TOO GENEROUS FUEL DEALERS ARRESTED

Giving More Than Cord of Wood Is Charged.

ONE MAN IS FINED $5

Six Other Seattle Defendants to Fight What They Call Conspiracy Against Them.

PUGET SOUND BUREAU, Seattle, Wash., Oct. 12.—Seattle householders are taking keen interest in the quarrel that has broken out among the fuel dealers of the city, cheered by the hope that it may continue throughout the season when the dealers' wares are most in demand.

Even in a city that is almost continuously stirred by some kind of row, this quarrel is unusual. It first came to public attention a few days ago with the arrest of seven well-known fuel dealers on warrants sworn out by the city inspector of weights and measures. Were the dealers giving short measure, skimping their loads, cheating their customers? Not a bit of it. They were arrested and held for trial on the sworn charge that they had been too generous. They had been giving their customers more for their money than the city ordinance required.

Old Dealer Fined.

Henry Heckman, pioneer fuel dealer, went into court at once, pleaded guilty and paid his $5 fine with a disgusted shrug. Mr. Heckman refused to say whether or not he would discontinue the practice for which he was arrested. The other accused fuel dealers are preparing for a fight. Though all of them tacitly admit that they have been doing what the complaints charge them with doing, none of them is ready for the further admission that he has been committing a crime against society.

The quarrel is based on sales of firewood. A city ordinance, presumably designed to prevent short measure, fixes the exact proportions of a cord of wood. Some of the defendants are Seattle lumber-mill owners, with whom the disposal of their big output of slabs is a side issue. Secret investigations satisfied the city inspector of weights and measures that these dealers were piling a lot of extra slabs on their wagons, so that their loads, measured on delivery to the customer, were in excess of the legal requirements. In causing their arrests the inspector declared his opinion that extra measure was as contrary to the city ordinance as short measure.

Conspiracy Is Charged.

The accused dealers do not seem inclined to give the inspector full credit for purpose. On the contrary, Jesse L. Ives, manager of the Stimson Mill company, and others, insist that not only competitive wood dealers but retail coal dealers as well are mixed up in a sort of conspiracy and have exercised undue influence on the inspector of weights and measures.

Whether any such suggestions and suspicions can be aired in the trial of the defendants remains to be seen. There appears to be no dispute as to the technical violation of the ordinance. A good many Seattle householders are mourning the fact that they did not learn of the generous practice before the row broke out.

C. C. DILL IS CRITICISED

Candidate Declared Paid to Work for Plan He Thought Wrong.

PUGET SOUND BUREAU, Seattle, Wash., Oct. 12.—C. C. Dill, democratic candidate for United States senator, was sharply criticised for his "mercenary" connection with the Plum Plan league by Charles Hebberd, republican state chairman, in a speech to the Young Men's Republican club of this city today. Hebberd declared that Dill's record was well understood in the 5th district which he formerly represented in congress and where he was defeated because of his failure to support the government in the war. The west side, said the speaker, might not be as well advised.

"After the people of the 5th district retired Mr. Dill to private life," said Hebberd, "he became a lecturer for the Plumb Plan league. He delivered many lectures, explaining the purpose of the Plumb plan for railroad control by employes and sought support for the measure in all ports of the northwest. After he had severed his connection with the league he felt it necessary to explain himself."

Hebberd then read from a letter written by Dill and published in the Spokesman Review of Spokane on October 1, 1920. In this letter Dill said:

"I am not a Plumb plan advocate as you say. I worked for the Plumb plan league for a short time. They paid me well for my services. I severed my connection last February. I am under no obligation to them nor they to me. Nor do I believe the Plumb plan should have been adopted in the form it was presented to congress."

Concluding his remarks on Dill, Hebberd said: "It is inconceivable that any man occupying the high position of a former member of congress or any other position in which he is enabled to win public confidence should accept pay for advocating and asking people to support a proposition which he knew to be wrong."

Strike of Loggers Ended.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Oct. 12.—(Special.)—The Oregon Lumber company, the logging camps of which recently were closed down at the headwaters of the west fork of Hood river, because of labor trouble, has resumed work. The old crew, which was said to have been filled with I. W. W., demanded the maximum wages being paid by Pacific coast logging concerns. This element was cleaned out in the readjustment, and the new crew of loggers is declared to be composed of sturdy Americans.

Kelso High School Dedicated.

KELSO, Wash., Oct. 12.—(Special.)—The new Kelso high school was dedicated tonight at a combined housewarming and reception for the teachers. The big auditorium, which seats more than 600 persons, was crowded for the occasion. Lee F. Jones, superintendent, presided, and an interesting programme was given. The affair was under the auspices of the Kelso Parent-Teacher association, the Woman's Afternoon club and the Ladies of the G. A. R. A flag was presented by the Women's Relief Corps of Seattle. The presentation was made by Mrs. Minnie R. Dahnken. A flag for the high school building was presented by Mrs. J. W. Thompson, representing the Ladies of the G. A. R.

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FAIR CARAVAN TO MOVE

40 DECORATED MACHINES DEPART THIS MORNING.

Tour Through Willamette Valley to Rouse Exposition Spirit Begins at 10 o'Clock.

Forty decorated automobiles, carrying 200 proponents of the 1927 exposition, will "shove off" on a trip through the Willamette valley west side this morning at 10 o'clock. Prizes of $50 and $25 have been offered for the best decorated cars and lively competition has been aroused.

It is anticipated that the caravan will carry forward the lively, spirited invasion of the state with the exposition message that has so stirred eastern Oregon and those parts of western Oregon so far visited. Mayor Baker will head the party and, as always, he will urge the state to become united on exposition sentiment. William P. Merry is in charge of the caravan and the fair boosters will gather at Sixth and Morrison streets for taking leave of the city. Times of arrival and departure on the two-day trip are as follows:

Today—Arrive Newberg 11:30 A. M., leave 1 P. M.; arrive Dayton 1:30 P. M., leave 2 P. M.; arrive Dallas 3:30 P. M., leave 4:15 P. M.; arrive Independence 4:45 P. M., leave 5:15 P. M.; arrive McMinnville 6:45 P. M.

Saturday—Leave McMinnville 8:20 A. M.; arrive Carlton 9 A. M.; leave 9:15 A. M.; arrive Yamhill 9:35 A. M.; leave 10:05 A. M.; arrive Gaston 10:40 A. M., leave 11 A. M.; arrive Forest Grove 11:30 A. M., leave 1:30 P. M.; arrive Cornelius 1:45 P. M., leave 2:05 P. M.; arrive Hillsboro 2:25 P. M., leave 3:30 P. M.; arrive Reedville 4 P. M., leave 4:20 P. M.; arrive Beaverton 4:40 P. M., leave 5:10 P. M.; arrive Portland 6 P. M.

CITY ASPIRANTS NAMED

K. A. Miller and G. W. Kinney Nominated for Gresham Mayor.

GRESHAM, Or., Oct. 12.—(Special.)—K. A. Miller and George W. Kinney were nominated candidates for mayor at a caucus held last night in Metzger hall. Mayor Miller had said that he would not run for office again, but consented to do so at the request of friends. Mr. Kinney formerly was mayor of Gresham.

Seven candidates for councilmen were nominated with four to be elected. Those nominated were John Sieret, W. A. Hessel, William Thom, Dr. J. W. Botkin, B. W. Thorne, Frank C. Jones and Rev. H. R. Gebhard.

Gregg Cox, city marshal, and J. H. Metzger, city treasurer, have no opponents in the race for re-election. C. G. Schneider, attorney, and James Elkington, insurance man, are candidates for recorder.

TRIP "DE LUXE" OFFERED

Los Angeles Journey Is Prize for Northwest Fruit Exhibitors.

SEATTLE, Wash., Oct. 12.—A trip "de luxe" to Los Angeles and return is offered by the Seattle Transportation club, as the grand prize in the second annual Pacific Northwest Fruit exposition, to be held here November 11 to 19. The winner will be the exhibitor having the largest number of entries of fruit in five and ten-pound boxes scoring more than 66 points.

Fifteen districts, as against nine last year, will exhibit, according to Mrs. Winnie Braden, manager of the exposition, who has just returned from a trip in the state. Grays Harbor and Pacific counties, Washington and Clatsop county, Oregon, are to show cranberries. Clarke county, Washington, is to exhibit prunes.

WOMAN BURNS TO DEATH

Niece of ex-Ambassador to Great Britain Is Victim.

CARMEL, Cal., Oct. 12.—Mrs. Ella Reid Harrison, 65 years old, widow of the late Judge Ralph C. Harrison, for many years a member of the California supreme court and a niece of Whitelaw Reid, ex-ambassador to Great Britain, was burned to death here today in a fire which destroyed her home. She was a cripple and unable to escape the flames. The origin of the fire was not determined.

Mrs. Harrison, who formerly lived in San Francisco, but resided here for the last three years, recently prepared plans and purchased a site for a public library for Carmel in memory of her husband.

CLAIMS MAY BE WAIVED

Japan Is Considering Dual Citizenship Problem.

(Chicago Tribune Foreign News Service.)

TOKIO, Oct. 12.—The Japanese foreign office is seriously considering the recommendation to the cabinet of an amendment to the citizen law whereby Japanese claims to children born abroad of Japanese parents will be wholly waived. This follows the recommendation of Japanese consuls on the Pacific coast in order to eliminate, if possible, misunderstandings due to dual citizenship.

The wide opposition to the move probably is based on the contention that the government should not deprive anyone of Japanese blood of the right to serve the emperor.

Depositors Get Fourth Dividend.

TACOMA, Wash., Oct. 12.—(Special.)—Depositors of the defunct Scandinavian-American bank of Tacoma today received the fourth dividend that has been paid since the doors of the bank were closed in January, 1921. This makes 40 per cent of the amount on deposit that has been returned. More dividends will be paid, F. P. Haskell, deputy bank collector in charge of the resources, announced in a letter he sent all depositors, but he pointed out that it will be some time before it can be paid.

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FORESTRY MEET CLOSES

WASHINGTON CONFERENCE TO CONTINUE WORK.

Governor and Legislature Urged to Formulate Policy to Perpetuate Lumber Industry.

PUGET SOUND BUREAU, Seattle, Wash., Oct. 12.—With the adoption of a comprehensive programme for continued activity, the Washington state forestry conference closed its second annual session here this afternoon. The conference decided to perpetuate itself, at least until such time as action can be had on the essential features of its programme, nearly all of which call for consideration by the state legislature and co-operation by the state.

Since the conference was organized in this city one year ago its subcommittees have been at work on various phases of the forestry problem. Recommendations of these committees as submitted today were found generally acceptable to the conference and were embodied in the final report of the resolutions committee adopted this afternoon.

This report in effect asks the governor and legislature to formulate a state forestry policy along the lines suggested and make adequate appropriations in order that logged-over lands may be reforested and made continually productive.

The conference urged classification of all privately owned land in the state and of all lands owned by the state so that the whole available area may be put to the best practical uses, with all land taxed according to its actual value, but with no tax on timber until it is mature.

QUEEN LIDWIN CROWNED

VANCOUVER PRUNE FESTIVAL OFFICIALLY OPENED.

Night Ceremonies Take Place in Presence of Throng; Bright Lights Flood Revelers.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Oct. 12.—(Special.)—Queen Lidwin I was crowned ruler over the annual prune harvest festival in Father Short Park tonight, amid cheers of goodwill of watching thousands. Her attendants were Princesses Henrietta, Beryl and Bernice.

A special stage had been built in the southeast corner of the park and this was illuminated. The ceremonies were preceded by a parade of 100 automobiles through the business section of the city, and the streets were lined with spectators.

The city is in gala attire for the three days' festival and most of the merchants of the city have decorated their windows with prunes and farm products. Several of the displays are works of art. Prizes will be awarded to the best displays.

Following the coronation ceremonies there was free dancing in the streets and other dances in halls.

The big parade will be held at 2 o'clock tomorrow, when the children will be the feature of the day. The Prunarians, Cherrians of Salem, Berrians of Newberg and Rosarians of Portland will be in line in uniform. More than 2000 school children will march.

At 4 o'clock in the afternoon a military review will be held for the entertainment of the visitors in Vancouver barracks. The dancing will be the night feature.

LOADED CARS TIED UP

Lack of Motive Power Holds Back 100,000 Carriers in East.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Oct. 12.—(Special.)—Eastern railroads, handicapped by a lack of motive power, have in excess of 100,000 loaded boxcars tied up on their lines that they are unable to move to the point of unloading, according to a telegram received by the department of public works today from C. O. Calderhead, traffic expert of the department, who is in Washington, D. C., to do what he can to expedite the movement of cars westward.

Slight relief is promised through speeding up of deliveries of empties to western lines by the Pennsylvania system and the Burlington, the former delivering 200 boxcars per day to lines west of Chicago and the latter 100 per day to the Northern Pacific and Great Northern at their eastern terminals.

SPAIN LOWERS TARIFFS

American Exporters Will Reap Benefits by Modification.

More favorable duties upon American goods imported into Spain, on the part of the Madrid government, have been obtained through intercession of the American chamber of commerce in Spain. H. Powers, secretary, has written from Barcelona to Frank Ira White, manager of the department of foreign commerce of the local chamber, and explained that the director of customs notified the authorities, August 3, that American goods were now entitled to rates lower than those of the regular tariff by from 15 to 25 per cent.

The matter was taken up at once and the decision favorable to the contention of American manufacturers placed the United States in the same class as regards Spanish exports as France and Switzerland, to whom special concessions had been granted by treaty with Spain.

ALIENS SEEK STATE FUND

Property Custodian After Control of Death Benefits Due.

TACOMA, Wash., Oct. 12.—(Special.) — Officials of the state of Washington will have to show cause why they should not turn over to the alien property custodian approximately $50,000 held for payment to the heirs of men who were awarded death benefits under the industrial insurance act during the last six years.

Judge Cushman in the federal district court here denied the state's motion to dismiss the complaint brought by Thomas W. Miller, alien property custodian. The funds in question are due to about 40 persons in foreign countries whose near relatives were killed in industrial accidents before and during the war. The state has refused to turn this money over to the custodian.

PLACER GOLD IS FOUND

Discovery in Bed of Similkameen River Is Reported.

PUGET SOUND BUREAU, Seattle, Wash., Oct. 12.—A new discovery of coarse placer gold in the bed of the Similkameen river at Rich Bar is reported from Oroville in Okanogan county. Riley Coyle, who has been prospecting in northern Okanogan county for the last 15 years, brought news of the discovery to Oroville along with evidence in the shape of nuggets and gold flakes that he said he had picked out of the gravel bed of the river with a knife.

The Similkameen was the scene of one of the earliest placer gold excitements of the northwest. It was in 1856 that a party of California prospectors heading for the Caribou country of British Columbia paused long enough to test the gravel of the Similkameen at a point that has since been called Rich Bar. They found what they were looking for, and during that year and the next a good many thousands of dollars' worth of gold was taken out, and the country was crowded with miners and prospectors. After about two years the placers appeared to have been worked out and the crowd vanished.

FURS FIND READY SALE

Receipts at St. Louis Auction to Date Total $1,700,000.

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 12.—The total receipts for three days of the fur auction being conducted by the fur companies and the Merchants' Sales company were brought to $1,700,000 yesterday, when $400,000 was realized. $1,300,000 having been realized in the previous two days.

Cheaper grades of furs were reported in heavy demand, purchasing was brisk, with wolf and squirrel pelts being the best sellers. Three thousand four hundred wolfskins sold at $1.90 to $30 each, while 65,000 Russian squirrel hides brought 9 cents to $1.26 apiece.

Other sales included 20 leopard pelts at $11 to $21; 25 bearskins, $5 to $8.50; 25 polar bear pelts, $8 to $45; 18 wolverines, $16 to $17.50, and 3600 lynx, $5 to $28.

EXPENSE IS REDUCED

Marked Increase Shown in Industrial Accident Receipts.

SALEM, Or., Oct. 12.—(Special.)—A marked increase in receipts and a heavy decrease in expenses were shown in the quarterly report of the state industrial accident commission, made public today.

During the quarter ended September 30 receipts were $580,945.77 and running expense $44,037.02. Receipts for the same quarter in 1921 were $535,375.82 and expenses $56,847.22, showing an increase in receipts this year of $45,569.95 and a decrease in expense of $12,750.25. The number of employers who are taking the benefit of the compensation law is constantly increasing.

Road Association Organized.

NORTH BEND, Or., Oct. 12.—(Special.)—The North Bayside Road association, composed of residents from various localities through the zone affected by the need of an all-year highway, has elected E. R. Paterson president and Archie Philip secretary. Delegates from the various sections to compose, with the president and secretary, the executive council, include C. M. Conner, Kentuck Inlet; Henry Gustafson, Larson Inlet; C. E. Hansen, North Inlet; Charles St. Dennis, Lakeside, and Robert Steinlechner, Templeton. Archie Philip was chosen as the delegate to the Coos County Good Roads association.

Knights Install Officers.

MARSHFIELD, Or., Oct. 12.—(Special.)—The Knights of Columbus of Marshfield recently installed their officers for the ensuing official 12 months and held initiation. State Deputy Franswa of Eugene directed the installation. The lodge now has in excess of 130 members. Those officers inducted into office were: August Hoelling, grand knight; Thomas Cruickshank, secretary-treasurer; Walter Hillar, warden; Alden Lemanski, deputy grand knight; Joh Cook, chancellor; Harry Fleming, lecturer; Frank Huelshoff, advocate; Mike Mulloy, George Lemanski and William Sullivan, trustees.

German Goods Sent West.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Oct. 12.—(Special.)—A. L. Davenport, lumberman, has received from a friend in Chicago a shipment of imported German articles, whose low retail cost in Chicago has puzzled local men. In the shipment was a two-piece working suit made of a material similar to denim, which was sold at retail for 29 cents. A safety razor of good quality was bought for 27 cents and a dozen blades for 24 cents. Another article was a small tool kit, which was purchased in Chicago for 10 cents.

DAILY METEOROLOGICAL REPORT

PORTLAND, Oct. 12.—Highest temperature 61 degrees; lowest temperature, 56 degrees. River reading, 8 A. M., 1 foot. Change in last 24 hours, 0.1-foot fall. Total rainfall (5 P. M. to 5 P. M.), trace. Total rainfall since September 1, 1922, 3.28 inches. Normal rainfall since September 1, 3.25 inches. Deficiency of rainfall since September 1, 1922, 0.02-inch. Sunrise, 6:24 A. M. Sunset, 5:31 P. M. Total sunshine, none. Possible sunshine, 11 hours 7 minutes. Moonrise, 11:16 P. M., October 13. Moonset, 1:20 P. M., October 13. Barometer (reduced sea level), 5 P. M., 30.02 inches. Relative humidity: 5 A. M., 94 per cent; noon, 83 per cent; 5 P. M., 84 per cent.

THE WEATHER.

STATIONS.	Minimum temperature.	Maximum temperature.	Precipitation past 24 hours.	Wind. Velocity.	Wind. Direction.	Weather.
Baker	42	64	0.12	..	N	Clear
Boise	52	60	0.04	..	SE	Cloudy
Boston	54	68	0.00	10	W	Clear
Calgary	30	60	0.00	12	NW	Cloudy
Chicago	40	52	0.00	..	NW	Clear
Denver	34	54	0.00	..	N	Pt. cloudy
Des moines	32	54	0.00	..	S	Clear
Eureka	56	60	0.00	12	N	Cloudy
Galveston	70	78	0.00	..	E	Clear
Helena	34	66	0.00	..	NW	Clear
Juneau	..	152	0.00	..	..	.....
Kan. City	38	54	0.00	10	SE	Clear
L. Angeles	58	72	0.00	..	SW	Clear
Marshf'ld	48	62	0.02	..	NW	Cloudy
Medford	..	58	0.16	..	S	Cloudy
Minn'ap'lis	30	50	0.00	14	S	Clear
N. Orleans	64	80	0.00	..	E	Clear
New York	56	66	0.00	..	S	Clear
N'rth H'ad	54	56	0.02	..	S	Cloudy
Phoenix	56	86	0.00	..	W	Clear
Pocatello	44	58	0.12	N	SE	Cloudy
Portland	56	61	0.00	..	W	Cloudy
Roseburg	54	62	0.00	..	N	Cloudy
Sacr'mento	54	72	0.00	..	NW	Clear
St. Louis	42	56	0.00	..	E	Clear
Salt Lake	56	62	0.02	..	N	Cloudy
San Diego	58	70	0.00	..	W	Clear
San Fran.	56	66	0.00	..	W	Clear
Seattle	52	58	0.00	..	NW	Cloudy
Sitka	..	260	0.00	..	NW	.....
Spokane	42	68	0.00	..	SW	Clear
Tacoma	..	58	0.00	..	N	Clear
Tatoosh Is	52	54	0.00	..	..	Cloudy
Valdez	..	146	0.00	..	..	.....
W. Walla	52	70	0.00	..	W	Clear
Washing'n	54	68	0.00	..	NW	Clear
Winnipeg	30	56	0.00	20	S	Pt. cloudy
Yakima	44	78	0.00	..	SE	Clear

†A. M. today. ‡P. M. report preceding day.

FORECASTS.

Portland and vicinity—Partly cloudy; northwesterly winds.

Oregon and vicinity—Partly cloudy to cloudy unsettled weather with gentle westerly winds.

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EGGS FROM STORAGE MUST BE LABELED

Merchants Notified to Obey Law in This Respect.

INSPECTORS ON MARKET

Quality of Product From Coolers, However, Often Better Than So-Called Fresh Article.

With the production of fresh eggs at the lowest point at this season of the year, a larger quantity of storage eggs is going into consumption. The law requires that storage eggs shall be sold as such and C. L. Hawley, state dairy and food commissioner, has his inspectors watching the market to see that the law is obeyed.

The statutes provide that all eggs placed in storage for more than 30 days shall be branded "storage" and the purchaser must be informed that they are such. All cases, baskets, boxes or other containers from which storage eggs are sold and all cartons in which they are sold must be labeled "storage" in letters not less than 1 inch high.

Until a few years ago there was a widespread prejudice against storage eggs, but this is rapidly disappearing. Consumers have learned that eggs are at their best in March, April and May, when the storing season is on. Eggs put into the coolers then come out, as a rule, in better condition than many of the so-called fresh ranch eggs, which are produced under less favorable conditions and, as is often the case, are not marketed promptly by farmers, which warrants the merchants in telling their customers that the storage article is better than the fresh. At the same time the law does not permit the dealer to sell the storage egg as a fresh one.

Cold storage is a necessity for regulating the supply and distribution of food products. It is a valuable factor in preserving perishable products and in preventing the fantastic and fabulous prices. In the modern system of commerce it is indispensable. It is not generally as well understood by the consuming public, however, as it should be, and is subject to abuse.

Everyone knows that the hen is most prolific in egg production early in the season, when, but for the expedient of the storage plant, the price would drop below the cost of production. Later in the season, especially during the moulting period, the hen goes on a strike and but for the storage plant reserve supply there would be a near egg famine, with prices rising to the point of prohibition.

The recently organized Oregon Egg Dealers' association is co-operating with Mr. Hawley in the enforcement of the law.

FEW SALES IN APPLE DISTRICTS

Good Shipment of Oregon Delicious at New York Auction.

The local apple market was unchanged, with a small demand and a good assortment offered. Reports from the interior were of few carlot sales. Wenatchee did some business in Delicious at $2@2.25 for extra fancy medium to large and $1.75@1.85 for fancy.

At the New York auction a shipment of 1513 boxes of Oregon Delicious sold at the following prices: Extra fancy, very large $4.10@4.65, large $3.80@4.10, medium $3@3.65, few as low as $2.80; fancy, large to very large $3.30@3.65, medium $2.25@3.15; choice $2.20@2.35, large $1.70@2.10.

Washington apples dropped from 82 per cent of normal on September 1 to 71 per cent of normal on October 1 and the total apple crop of the state is now placed at 25,175,000 bushels, as compared with 28,358,000 bushels on September 1 and the 1921 crop of 29,062,000 bushels. The commercial apple crop of Washington is placed at 20,895,000 bushels, as against the September forecast of 23,535,000 bushels and the 1921 crop of 24,900,000 bushels. The decrease in apple estimate is due to the severe worm damage which occurred in the district around Wenatchee, in many localities throughout the Yakima valley and in the White Salmon district. Hail damage has also reduced the crop in the Omak district in Okanogan county. Apples in the Spokane valley are reported in good condition and the crop very heavy.

HOLIDAY SLOWS UP GRAIN TRADING

Wheat Export Business in Parcels Reported to Have Been Worked.

With the grain exchanges of the country closed yesterday there was not much doing in the wheat market here. Offers sent out were unchanged from Wednesday.

It is understood that a fair amount of export business has been put through in the last few days, but so far as could be learned the sales were parcels and not full cargoes.

The demand for mill feed is strong for both local and California account. Although the output is large, the mills are behind in filling their orders. Millrun advanced $1 yesterday to $29 and middlings also went up $1 to $41 a ton.

The final estimate of the Argentine government for the 1921-1922 wheat harvest is 180,640,000 bushels, according to a cablegram received from the United States agricultural commissioner in Buenos Aires. This is an increase over the preliminary estimate of more than 25,000,000 bushels. The wheat production in 1920-1921 was officially estimated at 169,736,000 bushels, or approximately 10,000,000 bushels less than the last harvest. Flax production in Argentina for 1921-1922 is officially estimated at 32,272,000 bushels, compared with 50,470,000 bushels last year.

NORWEGIANS WILL WANT APPLES

Crop Failure May Mean Big Imports From America.

The failure of the Norwegian fruit crop this year will necessitate heavy foreign imports and it is estimated by American Consul George Nicholas Iffl, at Bergen, Norway, in a dispatch to the department of commerce, that double the usual quantity of American apples and other fruits will be required.

Reports from all sections of Norway indicate the poorest fruit crop in more than 30 years. Apples have failed, pears are small and in many parts of the country have not ripened. Plums have been so late as to ripen imperfectly.

The consul calls special attention to the fact that importers of fresh and dried fruit in Bergen buy only through commission agents, who always expect to have exclusive representation.

BUTTER SHIPPED TO CALIFORNIA

Southern Orders Keep Surplus Down in Local Market.

There has been a good clean-up of local butter stocks by shipments made to San Francisco. This has left the market firm, although the home demand is only fair.

Eggs were unchanged at 30c for fresh selects and 35c for white storage. The demand for fresh eggs was reported light, but storage moved out well.

Poultry cleaned up at former prices on hens, but springs were weaker, and 21c was the best price obtainable.

There was more inquiry for veal than for some time past, but retailers would pay no more.

PORTLAND MARKET QUOTATIONS

Grain, Flour, Feed, Etc.

No session Merchants' Exchange.

FLOUR—Family patents, $7.00 per barrel; whole wheat, $6.20; graham, $6; bakers' hard wheat, new, $6.50, bakers' bluestem patents, new, $6.75; valley bakers', $5.90.

MILLFEED—Price f. o. b. mill: Mill run, ton lots, $29; middlings, $41; rolled barley, $36@38; rolled oats, $42; scratch feed, $37 per ton.

CORN—White, $36; cracked, $38 per ton.

HAY—Buying prices, f. o. b. Portland: Alfalfa, $18@18.50 per ton; cheat, $15; oats and vetch, $20; clover, $18; valley timothy, $20; eastern Oregon timothy, $20@21.

Butter and Country Produce.

BUTTER—Cubes, extras, 45c pound; prints, parchment wrapped, box lots, 48c; cartons, 49c. Butterfat, 48c, delivered station; buying price, A grade, 43c.

EGGS—Buying prices: Current receipts, 30c per dozen; henneries, 45c per dozen. Jobbing prices: Front street, candled ranch, 48c; selects, 50c; association selects, 50c; firsts, 48c; pullets, 42c.

CHEESE—Tillamook triplets, price to jobbers, f. o. b. Tillamook, 29c; Young Americas, 30c; longhorns, 30c pound.

POULTRY—Hens, 13@23c lb.; springs, 21c; ducks, 15@23c; geese, 15@20c; turkeys, live, 30@32c; dressed, choice, 40 cents.

VEAL—Fancy, 14c per pound.

PORK—Fancy, 15½c per pound.

Fruits and Vegetables.

Local jobbing quotations:

FRUITS—Oranges, Valencia, $4.75@11 per box; lemons, $7@10.50; grapefruit, $8.50@10 box; bananas, 9½@10½c lb.; cantaloupes $1.75 to $2.50 per crate; peaches, $1@1.25 per box; watermelons, 1½@2½c per lb.; casabas, 2@3c lb.; pears, $1.75@2; grapes, $2@3.75 per box, 18@20c basket; prunes, 3@4c lb.; apples, $1@2 per box; cranberries, $5.50 per box.

POTATOES—Oregon, 90c@$1.25 per sack; Yakima, $1.40@1.50 per sack; sweet potatoes, 3½@4c per lb.

ONIONS—Oregon, $1.25@1.50 per sack.

VEGETABLES—Cabbage, 1½@2c per pound; lettuce, $1.50@2.00 per crate; garlic, 12@20c pound; green peppers, 5@7c per pound; tomatoes, 30@40c per crate; cucumbers, 35@50c per box; green corn, 15@20c dozen; eggplant, 8@10c per pound; Brussels sprouts, 8c per pound; beets, $1.75 per sack; turnips, $2 per sack; cauliflower, 65@90c dozen; celery, 50c@$1.15 dozen.

Staple Groceries.

Local jobbing quotations:

SUGAR (sack basis)—Cane, granulated, 7.65c pound; beet, 7.45c per pound.

NUTS—Walnuts, 15@35c per pound; Brazil nuts, 13½@16c; almonds, 16½@28c; peanuts, 5½@9c per pound.

RICE—Blue Rose, 7c per pound; Japan style, 6.10@6.25c per pound.

COFFEE—Roasted, bulk, in drums, 26@39½c per pound.

SALT—Granulated, bales, $2.60@3.65; half ground, tons, 50s, $17; 100s, $16.

DRIED FRUITS—Dates, 14c pound; figs, $1.90@2.75 per box; apples, 12@18c per pound; peaches, 16c; prunes, 14@16c; apricots, 28@32c.

BEANS—Small white, 6c; pink, 5½c; red, 5½c; lima, 9½@11c per pound.

HONEY—$4@4.50 per case.

Provisions.

Local jobbing quotations:

HAMS—All sizes, 27@31c per pound; skinned, 31c; picnic, 19c; cottage roll, 28c per pound.

BACON—Fancy, 39@46c; choice, 29@35c; standards, 27@28c.

LARD—Pure, tierces, 16c per pound.

DRY SALT BACKS—20@23c; plates, 18 cents.

Hides, Hops, Etc.

HIDES—Salted hides, all weights, 12c; green hides, all weights, 10c; salted bulls, 9c; green bulls, 8c; salted or green calf, 17c; salted or green kip, 14c; hair-slipped hides and skins half price; flint dry hides, 16c; flint dry calf and kip, 16c; dry salted hides, 12c; culls and damaged, half price; green or salted horse hides, each $2@3; colt skins, each 50c@$1; dry horse, each, 75c@$1.25, with mane and tail on.

SHEEP PELTS—Dry sheep pelts, long wool, 27c; dry sheep pelts, short wool, 10½c; dry sheep pelts, pieces, 10½c; dry shearlings, each, 5@25c; salted pelts, long wool, $1@1.50 each; salted pelts, short wool, 75c@$1.25 each; salted shearlings, 10@50c; salted goats, long hair, $1@2; salted goats, short hair, 50c@$1; dry goats, long hair, per lb., 13c; dry goats, short hair, each, 25@50c; goat shearlings, each, 10@20c.

TALLOW—No. 1, 5@5½c; No. 2, 4½@5c per pound; grease, 3½@4c per pound.

CASCARA BARK—New peel, 7c per pound; old peel, 8c per pound.

OREGON GRAPE—Grape root, 7c per pound.

HOPS—1922 crop, 7@11c per pound.

WOOL—Valley wool, fine and half-blood, 30@35c; three-eighths blood, 30@32c; quarter blood, 25@27c; low quarter and braid, 20@22c; matted, 16@18c.

MOHAIR—Long staple, 52c delivered Portland; short staple, 27c; burry, 22c per pound.

Oils.

LINSEED OIL—Raw, in barrels, $1.10; 5-gallon cans, $1.25; boiled, in barrels $1.12; 5-gallon cans, $1.27.

TURPENTINE—In drums, $1.60; 5-gallon cans, $1.75.

WHITE LEAD—100-pound kegs, 13c per pound.

GASOLINE—Tank wagons and iron barrels, 26c; cases, 37c.

Lumber.

The following are direct quotations on Douglas fir and represent approximately prevailing f. o. b. mill prices in carlots and are based on orders that have been negotiated:

	High.	Low.	Prevailing Price.
Flooring—			
1x4 No. 2 VG	$54.00	$49.00	$51.00
1x4 No. 3 VG	43.00	....	43.00
1x4 No. 2 & B, EG	40.00	39.00	39.00
1x6 No. 2 & B, SG	44.00	....	....
Stepping—			
No. 2 & B	68.00	65.00	....
Finish No. 2 and better—			
1x8 10-inch	58.00	56.00	....
Casing and base	67.00	65.00	....
Ceiling—			
5x44 No. 2 & B	39.00	37.00	38.00
1x4 No. 2 & B	39.00	....	39.00
Drop siding—			
1x6 No. 2 & B	42.00	41.00	41.00
1x6 No. 3	39.50	39.00	....
Boards and SL No. 1—			
1x8-10-inch S1S	19.50	18.50	19.50
1x12-inch	21.00	18.00	20.00
Dimension No. 1 S&E—			
2x4 12-14	19.50	18.00	18.50
Planks and small timbers—			
4x4 12-16 S4S	22.50	19.00	....
8x10-12 12-16 S4S	24.00	21.50	....
Timbers 32 ft. and under—			
6x8 8x10 S4S	22.00	20.00	....
Lath—			
Fir	6.50	4.50	....

Chicago Potato Market.

CHICAGO, Oct. 12.—Potatoes firm on good stock; dull on poor stock; receipts 77 cars; total United States shipments 1232. Wisconsin bulk round whites, No. 1, $1.05@1.15 cwt; ditto sacked, $1@1.15 cwt.; Minnesota sacked Red Rivers, $1.05@1.15 cwt.; Minnesota bulk Red Rivers, 90c@$1 cwt.; Minnesota bulk Early Ohios, sandland No. 1, 85@95c cwt. Minnesota sacked round whites, No. 1, 90c@$1.10 cwt.; North Dakota bulk Red River Ohios, 85c@$1 cwt. Idaho sacked russets, $1.25@1.35 cwt.; Idaho sacked russets, $1.40 cwt.

Chicago Dairy Produce.

CHICAGO, Oct. 12.—Butter, unchanged. Eggs—Unchanged; receipts, 4681 cases.

London Financial Market.

LONDON, Oct. 12.—Bar silver, 34⅝d per ounce. Money, 1½ per cent. Discount rates, short bills, 2⅛@2¼ per cent; three months' bills, 2 7-16@2½ per cent.

Sugar Market.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 12.—California-Hawaiian raw sugar, 5.40c.

TRACTION LINE SUBMITS

Good Roads and Motor Busses Force Bankruptcy Action.

(By Chicago Tribune Leased Wire.)

CHICAGO, Oct. 12.—Good roads and motor buses connecting Chicago and smaller cities have forced another traction line to file suit in bankruptcy. Bill for a receiver and $1,350,000 mortgage foreclosure was filed here today against the Chicago & Interurban Traction company by the First Trust & Savings bank, as trustee under the mortgage.

The bill states that the action was taken on the request of more than one-half the bondholders. The line extends from Chicago to Kankakee, passing through Blue Island, Chicago Heights, Peotone, Manteno and Bradley.

Sheridan to Hide Ruins.

SHERIDAN, Or., Oct. 12.—(Special.)—At a meeting held last night in the city hall in this city the Sheridan Civic Improvement club voted to beautify the unsightly gulches left after the fire of 1913 on South Bridge street. Lattice work will probably be erected to conceal the depressions until new buildings are constructed.

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Good Management

It is important, when making an investment, to investigate and assure oneself that the management of the company or business is