

HOP GROWERS ARE HOLDING OUT FOR HIGHER PRICES

SPECULATION OF THE PUBLIC SAID TO BE CAUSE OF RISE

BETTER QUALITY IS DUE TO INSPECTION BY BIG MARKETERS

HOP GROWERS ARE NO HURRY TO SELL

EXPORT BUSINESS IN WHEAT IS RESUMED WITH PRICE HIGHER

PORTLAND REMAINS HIGHEST MARKET IN COUNTRY FOR SHINE

Much of Advance in Prices Recently Said to Be Due to Consumers Who Wanted to Get in On Good Thing; Create Heavy Demand.

That much of the recently made advance in the price of foodstuffs in the United States was due to the consumer himself, is the opinion expressed today by some of the leading wholesale business interests.

The first advances in the prices of foodstuffs printed by the various publications are charged to be responsible for most of the subsequent advances in quotations.

Wholesalers say that the average buyer, seeing that prices were moving upward, wanted to get in on a good thing himself, and the result was an extraordinary increase in the demand for himself for the market.

There was no change in the eastern sugar market situation this morning, according to reports received from there and local conditions were unchanged.

Even the price of rope has been affected by war conditions now existing in Europe.

Quite liberal supplies of California white and black figs are now coming on the local market in good condition.

Salmon supplies liberal. Quite liberal supplies of fresh salmon are coming forward from Tillamook to the local market.

Steady prices are showing in the peach trade. The bulk of the best quality supplied are being sold.

Egg market is holding steady at unchanged prices.

STEAMER T. J. POTTER leaves Portland, Ore., for Astoria, daily, except Saturday and Sunday.

STEAMER MASSALO leaves Portland daily, except Sunday, 9:00 P. M.

STEAMER HARVEST QUEEN leaves Portland daily, except Sunday, at 8:00 P. M.

STEAMER HAWK leaves Portland, Ore., for Astoria, daily, except Sunday, at 8:00 P. M.

SYDNEY 19 DAYS FROM SAN FRANCISCO

THE BIG CITY

Finest Carload of Tomatoes Ever Sent Out of Willamette Valley Reaches Portland Market; Uniform Quality Pleases Trade.

That the entrance of the North Pacific distributors into the Willamette valley means added profits to the producers of this section is now acknowledged generally by the trade.

The first of the carloads of Umpqua valley tomatoes through the distribution yesterday afternoon had an eye opener to the trade generally.

The Umpqua valley tomatoes sold here at 10c per bushel, a price which reached the local trade in such uniformly good condition.

These prices are those at which wholesalers sell to retailers, except as otherwise stated.

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Offers of 16c Are Confirmed but Reports That 16 1/2c Has Been Offered and Returned As Credited by the Trade Here.

Strenuous efforts of buyers to secure supplies of hops of the coming crop on contract are unavailing because growers are not inclined to let go.

It is stated that several dealers were freely offering 16 1/2c a pound on contracts in the Willamette valley during the last 24 hours but were unable to interest growers in their offers.

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Purchases of Club Reported as High as 85 to 85 1/2c, Tidewater Track Basis; Bluestem Goes to 93 and 93 1/2c Per Bushel Here.

WHEAT CARGOES QUIET. London, Aug. 18.—Wheat cargoes on passage quiet.

LIVERPOOL WHEAT MARKET. Liverpool, Aug. 18.—Wheat opened 1/4d lower.

PORTLAND GRAIN RECEIPTS. Monday Wheat, Barley, Flour, Oats, Hay, Tuesday, 13 1/2, 13 1/2, 13 1/2, 13 1/2.

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Tops Again Sell Here at \$9.50 While Chicago Is Down to \$9.15, Kansas City \$9.05 and Omaha \$8.90 for the Best Quality.

PORTLAND LIVESTOCK REC. Tuesday Hogs, Cattle, Calves, Sheep, Monday, 158, 201, 1, 2130.

Only one load and a very small one at that arrived in the local yards overnight. The market for swine at North Portland remains a very firm affair.

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Steamer Rates Are Under Investigation

W. D. Skinner Goes to St. Paul to Confer with Heads of Companies Operating New Steamers.

Schedules and rates that will apply on the new steamships to be operated between the Columbia river and San Francisco next year are being investigated by W. D. Skinner, traffic manager of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle river, who has gone to St. Paul to confer with the executives of the Great Northern and Northern Pacific.

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SUBURBAN NOTES

Portland Clubs Will Have Special Days at the Gresham Fair.

Dates Are Definitely Fixed. Gresham, Ore., Aug. 18.—The board of directors of the Multnomah County Fair association at its meeting here yesterday, decided upon the following dates for dinners and inspection of the fair by Portland clubs: Opening day, September 15, Rotary club; September 16, Ad. club; September 17, Progressive Business Men's club; September 18, Transportation club, and closing day, September 19, Order of Muts, with initiation of 25 members.

Vanover Marriage License. Vancouver, Wash., Aug. 18.—Marriage license was issued yesterday by the county auditor to the following persons: A. R. Young of Portland and Kenzie of Aberdeen and Della J. Churchill of Portland; William Walsh and Adele Parkhurst, both of Portland; Arthur Westenberg and Esther H. Fenton, both of Portland; H. Fenton and Mrs. Corinne Francisco, both of Portland; David L. Coyle and Mary Cohen, both of Portland.

Two Divorce Suits Filed. Oregon City, Aug. 18.—Two divorce suits were filed with the county clerk Monday, one on the charge of desertion and the other on a charge of adultery and inhuman treatment.

Wedding at Gresham. Gresham, Ore., Aug. 18.—A popular young Gresham couple, Miss Oza H. Wall and Will A. Hessel, were married at 8 o'clock Saturday evening at the home of the bridegroom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hessel, at Powell street and Wilson avenue.

Pear Shipment Made. Gresham, Ore., Aug. 18.—The first business operations of the Gresham Fruitgrowers' association were transacted yesterday when a carload of 700 boxes of Bartlett pears, 16 tons, was shipped to San Francisco.

Redmen in Session at Benson Hotel. Great Council Holds Annual "Pow-Wow" with About 100 Big Chiefs in Attendance From 30 Tribes.

The great council of the Improved Order of Red Men assembled this morning at 10 o'clock in the Benson hotel for the annual pow-wow.

Girl Falls Off Horse. Orient, Ore., Aug. 18.—Ruth, the 12-year-old daughter of J. F. Brower, an employe of the repair department of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Co., fell from a horse Saturday evening.

Back From Campmeeting. Gresham, Ore., Aug. 18.—Rev. W. R. Plummer, pastor of the Methodist church here, returned yesterday from a camp meeting at East Astoria.

Fire in Happy Hollow. Yankton, Ore., Aug. 18.—A forest fire broke out in Happy Hollow, near Yankton, Oregon, Sunday morning.

Yankton Grange Initiates. Yankton, Ore., Aug. 18.—Yankton Grange No. 301 initiated a class of new members Sunday morning.

May Lose Her Eye. Yankton, Ore., Aug. 18.—Mrs. Jennie Sobieska was thrown from her rig and severely injured about the head and face Sunday morning.

Fire on Nehalem Is Under Control

Blaze Broke Out Yesterday in Old Burn That Has Been Considered Menace; Fire in Line Practically Out.

Reports came to the Oregon Forest Fire association this morning of a new fire near Fishhawk, on the Nehalem river in Columbia county. This blaze broke out yesterday afternoon, sweeping through an old burn that has long been considered a fire menace to adjoining standing timber.

All but six men have been taken off the fire northeast of Foster in Linn county, according to the report made by Supervising Warden K. S. Mealey to the association here today.

The forest service reports that all the fires in the national reserves so far reported, with the exception of the last one, are pretty well in hand, but that new ones are springing up every day.

Hunters Notified of Governor's Order. State Game Warden Evans Expresses Opinion That September Is Early Enough to Hunt Deer Anyway.

Salem, Ore., Aug. 18.—State Game Warden Evans has notified all his deputies of the governor's order closing the deer season until September 1, instructing them to warn hunters to leave the woods at once.

Many Applications To Adopt Baby Girl. Sixteen Have Asked for Month Old Infant Left by "Mrs. Scott" Yesterday Morning in Washington Park.

Sixteen persons have asked for the adoption of the baby abandoned yesterday morning in Washington park.

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