

RETAIL BUYING BEST IN PAST TWO YEARS SAYS WEEKLY REVIEW

New York, Oct. 20.—(AP)—Consumer buying during the past week, from the point of view of sales volume, was the best in two years, according to a weekly review of retail trade.

"The improvement in total sales volume this week was estimated at 9 to 15 per cent over a year ago, the survey said.

"Selling prices were approximately 2 per cent higher, and expenditures for promotion, as measured by newspaper advertising lineage, about 5 per cent larger.

"On a regional basis, the broadest expansion in buying occurred in the southwest, followed closely by the middle west and east.

"Clothing stores in industrial sections reported increases of as much as 30 per cent; demand for topcoats, the heaviest in several years, was said to be particularly gratifying in view of the slow season a year ago.

SLIM CHANCE FOR FAIR NEXT YEAR

San Francisco, Oct. 20.—(AP)—There is still a chance the Golden Gate International Exposition may be reopened next year, but leaders of a movement to keep it going admitted today it was a small one.

Dan London, chairman of the drive to raise \$1,600,000 to recondition the fair and plan a 1940 opening, reported last night that only \$700,000 of the amount had been pledged. But just as observers prepared to receive an announcement of final closing on October 29, it was announced "encouraging information" had come from Los Angeles and the deadline for raising the money would be continued "for a few days" more.

Use Mail Tribune want ads.

Nazis Advance Into France



A German thrust gave the Nazis a foothold on French soil—about 100 yards in the vicinity of Apach (1)—while a second drive pushed the French back from German soil on a 20-mile front through the Saar valley (2). French said their forces had been ordered back and the Nazi advance was against only light patrols.

INCREASE SEEN IN STRAWBERRY LAND

SEATTLE, Oct. 20.—(AP)—The federal division of agricultural statistics here estimated today Oregon strawberry growers will pick 13,400 acres of late-crop berries next year as compared with 12,200 this season and 10,920 acres as a 10-year average. These are the largest acreages in the late-crop group of states, save Michigan where growers intend to harvest 14,800 acres next season against 13,000 this year and 10-year average of 9,380 acres. Oregon growers harvested 1,037,000 crates, according to preliminary estimates this year, as compared with last year's 1,139,000 crates and a 10-year average of 734,000 crates.

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Blond Son Born To Negro Couple

DES MOINES, Ia., Oct. 20.—(AP)—The birth of a white son with blue eyes and yellow hair to Negro parents here put Iowa scientists to work today on the mathematical task of determining the odds against such an occurrence.

Doctors said the infant, Ronald Pedro Hall, is 11-16ths Negro, 4-16th white and 1-16th Indian. Two great-grandparents were white, the physician added, and one was half-Negro and half-Indian.

Lawrence Hall, the father, is 23. The mother is 19.

Cantor's Grandson Costs Him \$10,000

Hollywood, Oct. 20.—(AP)—Eddie Cantor's first grandson, born Wednesday night to Mrs. Joseph Metzger, cost the comedian \$10,000.

The beaming father said today that Cantor had promised that sum to the first daughter who made him a grandpa. Mrs. Jimmy McHugh, another of Eddie's five daughters, is expecting a baby soon.

GRANTS PASS MAN HIT, KILLED BY FREIGHT

San Francisco, Oct. 20.—(AP)—Fred Heston Sheldon, Grants Pass, Ore., carpenter employed by the Southern Pacific railway, was killed last night when struck by a freight train near Webster, the company office here said today. No further details were available.

Bonneville Power

Portland, Oct. 20.—(AP)—Joseph C. Swidler, Tennessee Valley Authority solicitor loaned to the Bonneville administration for conference on mutual problems, said today the Bonneville project had more potential power at lower prices than the TVA.

CHATEAU LICENSE REVOKED BY BOARD

Portland, Oct. 20.—(AP)—The Oregon liquor commission was requested yesterday by the Oregon wine council to approve a new price schedule for wines and dissolve the "gentleman's agreement" establishing 49 cents as a fair trade minimum price for pints, fifths and quarts of fortified wine.

The council asked for a schedule of 25 cents for pints in round bottles, 39 cents for fifths and 45 cents for quarts, but no formal action was taken by the commission.

The commission revoked the restaurant and package store license of the Chateau at Ashland for selling spirituous liquors.

Communications

Port Orford Meteorite.

To the Editor:

I wonder how many of your readers have ever heard of the Port Orford meteorite. Last July, when many people near Portland were startled by a brilliant meteor that flashed through the sky, we were reminded of the famous Willamette meteorite that was discovered in 1902 in Clackamas county.

Recently, publicity has been renewed regarding another remarkable object of this nature which fell to earth in southern Oregon many years ago. This is known as the Port Orford meteorite. An Indian legend tells of a brilliance that was visible in the vicinity of Port Orford before the coming of the white men.

The next chapter in the history of this strange visitor from the sky is dated 1859, when Dr. John Evans, government geologist for Washington and Oregon, was on an exploring trip in Oregon. On a bare western slope of a mountain, which he estimated to be about 40 miles from Port Orford, Dr. Evans discovered a strange appearing rocky mass, partly buried in the ground. He thought the portion above ground would weigh about 22,000 pounds.

Probably surmising its true nature, he sent samples to a New York scientist, who in turn sent a sample to Vienna, Austria, for analysis. Both scientists pronounced the material to be of meteoric origin. When Dr. Evans was informed, he planned to again visit the locality of his find. Efforts were made to interest scientific societies in assisting him to relocate the valuable object. Before arrangements were completed Dr. Evans died and all definite knowledge as to the location of the meteorite was lost.

Dr. J. Hugh Pruett, professor of geology at the University of Oregon, has recently attempted through newspaper articles to revive interest in a search for the meteorite and several persons have made the search without success. Anyone bold enough to renew the hunt may find a fortune on the western slope of a mountain about 40 miles from Port Orford.

A. W. Shepherd, Medford, Ore., R.F.D. Box 327, October 18, 1939.

Hitler Would Quit.

To the Editor:

Amid all the conflicting con-

fusing reports that are coming from Europe, there seems one thing to be clear, and that is: Hitler wants to quit. Whatever his motive may be, he really seems to want to quit.

We certainly cannot think that Daladier, Chamberlain and their associates talk about continuing the war simply because they want to fight. They are not monsters deliberately plotting the overthrow and destruction of their people and the rest of the world. They want to quit, too, even as Hitler wants to quit. They must know that if they fight to end Hitler and Hitlerism, they will also, at the same time and by the same means destroy themselves and the system for which they stand. Certainly they prefer to quit.

To the writer of this letter, the big issue seems the saving of face on both sides, enabling them to get together without losing standing before their own people and the world. To that end is a proposal made by the National Peace Conference, representing the entire peace movement of this country, and a proposal stated in almost identical terms by the National Peace Council, a similar organization in Great Britain; namely, let there be formed at once a commission of neutral nations to sit continually to find the way out. The existence of such a commission would greatly hearten them in all countries who, like Lloyd George, are urging an immediate exploration of every avenue of peace. Would it not be a test of the sincerity of those who say they want peace if the President would offer to call such a commission into existence, a commission ready to meet and act on a moment's notice? If any belligerent, claiming that it wants peace, refuses this disinterested offer, let it answer to its own war-weary people and to a terror-stricken world for its refusal.

Let those who long to see this insanity cease, immediately wire or write the President, pledging him every support if he will lead in summoning this council of neutral nations.

Cordially yours,
J. J. Handsaker,
Associate Secretary, National Council for Prevention of War, Portland, Ore.

the "poor laboring man" get out of the remaining \$10,000? The last several bond issues were voted under the pretext of furnishing work for the unemployed, but it will be remembered that the contractors brought in their big machines with their crews to man them, and that precious few local people were employed. Most of the "relief" went to the big steam shovels and bulldozers.

Just who is behind this mad scramble for bonds? Surely it isn't the taxpayers. Every issue increases taxes and helps to skyrocket our already enormous bonded debt. And every thirty thousand voted today will, by addition of interest, amount to more than sixty thousand when and if finally paid by the coming generation. We are still paying on bonds, refunded or otherwise, contracted two generations ago. Do you wonder why your taxes are so high and why they are increasing every year? Did you vote for these bonds? Maybe not, but otherwise you stayed at home and allowed the professional bond-voters to vote them. Do you swear when you find your taxes are increased? You have no right to complain when you fail to vote AGAINST bonds.

(To be continued.)
Wm. E. Phipps.

Human characters, typical of the average home-loving family, add special interest to a new series of timely advertisements now appearing in the Medford Mail Tribune for Snow Flake crackers.

Carefully selected types from a great list of enthusiastic users of the product, show mothers, fathers and happy children enjoying the many tasty combinations of Snow Flakes with soups, salads, appetizers, cheese, snacks and spreads.

Each headline suggests a situation that arises constantly in the meal planning activities of a busy home-maker. In every message one paragraph is devoted to a timely "Suggestion of the Week." This is a helpful feature, particularly now when fall appetites are keen and holiday festivities are being planned.

Throughout the campaign local grocers are making special displays of Snow Flakes in their stores.

More Bonds and Bondage.

To the Editor:

The city council has again called a special election to vote an additional \$30,000 in bonds for RELIEF. "Relief" is a magic word in this day and age, and appeals to the sympathies as well as to the greed of mankind. It is, therefore, proper to inquire as to who and how many will be "relieved" by this proposed bond issue.

As stated by the papers, \$20,000 of this amount is to be invested in a 17-acre tract lying between Main and Jackson streets east of Bear creek, to be developed into a park. As this is low-lying and has been covered by high water two or three times to the knowledge of living citizens, it is considered of little value, but now, it is evidently figured, it would make a bully park.

The present ownership of this property dates back some 20-odd years, when it was bought at bankrupt sale from the defunct P. & E. railroad company. It has been for sale ever since, and no doubt it would be a "relief" to these owners to cash it for \$1176 per acre. And some "relief" would go to the go-between, the bond-buyers and who else "Lord only knows."

Now, how much relief would

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RAINIER FOR GOOD CHEER!

IT'S TOPS IN FLAVOR AND TOPS IN GOOD CHEER... NO WONDER MORE PEOPLE DRINK RAINIER!

OUTSELLS ALL OTHERS COMBINED!

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BOYD'S MARKET

108 N. Ivy. Phone 1064. S. & H. Stamps. Free Deliveries 8-10-2-4. Specials for Oct. 21 and 23.

COAST TO COAST! I WANT A DIVORCE

NBC RED NETWORK SUNDAY AFTERNOONS

1 lb. tins 25c
2 lb. tins 49c

OVEN FRESH Snowflake Sodas

2 lb. box 27c
1 lb. box 15c

Honey Maid 29c
Grahams, 2 lb. box 29c

CRISCO

3 lb. Pails 49c
6 lb. Pails 98c

SOAP SALE

Camay Toilet Soap, 3 bars 17c

Ivory Guest Soap 3 bars 12c

Ivory Soap, med. size bar 5c

Ivory Soap, large 2 bars 17c

Ivory Flakes small, 2 pkgs. 17c

Ivory Flakes large pkg. 21c

Lava Soap bar 8c

Oxydol large pkg. 19c

Oxydol giant pkg. 53c

Dash large package 24c

Dash giant pkg. 47c

P. and G. Laundry Soap—giant size 10 bars 37c

OK Laundry Soap—giant size 10 bars 35c

Karo DRIPLESS Syrup Pitcher 50c

With Karo Syrup—light or dark 5 lb. tins 37c

PAR-KAY FREE DISH 2 lbs. 39c

MIRACLE WHIP Pts. 21c Qts. 32c

FLOUR

Flagstaff Hardwheat—49-lb. bags \$1.39

Kitchen Queen Hardwheat 49 lb. bags \$1.49

Drifted Snow 49-lb. bags \$1.69

Honey, Stewart's local, 5 lb. pail 35c

Jello, all flavors, package 5c

Baking Powder—Gold Label 10 oz. can 5c

Standard Fly Spray—Pt. 16c Qt. 26c Gal. 85c

Kix 2 pkgs. 23c

Pitcher Free with 2 pkgs.

Wheaties 2 pkgs. 23c

Pancake Flour—Sperry No. 10 bags 48c

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PILLSBURY'S BEST FLOUR

Costs 1c more per recipe—but it goes further and does better baking than cheap flour. Try it and see for YOURSELF!

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Local Sweet Spanish 10 lbs. 10c

POTATOES

Klamath Gems U.S. No. 2, 50 lbs. 45c

Grapefruit Juice No. 2 tins, 3 for 23c

Tomato Juice—Del Rogue No. 1 tins 23c
4 cans \$2.69

Case 48 cans 23c

Shortening Pearl, 4 lbs. 38c

CORN, PEAS or STRING BEANS

No. 303 tin 3 cans 25c
Case 24 cans \$1.89

Del Monte Corn—Whole Kernel Gold. Ban. 303 can 10c
Case 24 cans \$2.29

Del Monte Peas No. 2 tins, 2 cans 25c
Case 24 cans \$2.79

PAY CASH AND SAVE

Floyd Hilton and Glen Young

Announce the Purchase of the

HOME BAKERY

229 1/2 EAST MAIN STREET

And Are Now Prepared To Offer To The People of Southern Oregon the

FINEST QUALITY Bread and Pastries

SPECIAL for SATURDAY

SILVER BAR CAKE TWO-LAYER—BUTTER CREAM ICING **25c**

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