



MARKET VENDORS FACE SET PRICES

Bigelow Wants Control Powers Restored.

1920 PROFITS EXCEED 1919

Gouging of Public Said to Be on Large Scale.

9 CENTS EGG MARGIN

Gain on Potatoes Is Estimated to Be Double That of One Year Ago.

Because the Yamhill public market, through its stalls laden with commodities direct from the producer, is not passing the lowered cost of raising along to the consumer, but actually is maintaining prices higher than those in effect one year ago, City Commissioner Bigelow, under whose supervision the market is maintained, will go before the city council with a demand that the power of price fixing be restored to the market master, J. A. Eastman.

Both Commissioner Bigelow and Market Master Eastman charge that vendors on the public market are gouging the consumer and are not allowing the market to function as a fair meeting place for the exchange of goods. They declare that the removal of maximum price fixing authority as rescinded by the council a year ago has defeated the very purpose for which it was advanced and has added a heavy burden of expense to the household shopper. And in support of this contention they present comparative price lists of the public market, contrasting those of last year with the amounts demanded today.

Profit Exceeds That of 1919.

In almost every instance it is shown that, with similar or lessened wholesale quotations, the vendors have materially advanced the price and are exacting a far greater profit than they took last year. In other instances, when the wholesale cost has decreased, the public market stalls have made no move to give the purchaser the benefit of the decline.

In Market Master Eastman's report, handed to Commissioner Bigelow early in November, it is shown that many items reflect profiteering. The most flagrant example is that of poultry, though garden produce has not been overlooked in the quest for extra dimes.

Fryers that sold at wholesale in November, 1919, for 30 cents a pound and that retailed at 35 cents, were sold on the same day this year for 45 cents, though the wholesale quotation was 38 cents. Market vendors were also exacting 9 cents more for profit per dozen for eggs than they were last year, and almost double the profit on potatoes.

Report Reveals Situation.

Though the market master's comparative report covered several random days, beginning early in October, the report for November 12 is indicative of the situation which prevailed then and now. It is as follows:

	Nov. 12, '19	Nov. 12, '20
Cabbage, lb.	\$.02 1/2	\$.03
Carrots, lb.	.02	.02 1/2
Onions, lb.	.02	.02 1/2
Parsnips, lb.	.04	.05
Turnips, lb.	.02	.02 1/2
Tomatoes, lb.	.07	.10
Winter squash, lb.	.12	.15
Potatoes, lb.	.05 1/2	.08
Beans, dry, lb.	.10	.12
Lentils, lb.	.10	.12
Apples, lb.	.05	.06
Oranges, lb.	.05	.06
Honey, lb.	.40	.45
Wax, lb.	.25	.30
Hens, lb.	.34	.40
Eggs, doz.	.65	.75
Butter, lb.	.85	.97

*Hygen, 15c. 1/2 doz. \$1.40 to \$4 box.

\$400,000 ASKED FOR DESCHUTES PROJECT

SECRETARY PAYNE MAKES RECOMMENDATION TO WILSON.

White House Is Not Expected to Reject Request for Crook, Deschutes and Jefferson.

THE OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Dec. 14.—An appropriation of \$400,000 for starting work on the Deschutes irrigation project in Jefferson, Crook and Deschutes counties, Oregon, has been recommended by John Barton Payne, secretary of the interior in a letter sent to President Wilson for approval.

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Dempsey landed a light right on the neck, Brennan replying with a similar blow on the neck. Then they got into a short-arm mixup. Dempsey missed a left hook for the head, Brennan hooked left to stomach.

Round Three.

Lefts and rights were exchanged at close quarters and Dempsey sent a half arm left to the body and brought it up to the face with a great deal of steam behind it.

Dempsey was short with rights to the head and Brennan got in two half arm uppercuts, one of which landed on the forehead.

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HARDING OPTIMISTIC OVER LEAGUE SURVEY

PRESIDENT-ELECT EXPECTS TO UNITE ALL FACTIONS.

Senator, in Statement, Says Little Difficulty Will Be Met When Time Comes for Agreement.

MARION, O., Dec. 14.—With his conferences here on an association of nations only fairly begun, President-elect Harding let it be known today that he already had gathered information and advice which greatly encouraged him.

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CUT IN 3 LEADING NAVIES PROPOSED

BORAH RESOLUTION NAMES U. S., BRITAIN, JAPAN.

TRIPARTITE PACT SUGGESTED

5-YEAR TRUCE IN BUILDING PROGRAMME WANTED.

DANIELS OPPOSES PLAN

Alliance Would Be Blunder, Almost Crime, Declares Secretary in Advocating Big Force.

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BARONS BLAMED FOR HIGH COST OF COAL

NEW YORKERS DECLARED AT MERCY OF PROFITEERS.

Operators Charged With Selling at \$15 With Profit Possible at Half That Price.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Mine operators were blamed for prevailing high coal prices in a statement issued today by A. W. Riley, head of the department of justice "flying squadron" organized to curb profiteering.

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\$6,000,000 ROADS FUND PUT IN REACH

Supreme Court Upholds 6 Per Cent Amendment.

BONDS NOW CAN BE SOLD

Most of Total Voted Previously by Counties.

FORMER DECISION VOID

Ruling in Hawley Case Against Clackamas Reversed, Also Releasing Other Issues.

ROAD BOND ISSUES MADE AVAILABLE BY SUPREME COURT RULING.

County—Amount—Clackamas—1,700,000—Union—1,495,000—Jackson—420,000—Yamhill—275,000—Total—\$6,235,000

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