

# Oregon Strawberries Offered in Portland

## ROSEBURG SENDS NEW CROP FRUIT TO OREGON MART

Early Prices Around \$3.50—General Butter Market Trade Situation Appears Steady.

PORTLAND, May 16 (AP)—Strawberries from Canby and Roseburg featured today's session of the east side farmers' wholesale market. Offerings were of better quality and pack than the initial supply but the trade was very slow about taking hold. Early prices were held around \$3.50 but the trade did not care to pay above \$3.00.

Butter steady. PORTLAND, May 16 (AP)—General butter market trade situation appears steady although here and there a slight degree of calmness and even weakness is reflected in the California situation. Butterfat prices are unchanged.

Trading in the egg market is still of steady character with no change in general prices listed by the Pacific coast or private distributors. Receipts are generally holding up fairly well.

Generally speaking a steady tone is effective throughout the country in the cheese trade. This applies alike to the east and west. Locally there has been a slightly increased sales' volume with prices rather well maintained. No change in price was suggested in late reports from Tillamook.

For the week's opening there was no change in the general buying price on chickens. Light broilers continue weak under pressure of heavy Western Washington dumping in this direction.

In general the market for country killed meats appears unchanged for the week's opening. Veal are in a good position but hogs and lambs are merely holding their own.

California strawberries are in fairly liberal supply but quality in general is not so good and sacrifice sales are shown in spots which has an adverse effect upon the general trade structure.

First carload of new white potatoes of the season has arrived from the Shafter, Cal. section. It is priced \$3.10 per cwt and is of quality. Garnets are cheaper as a result, selling down to \$2.25 @ \$3.50.

Notes of wholesale trading: First full carload of Imperial valley cantaloupes for Portland expected Tuesday to sell \$5.00 @ \$6.00 for pony standards.

Rhubarb is scarce and prices firmer to higher. Asparagus market is again firmer and higher with the best up to \$4 pyramid of 2 1/2 dozen.

Lemons are up 25c case generally. Local and The Dalles spinach quite plentiful and selling mostly \$1.00 @ \$1.25 crate. Quality good.

A small supply of California cauliflower is offering \$2.25 crate. California black cherries are being offered mostly at 10c lb. for best.

PORTLAND CASH: PORTLAND, Ore., May 16 (AP)—Cash wheat: Big Bend bluestem 70 1/2c. Soft white 61c.

BUTTERFAT: SAN FRANCISCO, May 16 (AP)—Butterfat f. o. b. San Francisco 20c.

LIVERPOOL HAS HOLIDAY: LIVERPOOL, May 16 (AP)—Wheat holiday.

Harry Davis, Detroit's first sacker, started out four years ago to get "Big" Dale Alexander's job at Toronto, but he succeeded when he followed Alexander to Detroit.

J. R. Parker Says His Friends Lost Hope: Charlotte, N. C.—"Mighty few men could have gone through what I did and lived," said J. R. Parker, 416 Brun Avenue. "My friends thought I was going to die and what Sargon did for me is little less than a miracle. I spent over \$2,000 on medicines and treatments. Sargon did more for me than everything else put together during my 23 years suffering. Every ailment I had is gone. The Sargon Pills are the finest laxative I ever used. They did more than relieve constipation—they overcame it."

## MARKET NEWS OF THE DAY

CHICAGO WHEAT				
	Open	High	Low	Close
May	53 1/2 @ %	54 1/2 @ 55	53 1/2	54 1/2 @ 55
July (old)	55 1/2 @ %	56 1/2	55 1/2	57 @ 57 1/2
Sept. (old)	56 1/2 @ %	57 1/2	56 1/2	57 1/2 @ %
Dec. (new)	57 1/2 @ %	58 1/2	57 1/2	58 1/2 @ %
Dec. (new)	58 1/2 @ %	59 1/2	58 1/2	59 1/2 @ %

PORTLAND WHEAT				
	Open	High	Low	Close
May	80 1/2	81	80 1/2	81
July	58	58 1/2	58	58 1/2
Sept.	55 1/2	56	55 1/2	56
Dec.	58 1/2	58 3/4	58 1/2	58 3/4

CHICAGO CORN				
	Open	High	Low	Close
May	29 1/2	29 3/4	29 1/2	29 3/4
July	32 1/2	32 3/4	32	32 3/4 @ %
Sept.	34 1/2	35 1/2	34 1/2 @ %	35 @ 35 1/2
Dec.	34 1/2	35 1/2	34 1/2	34 1/2 @ 35

## LA GRANDE RETAIL MARKETS

Sugar, 100-lb. sack		Vegetables
10c	10c	Radishes, 3 bunches
5c	5c	Sprinach, lb.
5c	5c	Parsley, bunch
5c	5c	Cabbage, lb.
10c	10c	Yellow onions, lb.
10c	10c	Turnips, 1 bunch
10c	10c	Asparagus, 2 lbs.
5 @ 10c	5 @ 10c	Lettuce, Imperial
35c	35c	Garlic, lb.
30c	30c	Green peppers, lb.
10c	10c	Carrots, bunch
15c	15c	Potatoes, 12 lbs.
10c	10c	Potatoes, sack
10c	10c	Onions, 3 bunches
30c	30c	Tomatoes, Mexican, lb.
25c	25c	Hot house, lb.
25c	25c	Artichokes
25c	25c	Eggplant, lb.
25c	25c	New peas, 3 lbs.
25c	25c	New potatoes, 3 lbs.
Fruit		Dairy
8c	8c	Butter, creamery, lb.
50c @ 60c	50c @ 60c	Cheese, lb.
40c	40c	Honey, comb
10 @ 10c	10 @ 10c	Cottage cheese, lb.
25c	25c	Fresh extras, doz.
12 1/2c	12 1/2c	Mediums, doz.
10c	10c	Mixed, doz.
Flour		Meat
\$1.25	\$1.25	Beef, lb.
4.75	4.75	Pot roast, lb.
4.00	4.00	Chops and steaks, lb.
15c	15c	Hamburger, lb.
15c	15c	Sausage, lb.
17c	17c	Ham, lb.
Fish		Poultry
25c	25c	Light hens, lb.
25c	25c	Spring, lb.

## School Closed Until September At Ladd Canyon

By Mrs. Charles Grandy (Observer Correspondent) LADD CANYON (Special)—Friday was a joyous day for the Ladd Canyon school children. They had school until noon, then had a weiner roast over a large bonfire which they had previously prepared while cleaning the school house yard. It was a picnic worth while as the parents had contributed other food that is dear to a child's appetite. At 2 o'clock, their mothers and a few friends gathered there to view an exhibit which a number of the youngsters had prepared. Then some of them gave a program of readings, songs and a piano solo, interspersed with the drawing of maps on the blackboard and several readings and a song by the pupils of the Liberty school, who were visiting with their teacher, Mrs. Mary B. Kall. The art exhibit was composed of drawings, colorings, cut-outs and booklets and was considered excellent by all present. School will not close here until May 25 as there are three days which have to be made up. They are as yet undecided where they will have their annual picnic on the last day of school.

John Gonoway has been released from the Grande Ronde hospital where he spent a week following an operation on his nose. He is feeling well again. Word was received here last week that Gloria Krouse, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert W. Krouse, passed away April 28 in a hospital at Salem where she was being treated for tuberculosis. The family lived here several years but Gloria was born in La Grande where they lived for many years. She was 23 years of age. She has been ill for several years but was doing well apparently when she passed away quite suddenly. She was adored by her teachers and all who knew her as she was of a sunny disposition. Mr. and Mrs. Krouse and two sons, Francis and Gene live at Murphy, near Grants Pass and the daughter, Mrs. Dorothy Howard lives at Eugene.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Saunders and baby drove down from their home at Hazelton, Ida., Wednesday for a short visit with his uncle, C. Y. Beale and family. Mr. Saunders and Francis Beale made a trip to Portland while Mrs. Saunders remained here for a visit. They returned home Saturday morning. Francis Beale drove over to Milton for Mother's day and brought his grandmother, Mrs. Emma Poole home with them for an indefinite stay.

The Get-Together club was entertained by Mrs. Henry Counsell Thursday. The afternoon passed quickly with two contests, one by Mrs. W. O. Sherwood and the other by Mrs. Alec Ferguson and a humorous reading by Mrs. H. W. Peehler. Then Mrs. C. Y. Beale's name was drawn from the membership to receive the "gift box." She was the recipient of many useful articles. There were three visitors, Mrs. Emma Pool, Miss Dorothy Cross and Mrs. Frank Counsell. Mrs. Counsell closed the afternoon by serving a two-course luncheon. Mrs. Mary I. Counsell will entertain the club next in two weeks.

"Watch Your Step" "Watch Your Step" might also apply to the foot throttle. It would likely save more lives than otherwise. Stepping on the gas is coming to mean stepping into the grave. —Los Angeles Times.

Accurate Timepiece One of the world's most accurate timekeepers is an electric clock controlled by a vibrant crystal in a New York laboratory. The clock has an error ratio of only one second in every 400 days.

Criticism of the Flea Recent laboratory experiments show that a flea can live 62 days without food. The trouble with the flea I have met is they don't seem to know their own strength.—Detroit News.

Lovely Tale All we have to say about that astronomer's theory that the earth was born in a collision between the sun and a star is it certainly sounds awfully romantic.—Ohio State Journal.

Test of the Mind The little mind who loves itself will write and think with the vulgar; but the great mind will be broadly eccentric, and scorn the beaten road, from universal benevolence.—Goldsmith.

Panama Canal Passage A vessel proceeding without delay through the Panama canal requires only from ten to twelve hours for passage. Of this time three hours is occupied in being lifted and lowered through the locks.

British and French Flags The British flag at the time of the American Revolution was a blue field with the crosses of St. Andrew and St. George; St. George, white cross; St. Andrew, red. The standard of France at this period was white with the fleur-de-lis, or lily.

Both Parties Pleased A European scientist says man and the ape are farther removed than has hitherto been believed. This news will please both parties. —Newark Evening News.

## Grain Markets Unsettled Over U. S. Last Week

WASHINGTON, May 16 (Special)—Domestic cash grain markets were unsettled during the week ending May 13. Futures were mostly weak and slightly lower but cash grains held about steady, under the influence of light offerings, according to the weekly grain market review of the U. S. bureau of agricultural economics. Favorable conditions for spring seeding, slow export demand for the relatively large remaining stocks and low securities markets were the principal weakening influences in wheat futures. While increased acreage of feed grains and generally favorable prospects for the new crops were the dominant factors in the corn, oats and barley markets. With the exception of barley and flax, increased premiums for cash grains as a result of light offerings, about offset the declines in futures. Barley declined sharply with decreased demand and favorable crop prospects, while flax continued its downward trend and closed 2 to 3c per bushel lower than a week ago.

Winter wheat made generally favorable progress during the week, with the crop heading as far north as Southern Kansas and in early fields in Western Kentucky. The condition of the crop however, is below average in nearly all sections of the country, except in the area extending east and northeast from Illinois. For the country as a whole the condition May 1 was only 75.1 per cent of normal, compared with 90.3 per cent a year ago. Abandonment has been about the 10-year average of 12 per cent, as estimated at 18.8 per cent. The May 1 condition indicated a probable production of 440,781,000 bushels, or nearly 350,000,000 bushels less than last season's large crop. Of this season's prospective output but 230,000,000 bushels is hard winter wheat, 150,000,000 bushels soft winter, and 46,000,000 bushels white wheat.

In Europe, condition of winter wheat is reported about average in Germany and Austria and generally satisfactory in Italy, Rumania, Poland, Yugoslavia, and Czechoslovakia. Wet, cool weather has retarded the crop in France. Hot winds are reported to have done some damage to ripening grain in Algeria and Tunis.

Pacific coast markets were slightly lower, influenced by lower prices in eastern markets and a continued dull domestic and export demand. Marketings in Washington and Oregon continued relatively light and receipts at Puget Sound and Columbia river terminals were just about equal to the limited current requirements. The receipts during the week at these points totaled only 200 cars, compared with 1,140 cars during the corresponding week last year. Shipments from Puget Sound and Columbia river terminals of wheat and flour during April totaled 3,139,000 bushels, making a total for the season of 50,398,000 bushels, compared with 41,148,000 bushels for the corresponding period last season. Increased shipments to California and the Orient this season more than offset decreases in European shipments. Export sales of 750 tons to the United Kingdom were reported during the week. Local millings furnished the principal outlet for current offerings with no sales reported to the Orient or California. At the close of the market May 13, B. B. bluestem hard white was quoted at Portland at 73c, soft and western white at 63c, hard winter, northern spring and western red at 62c, sacked, for No. 1 wheat. Western white and red sold at Seattle at 64c, with 12 per cent protein No. 1 dark hard winter and bluestem hard white at 74c per bu., sacked, for No. 1. 16 per cent protein No. 1 dark northern spring in bulk from Montana was quoted at 83c.

Improved prospects for the new crops of both wheat and barley were weakening influences in the wheat market in California. The May 1 condition of 72 per cent of normal indicated a wheat crop of about 291,450 tons, or about 100,000 tons more than was produced last season. Mills were operating at about normal capacity, but were continuing purchases largely to immediate needs and high protein lots to round out milling mixtures. Feeders were taking less wheat because of the approaching barley harvest and the relatively lower prices of that grain. Feed wheat in the poultry feeding sections is now \$5.00 @ \$10.00 per ton higher than barley and feeders are turning more to the latter grain. At the close of the market May 13, local No. 1 hard white wheat was quoted at San Francisco at \$1.25 @ \$1.27 1/2 and No. 1 soft white at \$1.20 @ \$1.22 1/2 per 100. These prices are equivalent to 95c to 1.00 f. o. b. interior valley shipping points. Ten per cent protein No. 2 soft white wheat from Washington and Oregon was quoted delivered dock San Fran-

## WINNIPEG WHEAT

WINNIPEG, May 16 (AP)—Wheat close: May 62 1/2; July 63 1/2; Oct. 65 1/2 @ %.

## PORTLAND LIVESTOCK

PORTLAND, May 16 (AP)—Cattle 1400, calves 100; generally steady. Steers 600 900 lbs. good \$6.50 @ \$7.00, medium \$5.50 @ \$6.50, common \$4.25 @ \$5.50; 900-1100 lbs. good \$6.50 @ \$7.00, medium \$5.50 @ \$6.50, common \$4.25 @ \$5.50; 1100-1300 lbs. good \$6.25 @ \$6.75, medium \$5.00 @ \$6.25, Heifers 550-850 lbs. good \$6.00 @ \$6.50, medium \$4.75 @ \$6.00, common \$3.75 @ \$4.75. Cows, good \$4.75 @ \$5.00, common and medium \$3.00 @ \$4.75, low cutter and culler \$1.50 @ \$3.00. Bulls (yearlings excluded) good and choice (beef) \$3.50 @ \$4.00, cutter, common and medium \$2.50 @ \$3.50. Vealers (milk fed) good and choice \$5.00 @ \$5.50, medium \$3.50 @ \$5.00, cull and common \$2.00 @ \$3.50. Calfs 250-500 lbs. good and choice \$3.50 @ \$5.00, common and medium \$3.00 @ \$3.50. Hogs 5000, including 325 direct and 700 through; 10c lower for killers, feeder pigs 15c lower. Light lights 140-160 lbs. good and choice \$3.15 @ \$4.00; lightweights 160-180 lbs. good and choice \$3.75 @ \$4.00, 180-200 lbs. good and choice \$3.75 @ \$4.00, medium weight 200-220 lbs. good and choice \$3.15 @ \$4.00, 220-250 lbs. good and choice \$3.00 @ \$3.85; heavyweights 250-290 lbs. good and choice \$2.85 @ \$3.75, 290-350 lbs. good and choice \$2.75 @ \$3.50; packing acws 275-500 lbs. medium and good \$2.25 @ \$2.75; feeder-stockers 70-130 lbs. good and choice \$2.75 @ \$3.00.

## OMAHA SHEEP

OMAHA, May 16 (AP)—(U. S. D. A.)—Sheep 5000; lambs higher, strong to 25c up. Feeder weak: California lambs \$6.25 @ \$6.50, native springers delayed by the late spring and spring

## Wheat Seedings of May 1

Wheat seedings of May 1 amounted to only 15,293,000 acres of a planned total of 64,700,000 acres. Seedings of May 1 last season totaled 16,121,000 acres.

World shipments of wheat continued fairly large during the week but offerings from the southern hemisphere were less pressing. World wheat stocks have declined steadily during the recent months, reflecting the gradual absorption of the relatively large world supplies into consuming channels despite important milling restrictions. Supplies available for export or carryover at the first of April in the principal exporting countries, together with grain afloat on ocean passage, were around 25,000,000 bushels less than a year ago. United States wheat stocks in North America at the first of April were about 56,000,000 bushels smaller than at the first of April, 1931. Southern hemisphere stocks at the first of April appeared to be around 70,000,000 bushels under the corresponding estimate a year ago. The surplus available from Danubian countries as of April 1 was about 3,400,000 bushels less than last season.

Sheep and lambs 2000, top lambs 250 lower (new low record). Lambs 90 lbs. down, good and choice \$5.00 @ \$5.25, medium \$4.00 @ \$5.00, all weights common \$3.00 @ \$4.00; year-

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