

IDEAL AND COLORADO POTATO GROWERS SELLING QUICKLY LARGE BARGAINS



MARKET BASKET SPECIAL PRICES

By Hyman H. Cohen

Columbia river smelt are today so low priced that the public is beginning to lose its appreciation of their quality. While most stores continue to ask 10 cents a pound for the smelt, the market price is only 3 cents.

There is a very unusual scarcity of fresh fish generally here. With the Lenten season only a few days distant, the catches this time are the smallest for many years at this period.

A small supply of salmon is being offered around 30c a pound with Chinook scarce and higher. Limited stocks of sockeye are available but the price is at 25 cents a pound.

Egg prices are gradually dropping. Sugar prices are expected to rise again. Retail market prices generally show: Eggs—40¢ @ 48¢.

Wholesale prices are reported by the United States: WHEAT—Open, High, Low, Close. March 122.5, 123.0, 121.5, 122.5.

Chicago Wheat Market Is Erratic; Longs Are Stunned. (Chicago Bureau of the Journal) Chicago wheat market today was very erratic.

General Decline In New York Cotton. New York, Feb. 21.—For the moment, the evening of March commitments here and in New Orleans is overshadowed broader factors.

Wholesale Prices in Portland. These are prices retailers pay wholesalers, except as otherwise noted. Dairy Products. Butter—Selling price, box lots.

ALL EXCHANGES TO CLOSE

While the stockyards will remain open and front street will conduct normal trading, financial and grain exchanges will be closed throughout the United States.

WHEAT FUTURES QUIET

Despite the decline in Chicago, there was no change for wheat futures on the Portland Merchants' Exchange Tuesday with the exception of a 3-cent rise in Red Walls.

NORTHWEST GRAIN RECEIPTS

Portland, Tues. 74. Car. 8. Year ago 212,028 151 1668 858 1249. Year ago 131,714 192 561 281 1893.

What market had a reactionary appearance in practically all leading world's centers Tuesday. Prices were lower generally, indicating that the situation in New Orleans was more serious than conditions would warrant.

Chicago had a sharp early loss in options Tuesday and this influenced the local situation. There was less business about wheat purchases at country points here for the day and a few general shippers lost 2 to 4 cents per bush.

Wheat supplies are rather scattered on Oregon points. The Collins Grain Company of Pendleton, Umatilla county growers retain at this time only about 8 per cent of the crop.

Barley supplies are so scarce at interior points that the closing was 1 1/4 above finals of Monday. Buenos Aires started the day with a general advance, quotations being 1/4 higher to 1/2 lower.

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PORTLAND LIVESTOCK RUN

Stocks of live animals in the city were sold at the following prices: Cattle—None. Hogs—None. Sheep—None.

General cattle market range: Choice steers 4.75 to 5.00. Medium steers 4.50 to 4.75. Poor steers 4.25 to 4.50.

While there was no carload offering in the sheep and lamb yards at Portland for the day, the country continues to bring in a number of animals.

Monday STEERS. No. 1. 984 85.50. No. 2. 984 85.50. No. 3. 984 85.50.

Monday CALVES. No. 1. 100 110.00. No. 2. 100 110.00. No. 3. 100 110.00.

Monday HOGS. No. 1. 185 115.00. No. 2. 185 115.00. No. 3. 185 115.00.

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NEW YORK LONDON SILVER

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FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATES

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