

ENGLISH HOPS

Spots in Strong Demand at Advancing Prices.

TRADING CHIEFLY IN OLDS

Immense Block That Accumulated During War Is Also Being Shipped Across.

Another boom of respectable proportions has struck the hop market. English buyers have come in strong for spot hops, especially the older growths, and appear disposed to clean up the supply. The amount of business doing is only limited by the extent of the offerings. Prices have naturally responded to the demand.

There is also some inquiry from the east, which was hardly to be expected. Whether the eastern trade is figuring on near-basis consumption or inclined to speculate is not clear. The actual buying, however, is for London account.

The big block of English-owned hops that accumulated in this country during the war is beginning to move to its ultimate destination. Strauss, Bird and Wigan & Richardson have secured steamer space for their holdings, amounting to thousands of bales, and the movement of the hops is accompanied by the buying of more.

Most of the several hundred bales purchased in Oregon during the war were of the 1916 crop, for which the ruling price was 18 cents. For 1917, 30 cents was paid, as against some business at 27 1/2 cents earlier in the week. Not many hops of last year's growth are available.

A good English demand for one-year contracts has sprung up with buyers offering 35 cents for the growing crop. There is not so much interest right now in term contracts and the old quotations of 30, 25 and 25 cents are reported.

The crop in Oregon is doing exceedingly well. The growth is slow, as might be expected with the cool weather, but the vines are sturdy. Old-time hop men say Oregon will this year have the biggest yield per acre ever known.

LOCAL STOCKS OF BUTTER GROWING

Tone at Close of Week Is Steadier Than During Preceding Days.

The butter market was quiet at the close of the week, but the undertone was steady to firm. Extras sold up to 22 cents with the bulk of sales at 19.50 to 20 cents. Local and outside demand showed improvement. Dealers continue to hold, while stocks accumulate. Street stocks yesterday were 22 1/2 cents and 351 boxes, against 18 1/2 cents and 304 boxes at the opening of the week. Receipts on Friday were 5788 pounds. Receipts on Friday were:

	Pounds
California	2,100
Oregon	2,100
Washington	1,843
Total	13,389

The weekly review of Pacific coast trade, issued by the Bureau of Markets, says:

"Limited trading in butter market, with a feeling of decline of 7 cents at Portland and about 5 cents at Seattle. Trading here, however, was steady to firm. Receipts during the first four days of this week were 5788 pounds. It was felt necessary for several reasons and was in line with the market declines noted in outside markets. On Friday, for example, the San Francisco market, especially, showed much firmness and was followed by an advance of 1/2 cent to 19.50 cents. Dealers here, however, continued all throughout the week and with increase of storage holdings and stocks on hand, dealers are not pressing little satisfaction or confidence in the late advances and feel that they are necessary of a temporary nature. Receipts at San Francisco for the week ending Friday amounted to 719,348 pounds, compared with 719,348 pounds during the previous week. Storage holdings at the two weeks, compared with 276,870 pounds during the previous week, Seattle holdings show an increase of 140,313 pounds this week.

COAST WHEAT HARVEST IS BEGUN

Operations Are Becoming General in Southwestern District.

Crop and weather conditions in the coast states are reported by the weather bureau as follows:

California—Wheat harvest becoming general in the southwest. Second cutting of alfalfa progressing.

Utah—Comparatively heavy precipitation benefited dry wheat, oats, barley and rye, which had shown considerable depreciation due to drought.

Nevada—Grain and alfalfa benefited by moisture. Heavy rains over most of the state, followed by cooler weather.

Idaho—Unusually warm weather in early part of week, followed by heavy frosts, causing considerable damage to corn and alfalfa. First cutting of alfalfa begun in Boise valley. Wheat needs rain in dryland districts.

Washington—First half of week warm and favorable for crop growth; last half cool, windy with local thunderstorms. Good rains needed soon for wheat and alfalfa, which is now heading. Present condition of most wheat is excellent in stand and color. Corn planting well along; oats in stand and color.

California—Warm northerly winds last few days dried soil and rapidly advanced growth. Grain somewhat stunted and heavy. Rain needed, but small amount of rain has been received in San Joaquin valley. Corn growing well.

COAST AND EASTERN DAIRY PRODUCE

Butter Market Conditions at Leading Distributing Points.

San Francisco and eastern dairy produce reports received by wire by the Portland office of the bureau of markets yesterday follow:

Chicago—Market steady, with much better grading with prices 1 cent lower. Selling prices showed considerable range today, especially on 88, 90 and 91-point butters. Dealers complain considerably about fluctuating market, which is largely speculative. Several cars centralized here but no sale. Reported up to 1 1/2 cents was bid on the board this morning, and a number of sales yesterday afternoon at 3 1/2 cents.

New York—A further advance of half cent in the market followed by less activity. Market somewhat staid and heavy. Receipts moderate with heavy increase in storage holdings of about 13,000 tubs. Dealership noticed in street stocks.

Philadelphia—Market steady, demand light, supply heavy, offerings liberal. San Francisco—The market opened firm, but showed considerable weakness due to liberal offerings of a few dealers. The market is unsettled and prices varied considerably with different dealers, although there is much sentiment in favor of lower prices. Receipts are heavy this week.

Firster Feeling in Egg Market.

There was a somewhat firmer feeling in the egg market at the close of the week with higher receipts and a reduction in street stocks. A 40-cent buying price was put out for the opening of the coming week. Jobbing quotations were unchanged. Storage

PULP STEERS ON MARKET

PREMIUM OF 75 CENTS OVER RULING PRICE PAID.

Three Loads Brought in From Burley, Idaho—Trade Quiet in Other Lines.

The feature of trading at the stockyards yesterday was the sale of three loads of pulp steers from Burley, Idaho, at \$12.75, or a premium of 75 cents over the ruling price paid.

Eleven loads of stock all told came in, but aside from the sale mentioned, not much business was reported. The market in general was steady for all classes of stock.

Receipts were 124 cattle, 10 calves, 204 hogs and 238 sheep.

The day's sales were as follows:

	Wt. Price	Wt. Price
24 steers, 1210-1215	1 calf., 140	140.00
24 steers, 1215-1220	1 calf., 140	140.00
24 steers, 1220-1225	1 calf., 140	140.00
24 steers, 1225-1230	1 calf., 140	140.00
24 steers, 1230-1235	1 calf., 140	140.00
24 steers, 1235-1240	1 calf., 140	140.00
24 steers, 1240-1245	1 calf., 140	140.00
24 steers, 1245-1250	1 calf., 140	140.00
24 steers, 1250-1255	1 calf., 140	140.00
24 steers, 1255-1260	1 calf., 140	140.00
24 steers, 1260-1265	1 calf., 140	140.00
24 steers, 1265-1270	1 calf., 140	140.00
24 steers, 1270-1275	1 calf., 140	140.00
24 steers, 1275-1280	1 calf., 140	140.00
24 steers, 1280-1285	1 calf., 140	140.00
24 steers, 1285-1290	1 calf., 140	140.00
24 steers, 1290-1295	1 calf., 140	140.00
24 steers, 1295-1300	1 calf., 140	140.00
24 steers, 1300-1305	1 calf., 140	140.00
24 steers, 1305-1310	1 calf., 140	140.00
24 steers, 1310-1315	1 calf., 140	140.00
24 steers, 1315-1320	1 calf., 140	140.00
24 steers, 1320-1325	1 calf., 140	140.00
24 steers, 1325-1330	1 calf., 140	140.00
24 steers, 1330-1335	1 calf., 140	140.00
24 steers, 1335-1340	1 calf., 140	140.00
24 steers, 1340-1345	1 calf., 140	140.00
24 steers, 1345-1350	1 calf., 140	140.00
24 steers, 1350-1355	1 calf., 140	140.00
24 steers, 1355-1360	1 calf., 140	140.00
24 steers, 1360-1365	1 calf., 140	140.00
24 steers, 1365-1370	1 calf., 140	140.00
24 steers, 1370-1375	1 calf., 140	140.00
24 steers, 1375-1380	1 calf., 140	140.00
24 steers, 1380-1385	1 calf., 140	140.00
24 steers, 1385-1390	1 calf., 140	140.00
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24 steers, 1485-1490	1 calf., 140	140.00
24 steers, 1490-1495	1 calf., 140	140.00
24 steers, 1495-1500	1 calf., 140	140.00

Best steers, 1210-1215, 1 calf., 140.00

Good to choice steers, 1215-1220, 1 calf., 140.00

Medium to choice steers, 1220-1225, 1 calf., 140.00

Common to fair steers, 1225-1230, 1 calf., 140.00

Good to choice cows, 1230-1235, 1 calf., 140.00

Medium to choice cows, 1235-1240, 1 calf., 140.00

Fair to medium cows, 1240-1245, 1 calf., 140.00

Yielders, 1245-1250, 1 calf., 140.00

Wethers, 1250-1255, 1 calf., 140.00

Ewes, 1255-1260, 1 calf., 140.00

Stockers and feeders, 1260-1265, 1 calf., 140.00

Hogs, 1265-1270, 1 calf., 140.00

Pigs, 1270-1275, 1 calf., 140.00

Prime spring lambs, 1275-1280, 1 calf., 140.00

Medium to choice lambs, 1280-1285, 1 calf., 140.00

Yielders, 1285-1290, 1 calf., 140.00

Wethers, 1290-1295, 1 calf., 140.00

Ewes, 1295-1300, 1 calf., 140.00

Stockers and feeders, 1300-1305, 1 calf., 140.00

Hogs, 1305-1310, 1 calf., 140.00

Pigs, 1310-1315, 1 calf., 140.00

Prime spring lambs, 1315-1320, 1 calf., 140.00

Medium to choice lambs, 1320-1325, 1 calf., 140.00

Yielders, 1325-1330, 1 calf., 140.00

Wethers, 1330-1335, 1 calf., 140.00

Ewes, 1335-1340, 1 calf., 140.00

Stockers and feeders, 1340-1345, 1 calf., 140.00

Hogs, 1345-1350, 1 calf., 140.00

Pigs, 1350-1355, 1 calf., 140.00

Prime spring lambs, 1355-1360, 1 calf., 140.00

Medium to choice lambs, 1360-1365, 1 calf., 140.00

Yielders, 1365-1370, 1 calf., 140.00

Wethers, 1370-1375, 1 calf., 140.00

Ewes, 1375-1380, 1 calf., 140.00

Stockers and feeders, 1380-1385, 1 calf., 140.00

Hogs, 1385-1390, 1 calf., 140.00

Pigs, 1390-1395, 1 calf., 140.00

Prime spring lambs, 1395-1400, 1 calf., 140.00

Medium to choice lambs, 1400-1405, 1 calf., 140.00

Yielders, 1405-1410, 1 calf., 140.00

Wethers, 1410-1415, 1 calf., 140.00

Ewes, 1415-1420, 1 calf., 140.00

Stockers and feeders, 1420-1425, 1 calf., 140.00

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Medium to choice lambs, 1480-1485, 1 calf., 140.00

Yielders, 1485-1490, 1 calf., 140.00

Wethers, 1490-1495, 1 calf., 140.00

Ewes, 1495-1500, 1 calf., 140.00

Stockers and feeders, 1500-1505, 1 calf., 140.00

Hogs, 1505-1510, 1 calf., 140.00

Pigs, 1510-1515, 1 calf., 140.00

Prime spring lambs, 1515-1520, 1 calf., 140.00

Medium to choice lambs, 1520-1525, 1 calf., 140.00

Yielders, 1525-1530, 1 calf., 140.00

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Hogs, 1545-1550, 1 calf., 140.00

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Prime spring lambs, 1555-1560, 1 calf., 140.00

Medium to choice lambs, 1560-1565, 1 calf., 140.00

Yielders, 1565-1570, 1 calf., 140.00

Wethers, 1570-1575, 1 calf., 140.00

Ewes, 1575-1580, 1 calf., 140.00

Stockers and feeders, 1580-1585, 1 calf., 140.00

Hogs, 1585-1590, 1 calf., 140.00

Pigs, 1590-1595, 1 calf., 140.00

Prime spring lambs, 1595-1600, 1 calf., 140.00

Medium to choice lambs, 1600-1605, 1 calf., 140.00

Yielders, 1605-1610, 1 calf., 140.00

SALES BEAR CORN DOWN

LIQUIDATION OF LINES OVER MAXIMUM LIMIT.

Oats Are Unsettled in Spite of Improvement in Domestic Demand.

Pork Is Weak.

CHICAGO, June 7.—Weakness prevailed most of the day, owing largely to liquidation of lines that had been accumulated since the close of the week. The close was unsettled at a range varying from 10 to 15 cents below the previous day's closing.

Changes in the value of provisions appeared in the market. Corn was in particular demand, but sales necessary to continue the liquidation of lines. Oats were settled in the main by the action of corn. Some improvement of domestic demand was noted.

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