

Hop Situation Is Unchanged

Growers Hold Back On Contracting for 1943 Production

There were no outstanding developments in the domestic hop market situation during the week ended July 14, according to the department of agriculture. The small remaining supplies of old crop hops made for light trading in the spot market, and the tendency of growers to hold back on contracting 1943 supplies, restricted deals for new hops. No official announcement regarding ceiling prices on the new crop had been received at the close of the period under review. The report of the Division of Agricultural Statistics on Pacific coast hop prospects as of July 1, follows:

Pacific coast states is placed at 36,820,000 pounds on the basis of July 1 conditions, compared with 34,896,000 pounds in 1942 and the 10-year (1932-41) average of 37,922,000 pounds. Prospective production in Washington is 12,160,000 pounds compared with 11,788,000 pounds produced last year and 9,584,000, the 10-year average. The July 1 conditions indicate 13,600,000 pounds for Oregon and 11,060,000 pounds for California for the 1943 season.

Last year Oregon and California produced 13,124,000 pounds and 9,984,000 pounds, respectively, and the 10-year averages for the two states are 10,763,000 and 9,763,000 pounds, respectively. Washington and Oregon hop vines have made slower growth than usual because of a cold, wet spring. California vines are generally in good condition. To date there has been little or no infestation of downy mildew in the Pacific coast states. Yields higher than last year but less than average are expected in all three states.

Coffin? Oh, You Mean That Firewood

PORTLAND, July 17-(P)—A woman telephoned police excitedly Saturday that a neighbor who had five small children had been seen driving away from his home with five coffins in the back of his truck.

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