MARKETS AND FINANCE

Potatoes

LOS ANGELES POTATOES

LOS ANGELES (AP)—(USDA)—Potatoes: 86 cars on track; Calif. 1, Oregon 1, Idaho 21 arrived; market dull; Idaho Russets No. 1-A 2.65.

SAN FRANCISCO POTATOES

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—(USDA)—Potatoes: 19 cars on track; Calif. 1; Oregon 1 arrived; market slightly weaker; Klamath Russets No. 1-A 2.10-35.

IDAHO FALLS POTATOES

IDAHO FALLS (AP)—(USDA)—Potatoes; market about steady; Russets No. 1A 2-in. min. 25-30 per cent 10 oz. and larger 1.85-2.00, 30-35 per cent 10 oz. and larger 2.00-2.10.

Sixteen cities arrivals 265, track 1,007.

CHICAGO (AP) — Potatoes; Arrivals 86 on track 323; total U. S. shipments 845; market dull; Idaho Russets 3.35-60; Minnesota North Dakota Pontiacs $1.85.

Rhee Offers Troops To Indochina

WASHINGTON (AP) —South Korea reportedly has offered to send at least one and possibly two army divisions to Indochina to help battle Communist-led rebels.

Informed diplomatic officials said South Korean President Syngman Rhee personally made the offer to Gen. John E. Hull, American Far East commander who arrived here Thursday for conferences at the Pentagon.

The French embassy said it knows "absolutely nothing whatever about any such offer."

An embassy spokesman indicated France probably would reject any such South Korean bid for fear of causing Communist China to intervene openly in the 8-year-old war.

Some informants claimed Rhee offered the troops in answer to an appeal for aid from the Communist-threatened Indochina state of Laos. Other officials said they know nothing about any such appeal and that the South Korean offer was made independently.

The State Department declined to comment immediately on the reported development. It is unlikely that top American officials would favor sending Korean troops into the Indochina War.

Hull himself described President Rhee as a "great patriot" who will continue to "collaborate with the United States all the way through."

The general, however, had nothing to say about any offer from Rhee. Declining to comment on Indochina, he said he had no authority or responsibility there.

Top Defense strategists are reported to believe the 16-division South Korean army which the United States has trained and equipped, should be kept in South Korea to guard against any new attack from Communist forces.

Rhee told an Associated Press reporter in Seoul Wednesday he is determined to reopen the war against the Chinese Communists who are occupying North Korea. He said he would move without American support if necessary.

"I am not bluffing," he said.

Hull, flying in from Tokyo, said the situation in Korea will remain difficult for some time to come.

Hull made 3rd graf, 70.

Anti-Toxin Sped To Lebanon Man

EUGENE (AP) — Food poisoning anti-toxin was sped from Walla Walla to Eugene in a dramatic air and highway effort late Wednesday night to save the life of a 23-year-old Lebanon man.

It was administered at about 1 a. m. Thursday, minutes after state police carried it the 120 miles from the Portland airport to Sacred Heart Hospital in 2 hours, 17 minutes.

The patient, whose name was withheld, entered the hospital Wednesday and early diagnosis put his ailment as either polio or food poisoning.

Walla Walla was the nearest point at which the food poisoning anti-toxin was available so it was sent by commercial airliner from there to Portland, and thence here by police car.

Hospital attendants said Thursday morning it was too early to add comment to the diagnosis or to report effectiveness of the anti-toxin.

Arctic Survival Test Successful

EDMONTON, Alta. (AP)—Thirty-five U. S. and Canadian airmen were back in civilization today, 12½ or so pounds lighter after living a week mostly off the frozen land 150 miles north of the Arctic Circle.

The group spent the week in 40-below-zero weather on the southeast coast of Victoria Island to test out earlier training in a Canadian air force arctic survival course. They lived in igloos they built themselves and foraged for most of their food, though emergency rations supplemented their diet.

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Livestock

PORTLAND LIVESTOCK

PORTLAND (AP)—(USDA)—Cattle salable 100; supply mostly odds and ends with cows predominating, market fairly active, steady; few utility steers-heifers 11.50-16.00; canner-cutter cows 8.50-10.50, light shells downward to 5.00, few utility cows 11.50-13.00; commercial bulls strong at 15.00-16.00.

Calves salable 25; good-choice vealers salable steady at 20.00-26.00; prime vealers quotable to 28.00.

Hogs salable 50; scattered sales steady; choice No. 1-2 butchers around 190-220 lb 29.00-29.25; few choice sows 23.50-25.00; not enough of other weight butchers to test price.

Sheep salable 100, market steady on few small lots; one lot choice-prime around 105 lb wooled lambs 20.50; good-choice 78 lb 19.00; good-choice feeders salable around 16.00-16.50; good-choice ewes nominally 6.00-8.00.

CHICAGO LIVESTOCK

CHICAGO (AP) — Buyers mostly paid about 25 cents higher for butcher hogs although some late sales were up as much as 40 cents Thursday. Most 180 to 230 pound weights brought $26.00 to $26.50.

Good to high choice steers and yearlings were bought at $20.00 to $25.50. Utility and commercial cows were fully steady at $11.00 to $13.00.

Good to prime types of sheep brought $20.00 to $22.50. Salable receipts totaled 3,500.

Other salable receipts were estimated at 5,500 hogs, 2,500 cattle and 300 calves.

Grains

CHICAGO (AP) — New crop wheat deliveries forged ahead in a mixed grain market on the board of trade Thursday.

Demand for the wheat contracts representing the 1954 crop was based on continued dry weather in the Southwest, plus a forecast for falling temperatures. The grain does not have a protective snow cover in many sections.

Soybeans also were ahead most of the day, particularly the old crop months. Japan bought 670,000 bushels of cash soybeans overnight. Feed grains lagged, particularly corn.

All new crop wheat deliveries closed strong on a late burst of buying, going to new seasonal highs for the fourth straight day this week.

March 2.15-2.16, corn ¼-¾ lower, March 153 ¼ - 1.53, oats unchanged to ¼ higher, March 78½-⅝, rye ½ to 1 cent lower, March 1.22½, soybeans unchanged to 2¼ higher, March 3.22¾-3.23, and lard 7 cents lower to 5 cents a hundred pounds higher, March 16.90.

Wheat

	Open	High	Low	Close
Mar	2.14 ½	2.16	2.14 ½	2.15
May	2.15 ½	2.16	2.15 ½	2.16 ⅝
Jly	2.10 ⅞	2.13	2.10 ⅝	2.12 ⅞
Sep	2.12 ¼	2.15 ¼	.12 ¼	2.15
Dec	2.15 ¾	2.18 ¼	2.15	2.18

PORTLAND GRAIN

PORTLAND (AP) — No bids or offers on coarse grains.

Wheat (bid) to arrive market, basis No. 1 bulk, delivered coast: Soft White 2.34 ½; Soft White (excluding Rex) 2.34 ½; White Club 2.34 ½.

Hard Red Winter: Ordinary 2.34 ½; 10 per cent 2.35; 11 per cent 2.39; 12 per cent 2.44.

Hard White Baart: Ordinary 2.34 ½; 10 per cent 2.34 ½; 11 per cent 2.37; 12 per cent 2.39.

Thursday's car receipts: wheat 1; flour 4; corn 6; oats 2.

POPE BETTER

VATICAN CITY (AP)—The Vatican announced Thursday that the condition of ailing Pope Pius has continued to improve and "his convalescence has begun."

Weather

Western Oregon — Intermittent rain Thursday night and Friday. Little change in temperature with highs both days 42-50. Lows Thursday night 34-44. Winds off coast southeasterly increasing to 15-30 Thursday night and Friday.

Eastern Oregon — Mostly cloudy through Friday with a few showers of rain or snow in all areas Thursday night and Friday. A little cooler in southern half. Highs 34-44 both days. Lows Thursday night 26-34.

Grants Pass and Vicinity — Cloudy with intermittent light rain through Friday. Low Thursday night 40; high Friday 50.

Baker and Vicinity — Mostly cloudy through Friday with a few snow flurries Thursday night and rain or snow showers Friday. Low Thursday night 28; high Friday 38.

Northern California — Cloudy through Friday with occasional light rain. Increasing rain in western sections Friday. Winds off coast southerly and 8 to 15 miles an hour, becoming 15 to 25 Friday.

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

24 hours to 4:30 a. m. Thursday

	Max.	Min.	Prep.
Baker	41	19	—
Bend	44	24	--
Eugene	41	37	.01
Klamath Falls	48	38	T
Lakeview	49	34	T
Medford	53	40	T
Newport	50	36	--
North Bend	49	44	T
Ontario	33	29	—
Pendleton	29	25	T
Portland Airport	46	34	—
Roseburg	53	33	—
Salem	42	35	.02
Boise	31	25	—
Chicago	47	21	—
Denver	61	20	—
Eureka	53	46	T
Los Angeles	66	0	—
New York	30	38	—
Red Bluff	49	43	.01
San Francisco	54	46	T
Seattle	45	29	—
Spokane	27	5	—

4-H Officers To Meet Saturday

Are you active in a 4-H club? You are if you are a member of a 4-H Club, an officer in a 4-H club, a local club leader or a parent of a 4-H'er. If this includes you, then you are invited to the annual 4-H Officers' Training Day which will be held from 10:00 a.m. noon Saturday, February 13 at the Altamont Junior High School.

The people helping you know what they will be talking about. John Heyden, county school department, will work with the presidents. Vice presidents will meet with Francis Skinner, County 4-H Club Agent. News reporters will get to know Otto Ellis, reporter and farm editor from the Herald and News. Recreation leaders, song and yell leaders will enjoy the group lead by Miss Ella Redkey, sixth grade teacher at Pelican school, and Roberta Pruitt, an older club member from Henley. The secretaries have not been forgotten, you will meet with two older club members, Linda DeLap and Nancy Pruitt, Henley.

After these sessions, those attending will know what to do as an officer, and just how to do it, and will have more fun while being and officer.

The program for the morning includes:

10 a.m. Get acquainted with games see exhibits.

10:15: Opening sessions, Introductions, Songs and "Why do we have Officers?"

10:30: Meet in smaller groups; Presidents; Vice presidents; Secretaries; Yell Leaders, Song Leaders, Recreation Leaders and News Reporters.

11:30: Report back to whole group a summary of the meetings.

Remember that you are welcome to come even though you are not an officer this year, you probably will be next year.

It is fun to be a club officer, come and see that it is.

Large Rebel Force Moves On French

By OLEN CLEMENTS

SAIGON, Indochina (AP) — Ten thousand Vietminh invaders of Laos advanced today to a point on the Hou River only 37 jungle miles northeast of Luang Prabang, the royal capital that the French and ailing old King Sisavong Vong have vowed to defend.

A vanguard of 1,500 regional troops was within nine miles or less of the town, screening the advance of the rebel regulars of Vietminh Division 308, but so far had not opened an attack.

The main force of the division, diverted last week from the siege of Dien Bien Phu for the thrust into Laos from north Viet Nam, had advanced 19 miles in 24 hours. At that pace, it was only two days' march from Luang Prabang.

French Union briefing officers said the objective of the Communist-led forces had not been ascertained. The division was withdrawn from the mountains around Dien Bien Phu, leaving others to maintain pressure, when the rebels found that stronghold heavily fortified by the French.

The garrison of Luang Prabang has been reinforced in the last few days. Military observers speculated that any assault might not come before early next week.

Aside from the palaces of the King and Crown Prince Savang, the town is a collection of frail wooden buildings and huts. It lies on the Mekong River. The Hou, on which the rebel division massed, flows into the Mekong north of the town. A jungle path leads 135 miles southward to Vientiane, the administrative capital of Laos.

Luang Prabang has little strategic value, but the Reds could make much propaganda in Southeast Asia if they could seize it and capture the King or his son.

In southeast Viet Nam, where French Union troops made a landing last month to regain a rich strip of coastal rice country from the rebels, a consolidation of gains was reported. Army headquarters announced that 35,000 inhabitants had returned to their homes since the first flurry of action established the French beachhead at Tuy Hoa. Many had been ordered out of the area by the retreating Reds.

In withdrawing from the coast, the Vietminh managed to make a dent in French holdings in the plateau country to the west. They occupied Kontum, a trading center of 10,000 about 260 miles north of Saigon, after its French Union garrison withdrew.

At Pleiku, about 30 miles south of Kontum, a French and Vietnamese force still held on.

In Saigon today, French Defense Minister Rene Pleven met with French Union leaders to study war needs in materials and additional manpower.

The French announced yesterday that 105 U.S. Air Force technicians had arrived last week to help maintain American-supplied planes "for civilian cargoes." Presumably these were in addition to 125 such technicians previously reported helping the French in Indochina.

Big Four Leaders To Hold Banquet

BERLIN (AP) —The three Western foreign ministers will be hosts Thursday night to Russia's Vyacheslav M. Molotov at a big reception. Three hundred persons have been invited to the affair, largest social function so far of the Big Four conference.

The reception will be held in the Allied Control Authority building in West Berlin, where the foreign ministers are meeting this week.

WILL RUN. Sam Coon, Baker, congressman from Oregon's second district, announced today that he will be a candidate for re-election. A cattle rancher for 22 years, Coon is a graduate of the University of Oregon and was state senator from Baker County before being elected to Congress. At present Coon is a member of the powerful Appropriations Committee.

Skiing Conditions Said Doubtful

Skating conditions for today and this weekend are practically non-existent; skiing conditions are doubtful, according to an announcement from the recreation department. Any change in conditions will be announced by press and radio.

OBITUARY

THOMSON

John Charles Thomson, young son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Thomson of Midland, Oregon, died in Portland, February 10. Besides his parents he is survived by a brother, Frederick of Midland and his grandfather, Joseph W. Caswell of Phoenix, Arizona. Funeral services Saturday, February 13 at 10:30 a.m., Klamath Memorial Park. Ward's Klamath Funeral Home in charge of the arrangements.

Six Bodies Taken From Alaska Crash

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (AP) — Rescue workers have recovered six bodies from the wreckage of an Air Force C47 which crashed 75 miles northeast of here Friday, leaving four of the 16 persons aboard the plane still unaccounted for.

Six others parachuted to safety when the plane started its final fatal plunge toward earth while on a flight from Anchorage to Fairbanks.

Four of the six bodies have been identified but the names withheld pending notification of relatives.

An air-ground search still is being conducted for the other four in the hope that they, too, parachuted safely. No trace has been found, however.

Milk Output Up; Brannan Urges Use

WASHINGTON (AP) — An Agriculture Department survey indicated Thursday that dairy farmers are pouring high-priced, concentrated feed to their dairy cows in an effort to produce more and more milk.

And production figures show that the more milk production increases, the larger grows a butter surplus, which brings demands for reduction of support prices.

Milk production set a record of 120,200,000,000 pounds during 1953 —an increase of 4 per cent over 1952. The previous record was 119,800,000,000 pounds in 1945.

A report issued Wednesday said milk production in January exceeded nine billion pounds for the first time in history for the month and was 5 per cent greater than in January last year.

The department said the heavy rate of production largely reflected the fact that dairymen are feeding cows a record quantity of concentrated feeds—that is, grains, mixtures of grains and protein meals and the like. These feeds are much more expensive than roughage feeds, such as hay and silage.

ORCHARDS, Wash. (AP) — Charles Brannan, former secretary of agriculture told the Clark County Pomona Grange here Wednesday night a little more attention to milk consumption would end the problem of a surplus.

If each person in the United States would drink only 10 more quarts in an entire year there would be no milk surplus, he said. Or if each school child were given a quart a day through the school year, there would be no surplus.

Farmers have many problems, he said, and "all signs point to a trying time in the next few years." He added that "there seems to be a direct campaign to alert people that the farm program is contrary to the benefit of the farmers."

He spoke strongly against a sliding scale of support benefits, saying that "the farmer has a right to expect protection—but should not be penalized for doing well."

On the Record

BIRTHS

DELIS—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Costa Delis, February 7 at Klamath Valley Hospital, a girl weighing 8 lbs. 5 oz.

FINAL DEGREES

Marion R. Brown from Ronald L. Brown.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

CARMICHAEL - RICHARDSON — Melvin O. Carmichael, 44, Klamath Falls and Miriam F. Richardson, 41 Klamath Falls.

RHODES - OLIVER — John Rhodes, 19, Klamath Falls and Shirley Jean Oliver, 16, Klamath Falls.

Coates Case Opens Today

Thomas Victor Coates, 31-year-old clerk, began a habeas corpus battle in Circuit Court Thursday to escape extradition to California.

District Attorney Frank Alderson, who is fighting the battle for California, called County Clerk Charles DeLap and Sheriff Murray Britton as his first witnesses. They testified to procedures in holding Coates in the County Jail.

Defense Attorney A. C. Yaden says he will base his claim that Coates is being held illegally for California on one of that state's laws which holds that a fugitive from justice must leave one state for another of his own violition.

Coates was brought to Oregon from Texas on an extradition warrant charging him with forgery in Klamath County. When he came to trial on that charge, Alderson asked Judge Vandenberg to dismiss the action. Prosecution witnesses said they could not identify Coates.

Sweetheart Ball Slated

Friday evening, February 12, marks the fourth annual sweetheart ball sponsored by the office machine technology fraternity, Omega Epsilon Rho.

The three OTI coeds competing for the sweetheart crown are, Shirley Rush, 19, Rockaway Beach, California; Barbara Walker, Albany, and Pat Walker, Klamath Falls. The winner will be crowned Friday night and the other two contestants will serve as princesses.

The proceeds of this dance will go toward a scholarship for some deserving Klamath County high school graduate. the dance will be held on the OTI campus with music furnished by Sync Halaas.

Script And Mike Has Initiation

The Script and Mike Society of Klamath Union High School initiated Jackie Ackerman, Nancy Ambers, Jo Anne Bellinger, Bernice Bullard, Herminia Cedillo, Jim Dutcher, Helen Henris, Loretta Newton, Marilyn Stoneberg, and Linda Williams at a banquet in the KUHS cafeteria Friday, February 5, Betty Busby, Jerry Boyd, Shirley Chaney, and Sherry Larson, who were unable to attend, will be initiated later.

Following the dinner Chuck Woodhouse, advisor, gave an after dinner speech.

At present the Script and Mike Society is making plans for the annual Pelicana. It will be sponsored by the Exchange Club of Klamath Falls and as in years past, the show will be free to the public.

Carvalcade To Feature New Autos

A "Carvalcade" auto show, featuring all new 1954 model passenger cars, is being planned as a two-day event, February 27 and 28 at the Armory by the Toketee Lions Club, it was announced by Lee Surles, president.

Wes McNee is general chairman of the event; Charley Lybarger is display director; and advertising is under the direction of Jim Lear and Claude Chese.

The show will be entirely free to the public and everyone in the Basin is invited to attend. The Armory will be open from 12:00 noon until 10:00 p.m. each day.

Those attending will carry home $1000 worth of prizes and favors, Lear says. In addition to the gifts there will be continuous music for entertainment of the crowds.

The Toketee Lions are handling all arrangements and will lease space to members of the Klamath Automobile Dealers Association for shown of their new cars. Any proceeds from the show will go to the Toketee Lions' continuing sight conservation project.

The club has sponsored many community projects, such as the resuscitator for the fire department, scholarships and athletic awards, but the sight conservation project is the clubs primary community activity.

Advancements in auto engineering will be highlighted in the showing of 1954 automobiles. KADA members participating in the "Carvalcade" are Ashley Chevrolet, Ballard and Bennett, Balsiger Motor Co. Basin Motors, Dugan and Mest, H. E. Hauger, Hitchcock and Mosher, Juckeland Motors, Dick B. Miller Co., McCulloch Motors, Jim Olson Motors and Parker Pontiac.

John McCulloch is 1954 president of the dealers association.

Court Records

MUNICIPAL COURT

Leonard A. Gilbert, unlawful U turn, $5 bail forfeited.

Leonard A. Gilbert, void foreign license, $5 bail forfeited.

Leon Jack Conner, drunk, pleaded not guilty, bail $15, hearing 4 p.m.

Grover Barnes, drunk, pleaded not guilty, bail $15, hearing 4 p.m.

Rudolph Bravo, violation basic rule, recogged, hearing 4 p.m.

Jerry Eugene Jones, drunk and disorderly, $40 or 20 days.

Edmond L. Passno, drunk and disorderly, $40 or 20 days.

ON THE RECORD

Ruth DeTracy vs Floyd H. DeTracy, suit for divorce. Donald A. W. Piper, attorney for plaintiff.

RUSSIAN AID

KANDY, Ceylon (AP) — Delegates to a conference of the U. N. Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East generally have welcomed a Russian offer of aid to under-developed countries.

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