

ALASKA FISHING SEASON HAS BEGUN PRICE IS NAMED

Opening Figures to Be Held Back to See Extent of Paok in North This Year; Market Very Firm.

- Wholesale Market. Eggs weaker. Chickens dull. Apples in demand. Potatoes steady. Strawberries higher. Lemons higher. Cantaloupes lower. Wheat market firm. Wool fairly active.

Fishing operations have started in southwestern Alaska, according to announcements made earlier in the season. While no reports have been received from the north regarding packing operations at the start, the tonnage made by hook and line fishing would indicate a rather good run.

There continues much speculation among the salmon trade regarding the probable opening of prices for Alaska salmon this season. While the run in Alaska and the probable price will have no effect upon the Columbia river fish, still all interests are anxious that prices be uniform.

At the present time it is generally understood that Alaska canned salmon will open 10c a dozen above last year's figures. This would make the following prices:

While last year's prices were \$1.25, \$1.25 and \$1.00, respectively for red, medium and pink, still there was a sharp advance after initial sales were made, and most lines soon sold from \$1.25 to \$1.50 above the best figures.

While it is generally understood that the Alaska price will open this year at the same advance, it is not likely that formal opening values will be made for some time. A big run would have a tendency to depress the views of packers, because Alaska canned fish depends for its trade upon its ability to sell for less than the stocks of other sections.

The Alaska fishing industry enters more to the cheaper priced packers and for that reason prices cut much consideration. While Columbia river packers can name almost any price they choose and get away with it, because of the well known reputation of their product, and heavy demand for it at the price and demand more carefully.

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CABBAGE RESPECTS AS BEST YEARS

Excellent Growing Weather and Larger Acreage Expected to Aid.

The cabbage crop prospect of western Oregon this season promises to be the greatest ever gathered. Some early sales have already gone forth to the market, but shipping will not become general before the early days of July.

At the present time cabbage supplies are scarce. High prices are ruling in California as the result of the great outside demand and local figures are the greatest in years for this period. Dealers are not ordering heavily in anticipation of an early run of local stock.

While there is a firm tone in the wheat trade, the market remains extremely quiet. There is no change in quotations. Buyers are still bidding from 97c to 98c a bushel for bluestem, basis truck delivery.

Four market remains firm for patent with no change in price. Orient is offering \$3.50 for export but cannot get it within 50c of this price.

There was only a slight change in the price of local stock today and tops were sold at \$6.85 to \$6.90, although one lot of 40 head that averaged 175 pounds was ticked under this price.

At Chicago there was a steady tone in the hog trade with tops at 26.25. At South Omaha hogs were a dime with tops at 26 which means 17.50 to land at Portland or other Pacific Northwest centers.

Nominal swine values at North Portland: Best blockers \$6.85 to \$6.90; Medium light \$6.80 to \$6.85; Heavy \$6.75 to \$6.80; Rough packers \$6.60 to \$6.65; Feeders \$7.00 to \$7.25.

Cattle market was steady at North Portland today. There were only limited offerings, a total of 65 head being received, compared with 35 head Friday.

Yesterday's decline of 15c to 20c in the cattle market has left the packers in a position where only small shipments can be expected. With cattle selling at good prices in the big California markets, it is felt that that state are no longer coming to this section unless prices are guaranteed.

Recent shippers from Oregon have had to lose considerable money on their supplies and as there remains a market about as high as Portland, at San Francisco and Los Angeles, freight charges to those points form a discrimination against shipments to Portland.

A year ago at this time California was freely offering cattle to the Portland trade at our own prices, but this season, while the local market is higher than then, a greater improvement has been made in country point values. The same seems to be true of Idaho and other nearby points.

At Chicago today there was a strong tone in the cattle market with a change in prices. At South Omaha the trade was steady, with steers at \$5.85 to \$6.10 and cows at \$4.50 to \$4.75.

Cattle values at North Portland are: Best steers \$8.00 to \$8.15; Fancy grain steers \$8.00; Ordinary steers \$7.75 to \$7.90; Best grass steers \$8.00; Best cows \$7.50 to \$7.65; Medium cows \$7.40 to \$7.55; Ordinary cows \$7.25 to \$7.40; Poor to fair cows \$7.00 to \$7.15; Best bulls \$4.50; Fancy bulls \$4.75 to \$4.90; Ordinary bulls \$4.75 to \$4.90.

Best light \$7.00; Ordinary \$6.85; Poor \$6.60. Sheep holding steady. The recent weakness in the price of lambs continues, but there remains a rather steady tone in the sheep trade generally and prices as a rule are showing no change from Friday. There was a rather liberal offering of sheep and lambs in the North Portland yards today, a total of 873 head being received, compared with 224 head on this same day last week.

At Chicago the sheep trade was steady with prices unchanged. The Oregon trade was steady for sheep and lambs, with yearlings \$4.50 to \$5.00; wethers, \$3.75 to \$4.00; lambs, \$6.50 to \$7.00, and ewes \$3.50 to \$4.00.

Sheep and lamb prices at North Portland today: Best sheep \$4.25; Wethers \$4.00 to \$4.15; Ewes \$3.90 to \$4.05; Lambs \$3.80 to \$3.95. Among the shippers. Cattle-The Dalles Dressed Meat Company, The Dalles, Or., one load. Hannon, Roseburg, one load. Hogs-Henline & Ohlinger, Nebraska, nine loads; C. A. Day, Lewiston, Idaho, one load.

Sheep and lambs-L. V. Moore, Moro, Or., two loads; Russell Shepard, Grand Dalles, Wash., one load; E. L. Hannon, Roseburg, Or., two loads. Mixed stuff-C. L. Salk, Halsey, Or., one load cattle, hogs and sheep. Horses-E. Thompson, Madras, Or., one load.

Today's run of livestock compares with this day in recent years as follows: Hogs, Cattle, Sheep. 1911..... 955 86 853 1910..... 1248 120 1202 1909..... 870 80 890 1908..... 195 127 1907..... 45 78 1906..... 45 78

A year ago today there was a steady tone in all lines of livestock with no change in prices. Today's Official Business. Following are the official representative sales for Friday at North Portland: COWS. 9 cows..... Ave. Wgt. Price. 25 cows..... 925 5.00 1 cow..... 960 4.00

1 bull..... 1200 44.25 88 hogs..... 177 44.90 8 hogs..... 375 6.85 1 hog..... 335 6.00 1 hog..... 400 6.00 224 sheep..... 52 28.50

STRAWBERRY SUPPLY

Berry Season Closing. Springbrook, Or., June 14.—Shipments of strawberries from this city are decreasing and the season will soon come to an end. The crop this year was about 50 per cent of what it should have been.

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Strawberry market was up 25c a crate in the front street market today, and on the Farmers' market a further advance was forced. On the latter trade strawberries sold as high as \$1.90 per crate this morning on account of the few crates offered for sale on Front street sales were from \$1.75 to \$2, but mostly at the higher price for good berries.

Arrivals of strawberries today showed a decrease from all sections this morning. Clarke and Wilsons of quality were quickly picked up at \$2 per crate. In some instances Gold Dollars of quality sold at the higher figure today, but the general price was around \$1.75 to \$1.85.

Strawberry growers interviewed today stated that they were about through shipping, and only nominal supplies can therefore be expected from this time forth. Owing to the excellent market in the central west, the Columbia River districts are not shipping any great quantity of berries to the local market, and in time, Canada berries are being sent forth daily from Hood River and White Salmon to eastern points.

Wheat Pit Bears AFRAID TO SELL SHORT. Chicago, June 16.—Wheat closed unchanged to 1/4c higher than yesterday. The market opened rather quiet, but changed to be lower, with September the only lower. Pit bears acted a little timid about selling except on bulged.

St. Louis advice told of the arrival of a car of new wheat from Charleston, Mo., that graded No. 2 red. The quality was said to be very good, the grain being dry and clean.

Shipments wheat in bushels: This Week. Year Ago. Australia..... 763,000 904,000 India..... 1,600,000 904,000 Argentina..... 1,236,000 726,000

Cash wheat: No. 2 red 87 1/2 @ 88; No. 2 hard 86 1/2 @ 87; No. 1 hard 86 1/2 @ 87; No. 1 northern spring 84 1/2 @ 85; No. 2 northern spring 82 1/2 @ 83; No. 3 northern spring 82 1/2 @ 83; No. 3 northern spring 82 1/2 @ 83.

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SEATTLE PRODUCE PRICES FOR TODAY. Seattle, Wash., June 16.—Butter—Washington creamery, 14c; eastern fresh, 22c; local ranch, 25c to 26c; eastern fresh, 21c to 22c; Oregon, 22c to 24c.

Cheese—Tillamook twins, 14c to 15c; Tillamook Young America, 15c to 16c; Wisconsin twins, 14c to 15c; Washington Young America, 15c to 16c; Oregon, 15c to 16c; Ontario-Australian, \$9.00 to \$4.00 per box; yellow, \$3.00 per box; red, \$2.75 per sack.

OMAHA HOGS HIGHER. Market is Up a Dime, at 6c; Other Lines Are Steady. South Omaha, June 16.—Cattle, 11,000; market steady. Steers, \$6.85 to \$6.10; cows and heifers, \$4.50 to \$5.00.

Hogs—Receipts, 6,000; market 8c to 10c higher. \$5.00 to \$6.00. Sheep—Receipts, 1,000; market steady; yearlings, \$4.00 to \$5.00; wethers, \$3.75 to \$4.00; lambs, \$5.50 to \$7.00; ewes, \$3.50 to \$4.00.

CHICAGO CATTLE STRONG. Market in Good Shape With a Run of 1000 Head for the Day. Chicago, June 16.—Hogs, 15,000; cattle, 1,000; sheep, 800. Market 8c to 10c higher. \$5.00 to \$6.00.

NORTHWEST BANK STATEMENT. Portland Banks. Clearings today..... \$1,957,578.90 Year ago..... 1,847,140.89

Gain today..... \$ 210,485.41 Balances today..... 192,010.82 Year ago..... 255,708.73

Seattle Banks. Clearings today..... \$1,957,498.96 Balances today..... 192,744.00

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WANTED VEAL VEAL 115 pounds, 11c or better. Poor, heavy and off grade stock accordingly. HOGS Fancy 65c to 125 pounds, 10c to 14c. Poor and heavy stock 10c to 12c.

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