

FOREIGNERS OFFER MORE FOR APPLES THAN RETAILERS PAY

BUTTER MARKETS STILL WEAK WITH DECLINE IN EFFECT

Trade Is in Bad Shape Because Some Retailers Do Not Follow Drops as Quickly as Wholesale Market—Butterfat Values Sliding.

PRICES AGAIN LOWERED

With one creamery quoting 47 1/2 a pound, or a loss of 2 1/2 c from previous figures, the total market for butter is very much mixed.

Complete demoralization continues in the market for butter although sales are somewhat more liberal.

Prints were quoted at 50c for parchment wrapped for the extra quality with the usual advance of 1c a pound for cartons.

On account of the extreme fluctuations in the price of butter recently some difficulty has been experienced in getting the retailers to follow the market changes as quickly as they were made in the wholesale trade.

Some of the larger operators were seen to be principally violators against the downward trend of values while most of the smaller grocers followed the decline as soon as it was made public.

The decline in the price of butterfat which took place at the same time as butter, was most severe. Creamery men feel that on a down market they must of necessity be carrying a surplus and on this they have always lost money.

They are not so afraid of making the greater cuts in the raw material.

MEXICAN TOMATOES OFFERED

First Mexican tomatoes are being offered in the local market, and sales were made at 25c per bushel. The initial shipment came by express, and quality is so good that 30c a pound is being obtained.

POTATO PRICES ARE RECEIVING

Further price losses are showing for potatoes in the local territory, with nothing above 1.25 per cent being bid at country points with common freight rate. Some of the dealers are offering above 81c, for ordinary quality.

WALLA WALLA RHUBARB HERE

First offerings of rhubarb from Walla Walla are shown on the local market, with sales at 20c a pound. Early stock has been offered for some days, and quality is so good that 30c a pound is being obtained.

EGG PRICES AGAIN REDUCED

Price of eggs at country points has again been reduced 2c a dozen here, with f. o. b. buyers may not offer above 88c a dozen for current receipts. They are offering to retailers at 42c in small lots. Later the f. o. b. price has been reduced 2c to 30c.

CELESTINE RECEIVED HERE

What is believed to be the last car of Southern California celestine has arrived at the local market, and is being offered at 85.00 per car. It is expected that little additional celestine may be imported from any California point.

WHOLESALE PRICES IN PORTLAND

These are the prices retailers pay wholesalers, except as otherwise noted:

Butter—Selected best lot of Creamery prints, parchment wrapped, extra, 50c lb. in 40 lb. ctns.; 48c; smaller lots, 45c lb. in 20 lb. ctns.; 44c; 10 lb. ctns., 42c; 5 lb. ctns., 40c; 2 1/2 lb. ctns., 38c; 1 1/4 lb. ctns., 36c; 3/4 lb. ctns., 34c; 1/2 lb. ctns., 32c; 1/4 lb. ctns., 30c; 1/8 lb. ctns., 28c; 1/16 lb. ctns., 26c; 1/32 lb. ctns., 24c; 1/64 lb. ctns., 22c; 1/128 lb. ctns., 20c; 1/256 lb. ctns., 18c; 1/512 lb. ctns., 16c; 1/1024 lb. ctns., 14c; 1/2048 lb. ctns., 12c; 1/4096 lb. ctns., 10c; 1/8192 lb. ctns., 8c; 1/16384 lb. ctns., 6c; 1/32768 lb. ctns., 4c; 1/65536 lb. ctns., 2c; 1/131072 lb. ctns., 1c; 1/262144 lb. ctns., 1/2c; 1/524288 lb. ctns., 1/4c; 1/1048576 lb. ctns., 1/8c; 1/2097152 lb. ctns., 1/16c; 1/4194304 lb. ctns., 1/32c; 1/8388608 lb. ctns., 1/64c; 1/16777216 lb. ctns., 1/128c; 1/33554432 lb. ctns., 1/256c; 1/67108864 lb. ctns., 1/512c; 1/134217728 lb. ctns., 1/1024c; 1/268435456 lb. ctns., 1/2048c; 1/536870912 lb. ctns., 1/4096c; 1/1073741824 lb. ctns., 1/8192c; 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