



Why Compare Beef and Coal Profits?

Swift & Company has frequently stated that its profit on beef averages only one-fourth of a cent a pound, and hence has practically no effect on the price.

Comparison has been made by the Federal Trade Commission of this profit with the profit on coal, and it has pointed out that anthracite coal operators are content with a profit of 25 cents a ton, whereas the beef profit of one-fourth of a cent a pound means a profit of \$5.00 a ton.

The comparison does *not* point out that anthracite coal at the seaboard is worth at wholesale about \$7.00 a ton, whereas a ton of beef of fair quality is worth about \$400.00 wholesale.

To carry the comparison further, the 25 cent profit on coal is 3 1/2 per cent of the \$7.00 value.

The \$5.00 profit on beef is only 1 1/4 per cent of the \$400.00 value.

The profit has little effect on price in either case, but has less effect on the price of beef than on the price of coal.

Coal may be stored in the open air indefinitely; beef must be kept in expensive coolers because it is highly perishable and must be refrigerated.

Coals handled by the carload or ton; beef is delivered to retailers by the pound or hundred weight.

Methods of handling are vastly different. Coal is handled in open cars; beef must be shipped in refrigerator cars at an even temperature.

Fairness to the public, fairness to Swift & Company, fairness to the packing industry, demands that these indisputable facts be considered. It is impossible to disprove Swift & Company's statement, that its profits on beef are so small as to have practically no effect on prices.

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TROTSKY SOON IN GERMAN AFFAIRS?



Expect soon to see the name of Russian Leon Trotsky conspicuous in the affairs of Germany is the gist of a hint in news reports. Trotsky has resigned from Russian affairs, his letter going forward once the revolution was under way in Germany. Germany offers much richer fields than Russia for Trotsky's efforts.

FATHERFUL COLLEGE BEES GET WARM WINTER HOME

Record Honey Gatherers Are Safely Packed During Non-Productive Winter Period.

Oregon Agricultural College, Nov. 12.—Plenty of room, stores, and protection from unfavorable weather, is the slogan that has been applied to the record bee colonies at the Oregon Agricultural College by A. L. Lovett, entomologist. The colonies that laid up a large honey surplus have been snugly and safely packed away for the winter.

"Some method of protection against the extremes of temperature of Eastern Oregon and the excessive moisture of Western Oregon is essential," declares Professor Lovett.

"Single colonies may be wrapped with old newspapers and covered with roofing paper or similar material. Colonies may be packed in groups of four or more stands, surrounded by a large frame filled with sawdust and covered with a waterproof lid."

The exact type of protection depends upon the system of locating the colonies followed by the individual bee-keeper, points out Professor Lovett. Suggestions on solving the wintering problems are contained in a circular which may be had by writing to the College.

It is stated that there are more black tail rabbits in Juniper canyon this fall than that section was infected with before the hard winter of two years ago. An army of shooters were down there from Heppner and Lexington Sunday and we can vouch for the statement that there are not so many live ones left. There was a grand onslaught of light artillery and the barrage was very disastrous to the rabbits. It was a fine day for a picnic, the weather down the canyon being warm and pleasant.

Carl Marquardt, who farms the W. E. Leach place north of Lexington, was doing business in Heppner Monday, and made this office a pleasant call. Mr. Marquardt is greatly pleased over crop conditions this fall and is looking forward to a fine yield the coming season. His fall sown grain is coming up well and he states this is the rule with all his neighbors.

Mrs. F. D. Cox has returned to town with her family so that the children may be in school again. Mrs. Cox and daughter, Mrs. E. C. Watkins were pleasant callers at this office on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Duran, of Lexington, were Saturday visitors in Heppner.

VICTIMS OF HUN BRUTALITY

How Allied Soldiers Suffered When They First Experienced the Horrors of Kaiser's Poison Gas.

Suddenly a great cry rang out: "The gas!"

It was true. Over there from the enemy's lines, came great greenish balls, rolling close to the earth, rolling deliberately yet swiftly, rolling straight toward us. Emmanuel Boudier writes in Scribner's. Gas! That horrible thing, still almost unknown, which had been used for the first time only recently on the Yser. It was coming with deadly surety amidst a tornado of artillery. Orders were shouted back and forth:

"The gas! Put on the masks!"

Each man spread over his face the protecting cloth. The shelters were closed. The telephone, whose wires ran the length of the communication trenches, gave the warning: "Look out! The gas!"

We did not yet know what manner of horror it was. None of us had experienced an attack of the sort. We ran to and fro like ants whose hill has been molested. Some fired their guns at random, others awaited orders. The frightful, vivid thing came on, expanded to a cloud, crept upon us, glided into the trenches. The air was quickly obscure. We were swimming in an atmosphere stained a venomous color, uncanny, indescribable. The sky appeared greenish, the earth disappeared. The men staggered about and rolled on the ground, stifled. There were some knots of soldiers who had been asleep in their beds when overtaken by the gas. They writhed in convulsions, with vitals burning, with froth on the lips, calling for their mothers or cursing the Germans. We gathered them up as best we could; we took them to the doctors, who, thus confronted by an unknown condition, found themselves powerless. They tried the application of oxygen and ether in an effort to save the lives of the victims, only to see them die, already decomposed, in their hands.

The masks had not yet been perfected and were a poor protection. Some ran about like madmen, shrieking in terror, the throat choked with saliva, and fell in heaps, in convulsions of agony. Some filled the mouth with handfuls of grass and struggled against asphyxiation.

Saved Ship From Destruction.

Capturing a runaway bomb on the deck of a ship during a terrific gale, a United States navy man heroically held on to several hundred pounds of high explosive until it was got to safety. This man of iron nerve is John Mackenzie of the naval reserve, who is serving as a chief boatswain's mate on the U. S. S. Remitt, a converted yacht now on patrol service in European waters. For this extraordinary heroism Mackenzie has been awarded a medal of honor and given a gratuity of \$100. In the midst of a storm a depth charge, such as have proved so disastrous to German submarines, broke loose and went rolling about the decks. Realizing the danger, Mackenzie shouted out, "I'll get her!" and lunged himself upon the charging cylinder. Three times he was thrown from the bomb. The fourth time he got it and, heaving the charge upright, sat on it and held it down. Here he remained until lines were placed around the bomb. Had the charge exploded it would have blown the ship to pieces. Mackenzie is a native of Massachusetts and his mother, Mrs. Mackenzie, resides at South Hadley Falls, Mass. After serving four years in the regular navy he returned to service in the fleet naval reserve.

Burglary Among Nonessentials.

Among the nonessential industries which are almost in a state of collapse is the ancient and sinister one of burglary. According to data furnished by a burglary insurance company there has been a decided and favorable change in the attitude of chronic recalcitrants since the executive proclamation of a few weeks ago, directing all able-bodied men between eighteen and fifty years old to turn their hands to industrial pursuits. The draft, high wages and federal and state surveillance promises to reduce crime almost to the vanishing point. Many sociologists and criminologists of the modern school will point to this as proof of their theories that poverty is the principal cause of crime. It will no doubt be a potential argument in favor of a revision of criminal laws after the war.

Had Her Hands Full.

An amateur mission worker flattered into one of the West side offices of the Associated Charities.

"Oh," she exclaimed, "I have the saddest case for you. Really, it is quite pathetic. A woman, who has been deserted by her husband, has five little children to support. She is too frail to work, and I'm sure there isn't enough in the house for their next meal."

"But what is to prevent you from taking charge of this case yourself?" asked the official.

"Oh," said the visitor, drawing herself up haughtily, "I couldn't think of it, you know. Why, I'm doing the Lord's work!"—Chicago American.

He Is Really Peaceful.

"They call me a hard guy," whanged the would-be tough individual. "They do, do they?" hissed the sheriff of Lone Wolf county, shaking him by the coat collar. "Y-yes, they just call me a hard guy back home," was the reply, "but really I got a soft disposition."

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