

POBBER PRICE ON POTATOES MOVES TO \$2.50 CENTAL

Advance of 25c Quoted on Account of Scarcity; It Now Costs \$2.10 to Land Supplies From East.

In potato markets. Portland-Jobbing price, best \$2.25 @ 2.50, ordinary, 2.10 @ 2.25; buying price \$1.90 @ 2.00 per cental.

Market for potatoes is extremely firm. All outside influence is bullish and this therefore has a direct effect upon price making here.

CHICKEN MARKET SLUGGISH

Trade Is Well Supplied and Prices Not Favorable.

Chicken market is sluggish along front street and 2nd is now the extreme top for fancy coops of live birds.

ORANGES COME FORWARD

Four Loads Received; Navel Season Is Ending in South.

Four cars of oranges came forward today in good condition. Sales are being made at higher prices.

ONIONS AT LOW PRICE

Texas Advice Says They Are About Down to Bedrock There.

A private message received this morning by L. S. Martin states that the price of onions is believed to be at the bottom in the Laredo, Texas, district.

EASTERN SUGAR HIGHER

Fancy Pack Is Quoted at Advance of 30c Per Hundred Pounds.

An advance of 30c per 100 pounds is being quoted in the price of Crystal Domino sugar of eastern manufacture.

FINE BENS ARE OFFERING

Apples From Mosler in Fine Shape; Price Is Quoted Higher.

Some extra fancy Ben Davis apples were offering from the Mosler district this morning among the best seen on the street recently and was quoted generally at \$1.65.

HEAVY HOGS ARE WEAK

Big Swine Come Too Freely to Front Street Recently.

On account of the very large run of heavy dressed hogs in the front street trade recently the market is weaker at the lower prices.

FORECAST FOR SHIPPERS

The U. S. Weather Bureau Sends Out Notice to Produce Men.

Weather bureau sends the following forecast to shippers: Protect shipments as far north as Seattle against temperatures about 42 degrees; northeast to Spokane, 34 degrees; southeast to Boise, 34 degrees; south to St. Louis, 28 degrees; lowest temperatures at Portland tonight, about 44 degrees.

LINSEED OIL HIGHER

Advance of 3c a Gallon Quoted in the Local Market Today.

RAW FISH ADVANCE TO BOOST CANNED

Packed Salmon Will Probably Open at \$1.90 for Columbia River Talls.

Owing to the advance of 1c a pound asked for raw fish by Columbia river salmon interests for the coming season, canners now expect that the price of packed fish will be moved higher in proportion.

Price of potatoes along front street has reached the highest value in many years. Sales were made during the past 24 hours as high as \$2.50 per cental or 2c above the previous high.

STEEL AND U. P. ARE DISTURBERS

New York, April 20.—There was considerable strength in Missouri Pacific in the early trading today, but weakness in U. P. and steel stocks caused the market to lose all but a fraction at the closing.

Union Pacific and U. S. Steel common were the weak feature, and selling of these unsettled the entire list.

American stocks were irregular in the London market today. No change in the London market, but a loaning rate of the Bank of England.

ducks, 22 @ 23c; turkeys, alive, 24c; dressed, 27 1/2c; pigeons, 12c; dozen, 1.25; local extras, 15c; case, common, 17c @ 18c.

CHEESE—New Oregon fancy full cream, triplets and singles, 15 @ 15 1/2c; Young America, 14 @ 14 1/2c; storage, 12 1/2 @ 13 1/2c.

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.—Best, 22 @ 25c; second, 18 @ 20c; common, 14 @ 16c. Buying, carloads—Select, \$1.90 @ 2.00; ordinary, \$1.75 @ 1.85.

FRESH BEEF—Wholesale slaughterers price. Best steers, 10 @ 10 1/2c; ordinary, 9 1/2 @ 10c; best cows, 9 @ 9 1/2c; ordinary, 8 1/2 @ 9c.

FRESH MEATS—Front street hog, fancy, 10 1/2c per lb.; ordinary, 10c; heavy, 8 @ 8c; veal, extra, 11 1/2c; ordinary, 11c; pork, 10 1/2c @ 11c; spring lamb, 10 1/2c; mutton, 8c; goats, 7 1/2c; leaf, 6 1/2c.

LARD—Kettle leaf, tierces, 12 1/2c; steam, tierces, 11 1/2c; per lb., 11c; compound, tierces, 5 1/2c per lb.

HAMS, BACON, ETC.—Hams, 14 1/2 @ 15 1/2c; breakfast bacon, 12 @ 12 1/2c; ham, 22 @ 23c; butters, 12 1/2c; cottage, 15c; regular short cures, smoked, 14 1/2c; backs, smoked, 15c; pickled tongue, 16c; per lb.

NOMINAL—Rock cod, 10c per lb.; flounders, 6c; halibut, 8 @ 8c; striped bass, 5c; catfish, 12 @ 13 1/2c; salmon, 12 @ 13c; trout, 8c; salmon, 7c per lb.; shrimps, 12 1/2c; perch, 7 @ 8c; tomcod, 8c; lobsters, 25c; herrings, 6c; black bass, 20c; sturgeon, 1 1/2c; Columbia smelt, 1 1/2c; silver smelt, 8c; black cod, 7 1/2c; small, 8c; large, 1 1/2 @ 1 1/2c; medium, 1 1/2 @ 1 1/2c; California dressed shad, 7c; roe shad, 10c.

OYSTERS—Shoalwater bay, per gallon, 10c; per 100 lb. sack, 55c; Olympia, per gallon, 12 1/2c; per 100 lb. sack, 11 1/2c; canned eastern, 55c can, \$6.50; eastern in shell, 11 1/2 @ 12 per 100.

CLAMS—Hardshell, per 100 lb. sack, 12c; razor clams, 12 1/2c dozen, 12 1/2c per box.

WOOL AND HIDES.—1911 crop, 17c; nominal; 1910 crop, choice, 15c; to choice, 14 1/2 @ 15c; prime, 11c; medium, 10 1/2 @ 11c; 1909 growths, 17 1/2 @ 18c.

TALLOW—Prime, per lb. 5c; No. 2 and grade, 2 @ 2 1/2c.

WOOL—Nominal, 1910, Willamette valley, 16 @ 17c; eastern Oregon, 12 @ 13 1/2c.

CHITTIM SAIK—1909, nominal, 5c, 1910, 1c.

SHEEPSKINS—Shoaring, 10 @ 25c each; short wool, 25 @ 50c; medium wool, 60c @ 1.00 each; long wool, 75c @ 1.25.

HIDES—Dry hides, 15 @ 16 1/2c; green, 6 1/2 @ 7c; bulls, green, salt, 1c; kips, 1 1/2 @ 1 1/2c; calves, green, 12 @ 13c per lb.

MOHAIR—Nominal, 1911, 3 1/2c.

HOGS DOWN TODAY WITH CATTLE ALSO IN WEAK POSITION

Swine Down a Quarter All Around; Good Steers Are Not What Buyers Want to Pay for.

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