

MARKETS AND FINANCE

Livestock

KLAMATH LIVESTOCK
AUCTION FEB. 11
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Receipts of all cattle were 235 compared to 30 last week and 819 a month ago. Prices were generally steady with some classes advancing about 1.00. Feeders were generally steady.

SLAUGHTER CATTLE: Commercial cows sold from 14.50 to 15.00 with utility kinds selling from 13.50 to 14.00 and canners and cutters selling downward to around 10.00. Good steers turned at 21.90 with commercial steers around 19.75 and utility kinds going around 15.50. Good heifers sold at 20.00 with commercial kinds going from 17.80 to 19.50 and utility kinds selling downward to 17.00. Commercial bulls sold from 18.90 to 19.50 with utility kinds going downward to 15.00. Choice calves topped at 27.00 with good calves selling from 18.00 to 20.50. Commercial calves sold around 18.50 with utility kinds selling downward to 14.50.

STOCKERS AND FEEDERS: Good and choice steers weighing from 400 to 700 pounds sold from 19.00 to 22.50 with medium kinds of the same weights selling down to 16.00. Medium and good steers weighing from 700 to 1200 pounds sold from 18.20 to 19.50. Most lots of good stocker heifers sold around 20.50 with medium kinds selling from 17.70 to 18.25. Stocker calves weighing around 300 pounds sold from 18.60 to 22.00. Stock cows in good flesh sold from 12.50 to 13.50. One 4-year-old breeding bull cleared at \$45.00. Baby calves sold from 6.00 to 23.00 by the head.

SHEEP: The market was generally untested. **HOGS:** Receipts of hogs were 30 compared to 74 last week and 74 a month ago. Hog prices were generally steady. Choice 1 and 2 barrows and gilts cleared from 21.85 to 22.00. Light sows turned around 17.25 with heavier sows around 14.50. Feeder hogs weighing around 90 pounds sold from 17.40 to 18.50.

CHICAGO LIVESTOCK

CHICAGO (U) — Hog prices continued their precipitous rise Thursday, adding another 50 to 75 cents a hundred pounds to reach the highest levels since Oct. 1. Curtailed receipts were a dominant factor in the trade.

Cattle were unevenly weak to 50 cents higher but mostly steady and indications on sheep were for at least a steady trade.

With the new rise in price, hogs were benefiting from a gain of around \$1.65 a hundredweight within the last two weeks. Most barrows and gilts sold out at 19.00 to 20.75. Sows took \$16.75 to \$18.75.

Choice heavier weight steers showed some weakness and prime kinds were absent entirely. But the 60-cent boost went to steers grading below good. Most good and choice steers and yearlings sold from \$21.50 to \$25.00 and comparable hogs from \$21.00 to \$23.00. Cows topped at \$16.50, beef bulls at \$16.00.

PORTLAND LIVESTOCK

PORTLAND (U) — (USDA) — Cattle salable 100; market active; two loads good around 1,000 lb fed steers fully 50 cents above Monday at 22.75; truck lots good around 1,130 lb 22.50; other classes strong; few utility steers down to 16.00; utility-good heifers 15.00-20.00; canner-cutter cows 12.00-13.50; utility cows 14.50-15.00; bulls scarce. Calves salable 25; market active; strong; mostly 1,000 higher for two days; commercial good weaners 26.00-30.00; choice quotable to 33.50. Hogs salable 100; market active; strong; few choice 190-235 lbs 22.50-25.00; few choice 1 butchers 22.00; choice 250-260 lbs 21.50-25.00; 300-330 lbs 20.50; choice 35-55 lbs sows 18.25-19.00; one 60 lb. sow 17.50. Sheep salable none; market nominal; two lots mostly choice 88-99 lb fed woolled lambs Wednesday 21.25; choice prime quotable to 21.75; medium-good feeders Wednesday 16.00-18.00; good-choice ewes quotable 7.50-8.50.

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Potatoes

CHICAGO POTATOES
CHICAGO (U) — Potatoes: Arrivals 112, on track 354; total U. S. shipments 826; dull to slightly weaker; Idaho russets \$4.85-5.10, utilities \$3.25-4.00; Florida 50 lb sacks triumph type \$2.85.

Weather

Western Oregon — Fair through Friday but considerable fog during late night and morning hours. Little change in temperature with highs both days 45 to 55. Lows Thursday night 27 to 31. Winds off coast northerly to northeasterly 10 to 20 miles an hour.

Eastern Oregon — Fair through Friday but local fog in valleys during night and morning hours. Little change in temperature with highs both days 38 to 48. Lows Thursday night 13 to 20.

Northern California — Fair through Friday. Frost at night, but mild afterwards. Northwestern winds of 10 to 20 miles an hour off coast.

Grants Pass and Vicinity — Generally fair through Friday, but patches of night and morning fog. High both days 50. Low Thursday night 28.

By The Associated Press
24 hours to 4:50 a.m. Thursday
Max. Min. Prep.

Baker	52	21	T
Boise	52	20	T
La Grande	52	22	T
Lakeview	42	25	T
Medford	54	30	T
Newport	51	38	T
North Bend	53	37	T
Ontario	44	28	T
Pendleton	43	32	T
Portland Airport	30	35	.62
Roseburg	53	29	T
Salem	51	31	T
Boise	40	33	T
Chicago	45	34	.63
Denver	41	17	T
Eureka	51	42	T
Los Angeles	67	43	T
New York	38	31	.29
Red Bluff	63	44	T
San Francisco	58	38	T
Seattle	47	34	T
Spokane	39	26	T

Tramp Held For Murder

OAKLAND, Calif. (U) — A 37-year-old itinerant was held here Thursday for Albany, Ore., authorities on a murder warrant in the death of Lou Hughes, Gilmore, 58. John Bob Sturgill was arrested Wednesday at the home of his sister, Mrs. Josephine Touchette at Russell City in southern Alameda County. He was traced by a letter he wrote to Oregon asking that his unemployment pay checks be forwarded to his sister's home. Sheriff George Miller of Albany said Sturgill was accused of clubbing Hughes to death in a fight during a drinking party at a hobo camp east of Albany, Gilmore's body was not found until Thursday. By that time Sturgill had left.

Eugene TV Held Up

LEBANON, Ore. (U) — A television station on Channel 20 at Eugene probably will not be on the air for a year, W. Gordon Allen, owner, said Wednesday. The Communications Commission granted him the channel Wednesday. There were no other applicants. Allen, who operates radio stations KGAI here and KGAE at Salem, said it would take some time to get his equipment together. He will confer in California next week on possible network affiliations, he said. The transmitter will be located on Kelly Butte in Springfield, on a site acquired from the city, adjacent to Eugene.

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FLOOD COST

ESSLINGEN, Germany (U) — The cost of rehabilitating American families struck by last week's floods in Britain has been estimated at \$50,000, the American Red Cross headquarters here reported today.

Robert X. Lewis, the organization's director of operations, said at least 16 Americans were killed and 75 families were left homeless. All were members of the U. S. Air Force or of Air Force families.

Death Takes C. S. Newman

A man identified as Charles S. Newman, 45, believed to be a former employee of the Lost River Ranch died at noon today at the Cozy Hotel.

Shortly before noon he was found slumped in a bathtub across a hall from his room, with the level of the water almost up to his mouth and barely breathing.

Other persons at the hotel got him out of the tub and gave him artificial respiration until the Fire Department's resuscitator, a D. Kaler's ambulance arrived. The resuscitator was used on Newman for several minutes, but he failed to respond.

Identification was made from papers in the man's wallet, and one card listed a Los Angeles address for him. He checked into the hotel last Monday.

The Fire Department pickup enroute to get the resuscitator carried at Main and Broad with a car driven by Mrs. J. C. V. Hamilton. The Williams there were no injuries and neither vehicle appeared to be badly damaged. The pickup was able to continue on its mission.

Blizzard Rips Over Europe

LONDON (U) — A blizzard swept Northern Europe Thursday scattering road and rail traffic and sealing the many villages.

Along the east coast of England and the coast of Holland and Belgium the weather added to the discomfort of refugees driven from their homes 12 days ago by the disastrous floods.

A new cycle of high tides began Thursday and watchers along the battered east coast looked for any signs that the North Sea was preparing to go on another rampage. The water level of the Thames and several other rivers rose during the morning, but not dangerously.

An excessively high tide is expected during the night, and 24,000 British service men and volunteers worked to bolster the levees still more.

W. J. Van Arnam said the first 90 by 100 foot building would be built on an 8 1/2 acre site leased from the Spokane, Portland and Seattle Railroad four miles north of Eugene. The second building will be 100 by 500 feet, he said.

Van Arnam, former president of Timber Structures, Portland, said about 100 persons would be employed within six months turning out arches, beams and other parts of structural frames.

Van Arnam is general manager as well as president. Andy E. Toth, also formerly connected with Timber Structures, is vice president and sales manager.

Radio Point Moves Made

PORTLAND (U) — Construction of five microwave radio stations in the Willamette Valley for communication use by Bonneville Power Administration crews moved a step nearer Wednesday.

Bids were opened by the BPA and the low offerings came from Portland and Port Angeles, Wash., firms.

C. R. Schmiedeknecht, Portland, had a low bid of \$18,367 for a station in West Portland, and \$12,542 for one at Oregon City.

The Electric Co., Port Angeles, bid \$7,890 for a microwave station at Salem, and \$24,123 for construction of the Prospect Hill microwave station and the Salem remote radio station.

Dulles Speech Set For Tonight

WASHINGTON (U) — Secretary of State Dulles will report to the nation tonight, by radio and television, on the European survey trip from which he and Harold E. Stassen returned Monday.

His speech is scheduled for 10:30 p.m., EST, on NBC and DuMont TV and on NBC, Mutual and CBS radio. Half an hour later it will be rebroadcast by ABC radio.

City Council Okays Plan To Let Employees Pull Out Of State Pension System

BY HALE SCARBROUGH
The City Council last night voted its approval of a move by city employees to pull out of the Oregon Public Employees Retirement System, and aims to break the city away from the state-operated pension plan by May 1.

A majority of the approximately 100 employees of the city have expressed a desire to quit the state pension plan and to get under federal Social Security.

The federal system is considerably cheaper, taking a much smaller bite out of monthly paychecks, and its benefits may be considerably greater than those of the state plan.

Under present rates of contributions, the most a worker can put into social security is \$54 a year (1% per cent of \$3,600), but under the state plan some Klamath Falls employees are putting in over \$300 a year. Practically all are putting in from three to five times as much into the state retirement fund as they would have to put into Social Security.

The city also would save money by withdrawing from the state plan. At present it pays into the fund an amount equal to 77 per cent of employee contributions. Under social security it would just match employee contributions.

One Union Star Store has taken the lead in building out sentiment of city employees on withdrawing from the state system, and he said that there are about 17 who want to stay in, and that there are 14 persons who are not members of any union. The rest want out.

State law requires that 75 per cent of the city's current employees have to petition to withdraw, so to get that percentage several of the persons who have reached retirement age have volunteered to quit their jobs and ask for their pensions. Then they can be rehired by the city and continue to work up to 600 hours a year. By the time they've worked 600 hours, the plan is to have the city out of the retirement plan, and those employees can continue to work indefinitely.

Jesse D. Gayley, Social Security field representative, appeared at last night's special City Council meeting to explain the benefits of Social Security, and he pointed out that to assure complete coverage under the federal plan, city employees withdrawing from the state plan should pay their Social Security retroactively to Jan. 1, 1951. The city should make its matching contributions to that time.

In that way, Gayley explained, the workers would have established enough time under Social Security to get coverage right from the day the switch is made, rather than having to accumulate so many quarters (work in three-month periods) to insure coverage.

The City Council agreed with that plan and apparently the employees also agreed to it. Each withdrawing employee will get back the money he has put into the state plan, plus some interest and minus some bookkeeping charge. The city will get back some of the money it has put in, leaving a balance to cover drawing pensions and those electing to stay in the state system.

Employees of Klamath County already have petitioned to withdraw from the state retirement system, and the month of February may be their last under the state plan.

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Legion Plans Special Meet

There will be a "National Security" meeting of Klamath Unit No. 8, American Legion Auxiliary, next Tuesday, 8 p.m., at Veterans Memorial Hall.

Mrs. Olive Cornett, Republican National Committeewoman from Oregon and Mrs. M. A. Bowman, Merrill, all visitors to the inauguration, will speak. Pictures of the parade taken by Mr. and Mrs. Bowman will also be shown.

Invitations have been sent to civic and veteran groups and the meeting is open to the public.

There will be meetings of the Legion Post and the Auxiliary following the program.

Mrs. John Glubrecht is president of the unit, Marion Green, commander of the post.

A National Security meeting is held each year during February.

OBITUARY

AKIN

Marie D. Akin, 44, native of Emmet, Idaho and resident of Klamath Falls died in Redding, Feb. 10, 1954. Surviving are three sisters, Mrs. Frances Theisen, Sacramento, Mr. Marguerite Hamilton, Ellensburg, Wash., and Mrs. Wilma Melting, Salt Lake City, Utah. Mr. Akin was a member of Pelican Post No. 1353 VFW and Klamath Falls Lodge No. 2090, FOM. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Ward's Klamath Funeral Home.

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