

LACK OF OCEAN TONNAGE

COMPETITION SAID TO HAVE CAUSED A MIXED EGG MARKET

One Large f. o. b. Buyer Reported to Be Out Again With 18c Offer for Case Count Although 17 1/2c is More General.

TODAY'S EGG MARKET. Best Portland 18 1/2c... Despite the almost general weakness in the local egg situation at this time, it is stated that one of the big f. o. b. buyers is again offering as high as 18c a dozen for case count where competition is keen in the country, despite the fact that at other points not over 17 1/2c Portland basis is being offered.

CHICKEN MARKET WEAKER. Fractional price loss is showing for chickens in the front street trade with cleanups generally reported at 15 1/2c a pound. There were quite liberal supplies available during the last 24 hours.

MEAT MARKETS ARE GOOD. Market for country killed hogs and calves remains in rather fair condition along front street so far as top quality is concerned. While there were more liberal offerings of calves, real good stuff is not plentiful. Poor stuff is harder to move.

BUTTER DECLINE GENERAL. Drop of 2 1/2c a pound quoted in the price of butter yesterday by some of the creameries, became general this morning with the extreme quotation for prints at 25c a pound in box lots.

CUBAN TOMATOES ARE POOR. Carload of tomatoes from Cuba has been reported in very poor condition by the local trade. It is stated that the stock is 90 per cent poor. This makes the second carload during the past week which has been refused by the trade; the other being caught by cold weather. A shipment of Mexican stock is due Saturday.

HALIBUT IS VERY SCARCE. Great scarcity of fresh halibut is reported in the local market and on the west sound. There has been a general lack of arrivals of fishing boats on the sound recently, says Joseph O'Connor of Mackenzie & Co. The price is generally higher.

BRIEF NOTES OF THE TRADE. Fresh salmon is more plentiful with the price steady. Arrivals of anchovies is steadier at \$2 for best. Local coming in better supply with sales at 90c@1.15 a bushel.

JOBBING PRICES OF PORTLAND. These prices are those at which wholesalers sell to retailers, except as otherwise stated. They are corrected up to noon each day.

EGGS—Nearly freshly gathered, 18c@18 1/2c; BUTTER—No. 1 Portland delivery, 25c; BUTTER—Nominal, Willamette valley

TRANSPORTATION. PALACES OF THE PACIFIC. S. S. NORTHERN PACIFIC. S. S. GREAT NORTHERN. De Luxe Fast Line to SAN FRANCISCO.

COOS BAY AND EUREKA. S. S. ELDER. S. S. BEAR—For San Francisco, Los Angeles. Coos Bay Line STEAMSHIP BREAKWATER.

THE BIG C. S. S. BEAR—For San Francisco, Los Angeles. Coos Bay Line STEAMSHIP BREAKWATER.

DALES-COLUMBIA LINE. Steamer State of Washington. Leaves Taylor St. Dock at 11 p. m. daily, except Sundays, for the Dalles.

STEAMSHIP. S. S. BEAR—For San Francisco, Los Angeles and San Diego. Tomorrow 2:30 p. m. April 16.

San Francisco Dairy Produce. Seattle Dairy Produce. Eggs—Select ranch, 22c.

STILL DEMORALIZING CEREAL MARKET

WATCHING THE EAST FOR CEREAL PRICES. Next Week Probably Will Tell Exact Trend of Trade—Spring Stock Not Above \$9.25 Today—Top Swine at \$7.50.

Pacific Northwest, Handicapped by Lack of Ocean Tonnage, May Receive Aid From Atlantic Coast—No Foreign Business.

SHARP IN RISE IN CARGOES. London, April 15.—Wheat cargoes in passage firmer, 9d higher.

PORTLAND LIVESTOCK RUN. Thursday... Hogs, Cattle, Calves, Sheep. Wednesday... 131 5/8 1 668

While the lack of ocean tonnage will continue as a detriment to the cereal markets of the Pacific northwest this season, there is a strong likelihood of another rail movement of grain toward the west coast.

Chicago Wheat Prices Higher on a Foreign Demand. Chicago, Ill., April 15.—(I. N. S.)—Wheat closed 3/4c higher. A good movement in the pit today caused a further advance of 1/4c.

Chicago Hogs. Chicago, Ill., April 15.—(I. N. S.)—Hogs closed 1/2c higher. A good movement in the pit today caused a further advance of 1/4c.

AMERICAN LIVESTOCK PRICES. Chicago Hogs \$7.45. Chicago, April 15.—Hogs closed 17,000; market low 5 cents above yesterday average.

PRUNE OUTLOOK IS GOOD. Vancouver, Washington, April 15.—"The outlook for a good prune crop is still good," says I. R. Fletcher, district agricultural inspector.

Various Wheat Markets. Liverpool—Cash wheat 4 1/2d higher. Buenos Aires—Cash wheat, 5 1/2d higher.

New York Cotton Market. New York, April 15.—Cotton market. Open High Low Close. January... 1959 1059 1052 1058

Seattle Potato Market. Seattle, April 15.—Onions—Oregon, \$1.25; Takima, \$1.00.

New York Sugar and Coffee. New York, April 15.—Sugar centrifugal, \$4.77; market inactive.

San Francisco Potato Market. San Francisco, April 15.—(U. P.)—Potatoes, \$1.50@1.75; Irish, \$1.00@1.25.

GENERAL BUSINESS NEWS

Alleged Unscrupulous Methods Used by the Eastern Mail Order Houses Getting Business Out West Complained of by Local Merchants.

SAWMILL WILL BE OPENED IN VALLEY. The "trade at home" idea is gaining ground rapidly all over the country.

Range of New York Prices. Board of Trade Building. Amal. Copper Co., 15 1/2c; Am. Can. Co., 35 1/2c; Am. Cotton Oil Co., 42 1/2c.

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Chamber Will Act On Constitution. Time Has No Evil Effect on Clock 195 Years of Age.

NEW SUITS FILED. The Holcombe Realty company yesterday said J. D. Paul in an attempt to force Paul to remove a building.

The First National Bank. Capital and Surplus \$3,500,000. In every department of banking we are prepared to serve the public acceptably.

Advance Offering. Portland Railway, Light & Power Company. 2-Year 5% Gold Notes.

U. S. Government Bonds. New York, April 15.—Government bonds registered 98 1/2c.

Foreign Exchange. London—Sterling, \$4.82. Paris—Francs, 19.44.

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