

Stocks Move Irregularly In Light Volume

New York, March 21 (AP)—Stocks moved irregularly today with volume light. Railroad and industrial averages showed small gains...

Steel shares held around the previous close. Motors made small gains. Union Pacific gained a point...

Fajardo Sugar was down 2 1/2 points. New lows for the year were made by several other issues...

Continental Baking preferred dropped 3 points to a new low at 83. A few issues made new highs...

Declines of a point and more were noted in Ingersoll-Rand and a few others. Standard Brands preferred rose more than 2 points...

Dow Jones preliminary closing stock averages: Industrial, 100.82, up 0.07; rail, 28.05, up 0.07; utility, 11.03, up 0.03...

Firmer Trend Grain Futures

Chicago, March 21 (AP)—Grain futures developed a firmer trend today. Wheat closed 1/2 cent a bushel higher...

Trading was scattered and dull. After opening narrowly irregular, futures firmed to stronger technical positions...

Candidates for Legislature File

Angus Gibson of Junction City today filed his formal declaration as a candidate for the republican nomination for state representative...

Gill Asks Farmers To Pool Resources

Portland, March 21 (AP)—Ray W. Gill, State Grange master, urged Oregon farmers yesterday to pool transportation resources in getting crops to the market...

Markets Briefed

(By the United Press) Stocks irregular in quiet trading. Bonds higher; U. S. governments dull. Curb stocks irregular. Cotton steady. Wheat and corn up fractions of a cent.



Here's Singapore Surrender Scene, Japs Say—This picture, sent out of Tokyo by radio and made available through a neutral country, was described as showing British officers at Singapore on their way to meet Japanese Lieut. Gen. Tomoyuki Yamahita to talk surrender terms...

Market Quotations

Portland Eastside Market. Dry onions were in strong demand today in the outside market, with prices up to \$2.40 per 50-lb. bag.

Portland Flour. Domestic flour—Selling prices city delivery 1 to 22 bbl. lots: Family patents 49s, 47.25-95s, 98s 47.10-70 bbl.

Portland Produce Exchange. The following prices were named on the Portland exchange effective today: Butter—Cube extra 38 1/2c, standard 36 1/2c, prime first 36c, firsts 35 1/2c.

Portland Wholesale Market. Butter—Prints: A grade 30 1/2c lb. in parchment wrapped, 40 1/2c in cartons. B grade 30c in parchment, 40c in cartons.

Chicago Livestock. Chicago, March 21 (AP)—(USDA) Cattle for week 3310 salable, calves 250. Med.-good grade steers, heifers and cows 25-50c lower.

Chicago Grain. Wheat open high low close May 1.25 1.26 1.25 1.24 1/2. July 1.28 1.28 1.27 1.28 1/4. Sept. 1.29 1.30 1.29 1.30 1/4.

Chicago Livestock. Chicago, March 21 (AP)—(USDA) Hogs 4800. Salable 300. Good-choice to top market. Quotable top \$13.80; shippers took none.

Chicago Livestock. Chicago, March 21 (AP)—(USDA) Sheep 2000. Salable 1000. Friday, fat lambs active, strong to 10c higher.

Boston Wool. Boston, March 21 (AP)—Demand for fleece wools in Boston this week was very limited. Fine combing Ohio Delaines quoted 47c.

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

Buying Price. Feed Barley 83s. Feed Oats 85s. Country Meats—Selling prices to retailers: Country killed hogs, best butchers 129-148 lbs. 18-18 1/2c lb.

Portland Grain. Portland, March 21 (AP)—Wheat futures: No. 1 soft white 1.00, excluding New 1.02; white club 1.03, western red 1.02.

Time to Spray For Prune Thrips

Time to spray for prune thrips is the recommendation of County Agent Robert Rieder, who states that thrips are emerging in the cages placed in the Liberty and Keizer sections, showing up first March 7 and have now reached their peak of emergence.

Rieder states that spraying should begin immediately and that if a second spray is to be applied to the prunes for thrips control it should be made when the blossom buds show green at the tips.

"Thrip spraying should be done carefully and with thoroughness. Every part of the tree should be thoroughly covered with the spray and about 350 pounds of pressure is necessary for a good job of spraying," Rieder states.

"With the outlook of prunes a little better this season, growers who have not sprayed in previous years may find it profitable to do so this season."

Big Demand For Bicycles

Between 800 and 1,000 bicycles have been sold by Salem dealers since the first of the year and the demand for the two wheeled vehicles shows no signs of slackening off, according to an estimate made by one of the firms which has played a prominent part in the distribution.

The new victory model bicycle with its weight limit of 34 pounds is a highly satisfactory machine, dealers report. It is sturdy made and should give many months of service.

Present stocks of bicycles are being sold at a price ranging from \$35 to \$52.50. So far no restrictions have been placed on tires which retail from \$2 up.

"How about fixing up the old 'bike'?" one dealer was asked. "Sure, when we can get around to it. But look at that row of machines," pointing to 20 or 25 bicycles waiting their turn in the repair shop. "It never rains but it pours."

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Higher Price To be Asked by Milk Producers

Portland, March 21 (AP)—Spokesmen for Portland milk producers disclosed Friday their intention of asking the milk control board for a price increase some time next month. The board is necessary they said to meet emergency demands and to halt a decrease in production.

Producers want an increase in butterfat price from 80 cents to 81 per pound. It would mean an advance of two cents a quart in milk price, one producer estimated, but said the lift might be held to one cent a quart if the distributors' spread is narrowed and certain economies effected.

Commenting on the proposed board, C. E. Greer, chairman of the board, said: "The situation is critical. There is an increased demand and a tendency toward a stoppage of production. However, we can't hold a hearing on the Portland price until the Corvallis army cantonment problem is out of the way."

The board is to hold a hearing in Corvallis Monday on increase of the supply of inspected milk in the Salem area in order to take care of the cantonment. A similar hearing was held in Medford February 25 to increase production of inspected milk in the Rogue river valley to take care of Camp White.

The Dairy cooperative association, principal supplier of inspected fluid milk in the Portland area, has been diverting surplus milk to Fort Lewis for some time.

Program for Older Boys

While attendance at the annual Older Boys' conference has been somewhat restricted because of war time conditions, the program being carried out today at the senior high school is of exceptional character, those in charge state. Registration late yesterday was in the neighborhood of 65, just about half of what it was a year ago.

Calvin Keist, of McMinnville, president of the conference, presided over the assembly early this forenoon which included devotions by Rev. Irvin W. Williams of First Presbyterian church and an address and report conducted by Dean U. G. Dubach of Oregon State college.

Saturday afternoon's session was to be featured by a talk by Dean Victor P. Morris of the University of Oregon, a recreational program at the YMCA and visits to a number of state institutions.

Senator Douglas McKay will preside as toastmaster during tonight's dinner to be held in the high school cafeteria. Frank P. Bennett, superintendent of public schools, will give the principal address.

Hop Contracts are Filed With Recorder

Hop contracts have been filed with County Recorder Herman Lanke here as follows: Trustees for Ladd & Bush stockholders to Williams & Hart, 50,000 pounds, ranging from 37 to 45 cents.

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Milk for Cantonment Will Be Discussed

Marion county dairymen who are interested in supplying milk for the army cantonment in Benton and Polk counties should attend a public hearing to be held in Corvallis Monday, March 23, at 10:30 a.m. in the Benton hotel, announced Robert E. Rieder, acting county agent.

The meeting has been called by the Oregon milk control board and such matters as pooling regulations, quotas, transportation, processing, distribution, price to producers and purchasers and other problems in connection with supplying fluid milk for the cantonment soldiers will be discussed.

Registration for Sugar Starts April 28

Chicago, March 21 (AP)—Suspension of all sugar sales in the United States for a period of approximately one week beginning at midnight April 27, as a preliminary to the rationing program, was announced here today by John E. Hamm, acting chief of the office of price administration.

Chicago, March 21 (AP)—Frank Bane, national field director for the office of price administration, announced today the nationwide registration for sugar rationing will be held April 28 and 29 for commercial concerns and May 4, 5, 6 and 7 for consumers.

The Hop Market

Hop markets on the west coast continued to display a firm tone during the week ended March 18, the department of agriculture reports. Quotations to growers on contracts for 1942 crop hops ranged from fully steady to slightly firmer compared with the previous week.

Although some contract deals continued to be made from day to day in most producing districts, trade advices indicated interest in contracting hops for future delivery appeared somewhat less active than in other recent weeks, partly because industries were waiting for further developments as to proposed taxes on fermented malt liquors.

However, because of the unusually large portion of the coming crop already under contract, growers were reported offering somewhat less freely, or were asking prices somewhat above current bids by dealers.

Oregon markets maintained a firm to strong tone. Of interest was the reported sales of around two carloads of 1941 crop hops during the week at 40c to 40 1/2c per pound, net producers. Most interest however, continued to be shown in 1942 crop contracts. A number of deals were consummated with Oregon growers during the past seven days, with prices mostly at 37c per pound for seeded types, and 45c down to 37c per pound for seedless hops from the 1942 crop, net growers, according to seed content at time of delivery this fall.

These values are about unchanged from a week ago. Some field work is being done in Oregon yards, with most progress reported in the Grants Pass district. The soil is too wet however, in some of the river bottom yards for cultivation and other work as yet.

Trade reports indicate little if any change in acreage is anticipated in Oregon hop yards for this year. Trade estimates also indicate that at least 60 per cent or more of the 1942 Oregon hop crop has already been placed under contract by producers.

Washington hop markets also continued firm. Trade reports indicate that one contract was made late last week in the Yakima valley covering 100 bales of 1942 seedless hops at 47c per pound net grower. Two other contracts were reported in that area during the current week covering around 350 bales of 1942 seedless hops at 45c down to 38c per pound, according to seed content. Two contracts covering about 150 bales of regular seeded 1942 hops were made this week at 37c per pound net growers. Toward the close of the period, growers were reported asking 38c-40c for seeded and 47c-50c per pound for seedless types from the 1942 crop, but buyers have not advanced their bids to these levels as yet.

A generally firm undertone prevailed in the hop market situation as the period ended. California hop markets were only moderately active but maintained a firm tone reflecting light offerings from growers and fair inquiry from the trade. Prices held firm around the high points for the season. Coastal county growers reported sales of 48 bales of 1941 regular seeded contracts at 37c per pound and this left only about 35 bales of this growth in strictly firm hands.

Normalcy Expected. With state stocks practically exhausted, prices of 1941 hops during the remainder of the season will be almost entirely nominal. With an unusually large portion of the crop already under contract, growers were hesitant in making further large deals on 1942 hops. At the close of the week, coastal county growers reported contracts covering 200 bales of regular type 1942 clusters at 37 1/2c per pound and indicated that 37c per pound was being freely bid for additional quantities. Many growers however, were holding for around 40c. No further contracts were reported in the Sacramento valley with ideas of buyers and sellers somewhat far apart.

However, the market on 1942 seedless hops was generally placed around 45c per pound. Heavy rains delayed further yard work except toward the close of the week when Sacramento valley growers were able to resume plowing and grubbing.

The New York hop market continued firm at unchanged prices as remaining supplies were reported firmly held by growers. On March 18, Pacific coast regular 1941 crop hops were quoted to the trade at New York at 47c-48c; seedless at 37c-38c per pound, with other growths nominal.

Births, Deaths

Births. Burson—To Mr. and Mrs. Adolph J. Burson, 1525 13th street, a daughter, Jean Marie, March 16. Campbell—To Mr. and Mrs. Lewis P. Campbell, Jr., Rt. 3, a son, Michael Scott, March 13.

Soft Coal Price Ceiling Asked

Washington, March 21 (AP)—Bituminous Coal Consumers Council Luther Harr today recommended immediate establishment of soft coal price ceilings. He urged the action "to prevent runaway prices for the commodity which ranks second only to food in its importance to the nation and the war effort."

Harr, in a brief filed with the bituminous coal commission, recommended a maximum at-the-mine price level of \$2.50 per ton "as a weighted average for the entire industry."

Meanwhile, Harr, Secretary of Interior Harold L. Ickes, and Acting Solid Fuels Coordinator Howard A. Grey issued a new appeal to soft coal consumers to accumulate coal stock piles now while transportation is available. They warned that, otherwise, consumers may face "hellish days next winter."

Illingworth to Enter Prison

Port Angeles, Wash., March 21 (AP)—Monty J. Illingworth, 36-year-old former Port Angeles beer truck driver, today awaited transfer to state penitentiary to start serving a life term for the "lady of the lake" murder of his beautiful 33-year-old wife.

Superior Judge H. G. Sutton yesterday denied Illingworth a new trial and sentenced him to life imprisonment following his trial and conviction of second degree murder. The state parole board will set the minimum term Illingworth must serve.

Illingworth was accused of strangling his wife, Hallie, a waitress, and casting her body in Lake Crescent, December 21, 1937. Fishermen found the body July 6, 1940. The body was remarkably well preserved because of the cold water at the lake. Illingworth had obtained an interlocutory decree of "divorce" shortly before the body was found and had moved to Long Beach, Calif., where he was arrested on a murder complaint.

One Killed in Shooting Scrape

Kent, Wash., March 21 (AP)—Ernest Dahlquist, about 37, was killed and Harry Houston, 69, critically injured last night in an unexplained shooting affray at the Dahlquist home here. Dahlquist, a plumber and the father of three children, died in an Auburn hospital at 9:30 p.m. Houston, a Seattle railroad telegrapher, was in the Harborview hospital at Seattle with a wound in the abdomen.

Coroner Otto H. Mittelstadt said officers were called by neighbors who heard shots in the Dahlquist home. They found the two men wounded and Mrs. Dahlquist suffering from shock and unable to talk. A leather revolver holster was found in Houston's possession and a .32 caliber revolver was found on the floor of the Dahlquist home.

Obituary

George Thomas Crites. Silvertown, George Thomas Crites, 70, of Scotts Mills, injured in a crash between the team he was driving and an automobile last Sunday, died late Friday afternoon at the Silvertown hospital. Born in Nebraska but had made his home in this district for 30 years. Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Crites; children, Olive Quail and Ethel Pownall of Scotts Mills, Anne Adkins of Bonners Ferry, Ida, Nellie, Trainor of Alford, Calif., Elmer Crites of Gates, Charles of Olin, Ruby Walker of Portland; brothers, S. L. Crites of Independence and Ed of Buell, Idaho; sister, Minnie Nelson of Kansas. Funeral announcements later from Ekman Funeral home.

Deaths. Buchner—Paul Buchner, late resident of Jefferson, died in an Albany hospital Thursday, March 19, at the age of 85 years. Father of Mrs. Leta Crites of Jefferson, Delmer of Jefferson and Mrs. Edna White of Seio. Also survived by two sisters, Mrs. Christine Farlow of Albany and Miss Clara Buchner of Portland; two brothers, John and Ed Buchner of Albany; several grandchildren. Memorial services will be held in the Christian church in Jefferson Monday, March 23, at 2 p.m., under the direction of Walker-Howell Funeral home. Concluding services will be in Belcrest Memorial park.

Schwalm—Fred Schwalm, 80, in this city. Late resident of Tando, Ore. Survived by a brother, Ed Schwalm of Toledo, funeral services will be in Portland Monday, directed by Rose Lawn Funeral home.

Wagner—Dan W. Wagner, 88, died Friday, March 20, at his home, 233 Salem Heights avenue. Survived by widow, Molly Wagner; daughters, Mrs. C. W. Holder, Mrs. J. W. Douglas and Mrs. John Croisard of Salem; sons, R. V. Wagner of Salem, Jim Wagner of Los Angeles, and Maurice Wagner of Perth, Kansas; eight grandchildren and three great grandchildren. Services will be held Monday at 10:30 a.m. from the Rose Lawn Funeral home. Christian Science service will be Memorial park.

WATSON—Funeral services for Harry Watson, 59, who passed away at a local hospital March 10, will be held Monday, March 23, at 2 p.m. from the Edwards-Terrill Funeral chapel. Interment in IOOF cemetery.

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