeys is best for the larger sized birds. Prices are steady as a rule.

Prevailing offerings of chickens from the country are of small volume with a resulting strengthening of the general trade situation. Practically all interests have been forces to follow the advance of one house made late last week.

Demand for apples continues quite favorable. Export situation is not so active but this appears due mostly to the fact that it is almost impossible to secure sufficient small stuff to fill orders. Prices steady.

Opening the season for shipments of Florida grapefruit to the western states Wednesday caused considerable excitement in local fruit circles. Some Florida stock is now rolling. The Texas stock is very good. Californian is quite a favorite with many.

Increased carload movement of Cauliflower is in sight here according to officials of the Oregon Gardeners' association, which has become a big factor in the trade. Offerings next week are expected to show a liberal increase. Quality is the best in years.

Still another advance of a dime a hundred pounds is announced in refinery price of sugar along the coast, with a similar boost in value here. The trade is reported in excellent condition.

There is a small supply of Columbia river fresh steelhead salmon offering at 15 cents. Plenty of crabs.

Silverside and Chinook salmon is not quite so plentiful, reports the Oregon Fish Co.

Sweet potatoes are down ¼ cent pound again.

Ripe bananas are a trifle scarce at the moment.

Cheese is fairly active at the late drop of one cent pound.

Country killed hogs are weak with veal and lambs steady.

Salem Markets

Compiled from reports of Salem dealers, for the guidance of Capital Journal readers. (Revised daily).

Wheat: No. 1 white 80; red, sacked 87c bushel.

Feed oats, $20 ton; milling oats $21; barley $20-$31 ton.

Meats: hogs, top grades 130-160 lbs. $9.00; 160-200 lbs. $9.50; 220-260 lbs. $9.00; 280-350 lbs. $8.00; sows $7.

Cattle, top steers 5-6½c; cows, 3-3½c; cills and cutters 2-3c.

Sheep, spring lambs 5-5½c; yearlings wethers 3½-4c; old ewes 2-3c.

Calves, vealers, top 10c; heavy and thins 5-7c.

Dressed meats: Top veal 15c; No. 2 grade 13c; rough and heavy 10-11 and up. Top hogs 120-150 lbs. 14 cents; other grades 13c down.

Poultry, light to med., hens 11-15c lb.; heavy hens 20c; broilers, all colors 19-22c; old roosters 10c.

Eggs, pullets 26c; fresh extras 30c.

Butterfat 37c; prime butter 39-40c; cube extras 37c; standards cubes 36c.

Cheese, Marion county triplets 22; loaf 23.

WHOLESALE MARKETS

Fresh fruit: Oranges, Valencias $7.50 to $10 case; lemons $7-$7.50; bananas 7c lb. Grapefruit, Texas $7; Isle of Pine $7.50; Ariz. $6.50. Local apples $1.25 box. Limes $2.50 carton. Honeydew melons $2 crate; casabas 2c lb.; cantaloupes, $2 crate, all sizes. Ice Cream melons 2c lb.

Grapes: Thompson seedless $1.25 lug. Concord $1.25; Zinfandels 90c; Tokays $1.50; Ladyfingers $2. Pears $1 box. Fresh figs $1.75 box. Ground cherries 16c lb. Huckleberries 15c; cranberries $6.50 box.

Fresh vegetables: Tomatoes 50c box. Potatoes, local 1¾c lb.; lettuce, local $1.50 per crate. Cucumbers, slicing 40c a dozen; pickling 55 to 85c box. Celery, Lake Labish bunches and hearts 80c doz. Cabbage 1½c; green corn $1.15 sack; green peppers 4c lb., red 10c; Spinach $1.00; Cauliflower, $1.50. Eggplant $1.25 crate. Squash, Marblehead 3c lb.; Hubbard 3c; Danish 4c; peanut 2c.

Bunched vegetables: (doz. bunches) turnips 40-60c; parsley 60c; carrots 40c; beets 40-60c; onions 40c; radishes 40c; green beans 6c; Dill 10c bunch.

Bocked vegetables: Onions, Walla Walla $1.25; local $1.35. Carrots 2c; Beets 3c; rutabagas 3c; turnips 3c; parsnips 2½c; garlic 15c lb.; sweet potatoes 4½c lb.

POOR CONSTRUCTION MAKES FIRE HAZARD

More than 50 per cent of the fire losses of Oregon from "unknown" and "undetermined" causes can be accounted for by antiquated and new but cheaply constructed dwellings, reports of the state fire marshal for national fire prevention week, disclosed.

The fire marshal blamed increased taxation for the many poorly constructed buildings of Oregon while "overnight" promotion of new additions cause construction of many dwellings that immediately become fire hazards.

PRUNES WASTED

Many prune growers in California are not harvesting their small sized prunes because of market and crop conditions, according to General Manager Harlan of the California Prune and Apricot Growers association to the California Fruit News. In the northern part of the state, Mr. Harlan reports, several thousand tons of prunes are not being harvested as under present conditions it would be unprofitable for growers to go to the expense of picking and hauling the small sizes.

MARKET QUOTATIONS

PORTLAND LIVESTOCK

Portland (AP)—Cattle 75; calves 10. Talking steady.

Steers 600-900 lbs. good $7.50-$8; medium $6.50-$7.50; common $5-$6.50; 900-1100 lbs. good $7.50-$8; medium $6.50-$7.50; common $5-$6.50; 1100-1300 lbs. good $7.25-$7.75; medium $5.50-$7.25. Heifers 550-850 lbs. good $6.75-$7, medium $5.75 to $6.75; common $4.75-$5.75. Cows good $5.50-$6.00; common and medium $4-$5.50; low cutter $2-$4. Bulls, yearlings excluded, $5-$5.50; cutter, common and medium $3.50-$5; vealers, milk fed, good and choice $10-$11; medium $8-$10; cull and common $5-$8. Calves 250-500 lbs. $8.50-$10; common and medium $5-$8.50.

Hogs 200. Steady.

Soft or oily hogs and roasting pigs excluded. Light lights 140-160 lbs. $8.50-$9.50; light weight 160-180 lbs. $9.75-$10.00; 180-200 lbs. $9.75-$10; Medium weight 200-220 lbs. $8.75-$10.00; 220-250 lbs. $8.50-$9.75; heavy weight 250-290 lbs. $8-$9.75; 290-350 lbs. $7.50-$9.25; packing sows 275-500 lbs., medium and good $7.25-$8.50. Feeder and stocker pigs 70-130 lbs., good-choice $9.50-$10.50.

Sheep 250. Looks steady.

Lambs 90 lbs. down $5.50-$6.50; medium $4.75-$5.50; all weights, common $4-$4.75. Yearling wethers 90-110 lbs. medium to choice $3.50-$5; ewes 90-120 lbs. medium to choice $2.25-$2.75; 120-150 lbs. $2-$2.50; all weights, cull and common $1-$2.

PORTLAND DAIRY EXCHANGE

Portland (UP)— Following prices effective Wednesday. Butter quotations for shipment from country creameries and ½c lb. is deducted as commission.

Butter, cube extras 37c; standards 36c; prime firsts 34c; firsts 31c lb.

Eggs, poultry producers' prices: fresh extras 35c; standards 31c; fresh medium 26c; pullets, 19c doz.

PORTLAND WHOLESALE PRICES

These are prices dealers pay wholesalers except as otherwise noted:

Butter: best extras 39-40c in cartons.

Butterfat, direct shippers: track 34c; No. 2 grade 29c; station No. 1 33c; No. 2, 28c. Portland delivery prices: No. 1 butterfat, 37-38c; No. 2, 32-33c.

Milk, buying price: grade B, $2.75 per cental, Portland delivery and inspection.

Cheese— Selling price to retailers: Tillamook county triplets, 20c; loaf 21c per lb. f.o.b. Tillamook; Selling prices Portland, triplets 22; loaf 23c.

Live poultry: heavy hens, colored, over 4½ lbs. 21-22c; 3½-4½ lbs. 17-18c; under 3 lbs. 13-14c; broilers, under 2 lbs. 21-22c; roasters, 20-21c; old roosters, 10c lb. Ducks, 15c lb. Turkeys 23-28c.

Dressed poultry: Turkeys 12 lbs. up 33-35c.

Fresh fruit: oranges, Valencia $6.25 to $9.50; grapefruit, Imperial $6.50-$7; Isle of Pines $7.50; limes 5-dozen cartons $2.50; bananas 6c lb. Lemons, California, $6.50-$7.

Cabbage, local 1¼-1½c lb.

Cucumbers, outdoor grown 60-75c per box. Tomatoes, local 30-40c.

Onions, selling price to retailers: sets 5-6c; new crop $1-$1.15 cental.

Lettuce, Oregon, $1-$1.25 crate for 3s. Spinach, local 75-90c orange box.

Cranberries, early blacks $5.25-$5.50 per box. Huckleberries, fancy 10-12c.

Watermelons, Klondike, 1-1¼c lb.; casabas 1¾-2c lb.

Cantaloupes, Eugene jumbo $1.75-$2; standard $1.50; Dillard jumbo $2; standard $1.75 crate.

Peaches, Salways $1.10-$1.25; Krummel $1-$1.10 box.

Pears, Bartletts, extra fancy $2; fancy $1.75 for 180s and larger.

Grapes, California seedless, big $1-$1.10; Tokays $1.10-$1.25; Ladyfingers $1.75-$2 lug; Concord, 2½-2c lb.

Fresh figs $1.25 flats.

Celery, Ore. 60-75c per doz.

Peppers, bell, green, 4c; red 15c lb.

Sweet potatoes, Cal. 4-4½c lb.

Cauliflower, Oregon $1-$1.25 crate.

Beans, local, 6-8c lb. Peas, Cal. 15c.

Corn, local green $1-$1.10. Garlic, new 8-10c lb.

Country meats—selling prices to retailers: country-killed hogs, best butchers under 150 lbs. 13½-14c; Vealers, 70-80 lbs. 15½-16½c; lambs, 10-12c; yearlings, 8-10c; heavy ewes 3-6c; canner cows 50 lb.

Nuts: Oregon walnuts 22½-23c; California, 20-23c; peanuts, new, 10c lb.; Brazils, new crop, 22-24c; almonds, 16½-17½c; filberts 19-20c; pecans 14-25c.

Hops, nominal, 1929 crop, 5-6c; 1930, 12-12½c lb.

Wool: 1930 crop, nominal; Willamette valley 17-22c; eastern Ore. 16-18.

PORTLAND EASTSIDE MARKET

Green beans were rather scarce for the Wednesday session of the eastside farmers' market. Sales showed a general spread of 5½-7c lb.

Cauliflower was in rather fair supply with sales mostly $1 for 1s, although some business was shown a dime better. Tomatoes were firmer and generally higher at 40-45c box for 1s.

Celery hearts held fairly steady 80-90c doz. bunches with jumbo celery 65c doz. Brussels sprouts sold mostly $1.25 box.

Cabbage held fairly steady at 70-80c crate with red 75c cantaloupe crate. Danish squash 90c-$1 crate.

Salway peaches were slow at 70c-$1 crate with few at the extreme.

Spinach was a trifle slow around 60c generally.

Concord grapes were quiet around 65c mostly for lugs.

Cucumbers were firm at 40c box for slicing and with No. 1 pickling 50c.

Green tomatoes moved around 25c box.

Blackberries in nominal offering at $1.10 crate. Some very fancy strawberries sold $3 crate.

Peas were in small supply around 120 lb.

Cantaloupes sold mostly $1.-$1.25 crate, a few $1.50 crate.

Red peppers were around 65c lug.

Eggplant was slow at 75c crate for flats. Corn sales were 90c-$1 sack for best. Lettuce sold around 75c crate.

General prices ruled:

Dozen bunches: carrots 20-22½c; turnips 30c; beets, fancy 20-25c.

Spinach, fancy 65-70c orange box.

Blackberries, fancy $1.15-$1.25.

Potatoes, local, 75c-$1.20 orange box; $1.50-$1.60 sack.

Cabbage, flat type, 80-85c crate.

Green beans, Kentucky Wonders, 6-7c; others 5-6c lb.

Green corn 90c-$1 sack.

Cantaloupes, Eugene $1.50; others, $1-$1.25 crate.

Tomatoes, No. 1 30-35c; No. 2, 25c box. Celery, local 65-75c doz.; hearts 80-90c doz. bunches.

Prunes, Italian, 50c peach box.

Cucumbers, No. 1 pickling 50c; No. 2, 40c; No. 3, 35c; slicing, 40c box.

SAN FRANCISCO APPLES

San Francisco (AP)—(Fed. state mkt. news service) Apples, Calif. Bellflowers packed, fancy $1.25-$1.50 box; 60-85c lug. Newtowns, loose 90c-$1.10 box; packed fancy $1.40-$1.65, small lower. Winter Bananas 75c-$1 lug. Delicious, packed, fancy, large $2-$2.25; small $1.75. Spitzenbergs, packed, fancy $1.25-$1.75; 90c-$1.10 lug.

Oregon: Winter Bananas XF $1.75-$2; fancy $1.50-$1.75; small sizes lower. Spitzenberg XF $2-$2.15; fancy $1.65-$1.85.

Washington: Jonathans XF $1.85-$1.90; fancy $1.60-$1.75; Delicious XF $2.75-$3.

SAN FRANCISCO BUTTERFAT

San Francisco (AP)—Butterfat f.o.b. San Francisco 42½c.

SAN FRANCISCO POULTRY

San Francisco (UP)—Hens, Leghorn 3½ lbs. and over 20-22; under 3½ lbs. 17-18; colored hens 5 lbs. and over 26-27c; under 5 lbs. 23; broilers, Leghorn 12-16 lbs. per dozen 38-40c; 17-21 lb. per dozen 38-40; Leghorn fryers 3-2½ lbs. 25-27; colored fryers up to 3 lbs. 25-27c; colored roasters 3 lbs. and up 25-27; colored roosters 12-15; old Leghorn roosters 12c. Turkeys, per lb. young 30; old 25.

SAN FRANCISCO DAIRY

San Francisco (UP)—Butter, 92 score 37½; 91 score 36; 90 score 35.

Eggs, extras, large 40½; mediums 29½; small 19½c.

Cheese: Calif. fancy flats 16½; triplets 16½.

HAY, BARK, HOPS

Portland (AP)—Hay steady. Wholesale buying prices, delivered Portland: eastern Oregon timothy $22.00-$23; valley $19-$19.50; alfalfa $19-$19.50; clover $16; oat hay $16; straw $7-$8 ton. Selling prices $1-$2 more.

Cascara bark, steady, 6c.

Hops steady; 1929 crop nominal 6-7c; 1930, 11-12c.

PORTLAND SUGAR, FLOUR

Portland (AP)—Sugar, steady. Sacked basis: Cane, fruit or berry $4.75 cwt. Beet sugar $4.35 cwt.

Flour: steady. City delivery prices: family patents, 49s $6.20; whole wheat $5.30; graham $5.10; pastry $5.70. Bakers' hard wheat 98s, $5.65; bakers' bluestem patents, 98s $5.30.

DRIED FRUIT, CROPS

New York (AP)—Evaporated apples steady; choice 11-11½; fancy 12½-13. Prunes steady, Calif. 4¾-5½; Oregon 6-7¾. Apricots steady, standard 9½; choice 11-11½; extra choice 13½-14. Peaches, quiet; standard 8½-9; choice 9-9½; extra choice 10-10½.

Hops steady. State, 1930, 19-21; 1929 15-18. Pacific coast 1930, 15-18; 1929, 12-14.

BOSTON WOOL

Boston (UP)—Inquiries from the larger worsted mills are rather slow but a few of the smaller worsted mills are purchasing moderate quantities of 64s and finer original bag territory wools. Average lines of bulk French combing staple are selling at 70-71c scoured basis. Choice original bag wools are bringing slightly better than 72c scoured basis.

CHICAGO GRAIN

Chicago (AP)—Wheat futures:

Dec. old	77½-¾	79½	77½	78¾-½
Dec. new	78¼	79⅞	77⅞	78¾-⅛
Mar. old	81⅝-¾	83⅛	81⅛	82½-⅛
" new	81⅝	83⅝	83⅝	82½-⅛
May old	83⅝-¾	85	83⅛	84
" new	83⅝-¾	85⅛	83⅝	84½-⅛

July, new open 84⅝; high 85¼; low 83⅝; close 84⅛ to 85⅛.

Cash grain: wheat No. 1 hard 80½; No. 2 hard 79½. Corn, old No. 2 mixed 84½-85; No. 1 yellow 84-85. Corn, new, No. 3 mixed 82; No. 3 yellow 82. Oats, No. 1 white 37½; No. 3 white 36½-37½. Rye, no sales. Barley 46-66. Timothy seed $8.25-$8.50. Clover seed $16.75-$24.25.

Lard 11.60; ribs 14.50; bellies 15.

WINNIPEG WHEAT

Winnipeg (UP)—Wheat range Oct. open 71; high 72 3-8; low 70⅝; close 72⅛. Dec., open, low 71⅝; high 72⅞; close 73⅛. May, open, low 77; high 79 5-8; close 79.

PORTLAND WHEAT

Portland (AP)—Wheat futures: Dec. open, low, close 75; high 75⅛. May, open, low 79½; high 80; close 79⅝.

Cash wheat: Big Bend bluestem 86½; soft white, western white 74½; hard winter, northern spring, western red 71½.

Oats, No. 2 38-lb. white $24.

Today's car receipts: wheat 119, hay 2, flour 13, corn 1, oats 4.

SAN FRANCISCO LIVESTOCK

San Francisco (UP)—Hogs 400, steady to weak. Load 145-lb. Californias $1. Two loads 150-180 lb. Nevadas at $10.75-$10.90; few pigs, 205-245 lb. $10.25. Extreme heavies down to $9.75. Packing sows $8.75. Steady.

Cattle 650, holdovers 130. About 50 per cent she stock. Load medium 1070-lb. Calif. steers $7.10, steady. 3 loads Mexicans $7; she stock steady. Car good 900-lb. young cows $5.75; 3 loads horned 850-875 lb. $4.50. Medium bulls $5; few loads common $6. Load good cows $6. Calves none.

Sheep 310. Extremely slow. Undertone weak to 25c lower. Medium lambs 75 lbs. down, quoted around $7. Medium to choice ewes $2.75-$3.75. Steady.

LIVERPOOL WHEAT

Liverpool (UP)—Wheat range, Oct. open 80 5-8; high, close 81; low 79. Dec. open, high 81⅛; low 78⅞; close 81. March, open 81⅝; high 82 3-8; low 80; close 82. May, open, high 84⅛; low 82½; close 84 5-8.

CHICAGO LIVESTOCK

Chicago (AP) — (U. S. D. A.) Hogs 15,000, active; 10-15c above Tuesday's average. Top $10.10; bulk 180-260 lbs. $9.85-$10.

Cattle 10,000; calves 2500; largely steer run with weighty offerings predominating. Trade weak to 25c lower on heavies; about steady on yearlings. Best weighty steers early $12.25; some held around $12.50; best yearlings held around $13; other classes mostly steady. Vealers unevenly lower. Milk fed. $10-$12.

Sheep 18,000; mostly steady. Range lambs unsold, held higher. Early bulk native ewe and wether lambs $7.50-$7.75; few $8 to city butchers; best rangers held around $8; white-faced feeders $6.50; lambs 90 lbs. down, good-choice $7.25-$8.25; ewes 90-150 lbs. medium to choice $2-$3.75; feeding lambs 60-75 lbs. good-choice $6.50-$7.25.

MEIER CLUB PARTY PROVES KNOCKOUT

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Julius Meier were to be the speakers.

"I thought it was to be a banquet," Mrs. Sweeney said.

Instead she found long tables heaped with sandwiches, olives, celery and the like. Behind an improvised bar were two men pumping near-beer from kegs. Two others dressed as bartenders of the old days were busily filling mugs and passing them around among the crowd.

One vociferous male guest advised Mrs. Sweeney that he had not been for George Joseph, but that he was strong for Meier because "if he is elected we will have more of this," as he waved his mug in expressive gesture.

Other women guests were laughingly referring to the "supper" set-up as "Julius Meier's W. C. T. U. bar," according to Mrs. Sweeney

SPUD YIELD HIGH

Auburn—Thirty-eight sacks of large potatoes from less than one-fourth of an acre, was the yield on the ranch of Max Ratch. The sacks averaged 100 pounds each. The potatoes, of the Netted Gem variety, are well matured.

Ogdensburg, N. Y., (UP) — Alfred Greig, who says he is heir to the Earlship of Dunmore, Scotland, is to be deported as an alien. He has been in jail in Canton since March awaiting a passport from the British government.

"Autocide" New Term Suggested For Auto Deaths

If homicide means "killed by a man" and suicide means "killed by self" then why not "autocide" for "killed by automobile?" This was the suggestion made to the state traffic department.

Hal E. Hoss, secretary of state., is preparing a large map of the state which he plans to maintain as a "death chart." A red pin will mean a death, a green pin means a serious injury, and so forth. This will give a vivid and comprehensive picture of the danger on Oregon's highways.

ILLS OF STOCK MARKET TOPIC OF CONFERENCE

Washington (AP)—The recent chills and fevers of the stock market have been the subject of consultation at the White House between President Hoover and officers of the New York stock exchange.

The conference took place last Sunday night. It was held, White House attaches said, at request of the executive officials themselves. The exact nature of the conversation remained undisclosed but it was made known it bore on business conditions with particular reference to the stock market situation.

Richard Whitney, president, and Allen Lindley, vice president of the stock exchange, were those who talked with Mr. Hoover, after being his guests at dinner following the chief executive's return from a trip to his Rapidan camp. He pointed out Whitney was an old friend of the president. As to what was discussed, he said:

"We spoke about everything in general. It was a delightful evening."

In the speculation surrounding disclosure of the conference—which came after the New York market had closed Tuesday on an upward trend—the question of short selling of stocks was uppermost. There had been rumors the department of justice was investigating such transactions, especially those believed to be attempts at artificial depression of values. To these reports, John Lord O'Brian, the assistant to the attorney general, said he had never heard of any such activity, and knew of no plans for any future investigation.

There has not been the slightest official intimation of any proposed government interference with the stock exchange. It is known, however, the president's attention has been drawn to the short selling phase of market operations since the general deflation set in.

PLAN IRRIGATION OF CANBY DISTRICT

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by Rivers Irrigation company, which was reported to have assets of $97,500 and liabilities of $1435.

It is claimed that the value of the company's main ditch, which will irrigate 3000 acres, together with right of way, power sites and laterals will be at least $100,000.

The Canby Rivers Irrigation company has issued capital stock of $1000, or 100,000 shares at 1 cent each. This stock is held as follows: Oregon Exploitation company, 45,282 shares; treasury of Canby Rivers Irrigation company, 21,382 shares; various minority stockholders, 33,336 shares.

The Oregon Exploitation company is said to be arranging its financial set-up so that it may ask a permit for a further sale of stock. This is to be applied to the development of the following units, of which the exploitation company would be the holding company: Canby River Packing company, $25,000; Canby River Irrigation company, $35,000; Canby River Ice Plant, $30,000; Canby River Box Shook plant, $15,000; Canby River Fish hatchery, $20,000; Canby River Floral & Ginseng farm, $45,000; Canby River Canning company, $20,000. The hatchery and the ginseng farm are said to be tentatively planned.

The Oregon Exploitation company now has a capital of 400,000 shares which it proposes to increase to 2,000,000. It was organized as a result of negotiations opened with the irrigation company by a syndicate operating in Washington and represented by a Mr. Saito of the White River Packing company, Kent, Wash., which has invested $10,000 in the Canby project, including $5000 in stock. Ray Gill of the Gill Brothers Seed company of Portland has invested $600.

NEW SUGAR PRICE ADVANCE SLATED

Portland (AP)—Portland wholesale grocers will advance sugar quotations to retailers 10 cents a hundred Thursday in accordance with a like advance announced by Pacific coast refiners. New wholesale quotations here will be: cane sugar, $4.85; beet $4.65.

San Francisco (AP)—Advances in the price of refined sugar were announced by western refiners Wednesday, including the Western Sugar refinery and California-Hawaiian companies. The new price, effective Thursday, will be $4.55 for cane and $4.45 for beet, both up 10 cents, the second advance since the prices hit the year's low levels in September. The prices govern the entire coast area.

BIRTHDAY OBSERVED

Silverton—Miss Myrtle Johnson was given a surprise party Monday evening at the Smith home by Ethel Smith, the occasion being her birthday anniversary. Among those attending were Ardith Drake, Jerdis Hansen, Gladys Davis, Francis Nelson, Mae Coffey, Kathryn Benson, Ethel Smith and the honor guest, Myrtle Johnson.

MOVES ARE MADE

Unionvale—Mr. and Mrs. Ezra Dixon and children have moved into the Sam Dixon home and Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Dixon and sons of McMinnville moved into the house vacated by Ezra Dixons. Samuel Dixon will live with Mr. and Mrs. Ezra Dixon.

LIBRARIAN IS BACK

Independence—Mrs. F. G. Hewett, city librarian who has been visiting her son and daughter in Tillamook during the past ten days has returned and resumed her work as librarian. Her work was carried on by Mrs. Carrie Smiley, in her absence.

TOMATO PACK NEARS LAST YEAR'S RECORD

Grand Island—If present weather conditions continue for a week the Grand Island cannery will equal its last year pack of 15,000 cases of tomatoes. All growers report the sunny days following the recent rains a great help in ripening tomatoes and melons. About 150 crates of melons and cantaloupes were marketed by Morton Tompkins Saturday. Forty women and 18 men are employed in the cannery now.

MAN CONFESSES HE KILLED GIRL LURED TO CITY

Kansas City (AP)—Paul Kauffman, former convict, confessed to police here Wednesday he killed Avis Woolery, 17, after luring the girl to Kansas City last August 17 from her home at Webb City, Mo., upon a promise to employ her as a nursemaid.

Kauffman said he strangled her to death with her stockings and buried the body in a pit from which a tree had been removed in Swope park, where human bones were found in a shallow grave Sunday.

Personal effects worn by the girl when she disappeared the day she arrived in response to newspaper advertisements and correspondence with Kauffman were identified in a telephone conversation with her mother, Mrs. R. E. Corkin.

Kauffman, arrested a few days after Miss Woolery's disappearance, was convicted and sentenced to two years' imprisonment for seduction of a 15-year-old girl.

Believing he knew something about Miss Woolery's whereabouts, the county prosecutor refused to allow him to start serving the 2-year sentence and questioned him at length about the missing girl.

He then said he met the girl at the Union station and accompanied her to a park near the downtown section, where he revealed his promise of employment would not be kept. At that time he told police he had left the girl alone on a park bench.

STATE'S OBLIGATION ONLY ISSUE RAISED

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homes is the one issue to be decided by the electorate. If the voter feels the state owes such an obligation he should cast an affirmative ballot.

In the proposal there is, however, no economic justification and sound business considerations condemn it, despite the contrary arguments of its sponsors. When the original bonus act was approved there was none versed in financial matters who ever expected the state to anywhere near break even on the venture. It was not intended that way and experience points out that the taxpayers are bound to finance some deficit.

The bonus loans are made from the proceeds of general obligation bond sales, to be financed through a special continuing tax levy. The bonds bear an average of 4 per cent interest and the loans to veterans are at the same rate of interest. To date $29,000,000 of such bonds have been sold and there are at present outstanding $27,250,000. Administrative costs and losses through foreclosures more than overbalance any profits which may accrue through the resale of property.

The proposed amendment would extend the bonus loan bond limitation from 3 to 4 per cent of the assessed valuation of the state and add several millions of dollars to the bonded indebtedness of the state. Additional loans, it is provided, would be on a 4½ per cent basis but there is no assurance that the added one-half per cent would carry the administrative costs, especially during the last years of the life of the loans.

It is argued that profits on loans which have been transferred by veterans to other individuals not entitled to the benefits of the act, with consequent increases in the interest rate from 4 to 6 per cent, makes administration of the bonus act a profitable enterprise for the state. The validity of this argument cannot be established until the final balance is written on the books of the bonus commission.

But it was not the intention of the people that the state in providing the bonus loans was setting itself up in the general loan business in competition with those of its citizens and taxpayers who are engaged in that line of endeavor.

If the argument that extension of loan privilege to these war veterans will result in much needed development of farms and other properties through making cheap money available is valid and reasonable it is, likewise, reasonable that the state should finance other home builders and developers without regard to their service records.

Whether the bonus loan privilege is to be extended to war veterans without regard to the place of the residence at enlistment is a matter to be decided by each voter solely upon his interpretation of the obligation the state owes to its veterans, and upon his willingness to help pay the bill when it comes due.

SALEM BOYS RECEIVE O. S. C. BAND AWARDS

Corvallis —Laurence Andrews, junior in electrical engineering, and Wesley Heise, sophomore in commerce, both of Salem, received band awards at Oregon State College last week. Emblems are given to freshmen, sophomores and seniors, and sweaters to juniors who attend 80 per cent of the outside appearances and 90 per cent of the rehearsals.

The total band membership this year exceeds 80 men. The members are working earnestly in preparation for their appearance at Soldier's Field, Chicago, where they will play before the West Virginia—Oregon State game, November 27.

WHEAT PRICES ARE IRREGULAR IN CHICAGO PIT

Chicago (AP)—Persistent estimates that about 100,000,000 bushels of Canadian wheat was unthreshed and at the mercy of blizzards did a good deal at times Wednesday to put strength into grain values. Upturns in quotations, however, were not well maintained owing to comparative dearth of speculative buying. Besides, export demand for North American wheat Wednesday was slow, and the world's available supply of wheat showed an increase of 3,124,000 bushels for the week.

Wheat closed irregular ½ cent off to ¼ cent up compared with Tuesday's finish. Corn closed ⅝-1⅞ cents down, oats unchanged to ⅝ cent higher, and provisions unchanged to a rise of 32 cents.

Chicago (AP)—Blizzard advices from Canada and a jump in wheat quotations at Liverpool helped to lift Chicago grain values Wednesday after an initial downturn. At the start the wheat market here was temporarily influenced by reports of general rains in northern Argentina and of prospective larger offerings of southern hemisphere wheat in Europe. Opening ⅝-1⅞c lower, Chicago wheat future delivery contracts soon rose all around to above Tuesday's finish. Corn and oats kept pace with wheat, corn starting ⅛-1c off and subsequently scoring a general advance.

STOCKS RALLY CLOSING HIGHER TRADING LIGHT

New York, (UP)—The stock market Wednesday staged a rally of 1 to 4 points and held most of the gain, closing higher.

It was the first time in more than a month that a rally carried over into a second session with any degree of vigor.

Trading was light, however, and tickers easily kept abreast of the market.

Sales totaled 2,378,470 shares against 3,389,030 shares Tuesday.

The Dow-Jones & Co., preliminary averages were higher—industrials 199.74, up 3.04; railroads 117.38, up .71.

U. S. Steel led throughout the day. It dipped to 147¾ in early trading and the whole market followed. Then it turned about and carried the market up. Steel touched 152 up 3½ net.

Gains ranging to 4 points or more were scored by Vanadium, Westinghouse Electric, Allied Chemical, Sinclair Preferred, Loews, Columbian Carbon, Case, North American and Gillette.

News was bearish, but it was ignored when the market turned better. Steel production declined 3 per cent, but it had only momentary effect on the steel shares. Railroad stocks rallied in the afternoon despite a sharp decline from last year in car loadings. Oils were firm in the face of a rise in gasoline stocks.

Iron Age statement that the depression in the Automobile business had been exaggerated helped the motor shares late in the day.

U. S. Steel rose sharply in the late trading, crossing 152. International Telephone came out in long strings at rising prices. Shorts covered to be out of the market over night.

During the course of the afternoon there was considerable buying in the local traction shares and they rose rapidly. Talk persisted of a unification of New York lines in the near ffure.

U. S. Steel closed at the day's high of 152⅝ up 3⅛ net, other leaders closed at or near the high.

There were a few weak spots which did not share in the rise. They included General Motors, Allegheny corporation, and Sears Roebuck.

Call money held at 2 per cent all day.

DORCAS SOCIETY TO OFFER TEA, PROGRAM

Monmouth—The Dorcas society of the First Christian church will hold a Rainbow social Thursday afternoon and evening in the Odd Fellows hall. A display of quilts is to be one of the features of the entertainment. Tea will be served throughout the afternoon, and in the evening a program and refreshments will be given.

Player Trade Made by Robins And Brooklyn

New York (AP)—The acquisition of Frank (Lefty) O'Doul, outfielder, and Fresno Thompson, second baseman, from the Philadelphia Nationals in exchange for Pitchers Jim Elliott and Clise Dudley; Hal Lee outfielder, and "a cash consideration," was announced Tuesday by the Brooklyn baseball club.

The deal was arranged at a conference in New York between President Frank B. York of the Brooklyn club and William F. Baker, Phillies' president.

It had been reported for several days that O'Doul, a mighty slugger, and Thompson, a highly valuable infielder, were to go to the Robins. The principal surprise in connection with the deal was the trading of "Jumbo Jim" Elliott, a huge and capable pitcher, whom the Phillies expect to help solve their hurling problems.

SILO FILLING HAS MANY FARMERS BUSY

Unionvale—During the past week silo filling has been rushed and three ensilage cutting machines have operated here and were those of August Auer of this vicinity, Dale Fowler of Grand Island, and George Thompson of Webfoot. Other farmers have been busy setting strawberry plants while other farmers are engaged gathering squash, pumpkins and apples.

PLANES SPEED RATIFICATION OF TREATY EAST

Victoria, B. C. (AP)—Two United States army planes were sailing along the trans-continental airway Wednesday bearing the Japanese ratification of the London naval treaty which they plan to deliver in New York Thursday afternoon.

The plane pilots, Lieutenants Ervin A. Woodring and William M. Caldwell, of Rockwell field, took off here early Wednesday after receiving the ratification from the Japanese ship Hikawa Maru.

The weather was not auspicious for a flight over the Cascades but the fliers announced they would push ahead, regardless of weather. There was considerable rain and low clouds reported between Vancouver island and the summit of the mountains.

Woodring and Caldwell said they would fly over a general route which included Seattle, Spokane, Boise and Cheyenne, but would not announce their itinerary beyond Cheyenne. They would not say where they would stop for gasoline between here and Cheyenne.

Seattle (AP)—The army pilots, Woodring and Caldwell, carrying the Japanese ratification of the London naval treaty to New York, were not sighted here as they flew from Victoria Wednesday.

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WHO PAYS THE BILL?

In his keynote speech at Salem Wednesday, Congressman Hawley is quoted as jocularly saying "Every time we have had democrats in office we have had to pay the bill."

May we reply in the same jocular tone that we thank the profound statesman who has made such an enviable record in refunding taxes to war-profiteers and in re-rating his old neighbors in the Woodmen of the World, for furnishing us a text for a short sermon.

Yes, it is true. When the democrats were in office under Wilson the profiteers "had to pay the bill," for it was Woodrow Wilson who placed the excess profits tax upon the war profiteers to make them help pay the cost of the war. His slogan was "Fight or Pay."

But when Mr. Mellon's party got into power Hawley helped repeal the excess profits tax and in turn placed the burden upon the people by his billion dollar tariff. He boasts of it. Not content with repealing the excess profits tax and lowering their income tax rates he assisted in giving back to the profiteers millions upon millions of taxes collected from them in war times. He secured proxy votes and approved millions of refunds by himself. Nearly three billions have been returned to them by our treasury in the past eight years.

The democratic theory of taxation is to tax the profiteers and to relieve the masses from the burden. Men who do the fighting should not be required to also do the paying for the profiteers. Mr. Hawley reduced the taxes of the profiteers and increased the tax on the people by his billion dollar tariff. He says "We do them a real service when we keep democrats out of office." Whom does he mean by "Them"?—the war profiteers or you?

E. W. POWERS

To the Editor: I am the beneficiary of a policy in the Woodmen of the World dated 1895. In all these years of struggle to pay the assessments we were told that the organization was 100 per cent solvent.

Congressman Hawley, one of the head managers, so certified, year after year, for which service he was paid a salary of $1,260 for many years. Mr. Hawley also receives from the United States as congressman, a salary of $10,000 per year.

I think Congressman Hawley's actions as leader in the back-room of an Oakland, California hotel in which he engineered the robbery of the old members of the Woodmen of the World, unfits him to represent the men and women of Oregon. At this time all death claims were paid and they did not owe a dollar with $9,000,000 in reserve which had been built up by the old Woodmen to meet the payment of their policies when the end came and not leave them dependent upon the county and state.

Shame on you Mr. Hawley! Shame on you to be a party to the robbery of the widows and orphans of the state of Oregon.

Having been guilty of such unjust dealings with brother Woodmen, I am surprised that 30 of those who have contributed from $5,000 to $10,000 have received in return, income tax rebate payments amounting to $100,000,000, also the $33,000,000 rebate to the United States Steel Co.

Hawley's legislation and Fraternal record is a disgrace to the people of Oregon and every man and woman should vote against him.

Very truly yours,
MRS. GEO. C. CLOUGH

Oct. 8, 1930.

DESCHUTES POTATOES

Portland, Ore., (UP)— One of the finest carloads of Deschutes potatoes reached Portland Wednesday. They were graded fancy and came in small bags, according to W. I Swank, sales representative of the Deschutes potato growers.

MEASLES HEAD DISEASE CASES REPORT SHOWS

The number of commun