Stocks Move Irregularly in Listless Day

New York, Feb. 20 (AP)—The few share buyers who appeared in Wall Street today gave rails and scattered industrials a little support but left many market leaders to shuffle indifferently over a slightly lower route.

Moderate irregularity ruled at the start and, in generally quiet after the brief session. Transfers were around 200,000 shares.

Stocks ahead the greater part of the time included Union Pacific, Great Northern, Southern Railway, Santa Fe, Kennecott, American Telephone, J. C. Penney, United Aircraft, Westinghouse and Air Reduction.

Among stragglers were Standard Oil (NJ), Bethlehem, U. S. Rubber preferred, General Motors, J. I. Case, International Harvester and American Can. Allied Chemical touched another new low for the move.

Carrier loans attracted modest demand in the bond division. Commodities inclined to slip.

Dow Jones preliminary closing stock averages: Industrial, 105.37, up 0.27; rail, 27.69, up 0.13; utility, 13.58, up 0.04; and 65 stocks, 36.24, up 0.12.

Stock sales approximated 210,000 shares against 170,000 a week ago. Curb stock sales were 25,000 shares compared with 29,000 last Saturday.

Grain Prices Slip Fraction

Chicago, Feb. 21 (U.P.)—Grain futures drifted narrowly today.

Wheat closed off ⅛ to ¼ cent a bushel; corn off ⅛ to ½; oats unchanged to up ⅛; rye unchanged to off ⅛; and soy beans up ¾ to 1.

Prices slipped a fraction in early trading on selling by professional traders who acted on over-night reports that President Roosevelt would veto the pending farm-bloc bill if it is approved by congress.

Most grain men discounted the more favorable far eastern war news, preferring to await disposition of the Bankhead measure that would curb government sales of surplus farm commodities.

Trading in soy bean futures was slowed down further by confusion over a change in the contract regulations which increased the discount for number 3 yellow beans to 4 cents under the contract price.

Liberalize Draft For Farm Workers

Washington, Feb. 21 (AP)—Senator McNary (R-Ore) has advised Mac Hoke, president of the Oregon Farm Bureau, Pendleton, that information is being provided local draft boards by national selective service officers that will liberalize deferment for agriculture and farm labor.

Hoke appealed to McNary to have draft boards defer key agriculture labor saying that farmers could not comply with requests to step up production to meet war needs unless it was done. He cited as example Umatilla county, Ore., which he said produced enough wool and meat to feed 10,000 soldiers, four million cases of peas and five million bushels of wheat. He said farmers were anxious to meet demands but must have labor to produce crops.

Salem Markets

Compiled from reports of Salem dealers, for the guidance of Capital Journal readers. (Revised daily). Not guaranteed.

Buying Prices
Feed Barley $35.
Feed Oats $37.
Retail Prices
Egg Mash, $3.10 cwt., second grade $3. Pullet Grower Mash, $3.10.
Chicken Scratch—$2.35 cwt.
Whole Corn $2.45, cracked $2.50.

Midget Market Reports
Hogs—165-215 lbs. $12.50; 215-250 lbs. $12.00; 250-300 lbs. $11.50. Packing sows $9.60-85.
Sheep—Lambs $10, ewes $4-$5.
Cattle—Top veal dressed 18c, veal, alive 10-11c. Heifers $6-$8 Dairy cows $4-$6; beef cows $6-$7; bulls $7.50-$8.50.

Poultry—Heavy colored hens, No. 1 18c, No. 2 15c, fryx 20c; white Leghorn hens 13-14c, frys 13-14c lb.
Eggs—Buying prices: Large grade A white and brown 25c dozen., med. 23 Standards, B large 23c. Pullets 16c.
Eggs—Wholesale prices: Extra large white and brown 28c, med. 26c dozen Standards, white and brown 26c.
Butter—Prints: A grade 40½c lb. B 39½c, quarters 41½c. Butterfat: Premium 42c, No. 1 41c, No. 2 38c lb.

Auxiliary Hospital Needing Supplies

Scio—Pillows, pillow cases, hand towels, and 10 double or 20 single cotton blankets still are among needed materials for the Scio auxiliary hospital, Dr. A. G. Prill, head of the undertaking, stated this week. A number of quilts also are needed.

Ten cot beds have been set up in Scio ZCBJ hall, and enough sheets have been donated to furnish them, as well as some other bedding and supplies. Surgical dressings were scheduled to have been prepared this week by the Scio Red Cross sewing group.

New York Stocks

Closing Quotations by Associated Press

Air Reduction	33½	Long-Bell A	....
Alaska Juneau	....	Montgomery Ward	26½
Al Chemical & Dye	130	Nash Kelvinator	4½
Allis Chalmers	27½	National Biscuit	15⅜
American Can	60	National Dairy Products	14⅛
American Car & Fdy	31⅛	National Distillers	....
American Rad. & Std. stu	4¾	National Lead	14½
American Rolling Mills	11⅛	New York Central	9⅛
Am. Smelting & Ref.	39½	Northern American Av	....
American Tel & Tel	127¼	Northern American Co	9¼
American Tobacco B	45¾	Northern Pacific	6⅜
American Water Works	2¾	Ohio Oil	7⅜
American Zink & Lead	4½	Otis Steel	5½
Anaconda	26½	Pacific American Fish	....
Armour Illinois	3¼	Pacific Gas & Elec	....
Atchison	35½	Pacific Tel & Tel	90⅛
Aviation Corp	3⅜	Packard	2⅛
Baldwin Loco	13½	Pan-American Airways	....
Bendix Aviation	33⅜	Paramount Pictures	14½
Bethlehem Steel	59⅞	J C Penney	67
Boeing Airplane	17⅝	Penn R.R.	23
Borden	20⅛	Phelps Dodge	30
Borg Warner	22⅜	Phillips Petroleum	36⅞
California Pack	17½	Proctor & Gamble	43⅞
Callahan Z & L	....	Public Service NJ	13
Calumet Hec	6¾	Pullman	24¼
Canada Dry	11½	Radio	2¾
Canadian Pacific	....	Ryonier	....
Caterpillar Tracter	34½	Ryonier pfd.	....
Celanese	18½	Republic Steel	17⅛
Chesapeake & Ohio	33½	Richfield Oil	7¾
Chrysler	50⅜	Safeway Stores	30½
Col. Gas & Elect	1⅜	Sears Roebuck	50⅜
Commercial Solvent	8¼	Shell Union	12½
Commonwealth & Sou	....	Socony Vacuum	7
Consolidated Aircraft	16⅞	Sou. Cal. Edison	....
Consolidated Edison	12½	Southern Pacific	12⅞
Consolidated Oil	5½	Sperry Corp	25⅝
Continental Can	25⅝	Standard Brands	3⅜
Corn Products	52½	Standard Oil Calif	20¾
Crown Zellerbach	....	Standard Oil Indiana	22⅜
Curtiss Wright	7⅜	Standard Oil New Jersey	36
Douglas Aircraft	58½	Stone & Webster	4¾
Du Pont de M	116	Studebaker	5⅛
Eastman Kodak	131	Sunshine Mining	4⅞
Electric Power & Light	1⅛	Texas Corp.	34⅛
General Electric	26	Trans-America	4
General Foods	32½	Union Carbide	64
General Motors	34	Union Oil Calif.	12½
Goodrich	14¾	Union Pacific	74½
Goodyear	12⅞	United Airlines	....
Great Northern	24½	United Aircraft	29
Greyhound	11⅞	United Corp	....
Illinois Central	7⅝	United Drugs	....
Insp. Copper	11	United Foods	53
International Harvester	48¼	U. S. Rubber	15⅛
Int. Nickel Can	26¼	U.S. Rubber Pfd.	60¼
Int. Paper & Pulp Pfd.	....	U. S. Steel	51
International Tel. & Tel	2⅛	Vanadium	....
Johns-Manville	....	Warner Pictures	5½
Kennecott	34⅜	Western Union	24½
Libbey-O-Ford	20⅝	Westinghouse Electric	75
Lockheed	20⅛	Woolworth	25½
Lowe's	39½		

Market Quotations

Portland Eastside Market
Offerings were light today on the eastside market. Most prices steady.
Carrots 40-45c lug, parsnips 40c, other root vegetables unchanged.
Spinach from Bingen $1.20-50 a box, local $1. Onions steady, $2.25 sack.
Potatoes $1.50-60 box, $2.25 for No. 1s sacked and $1.50 for No. 2s.

Portland Flour
Domestic flour—Selling prices city delivery 1 to 22 bbl. lots: Family patents 49s, $7.35-95; 98s $7.10-70 bbl. Bakers' hard wheat, net $5.75-$6.50, bluestem $6-$6.50, blended wheat $5.85-$6.30; soft wheat $5.50 bbl. Graham 98s $5.25, whole wheat $5.90.

Portland Produce Exchange
The following prices were named on the Portland exchange effective today:
Butter—Cube ex. 37½c, standards 37c, prime firsts 36½c, firsts 36c lb.
Cheese—Oregon triplets 23c lb., loaf 24c. Jobbers pay ½c lb. less.
Eggs—Quotations between dealers: Grade A large 29c, med. 27c dozen. Grade B large 28c, medium 27c dozen. Grade A small 27c. B small 26c.

Portland Wholesale Market
Butter—Prints: A grade 40½c lb. in parchment, 41½c in cartons. B grade 39½c in parchment, cartons 40½c lb.
Butterfat—First quality, max. of 6 o. 1% acidity, delivered in Portland, 40-40½c lb. Prem. quality, max. .35 of 1% acidity 41-41½c lb. Valley routes and country points 2c less than 1st, 38½c lb., 2nd quality 37½-38c lb. at Portland.
Cheese—Selling prices to Portland retailers: Tillamook triplets 28½c lb., loaf 29½c. To wholesalers: triplets 26½c, loaf 27½c lb. f.o.b. Tillamook.
Eggs—Prices to consumers: A large 27c, B 26c. A med. 25c, B 24c. A small 24c, B 22c doz. Resale to retailers 4c higher for cases, 5c for cartons.
Live Poultry
Buying prices—No. 1 grade Leghorn broilers under 1½ lbs. 18c, over 1½ lbs. 18c lb. Fryers 2½-4 lbs., 21c lb. Roasters over 4 lbs. 20c lb., colored hens 20c. Leghorns under 3½ lbs. 17c, over 3½ lbs. 19c. Roosters 8c lb.
Selling prices to retailers — Light hens 19c lb., med. 19½c, colored 20-20½c; springs 22-23c. Hens, stags 12c. Roosters, old 11c lb. Pekin ducks, young 21-22c, old 12c lb. Geese 14c. Guinea hens, old 40c, young 60c each. Capons over 7 lbs., 25c lb.
Dressed turkeys—Selling prices:— Hens 28-29c, toms 28-29c. Buying prices: Toms 27c, hens 26-27c lb.
Rabbits — Average country-killed 28c, city killed 29-30c lb.
Fresh Fruits
Apples—Jonathan, fancy 150s, large box $1.75, comb. f-f. $1 Spitz, extra fancy, box $2.20, fcy. $1.85. Winesaps, ex. fcy. $2.20, fcy. $2. Romes, extra fcy. $2. Delicious ex. fcy. $1.75, comb. f-f $2.15. Winter Banana, comb. f-f. $1, Ortley, comb $1.65 Pippins, comb f-f. box $1.25.
Avocados—Fuerta $1.15. El Dorado $1. Bueno $1 box.
Bananas—No. 1 hands 8c, bunches 8½c lb.
Cranberries— MacFarlane ordinary $3.50-75, fcy. $4, late Howes $4 box.
Grapes—California Emperor, unlidded $2.40 crate, lidded $2.25.
Grapefruit — Texas March seedless pinks $3.50-75 crate, Arizona $1.65-85. Florida Cochella, $2.10-2.40 case.
Lemons—Fancy $5-$5.50 case, choice $4.25-$5.
Oranges—Navels $2.50-$3.15, naked pack $2-$2.50. Valencias $2.25-55 cte.
Pears—D'Anjous packed, comb. $1.50 Medford Anjou $1.50. Comice $2.90.
Fresh Vegetables
Artichokes—Calif., $3-3.25 box.
Asparagus—Calif. green 17-18c lb.
Beets—Oregon 25-30c doz. bunches. Calif. 75c dozen bunches.
Broccoli—Green 75-85c doz. bunches, Calif., 10c lb.
Cabbage—No. 1 local 90c-$1.10 cte. red $1.10-15 pony crate, Cal. green $2.40-50.
Cauliflower—Local No. 1 $1.50 crate California $1.40-50.
Celery—California $3.25-50 crate.
Cucumbers — Local $1.25; choice $1.50, fancy $1.75 doz Iowa $2.25 Calif. field 3s $2.25 box. Hothouse fancy $1.25 for 2 doz.
Lettuce —Local $1.40 crate. Calif. 4s-5s $1.75-$2.50, Ariz. $3.75-$4.
Mushrooms—Hothouse 45c lb. ¼ lb 25c.
Onions—Yakima $2.25 50 lb. sack; Oregon $2.65-75 lb. lb. sack; Yakima 10s 35c; Oregon 40c; Sets 12-13c lb.
Peas—Calif. 11-13c lb. Mex. $2.85-90
Peppers—Local green $2 orange box. red 60c box. Calif. green 12c lb. Texas green 18-20c.
Potatoes—White local $2.50 cent. Deschutes Gems $2.85-90 cental. Klamath $2.80-$3, old $3.15. Yakima Gems, No. 1 $2.90-$3, Idaho $2.70-$3.00. Calif. whites $1.50 28-lb. bag. Florida Red $2.60-75 50-lb. bag. Texas $2.60-75.
Squash—Danish 80-90c, Marblehead and Hubbard 1½c lb.
Rhubarb—Hothouse, ex. fcy. $1.25, fcy. $1.15, choice 95c 15-lb. box.
Spinach—Bingen $1-$1.10 box.
Swash—Zucchinni. Calif. $3-$3.25 a lug. Danish 90c orange box. Marblehead. Hubbard 1½-¾c lb.
Sweet Potatoes—Calif. $2.40-55 per 50 lbs.
Tomatoes—Local hothouse, ex. fcy 20c, fcy. 20c, choice 17-18c, small 15c lb. Texas $3.65 as is, repacked 10c $1.45 box. Mexican 10s repack $1.64-74. Lugs $4.75-$5. Calif. $3-$3.25 4-basket crate.
Turnips—Local 50-60c lug.
Meats
Country Meats—Selling prices to retailers: Country killed hogs, best butchers, 129-148 lbs. 16-16½c lb. Vealers, fancy 21-21½c, light-thin 13c, heavy 15-16c lb. Lambs 19-20c, ewes 5-10c lb. Canner cows 12-14c. good cutters 15c, bulls 16-17c lb.
Wool, Hops
Wool—1941 clip, Oregon ranch, nominal 32-33c lb. Crossbreds 34-47c. 1942 contracts, Oregon ranch, nominal, 37-39c lb.; crossbreds, 40-42c lb.
Mohair—1941 12-month 45c lb.
Hides—Calves 22-24c, green beef 10c, kip 17c, green bulls 6c lb.
Hops—1941 crop 40c; 1942 contracts 33c lb.
Cascara bark—1940-41 peel 10c lb.
Groceries
Sugar—Refinery basis: Cane $5.45, beet $5.35 cwt. f.o.b. refinery. Portland prices to retailers: cane $5.90, beet $5.80 per 100 lbs.
Nuts—Prices to wholesalers:
Filberts—Barcelona, jumbo 21c, lge. 18½c, fcy. 17¾c, baby 16½c. Duchilly jumbo 20c, large 19c., fancy 18c lb.
Walnuts—First grade Franquettes, jumbo 22c, large 20c, med. 18c, baby 15½c lb. Softshell, jumbo none, large 19c, med. 17c, baby 14½c lb. Mayette, jumbo none, large 20c, Second grade Franquettes, large 18c, med. 17c, baby 15c lb. Softshell, large 17c, med. 16c, baby 14c lb.
Nutmeats—Walnuts, light amber halves, broken lots 55c, pieces 50c; ambers 46c, standard ambers 38c lb. Filberts, Barcelia 50-60c lb. Pecans, light halves 55c lb.

Portland Grain
Portland, Feb. 21 (AP)— Wheat futures: May 1.04½.
Cash grain: Corn, No. 2 E.Y. shipment 32. No. 1 flax 2.29½. Wheat (bid): soft white 1.04½, excluding Rex 1.06½; white club 1.06½, west. red 1.06; hard red winter: ordinary 1.04, 10 pct. 1.06, 11 pct. 1.12, 12 pct. 1.16; hard white baart: 10 pct. 1.17½, 11 pct. 1.23½, 12 pct. 1.26½.
Car receipts: wheat 13, flour 7, millfeed 5, corn 2, oats 2, hay 1.

Portland Livestock
Portland, Feb. 21 (AP)—(USDA) Cattle for week 2500 salable, calves 185. Compared to week ago, med. steers fully 25c lower, others about steady; heifers steady, cows strong to 25c up, bulls and vealers fully steady. Med.-good fed steers $10.50-$12.50, common down to $8.50. Com. dairy type heifers $7-$8.75, med. beefs $10-$11. Canner-cutter cows $5-$6.50, med.-good beefs $8-$9.25, Med.-good bulls $8.50-$10.25, good-choice vealers $13.50-$15.
Hogs for week 2850 salable. Market paralleled previous week's trade. Good choice 170-215 lbs. opening at $12.75-$13, closing $12.50-75; med. wts. and light lights penalized 50c-$1. Good sows 550 lbs. down $9-$10, heavier wts. and med. grades down to $8.50. Good-choice feeder pigs $11.50-$12.50. Stags from 475 to 670 lbs. $7.75-$8.50.
Sheep for week 1700 salable. Market mostly steady, extreme top 25c higher on fed lambs. Bulk good-choice truck-ins $11.50, carlots $11.75-$12, one 90-lb. load $12.25, common grade slow, mostly $8.50-$9.50, culls down to $6.50. Shorn lambs with No. 1 pelts $10.75, fall shorn to $11.25. Good ewes scarce, salable $5.50-$6, odd choice to $6.25.

Chicago Grain

Wheat	open	high	low	close
May	1.30	1.30¼	1.29¾	1.30⅛-30
July	1.31¼-⅜	1.31⅞	1.31¼	1.31¾-⅝
Sept.	1.33½-⅜	1.33⅞	1.33⅛	1.33⅝-½

Cash grain sales:
Wheat—No. 3 mixed 1.26¾.
Corn—No. 3 mixed 95, No. 2 yellow 85, No. 3 81½-84, No. 4 78-80, No. 5 74¾-77¾, No. 4 white 94, No. 5 91¾.
Soy beans—No. 4 yellow 1.85¾-87¾.
Oats—No. 1 mixed 59, No. 1 white 60-60½, No. 2 60-60¼, No. 1 white heavy 61, No. 2 59½, No. 1 red special heavy 59.
Barley—Maltings 80-99n, feed and screenings 57-67n, No. 1 malting 84, No. 2 99.
Cash lard 12.40n.

Chicago Livestock
Chicago, Feb. 21 (AP)—(USDA) Hogs 200 salable. Steady trade on few small lots available. Small number 250-290 lb. butchers $12.65-75, few lighter to $13. Shippers took none, holdover none. Compared to week ago: Barrows and gilts generally 5-15c higher, sows little changed.
Salable cattle 100, no calves. Compared to Friday last week: General market very uneven, basically weak. Moderate supply strictly good-choice med. wt. and weighty steers strong to 25c higher, but all others weak to 25c lower, instances more. Closing trade dull; choice heifers steady, all others 25-40c lower; cows 25c off, bulls strong to 25c higher, vealers 25c or more up, lax sorting and less desirable quality considered; largely $11-$13.75 steer trade, with strictly good-choice heavies $13-$14; extreme top $14.65 paid for long yearlings; choice 1222 lbs. to $14.60; com.-med. grade steers, all wts., $9.50-$11.50 closed at full decline. Choice heifers $13.90; cutter cows closed at $8 down, heavy sausage bulls reached $10.50, choice vealers $11.50.
Sheep 2500 salable. Friday: fat lambs strong to 10c higher, fat sheep steady; strictly choice light wt. fed lambs $12.60; bulk good-choice 90-105 lbs. $12-$12.50, fat sheep steady, choice fed ewes $7. Compared to Friday of last week: Fat lambs mostly 15-25c higher, after dipping around 25c on week's opening session when best lambs sold at $12.10, prices moved steadily upward, with strictly choice light wt. fed lambs topping at $12.60 and good-choice 90-182 lbs. $12.25-50. Several loads of choice 105-115 lb. fed lambs $11.50-85; shorn with mixed pelts bulked at $10.25-50. Small package of fed yearlings made $10-$10.25; choice fed ewes topped at $7, bulk of supply, including few fat natives, at $6-$6.75.

Boston Wool
Boston, Feb. 20 (AP)—(USDA) There was some demand for graded fine French combing territory wools in Boston today at $1.12-13 scoured basis. Short French combing and clothing fine territory very quiet. A few sales of small quantities graded ⅝ and ¼ blood combing bright fleece wools 51-52c in the grease.

Hop Market Along Coast Remains Firm

The hop market situation on the west coast remained firm during the week ending February 18, the department of agriculture reports. While trading in spot hops was restricted by the very small supplies remaining in growers hands, prices were holding firm around the seasonal high points. Demand was considered as fairly active from domestic dealers and industries and light offerings were being readily taken at firm prices. As in other recent weeks, principal interest in the market was for 1942 crops supplies, with bids to growers ranging from firm to higher.

Oregon markets were somewhat firmer compared with the previous week. There were no sales of 1941 crop hops reported made by Oregon growers this week, but trade reports indicated that a sale of 1941 crops hops was made by a local dealer at 40c per pound net, for regular seeded quality. Seedless qualities from the 1941 crop were nominal since practically none of this type remained in Oregon growers hands. Continued good interest was reported in the contracting of 1942 crop hops in this state. Several deals were reported completed during the period at 37c per pound for regular seeded hops from the 1942 crop and this price was being freely offered as the period ended. This price was in advance of 1c per pound over last previously reported deals. For 1942 crop seedless Oregon hops, an advance of 1c per pound also was recorded this week, with transactions completed at 43c per pound to grower, for this quality, with discounts according to seed content at time of delivery. Further transactions in 1942 contracts were being restricted by lack of offerings from growers. A strong undertone prevailed in the general hop market situation here as the week closed.

California hop markets remained very firm with continued light offerings and fairly active inquiry. Recent price advances were well maintained. Trading in spot hops however, remained slow because of limited supplies. Coastal county reported bids of around 36c-37c per pounds for regular 1941 clusters but generally were asking around 40c and no trading resulted. Continued good interest was shown in 1942 hops for future delivery. Contracts covering 350 bales of regular seeded clusters were reported in the Sacramento valley at 35c per pound net growers, while in Mendocine county, 200 bales were contracted at 37c per pound. At the close of the week, California growers were being bid around 36c for regular seeded and about 42c-42½c per pound for 1942 seedless hops to contain not more than 2 per cent seeds and 4 per cent stems and leaves. Growers however, were mostly asking higher prices. With around 26,000 bales of the prospective 1942 crop already under contract, exclusive of about 10,000 to 11,000 bales of dealer-grower production, most producers were unwilling to make further commitments pending more certain production. Some interest also was shown in 1943 seedless hops at around 40c-40½c per pound but no contracts were reported. Apparently 1942 California hop acreage will not show as large an increase as anticipated earlier since growers were experiencing considerable difficulty in arranging for necessary wire and other supplies.

The New York hop market continued firm at unchanged prices. Spot sales were few because of small grower holdings. On February 18, regular west coast 1941 hops were quoted to the trade at New York at 47c-49c; seedless at 57c-59c per pound, with other growths nominal.

The 1942 crop in New Zealand, where harvesting starts in February, is estimated at 3,500 bales of 300 pounds each, or about the same as last season. If this production is realized, around 700 bales will be available for export, since domestic needs are about 2,800 bales. Last year, exports went principally to Australia and South Africa. The price for the 1942 crop has been fixed at the equivalent of 30c per pound.

Oregon Retail Sales 15 Percent Higher

Portland, Feb. 21 (U.P.)—A federal census report today showed Oregon retail sales of all kinds were 15 per cent higher in January, 1942, than in the same month in 1941.

A breakdown showed food store sales with a gain of 25 per cent, apparel stores with an increase of 45 per cent, furniture stores a gain of 8 per cent, the hardware group a gain of 22 per cent and department stores an increase of 31 per cent.

Motor vehicle dealers reported losses of 55 per cent.

Among Oregon cities, Astoria stores showed a gain of 23 per cent, Medford an increase of 16 per cent, Portland a gain of 21 per cent, Salem a loss of 5 per cent and Eugene a loss of 1 per cent.

Stores in areas of less than 2,500 population showed an average gain of 18 per cent.

Dive Bombers Participate in Battle of Bali

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and two direct hits on the transports. One enemy cruiser and one transport were hit by smaller missiles from our dive bombers. Four enemy fighter planes were shot down. Our aircraft suffered no losses in this attack.

Attack Resumed

"Later, seven American army A-24 dive bombers, with an escort of 16 P-40 fighter planes, resumed the attack on the enemy vessels. In this fight a Japanese cruiser was seriously damaged. Two of our dive bombers and two of our fighter planes were lost.

"In a subsequent action three of our heavy bombers attacked another enemy cruiser off Bali, scoring three hits. A later attack was made on the Japanese vessels by 10 American army bombers of the flying fortress type. Results of this attack have not been reported.

"It is believed that this aerial fighting off Bali is the action previously described in press reports from Batavia, Java.

"3. There is nothing to report from other areas."

Vetch Inspections Will Be Made

Inspection for certification will be made in Willamette vetch fields in Marion county soon and farmers who have not submitted applications for such certification should do so immediately, states W. G. Nibler, assistant county agent. While an attempt has been made to notify all farmers by mail, those who did not receive such notification should apply at the county agent's office.

Mr. Nibler stated that the present condition of Willamette vetch fields is very good and no damage has been suffered due to the freeze. Most fields are advanced enough in growth so that the large population of slugs which is expected in the spring will not be a serious problem. Any fields which were planted very late and in which the vetch is very small should, however, be watched with the coming of warm weather this spring.

School Activities For Coming Week

The Oregon Guidance association will hold a dinner meeting in the senior high school cafeteria at 6 o'clock Monday evening, the activity report of the Salem schools for next week indicates.

Few extra-curricular activities are scheduled. The program:

Wednesday: 1 p.m. Highland school assembly, Miss Bany's room in charge.

Thursday: 9 a.m. McKinley school assembly, Mrs. Whitley's room in charge; 9:05 a.m. Grant school award assembly; 4 p.m. Miss Emma Henkle of Oregon College of Education speaks to language arts department at senior high.

Friday: 1 p.m. Washington school assembly, fourth grade in charge; 1 p.m. Bush school assembly, Miss Englehorn's room in charge. 8 p.m. Parrish vs. Leslie basketball game at Leslie.

Aid Classes Start

Central Howell—The organization meeting of the Red Cross first aid class for this locality, will be held at the schoolhouse Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock. Walter Smith of Mt. Angel will be the instructor. Mr. Smith is a member of the Mt. Angel fire department. About 30 have signified their intention of taking this course.

Honey in Demand

Portland, Feb. 21 (AP)—The demand for honey as a substitute for sugar has resulted in a decided scarcity of honey, the Oregon Journal said today. Stocks have been so diminished that prices to retailers have jumped to 15 cents per pound compared with 10-11 cents a few months ago.

Crabtree Honor Guest

Lyons—Mrs. Everett Crabtree entertained with a dinner honoring her husband on his birthday anniversary. Places were laid for the honored guest, Jess Griffin, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Rupp, Miss Cleta Crabtree and Mrs. Crabtree.

Births Exceed Deaths in Marion During January

Births outnumbered deaths in Marion county during the month of January by approximately a 3 to 2 ratio, it was revealed in a statistical report issued by the health department. Births for the first month of 1942 totalled 95 as compared with 60 deaths. In January of 1941 there were 90 births and 85 deaths.

Births are almost evenly divided, 48 being female babies and 47 males. Twenty-seven mothers were residents of Salem, 52 from the rural section while 16 were from other counties.

Thirty-eight of the deaths were male and 22 female. There were four infant deaths and four from communicable disease—one each from tuberculosis and influenza and two from pneumonia.

Heart disease was charged with 21 deaths, kidney disease nine, apoplexy six and automobile accidents two. Cancer and diabetes were credited with causing three deaths each.

Influenza was considerably lighter in January this year as compared to 1941. The report shows 44 cases of the disease as against 163 a year ago. A slight epidemic of mumphs is indicated by 29 cases reported.

The health department gave 511 vaccinations against smallpox, 213 immunizations against diphtheria and 173 tuberculin tests. There were 36 positive reactors from the tuberculin tests which resulted in a total of 36 fluoroscope and X-ray examinations.

In connection with school hygiene the department made 678 inspections and 15 examinations.

Demand Double Pay for Holiday

Portland, Feb. 21 (U.P.)—Approximately 300 AFL machinists engaged in defense work at the Willamette Iron and Steel Co. today demanded double time to work Monday in view of the Washington's birthday holiday Sunday.

They based their demand, observers said, on a contract clause which existed prior to the master coastwise agreement of last April.

Willamette officials have asked the men to continue work Monday pending a decision by Paul R. Porter, chairman of the stabilization committee of the martime commission, Washington, D. C.

Earl Ingram, secretary of the Portland Metal Trades Council, considered the Willamette offer "fair" and said any decision would be retroactive.

Machinists at the Willamette company are engaged in the production of engines which go into many of the cargo boats being built in this area.

All shipyards will operate Monday.

Retail Sales Up By 15 Per Cent

Portland, Feb. 21 (AP)—Oregon retail sales increased approximately 15 per cent in January over the same month a year ago.

J. C. Capt, director of the bureau of census, said figures from 734 independent retailers showed apparel stores had a 45 percent increase, food stores 25 percent, furniture stores 8 percent, building-hardware 22 and department stores 31 percent.

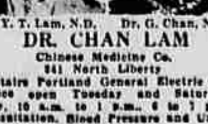
Automobile agency sales dropped 55 percent.

By cities the gains were: Astoria 23 percent, Portland 21 percent and Medford 16 percent. Salem showed a 5 percent loss and Eugene a one percent decrease.

Dollar sales were $6,302,560, a decrease of 30 percent from December.

Sugar Rationing Forms Due Soon

County Clerk Judd has been advised by Govennor Sprague that the office of price administrator has advised the executive it will soon send to the county clerk a supply of sugar rationing forms. He intimates that the clerk's handling of these forms will not require much time or work and by telephone stated he understood that all the clerk would be required to do would be to turn them over to the county school superintendent when she calls and that she in turn will see they are distributed to teachers whose duty it will be to issue them to individuals. No word was contained as to how many of these forms have been allocated to this county, but the county's population is in excess of 75,000.



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County Confronts Problem of Tires

Members of the county court today discussed a problem now facing it as to tires from gradermen who operate over the county. The nine gradermen have been using their private cars to get back and forth to their graders and they also carry a drum of diesel oil as well as grease for their county machines. Many of the gradermen cover large territories and their machines are left where they finish at night to pick up their work for the next day.

Examination of the tires on the private cars used by the men getting back and forth from work show that many of them are getting pretty thin and they will be unable to secure more tires or retreads. It is considered possible the court may purchase some used means of transportation to solve the problem and double up on delivery of the men to and from work, thus putting the cars used into the publicly owned class. The grading is considered absolutely essential to keeping the roads in condition, but the court expects necessity for it to drop off as traffic drops off under the strain of tires.

Mice Endanger Spring Grain

Spring seeded grain and corn may be endangered by mouse damage, states W. G. Nibler, assistant county agent, and while the problem is considered local to a certain extent, nevertheless in many fields in the county, especially those of clover and grass, discovery has been made of large populations of mice which may not be noticed by casual observation but closer inspection will reveal holes, burrows and mice runs.

Nibler said that the poison barley which is used on gray squirrels is not a satisfactory poison for mice since the poison is removed by hulling when the barley is eaten. For this reason, poisoned rolled oats is the material used in fighting field mice. The formula for the preparation of this poison is available through the county agent's office and it is suggested that where the mice appear numerous, poisoning might be done.

If there is sufficient interest in the control, of these rodents, it is possible that the poison could be cooperatively mixed in larger amounts at a saving and convenience to those which do the poisoning.

Obituary

Henry Ammon

Jefferson—Funeral services for Henry Ammon, 62, who died at his farm home two miles southwest of Jefferson Wednesday, after an illness of three years, were held Saturday from the Fortmiller Funeral home in Albany. Burial was in Jefferson cemetery. Born in Odessa, Russia, April 18, 1880, and had been a resident of Oregon for 53 years, 34 years being spent in the vicinity of Jefferson and Albany. He married Mary Elizabeth Thiessen June 7, 1911, in Albany, who with the following children survive: Mrs. Violet Smith Claussie, Dorothy, Edward, Leland, Marianne, James and Carol, all of Rt. 2 Albany; mother, Mrs. Eva Grenz of Talbot; sister, Mrs. Dorothy Laschinger of Portland, four half-brothers, John and William Grenz of Albany, Lee of Jefferson and Charles of Talbot; half-sisters, Elizabeth Nye and Lydia Conner of Corvallis and Mrs. Rose Hampton of Talbot.

Jesse Orvil Willoughby

Lebanon—Jesse Orvil Willoughby of Brownsville died at Lebanon general hospital Feb. 14 at the age of 61 years. He was just recovering from an operation when he fainted and fell, breaking his hip. He was forced to lie for several hours in water he spilled from the teakettle, before he was found by a neighbor. He was taken to the hospital by ambulance. Born at Sand Ridge, Jan. 13, 1881, he had lived all his life in Oregon, at Harrisburg for sime, then moving to Brownsville 24 years ago, where he lived until his death. Survived by a daughter, Velma; brother, James of Harrisburg; sister, Ann May McCulloch of Riverside, Calif.; two nieces, Mrs. Helen Hawk of Arlington, Calif., and Nerne Merrill of Portland; two nephews, Willard McCullouch of Portland and Grover Long of Los Angeles. Funeral services were held Monday at the Christian church in Brownsville with Rev. Lawrence M. Bixler officiating. Burial was in the Masonic cemetery there. The Howe Funeral home of Lebanon was in charge.

Mrs. Anna Belle Tull

Eugene—Mrs. Anna Belle Tull, 70, former Salem resident, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Reva Harper in Noti, February 20. Surviving are six sons, Leonard Francis Tull of Orofino, Idaho, William Ralph of Dallas, Ray R. of Salem, Orville D. of Marcola, Lawrence Shelton of Valsetz and Floyd Clare of Hoquiam, Wash.; four daughters, Mrs. Florence Viola Shoemaker of Camas, Wash., Mrs. Martha Willoughby of Hoquiam, Wash., Mrs. Edna Belle Deane of Salem and Mrs. Reeva Pauline Harper of Noti. Funeral services will be held Monday, Feb. 23, at 2 p.m. in Eugene.

Scientist Offers Yoo-Hoo for Airraid Alarms

Chicago, Feb. 21 (AP)—To warble or not to warble, or maybe a yoo-hoo would be better.

That is the problem of American cities and towns now trying to install air raid alarms.

The dilemma lies in the hunt for a sound unlike the familiar siren and horn notes used by fire and police departments. These sounds are usually successive blasts, often with meaning depending on their timing.

In September, the war department recommended a warbling note that would run up and down the scale, but in a short range. But the warble hasn't been solved yet.

The yoo-hoo, with a shiver-your-bones inflection added, was proposed today by Dr. William Braid White, Chicago acoustical scientist, who has been carrying on a wide correspondence about the air alert plans.

His signal, instead of carrying the timing of the flirtatious yoo-hoo, would go yu-HOO!

That is, the "yu" would be a brief, low note, and "HOO" a long and higher note. He would add the shivers by flatting the high, long note. He proposes middle C followed by the E flat above.

His all-clear would be a hearty, soothing sort of yoo-hoo, with no flatting, and both notes equally long, the first lower than the second, maybe F followed by D.

Choosing the signals is under local control in each community. Most of them are waiting, hoping that some of the $100,000,000 appropriation for target area defenses will be available for buying tooters, warblers, yoo-hooers or whatever can be agreed upon.

Plenty of Sugar For Oregon Bees

Portland, Feb. 21 (AP)—Oregon beekeepers will have enough sugar to sustain bee colonies until spring blossoms provide nectar, H. J. Moulton, president of the State Beekeepers' association, said yesterday. He said the assurance came from the government.

Births, Deaths

Births

Brooks—To Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Giesy (Hattie Aspinwall) of Amity, a daughter Feb. 19.

Goode—To Mr. and Mrs. Henry W. Goode, Donald, a daughter, Marilyn Marie, Feb. 11.

Moe—To Mr. and Mrs. Roy T. Moe, Myrtle Point, at a local hospital, a daughter, Jimmie Karen, Feb. 14.

Haynes—To Mr. and Mrs. Willard V. Haynes, Independence, a son, Vernon Everett, Feb. 17.

Murphy—To Mr. and Mrs. Karl T. Murphy, Independence, a son, Raymond Lee, Feb. 18.

Starr—To Mr. and Mrs. Frank K. Starr, Portland, at a local hospital, a daughter, Mary Lou, Feb. 17.

Silverton—To Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Roth, an 8¾-pound daughter at Silverton hospital, Feb. 20.

Deaths

Mullin—In this city Friday, February 20, Catherine Mullin, late resident of the Senator hotel. Mother of Mrs. A. L. Yates of Salem, Mrs. W. K. Atchison of Portland, and M. F. Mullin of Cheyenne, Wyo. Services were held under the direction of the W. T. Rigdon company Saturday, February 21, at 9 a.m. from St. Joseph's Catholic church, Chemeketa and N. Cottage streets. Concluding services in the Catholic cemetery at Cheyenne, Wyo.—Marshfield, Ore., Wheatland, Wyo., and Cheyenne, Wyo., papers please copy.

Geistfield — Henry Edward Geistfield of 146 Center street, Wednesday, February 18, at the age of 73 years. Brother of Mrs. Emma Kuehn of California, Mrs. L. Plummer of Indiana and William Geistfield of Salem. Services will be held Monday, February 23, at 2 p.m., from Clough-Barrick chapel, Dr. J. C. Harrison officiating. Concluding services in Cityview cemetery.

La Due—Mrs. Elizabeth Kathrine La Due, of 1135 N. Cottage street, at a local hospital Saturday, February 21. Wife of William L. La Due of Salem; mother of Mrs. Charlotte L. Versteeg of Portland and Frederick La Due of Salem; sister of Mrs. Jennie Hall of Petersboro, Ontario, Mrs. William Thompson of Woodstock, N.B., Charles Street of Denver, Colo., Harry Street of Colorado Springs, Colo., Clarence Street of Fort Lyons, Colo., and Ralph Street of California. Services will be held Monday, February 23, at 10 a.m., from Clough-Barrick chapel, Rev. R. A. Hutchinson officiating. Ritualistic service by Chadwick chapter No. 37, O.E.S. Interment in Belcrest Memorial park.

Mumm—William F. Mumm, 52, former resident of Salem, February 20 in Roseburg. Survived by two brothers, Chris F. and John Mumm of Salem; sisters, Mrs. Christine Vorphal of Portland, Mrs. Anna Greibenow of Salem and Mrs. Marie Leisinger of Kent, Wash. Funeral announcements later by Clough-Barrick company.

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