

WELL KNOWN DEES

California Agents in the Oregon Market.

SHIPMENTS HAVE BEGUN

Delay in Digging and Scarcity of Cars Check the Movement.

Better Sorting of the Crop Required.

POTATOES—Shipping movement to California has opened.

ONIONS—California yellow brought up to relieve scarcity.

BUTTER—One city creamery announces cut.

EGGS—Market steady and featureless.

POULTRY—Light receipts clean up quickly.

FRUIT—Jobbing trade not brisk.

California potato buyers are beginning to show up in this section, two of them making their appearance on Front street yesterday.

Shipment from Oregon to the San Francisco market has started, but the movement yet is small.

There is a good demand at San Francisco for fancy stock, but the market is very weak on ordinary grades of which that state has a big crop.

Several cars have been shipped south from here since the movement started, and in the coming month the movement should be very active.

Farmers have been delayed in their digging operations by the unfavorable weather, taking advantage of every bright day to do other necessary farm work, but from now on will not miss an opportunity to harvest the potato crop.

The scarcity of cars has also tended to check shipments from here. Local receipts have begun to improve, and some of the docks are filling up, but the stock on hand is not quite good.

Buyers are paying on the basis of 70 cents Portland for extra fancy potatoes, and 60 cents for ordinary grades.

"Farmers are not sorting their potatoes as well as they should," said McKinley Mitchell yesterday. "This sorting must be done if they expect to get top prices for their product. They must take out the small potatoes."

The onion market continues firm. Oregon growers are offering freely, and in order to keep adequate stocks of dealers are compelled to buy in California.

One car of the latter sort came in yesterday and was put on the market at \$1.25.

HOPS ARE AGAIN DULL.

Dealers Not in the Market—California and Eastern Quotations.

There was very little doing in the hop market yesterday. None of the local dealers reported orders and none of them were in the market to buy on their own account.

Fewer growers came in than on the preceding day, but numerous selling offers were telephoned in.

The pressure of the fall season, did not appear to be so acute as reports.

From California came reports of more activity at a lower range of values, which, however, are still above those at which hops have been sold here, while the New York market has turned easy as a result of the extremely low prices at which Pacifics have been offered to Eastern buyers by coast dealers.

A private letter from Tacoma says that E. J. Smith has secured about 2000 bales of old hops for consignment to New York.

Advice from Red Bluff, Cal., says the rich country around the town of Tehama is about to become an important hop-growing center.

It may rival Wheatland, where big hop fields have been maintained for a number of years past and which is now the most prominent hop-growing section in the northern part of the State.

There is a large ranch near Tehama and who have been making the breeding of the Herefords a specialty, have disposed of their cattle business and will turn their alfalfa fields into hop yards.

They have 400 acres of land in alfalfa and this will be plowed up this winter and 200 acres planted to hops.

Next winter the other 200 acres will be planted to hop roots.

CITY BUTTER WEAK.

One Local Creamery Announces a 30-Cent Quotation.

The local butter market continues to draw with a weak undertone.

Stocks are large and show signs of accumulating.

The top price of city creamery is still held at 25¢ cents, but the Sunset Creamery announces a cut today to 20 cents and other local manufacturers may make the same open quotation.

It is known that some of them have sold more or less of their product at 30 cents for a considerable length of time.

The upward movement of the Eastern markets encourages the local trade to hope that supplies of Eastern butter may soon be shut off.

Eggs move along steadily without any change in quotations.

Supplies of Oregon eggs are light, but there are plenty of Eastern eggs of very fair quality on sale.

Foultry receipts were not heavy yesterday and the crop sold readily at former quotations.

Fruit Trade Quiet.

Notwithstanding the heavy arrivals of bananas early in the week, there was a scarcity of ripe stock on the street yesterday.

Regular sizes of lemons were also scarce and medium sizes of oranges were more plentiful.

Fifty of black grapes were appearing, but there were not many Tokays or Muscats on sale and good prices for all kinds except black were realized.

A car of fancy sweet arrived in the forenoon. Trading was not brisk.

Bank Clearings.

Bank clearings of the Northwestern cities yesterday were as follows:

Table with columns: City, Clearings, Balance. Includes Portland, Eugene, Astoria, etc.

PORTLAND QUOTATIONS.

Grain, Flour, Feed, Etc.

WHEAT—Club, 70 1/2c per bushel; blue stem, 70c; white, 70c.

FLOUR—Patent, \$4.20 per 48-lb barrel; straight, \$3.90 per 48-lb barrel.

FEED—Barley, \$1.25 per bushel; oats, \$1.10 per bushel.

SALES—No. 1 white feed, \$2.50 per 100 lbs; No. 2, \$2.40 per 100 lbs.

Coffee and Sugar.

NEW YORK, Oct. 24.—Coffee futures closed steady at a net decline of 5 points to an advance of 3 points.

Sugar—Raw, quiet, 10c; refined, 10c.

Hops at Salem.

SALEM, Oct. 24.—Larchmont & Co. today bought 258 bales of hops from Gilbert & Patterson at 10 cents.

New York Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, Oct. 24.—Cotton futures closed steady, October, 10.25; November, 10.25; December, 10.25.

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