

STRAWBERRY PRICE IS AT LOWEST RECORD IN THE PORTLAND TRADE

Sales of Good Fruit Made as Low as
80 Cents a Crate of 24 Pounds;
Growers Losing Money on Every
Crate Sent to Market.

23 CENTS IS OFFERED FOR HOP CONTRACTS; GROWERS STILL HOLD

Talk of 21 Cents Considered Absurd
in the Face of Advancing Price
Abroad and Receipts of Additional
Orders From There.

TRADE IS OVERFILLED WITH CANNED SALMON OF CHEAPER GRADES

Wholesalers as Well as Retailers
Have Much Stock Carried Over
From 1911 Pack; Columbia Falls
to Show a Shortage.

CATTLE PRICES LOWER ONCE MORE WITH NO STOCK OFFERING HERE

No Supplies Come Forward, but \$7
Is Extreme Top and General Run
of Tops Would Not Bring Above
\$6.85 or \$6.90.

WILLAMETTE VALLEY WOOL VERY SCARCE; MOST HAS BEEN SOLD

Little Remains and Dealers Are Pick-
ing This Up at Firm Prices; Ex-
cellent Values Obtained in Inter-
ior; Boston Quotations Higher.

from points north of Madras, on their
way to the summer range in the Cascade mountains. A total of 35,000 will
be brought in by rail, most of them being
driven down from the Gorge and Ante-
lope country to points on the Oregon
Trunk and Deschutes roads, instead of
being driven the long distance through
barren lanes, as was necessary before the
building of the Deschutes valley
railroads.

HIGH COST OF LIVING IS TOPIC EVERYWHERE

The all absorbing topic of conversa-
tion in the eastern states is the "High
cost of living," according to City Health
Officer C. H. Wheeler, who returned
today from a visit to the east.

"Everywhere I went," said Dr. Whee-
ler, "the problem of how to make a slow
rising price scale keep up with the
values of necessities of life seemed to be foremost in the minds of
the populace. Great as was the interest
in the Republican national convention
it was of secondary importance to the
'high cost' proposition."

"Chicago, Cincinnati, Buffalo, New
York, Milwaukee, St. Paul were
the principal cities visited, and in none
of these did I find health conditions
as good as they are in Portland.
In spite of the fact that the health
departments of each of these cities have
from three to five times as many em-
ployees in proportion to the population
that Portland has.

"I paid particular attention to the
manner in which these cities dispose
of their garbage and in none of them did I find a refuse incinerator the
equal of the one we have here. I be-
lieve the local burner is in a class by
itself. In most of the large cities of
the east, though, reducing plants take
care of the garbage. Cleveland has a
reduction plant that pays for the cost
of operation, pays interest on an in-
vestment of \$100,000 and helps to pay
the cost of collecting the garbage. The
principal output of the plant is fertilizer,
which finds a ready market in the middle west. A reduction plant would
not be a paying investment here, however, because there is practically no
market for fertilizer as yet in Oregon.
The soil is still rich enough without arti-
ficial rejuvenation being resorted to
by farmers."

ELKS TO PLAY BALL VS. PORTLAND, JUNE 30

Special to The Journal:
Vancouver, Wash., June 19.—By
agreement between the members of the
Portland Elks' baseball squad and local
Elks, the game to have been played in
Vancouver today was postponed to Sun-
day, June 30. The local Elks lodge will
give the Portlanders a run for their
money. The game will be played on the
Tri-City league grounds if arrangements
can be made.

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