

# PEACHES UP 50 PER CENT

## Final Production Figure on Fresh Oregon Prunes is 36,000 Tons

Oregon's late peach crop is harvested and the division of crop and livestock estimates now estimates the total 1933 production at 348,000 bushels, which is almost 50 percent more than the average output. Forecasts of fresh prune production are also proven conservative by past harvest returns and the final production figure is 36,000 tons, an increase of 2,000 tons over the September 1 forecast. Despite the exceptional size and quality of fruit, a large proportion of both crops, but particularly fresh prunes, were left on the trees, due to prevailing market prices, the returns being insufficient to pay for picking, packing and transportation.

In the case of apples, the favorable fall weather has resulted in unusually late codling moth activity and an already serious worm infestation, despite a thorough spray program in the Milwaukie section. Extensive parts of the Willamette Valley, has been considerably aggravated. The Hood River Valley crop is unusually clean this season. The early fall storm, later wind damage and low frosty weather resulting from last year's serious drought in southern Oregon coupled with some scab and blight, have all combined to cause a variable outlook as of October 1st in this section. Although the earlier crop was not so good, the fact that the favorable fall may have improved late pear prospects to some extent. The Hood River crop promises to exceed earlier forecasts and the net result is an increase in the October state figure of 108,000 bushels to 2,880,000 bushels. Pear prospects are variable but October 1 prospects are somewhat poorer than a month ago.

The western Oregon prune crop, used chiefly for drying, has benefited greatly from the hot September weather in that they are running much larger sizes with quality and sugar content generally very good. Tonnage prospects continue about the same however, although probably a larger portion of the crop will be dried than was planned earlier. The September state figure of 20,000 tons is unchanged but it is felt that above trade opinion as has been the case all season.

A summary of Oregon fruit crops, as compiled October 1, and with bushels given in terms of thousands:

Apples	1932 Ave.
Total Prod. bu.	4,950
Comm. prod. bu.	1,050
PEACHES	
Bu.	2,880,185
GRAPES	
Bu.	348,249
Tons	2,610,1737
PRUNES, Fresh	
Tons	36,000
PRUNES, for drying	
(dry basis) tons	20,000
WALNUTS	
Tons	2,700
FILBERTS	
Tons	400
CRANBERRIES	
Bbs.	3,990

For the other Pacific northwest states, apple production estimated for 1933 is: Washington, 28,980,000 bushels; Idaho, 4,485,000 bushels; California, 9,045,000 bushels. For pears, Washington, 3,723 bushels; Idaho, 64,000 bushels; California, 23,100 tons; Idaho, 26,000 tons. Prunes for drying, dried basis: Washington, 2,800 tons; California, 181,000 tons.

### SOCIAL NETS \$25

SILVERTON, Oct. 12.—At the leap year basket social held at Trinity church Friday night prizes for best baskets went to Harry Larson, Oscar Stern and L. H. Meyer. Mr. Meyer acted as auctioneer. The evening netted \$25. Before the selling of the baskets began, a short program was given including a solo by Raymond Hall, a cornet solo by Palmer Torvold, a vocal solo by Alf O. Nelson and a Kangeroo court.

# SPECULATORS AFFECT BUTTERFAT 500-BALE HOP SALE IS REPORTED

## Underscores Sought; Poultry is Scarce And Advancing

PORTLAND, Oct. 12.—(AP)—Market for butter reflects nothing more than the keen desire of speculative interests to get their stock out of storage while profits are in sight. While the undertone of the market is generally very hopeful, it is aided artificially by the manipulative influences of those that have storage goods to sell and care little about the fresh production.

There continues a general scramble for underscours in the local as well as coast trade generally while only a fair call is suggested for so-called extras, which the trade appears a trifle suspicious of.

Open market transactions in cubes were generally at maintained values for all offerings. Late receipts and production continued downward in the local territory. Butterfat remains firm at a spread of 2c in spots. Market for eggs continues to reflect strength and firmness in practically all positions but prices remain more or less manipulative in so far as the fresh stock is concerned. Most operators are interested only in storage goods. Despite the efforts of some killers with country stations to hold down buying prices on chickens here to stop the movement here and force sales in the country where higher prices are paid, the shortage of supplies locally is forcing a narrow price. With still further reductions in the price of livestock, the market for country killed hogs is generally easier to weaker and even lower along the wholesale way. Market for country killed lambs continues to show much activity and even strength in spots here with demand rather active and full prices held. Veal are holding steady in spots only.

## General Markets

### PRODUCE EXCHANGE

PORTLAND, Oct. 12.—(AP)—Produce exchange, net prices: Butter, extra 21c, standards 20 1/2c, prime firsts 20c; eggs, fresh extra 20c, good mediums 22c.

## Portland Grain

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 12.—(AP)—Wheat—Open High Low Close: May 49 1/2 49 1/2 49 1/2 49 1/2; December 49 1/2 49 1/2 49 1/2 49 1/2. Cash wheat—Big Bend bluestem 56; soft white 47; hard winter, 46; no. 1 spring, western white, 46; western red, 45. No. 2 white 47. Corn—No. 2 yellow 51.25. Mill—Standard 119.50.

## Portland Livestock

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 12.—(AP)—Cattle—Receipts 50, calves 10; 25c lower for steers and medium heifers. Steers, 600-800 pounds, medium 4-5.25, common 4.50-4.75; 900 to 1100 pounds, medium 4.75, common 4.50-4.75; 1200-1400 pounds, medium 4.50-4.75, common 4.25-4.50; 1500-1800 pounds, medium 4.25-4.50, common 4.00-4.25; 1800-2000 pounds, medium 4.00-4.25, common 3.75-4.00; 2000-2500 pounds, medium 3.75-4.00, common 3.50-3.75; 2500-3000 pounds, medium 3.50-3.75, common 3.25-3.50; packing cows, 800-1000 pounds, medium 3.25-3.50, common 3.00-3.25; calves, 250-500 pounds, good and choice, 3.75-5.50; common and medium, 3.25-3.50. Hogs—Receipts 450; 10c lower. Light lights, 140-160 pounds, good and choice, 3.25-4.00; lightweights, 160-180 pounds, 3.25-4.00; 180-200 pounds, 3.25-4.00; 200-220 pounds, 3.25-4.00; 220-250 pounds, 3.25-4.00; heavyweights, 250-290 pounds, 3.25-4.00; 290-350 pounds, 3.25-4.00; packing hogs, 350-500 pounds, medium 3.25-3.50, common 3.00-3.25; 500-600 pounds, medium 3.25-3.50, common 3.00-3.25; 600-700 pounds, medium 3.25-3.50, common 3.00-3.25; 700-800 pounds, medium 3.25-3.50, common 3.00-3.25; 800-900 pounds, medium 3.25-3.50, common 3.00-3.25; 900-1000 pounds, medium 3.25-3.50, common 3.00-3.25; 1000-1200 pounds, medium 3.25-3.50, common 3.00-3.25; 1200-1500 pounds, medium 3.25-3.50, common 3.00-3.25; all weights, call to common, 30-75c.

## Portland Produce

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 12.—(AP)—Butter—Prima, 92 score or better, 28-30c; standards, 22-24c. Eggs—Pacific Poultry Producers' selling prices: fresh extra 20c, standards 18c, medium 16c, common 14c. Country meats—Selling price to retailers; country-killed hogs, best butchers, 120-150 pounds, 12c; 150-180 pounds, 11c; 180-200 pounds, 10c; 200-250 pounds, 9c; 250-300 pounds, 8c; 300-350 pounds, 7c; 350-400 pounds, 6c; 400-450 pounds, 5c; 450-500 pounds, 4c; 500-550 pounds, 3c; 550-600 pounds, 2c; 600-650 pounds, 1c; 650-700 pounds, 10c; 700-750 pounds, 20c; 750-800 pounds, 30c; 800-850 pounds, 40c; 850-900 pounds, 50c; 900-950 pounds, 60c; 950-1000 pounds, 70c; 1000-1100 pounds, 80c; 1100-1200 pounds, 90c; 1200-1300 pounds, 100c; 1300-1400 pounds, 110c; 1400-1500 pounds, 120c; 1500-1600 pounds, 130c; 1600-1700 pounds, 140c; 1700-1800 pounds, 150c; 1800-1900 pounds, 160c; 1900-2000 pounds, 170c; 2000-2100 pounds, 180c; 2100-2200 pounds, 190c; 2200-2300 pounds, 200c; 2300-2400 pounds, 210c; 2400-2500 pounds, 220c; 2500-2600 pounds, 230c; 2600-2700 pounds, 240c; 2700-2800 pounds, 250c; 2800-2900 pounds, 260c; 2900-3000 pounds, 270c; 3000-3100 pounds, 280c; 3100-3200 pounds, 290c; 3200-3300 pounds, 300c; 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