

STEAM POTATOES TO GET RID OF THE IMPORTED BUGS State Product Now Expected to Be Smallest for Many a Year—Sap Sour.

That Oregon will not produce over 100,000 tons of potatoes this year is now predicted by many of the representative dealers and growers.

The season is advanced sufficient to note the damage done by the potato beetle and the potato bug.

Portland Wholesale Market. Eggs firm. Chickens weaker. Lemons higher. Strawberries lower.

Carload From Lone Star State Is Cooked by Fruit Inspector Who Does Not Want to Take Chances.

Steamed potatoes free for the asking were offered to the public today when Fruit Inspector Stansberry cooked an entire carload of Texas tubers that were infected with bugs.

Thereafter a hole was bored in the car and a pipe connected with the steam turned into the potatoes. This process continued for an hour or more when no further fear of damage by the bugs in that particular car was feared.

To date only one carload of potatoes from Texas has been condemned here, although two have been found to contain the dreaded potato bug.

Two carloads came forward from Texas this morning. The stock was packed in bushel hampers, which makes the handling much more convenient to the retail trade.

TEXAS ONIONS ARRIVE Car of Crystal Wax Comes From Lone Star State Today.

NEW CROP HAY TO BE OFFERED HERE IN A SHORT TIME Crop Being Cut in the Interior and Outlook Is for Bumper Production in Nearly All Sections.

World's Wheat Market. Portland—Club, 86¢@87c; blue-stem, 84¢@85c.

New crop alfalfa hay will be offered to the trade within the next 10 days. Cutting of the new crop has started at various points in the interior.

CHICAGO MARKET HIGHER Advance of 1 1/2c Is Forced in May at Close Today.

Chicago, May 31.—May option went out with flying colors today closing at 110.4c, or an advance of 1 1/2c above the previous closing.

OMAHA MARKET WEAK Hogs and Lambs Are Lower; Other Lines Poor.

Strawberries Are Developing. Puyallup, Wash., May 31.—The strawberry crop is developing very fast.

White Salmon Berries High. While Salmon, Wash., May 31.—The first crop of berries sent out of the Fruit Growers' union of this place sold for \$8 and \$8.

BERRY OFFERINGS ARE MUCH HEAVIER SUPPLIES ALONG FRONT STREET TODAY DOUBLE ANY OTHER PERIOD OF SEASON.

Fully double the amount of strawberries came to the Portland market today of any day this season.

TOBACCO DROPS 26 POINTS ON CHANGE New York, May 31.—After a very stiff opening, the stock market showed a wonderful decline all through the list.

Range of New York prices furnished by Overbeck & Cooke Co.

Green Berries Hurt. Milton, Or., May 31.—Letters have been received by Manager H. J. Lamb of the union and by S. S. Shields of the Shields Fruit company from Spokane and Idaho commission houses.

Wild Berries Ripen. Eugene, Or., May 31.—Those who know as there are plenty of wild strawberries and they are ripening up in good shops.

CATTLE MARKET IN BIG SLUMP TODAY PRICES GO BACK Drop of at Least 50c Is Considered General by Sellers Who Try to Hold Out—Grass Season Well On.

In the Stockyards. Hogs—Nominal; lot sells at \$6.75 for top.

PORTLAND LIVESTOCK RUM Hogs, Cattle, Calves, Sheep.

Those that had cattle to sell on today's market at North Portland were completely at the mercy of buyers and quite many were prices lowered in consequence.

General range of cattle: Best steers \$6.00, Ordinary grain steers \$5.00, Ordinary cows \$4.00.

Only a handful of swine came into the Portland market today and therefore regular prices were not fully tested.

Sheep Market Is Easier. An easier feeling prevails throughout the sheep and lamb trade here, although extra select quality is still desired.

Today's run of livestock compares with this day in recent years as follows: Hogs, Cattle, Sheep.

SEYMOUR'S TRIAL HELD UP BY COURT Writ of Prohibition Is Issued Against Board of Police Commissioners.

(United Press Leased Wire.) San Francisco, May 31.—The trial of Chief of Police John F. Seymour on charges of conduct unbecoming an officer of the police department and incompetency was scheduled for today before the board of police commissioners.

STRAWBERRY CROP Albany Prunes Ripe. Albany, Or., May 31.—There is a good crop of home berries and they will soon crowd the market.

Wild Berries in Kettle Valley. Grand Forks, B. C., May 31.—Wild strawberries are being picked in the Kettle valley this week.

Lebanon Berry Association. Lebanon, Or., May 31.—The members of the Lebanon Fruitgrowers' association gathered in mass at the city hall Saturday afternoon to look after business matters and listen to the proposition of E. L. Jewett of Portland.

Journal Want Ads bring results.

ATTORNEY'S FEES ARE UP MONEY HE STOLE (United Press Leased Wire.) Los Angeles, May 31.—When the trial of attorney Fred H. Thompson, charged with having received stolen money, was resumed today, Orlando Altorre, the postoffice clerk, who was pardoned by President Taft after being convicted of perjury and embezzlement of \$18,000 again took the stand.

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