

POTATO PRICE STILL GOES UP

Retail Dealers Refuse to Buy Spuds at Increased Wholesale Rate.

NO RELIEF IN SIGHT

Grocers Urge Boycott on Potatoes in Order to Force Profiteers to Lower Price Which is Now Exorbitant.

With the price of potatoes steadily increasing and with no drop in sight, local retail merchants and consumers are facing a serious situation.

Potatoes in Roseburg today are selling at prices varying from 8 to 10 cents, the former price being asked by dealers who are closing out the last of their stock.

Wholesale firms are asking 8 1/2 and 9 cents per pound and are predicting that this will be liberally increased within the next 24 hours.

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The same potatoes that are now selling at the high rate, were purchased by speculators last fall at a price not exceeding 2 1/2 cents.

Consumers are refusing to buy at this exorbitant price and dealers report increased sales in rice, beans, macaroni and other such commodities which are being used on Roseburg tables in lieu of the high priced spud.

The only solution is for the consumers to co-operate with us and quit buying until the price lowers.

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ARMENIAN RELIEF FUND. Acting upon the old saying that he who gives early gives twice, some of the best contributions have been brought in personally and left at Near East relief headquarters.

This morning, in spite of the rain, the women's teams began a canvass of the residence district and they report some generous contributions.

Mrs. Burt and Miss Kent. All credit is due the manager of the Golden Rule for its very window display. This show an Armenian scene depicting the figure of a starving woman just inside of a small hut and the black-robed figure of death stalking outside. The scene cannot fail to catch the eye of the passerby.

Arkansas Storm Fatal to Score

By Associated Press LITTLE ROCK, Ark., April 19.—A score were killed and many injured in the storms which swept several counties in northwest Arkansas last night, according to messages over the demoralized wire service.

Large Amount Is Cleared

What is said to be the largest amount ever cleared in this city from a one-day tag sale, was realized by the local high school Saturday, when \$150, after all expenses were paid, was placed in the bank by them to be added to the quota of this county for the Armenian and Syrian relief drive.

Attorney Abraham For U. S. Senator

Attorney Albert Abraham, of this city, has announced himself as a candidate on the republican ticket for nomination for United States senator. Attorney Abraham has served in several offices, having represented the residents of Douglas county as state senator and also being elected delegate to the republican national convention at the last presidential election.

Tractor to Climb Mt. Nebo Summit

A tractor test of a real nature will occur Saturday afternoon when Arthur Marsh, salesman and agent for the Cleveland tractor, will attempt to drag the 60-foot flagpole, prepared by the Elks lodge for erection on the summit of Mt. Nebo, to its place at the top of the promontory.

Chamber Commerce Receives Inquiries

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HIGH SCHOOL TO GIVE CARNIVAL

Student Body Association to Sponsor Entertainment On May Fourteenth.

NEW DEPARTURE HERE

Has Been Tried Successfully in Other Schools—Is Outgrowth Here of Unusual Talents Which Has Been Shown by Pupils.

The merry-go-round, the ferris wheel, the fat lady, and the "hit-om-om-om-cigar-games" will all be here on May 14, at the high school carnival to be sponsored here on that date by the student body and to be given at the high school building.

Steel Corporation Holding Price Down

NEW YORK, April 19.—Elbert H. Gary, chairman of the U. S. steel corporation, informed the stockholders at the annual meeting today in Hoboken that the corporation is now holding down prices of all its products because of the high cost of living.

Owner Cannot Transport Booze

WASHINGTON, April 19.—In deciding the belated appeal the supreme court today held that transportation by owner of intoxicating liquors into a dry state by means of his own automobile was a violation of the Reed "bone-dry" amendment.

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The funeral of the late Mrs. Sylvester Simmons, mother of Mrs. I. B. Riddle, of this city, was held at Portland this afternoon.

FLYING SQUADRON PINCH PROFITEERS

107 Grafters Brought Into Courts of Justice and Fined Heavily.

COMPLAINTS SERIOUS

Drug Store Whiskey Sold for \$5 Per Pint—Canary Birds Bring Fabulous Sums—Rouge Also a Good Money Maker.

NEW YORK, April 18.—A. W. Riley, chief of the "flying squadron" of the department of justice, whose campaign so far has resulted in the conviction of 107 profiteers with fines ranging from \$500 to \$2,500 and imprisonment from one day to two years, has uncovered a number of surprising commodities for which dealers are said to be asking exorbitant prices.

Some of the letters of complaint were amusing, others pathetic. All, however, showed the seriousness of the present area of high prices. One indignant citizen wrote: "You ought to investigate—'a fish market in Brooklyn. He's a modern Jesse James. What do you think of 90 cents a pound for salmon and 60 cents for sea bass?"

Meeting to be Held Tuesday

A meeting of the executive committee for the coming strawberry carnival will be held at the Chamber of Commerce office Tuesday evening.

Estimates on Tennis Court

Estimates have been secured for the cost of posts and wire fences for a tennis club grounds and a report on same will be made at the meeting this evening at the Episcopal church parish house.

Banning to Take Charge of Shipping

C. E. Banning, of Dixonville, has agreed to take charge of the cooperative shipping association of the Douglas county farm bureau for the present.

BIRTHDAY PARTY HELD ON SATURDAY AFTERNOON A birthday party in honor of the ninth anniversary of Dale Willard, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Willard

NEW STRIKE NOW THREATENS CHICAGO

Clerks Will Take Vote on Walk-out After Conference Held Today.

CONDITIONS UNSETTLED

Labor Board Announces They Will Not Consider Complaints From the Striking Railroad Men—This Decree is Final.

(By Associated Press) CHICAGO, April 19.—Threats of a new strike among railroad employees in the Chicago district today confronted the claims of the railroad managers and brotherhood officials that the "insurgent" switchmen's strike had been broken and that the situation is rapidly returning to normal.

WASHINGTON, April 19.—The railroad labor board announced that it would not consider complaints from striking railroad men.

Supreme Court Passes the Buck

WASHINGTON, April 19.—The supreme court reconvened today without rendering an opinion in any of the various pending cases involving the validity of the prohibition amendment and portions of the enforcement act.

American Legion To Decorate Graves

INDIANAPOLIS, April 19.—Franklin D'Olier, national commander, today announced the plan for carrying out the instructions of the Minneapolis convention in decorating graves on Memorial day.

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STYLE MOVEMENT NOW SPREADING

"Tampa Idea" Was Experiment to Lower Prices of Wearing Apparel.

SAYS WAR JUST BEGUN

Some Say It is Just a "Fool Joke," While Others Declare That Overall Clubs are Only the Beginning.

(By Associated Press) TAMPA, Fla., April 18.—Whether the wearing of overalls and calicoes instead of blue serge, native Palm beaches, homespun, velvets and other expensive clothing will bring down the high cost of dressing is an experiment first started here and now spreading through all Florida and into Alabama.

Strike in Butte Called by I. W. W.

BUTTE, April 19.—The strike called yesterday by the Butte branch of metal mine workers industrial union and the I. W. W. for a \$7 wage and a six-hour day, was put into effect in the Butte district today.

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