

Story of Beef Steak From 16 Cents to 50 and Beyond

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OKANOGAN, Wash. (AP) — This is the story of a beefsteak, from hoof to home-maker, from 16 cents a pound to 50 and up.

Let's take the beef cattle from Cassell Forrester's Cameron Lake ranch. There were 114 yearling steers in the herd Forrester brought down from the grassy pastureland of the Okanogan hills where they had been conditioned for market.

A packing company buyer looked

them over in the sales ring and bought the lot of them. The price was \$16.20 per hundredweight, 16.2 cents a pound.

The next step was the scales. They averaged 750 pounds.

"The lightest steers I've brought to market in eight years," commented Forrester.

He explained that one of the reasons for the drop from his former average of 825 pounds was what he couldn't afford to feed them ration pellets last winter.

The price was a big drop from the 33 1/2 cents of two years ago and several cents under the 20 cents of last year. Forrester estimated the over-all operation had netted him about 10 per cent on his investment.

It was only the first step in the long haul to the dining table.

The steers were loaded onto four truck trailers which, for about \$3 a head — about half a cent a pound — took them to a Moses Lake feed lot for fattening.

They will spend about four months there, living off the fat of the land — and supposedly putting some of same on their own flanks.

The diet is grain, ensilage, potatoes and sugar beet pulp.

Addition to price: About 8 cents a pound.

Add another half cent for transportation to the Spokane slaughterhouse and another half for the slaughtering cost.

The steers that brought the farmer 16.2 cents a pound are now valued at a shade above two bits, considerably less than two-thirds of the original 750 pounds in marketable meat. It makes it worth about 40 cents a pound as it hangs.

Give or take a few cents on various operations and local conditions and you have approximately 42 cents as the price a meat market in a city like Wenatchee pays for the beef on the arrival back from Spokane.

A meat retailer's markup is usually from 13 to 20 per cent, for cutting it up and providing the over-the-counter service.

There it is — with the butcher figuring the average value around 50 cents a pound. But that is for the whole carcass. The actual price in a Wenatchee market is likely to range from 49 cents for short ribs to 50 for sirloins and up to 80 for round steak.

Potatoes Not So Plentiful

Hasty consideration of the national potato crop estimate is leaving some farmers with the incorrect impression that late crop potato supplies are unusually large, according to Walt Jendrzewski, county extension agent.

The November estimate reports a 371 million bushel potato crop compared to 347 1/2 million bushels a year ago.

A closer study of the estimate shows that only 288,370,000 bushels are reported for the 29 late states. These states produced 280,863,000 bushels in 1935. Maine accounts for all of the 7 1/2 million bushel increase in production in the 29 late states.

On the Pacific coast and in the northwest, late crop potato production is reported to be only 1,305,000 bushels greater than a year ago. Furthermore, the estimate does not take into consideration the high percentage of tubers under two inches in diameter being graded out in the three northwest states this season. Many potato men are of the opinion that grade-out will have an appreciable effect on prices in the northwest at some time during the marketing season.

The November estimate and last year's production by states is given below: Idaho 42,620,000 and 42,780,000 for an increase of 140,000; Oregon 12,160,000 and 11,385,000 for an increase of 775,000 bushels; Washington 11,800,000 and 10,600,000; California late 15,120,000 and 15,900,000 for a decrease of 840,000 bushels under last year.

The net increase reported for the four states amounts to 1,350,000 bushels.

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Friday the 13th Club Does Stuff

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Friday the 13th once again called together a group of 14 Pittsburgh businessmen who poke fun at persons who believe the day brings bad luck.

The "Friday the 13th Club of Pittsburgh" meets for luncheon today and the program calls for entering the dining room by walking under a ladder, sitting beneath open umbrellas at tables decorated with black cats, throwing salt on the floor, breaking mirrors and paying for meals with \$2 bills.

The club was formed a few years ago. Its officers are 13 vice presidents and a vice president in charge of vice presidents.

Raffetto Sells Business Interest

Announcement was made today of the sale of the interest in the Klamath Falls Garbage Company owned by Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Raffetto. The Raffetto's interest was purchased by F. J. Wheeler.

Raffettos have not made any plans for the future but definitely intend to remain in Klamath Falls, according to John Raffetto. "After 14 years in the grocery business and 14 years in the garbage business here, I wouldn't know of any other place to live."



WAY BACK ON AUGUST 25th, 1911, G. W. "Bill" Houston (left) and E. M. "Ernie" Bubb paused long enough on the south end of Alta Lake to have this picture snapped. Those 30-30's they're packing would make it look like a deer hunting trip. They were packed in by M. H. Wampler, who also furnished us with the picture.

Use of A-Energy Talked to Make Sea Water Soft

WHITTIER, Calif. (AP) — Use of atomic energy to convert sea water for western agricultural areas where natural water sources are scarce was proposed at a congressional hearing here Thursday.

The suggestion came from Joseph Applebaum, western regional director for the CIO United Gas, Coke and Chemical Workers. The hearing was the last in a series conducted by the House Agriculture Committee during a 2,000-mile tour to determine Western sentiment on farm problems.

In a statement prepared for delivery Thursday, Applebaum said his union believes that an atomic reactor should be built "in Southern California or elsewhere in the Western area of water shortage, in order to provide the estimated 500,000 kilowatts that it would take

to produce one million acre - feet of fresh water from sea water at a cost that agriculture in the region can afford to pay."

Applebaum pointed out that one method already in use converts one acre foot of sea water at a cost of \$32.50 to \$65. This, he said, is "considerably under the average costs to municipalities and even under the maximum now being paid for irrigation water."

'11' Has Place In Life of Son

HAMILTON, Ohio (AP) — The number "11" already has a place in the life of the one-day old son of Mrs. Henry Saylor.

He was born at 6:11 a. m. on the 11th month and the 11th day at Mercy Hospital Wednesday.

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Rock 30 Miles Deep Appear Under Mountains

COLUMBUS, O. (AP) — Earthquake waves which lag a little behind schedule have supplied evidence that California's Sierra Nevada mountains are standing upon a massive foundation of basaltic rock 30 to 40 miles deep, a widely known seismologist reported Thursday.

Waves from earth movements originating west of the Sierra reach stations east of the range anywhere from 2 1/2 to 4 seconds later than they should if they were traveling a straightaway course, said Prof. Perry Byerly, University of California seismologist. His report was prepared for delivery before the Institute of Geodesy, Photogrammetry and Cartography.

This means they detour downward to pass under the vast foundation rock mass on their way through the earth's crust, Prof. Byerly said. The time lag in arriving at stations east of the Sierra is a measure of this detour and

consequently gives an idea of the size of the rock mass.

Quakes centering near Eureka, in far Northern California, lag 4 seconds in reaching Tinemaha station in Owens Valley on the east side of the range near the southern end of the Sierra. From Eureka to Reno the delay is about 2 1/2 seconds.

The earthquake wave lag thus supports other evidence of the existence of this big rock mass, Prof. Byerly said.

Byerly first advanced the theory of the rock foundation in 1928. Minute changes in the gravitation pull of the earth near the existence of the basaltic mass. It took several years of earthquake recordings to produce new evidence. They indicate the entire Sierra range is underlain with this enormous basaltic foundation, Byerly reported.

Envoy Lodge Guarded Around the Clock

NEW YORK (AP) — Police have placed a 24-hour guard at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel suite of Henry Cabot Lodge Jr., U. S. ambassador to the United Nations, it was learned today.

Authorities would give no reason for the action, saying only that a guard was put there three days ago.

Lodge is aboard the special train carrying President and Mrs. Eisenhower to Canada on a two-day good will tour.

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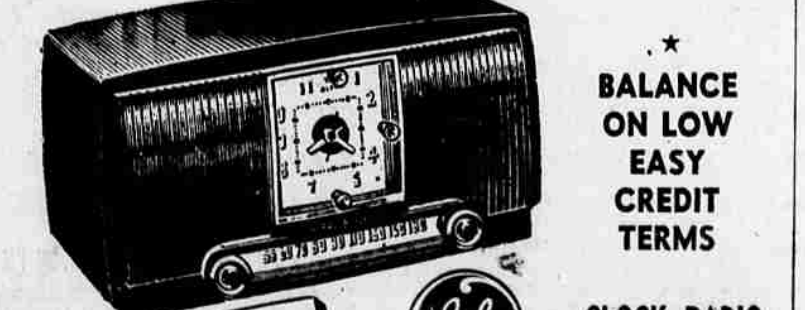
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