

BEER SALES LIGHT

Output Continues to Show a Falling Off.

CAUSE OF DULL HOP TRADE

Only Export Buying Keeps Prices Up in Oregon - All Grain Markets Are Firm - Light Trade in Poultry.

The lack of interest shown by Eastern brewers in Oregon hops is explained by the returns from the brewery trade for the season to date. The movement figures for the first 11 months of the season which were issued yesterday, showed an even greater shrinkage than was recorded in October. The decrease in output last month, as compared with the corresponding month of 1907, was 73.866 barrels, while the comparison with November, 1906, shows a loss of 328,628 barrels for the eleventh month of this year.

Table with 3 columns: Month, 1907, 1908, Decrease. Rows include January, February, March, April, May, June, July, August, September, October, November.

In addition to the unsatisfactory condition of their business, many of the brewers are carrying a surplus stock of old hops and others have provided for their current wants by forward contracts. None seem disposed to stock up against the future while their sales are running so far behind last year's, even with prices down to a bedrock base.

Although the American business is poor, there is a fair amount of foreign buying in the Oregon market, which keeps up a certain degree of activity all the time. The largest purchaser for export account yesterday was Kols Nels, who reported yesterday that he had secured, among other things, 120 bales from W. M. Porterfield, of Independence; two lots aggregating about 180 bales from Walling, of Salem, and 90 bales from Adelman, of Gervais. H. L. Bentz, also a London buyer, bought the Crater shank lot of 120 bales at Clatsop. Other buyers in the market were Julius Wolf and the Heavly Hop Company.

PACIFIC COAST CARGOES FIRMER

Tone Is Better on Unfavorable Crop Reports. Private cables noted holiday dullness in foreign wheat markets, but the Merchants' Exchange London cable reported vigorous firmer on unfavorable crop reports, while optimism at Liverpool scored a good advance. The tone was also firm in the East. Locally the wheat market was quiet and prices were unchanged.

Oats were strong and sales were reported above the prices lately current. Barley was steady.

Table with 3 columns: Commodity, Bid, Asked. Rows include Wheat, Oats, Barley for December and January.

OREGON WOOL STOCKS ARE LIGHT

Not Much of Any Kind Left on the Eastern Market. There is but little Oregon wool of any kind on the Eastern market for sale, according to the latest mail advices. About 10,000 pounds of No. 2 Valley sold at Boston at 22 cents, and Eastern fine staple at 19 1/2 cents in the greases, and 20 1/2 cents in the clean. The medium Colorado on the secured basis of 58 cents. Other good-sized transactions are 150,000 pounds fine and fine medium 80 Springs on the basis of 56 cents and 100,000 pounds fine staple Wyoming at 62 cents. Smaller sales include fine and fine medium clothwool wools, Utah, Wyoming, etc., at 15 to 18 cents, while several sales of fine Nevada are reported at 17 cents. On a secured basis, it is said, clothwool Nevada has sold at 60 cents. Medium wool has been selling at 11 to 24 cents, including three-ights at 21 to 22 cents, and one-half blood at 23 to 24 cents. Montana fine staple is quoted at 22 to 23 cents. Not less than 42 cents is quoted as the secured basis of good fine staple and according to some dealers it is worth 65 cents.

EGGS BEGIN TO ACCUMULATE

Poultry Market a Dull Affair - Coo's Bay Butter Received. The holiday poultry market practically came to a close Wednesday, so there was little done in this line on Front street yesterday. The few turkeys that arrived were for filling-in orders and sold at the firm prices of the early part of the week. Some of the leading dealers reported that their coops have now more. Live poultry of all kinds was slow.

The general tone of the egg market was rather weak in view of the limited buying, which has caused an accumulation in some quarters. Butter was quoted steady by the city creameries, but there was more pressure to sell outside creamery on Front Street. A considerable shipment of Coos Bay butter was received.

Bank Closings.

Table with 2 columns: City, Balance. Rows include Portland, Seattle, Tacoma, Spokane.

Big Movement in Fruits and Vegetables.

Although a late one, the Christmas season in the fruit and vegetable market was exceedingly active and the front-street dealers say they handled more goods than in any previous season. The buying continued up to a late hour yesterday afternoon and the street was well cleaned up as a result. Nothing was reported in except

PORTLAND MARKET.

Grain, Flour, Feed, Etc. WHEAT - Track prices: Bluestem, 87c; 90c; 91c; 92c; 93c; 94c; 95c; 96c; 97c; 98c; 99c; 100c; 101c; 102c; 103c; 104c; 105c; 106c; 107c; 108c; 109c; 110c; 111c; 112c; 113c; 114c; 115c; 116c; 117c; 118c; 119c; 120c; 121c; 122c; 123c; 124c; 125c; 126c; 127c; 128c; 129c; 130c; 131c; 132c; 133c; 134c; 135c; 136c; 137c; 138c; 139c; 140c; 141c; 142c; 143c; 144c; 145c; 146c; 147c; 148c; 149c; 150c; 151c; 152c; 153c; 154c; 155c; 156c; 157c; 158c; 159c; 160c; 161c; 162c; 163c; 164c; 165c; 166c; 167c; 168c; 169c; 170c; 171c; 172c; 173c; 174c; 175c; 176c; 177c; 178c; 179c; 180c; 181c; 182c; 183c; 184c; 185c; 186c; 187c; 188c; 189c; 190c; 191c; 192c; 193c; 194c; 195c; 196c; 197c; 198c; 199c; 200c; 201c; 202c; 203c; 204c; 205c; 206c; 207c; 208c; 209c; 210c; 211c; 212c; 213c; 214c; 215c; 216c; 217c; 218c; 219c; 220c; 221c; 222c; 223c; 224c; 225c; 226c; 227c; 228c; 229c; 230c; 231c; 232c; 233c; 234c; 235c; 236c; 237c; 238c; 239c; 240c; 241c; 242c; 243c; 244c; 245c; 246c; 247c; 248c; 249c; 250c; 251c; 252c; 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