

BUTTER TAKES DROP OF 2 CENTS TO SURPLUS

BUTTERFAT DROPS ALONG WITH BUTTER

Portland, Jan. 14—Improvement in the butter supply with only a limited outlet for the heavy stock of ordinary grades, has resulted in a decline of two cents a pound in the local price. Effective today local creamerymen are quoting parchment wrapped prints at 47 cents each carton, 48 cents a pound, creamery grade.

At the same time bids for butter-fat were reduced two cents with the Portland delivery price now at 47 cents and station prices ranging from 45 to 46 cents.

Butter holdings at coast centers still show a noticeable increase over last year. The government report of storage holdings at the beginning of the week show a surplus of the week of 715,300 pounds over 1924.

Another advance of one cent in the price of Tillamook cheese is effective this morning. In the local wholesale market last week selling now at 22 cents and cream triplets at 21 cents. Continued advance in feed prices with lighter production are the principal factors at this time.

The local egg market is full of soft spots today. After ignoring the weakness at other coast centers for the past week on account of a shortage of receipts here, the market has started to decline. Extras and pullets are a cent lower on the exchange at 54 and 52 cents respectively. Other grades are unchanged.

The potato market is slowly working higher. Local buyers are forced to pay around \$1.75 in the country for Oregon Whites. Sale prices are unchanged at \$2.25. Yakima stock \$2.50 to \$2.75 for U. S. No. 1 grade.

The apple market is stronger although there is no actual change in wholesale prices. Various grades and sizes getting scarce. Demand is only fair and largely confined to colored stock. Dealers look for higher prices during the spring months.

Onions are firm with growers asking \$2.25 at country points. Best stocks selling at \$3.75 here.

LIVESTOCK

Portland, Jan. 14—Cattle market steady; receipts 55; steers good \$7.25@7.75; medium \$6.25@6.75; common \$5.25@6.25; canner and cutter steers \$4.00@5.25; heifers \$4.00@5.25; calves \$4.00@5.25; common and medium, all weights \$4.00@5.00; cows, good 5.25@6.00; common and medium \$4.00@5.25; canners and cutters \$2.00@4.00; bulls, good (beef yearlings excluded) \$4.00@4.50; common to medium (canner and bologna) \$3.00@4.00; calves medium to choice (190 lbs. down) \$7.00@10.50; calf and common (190 lbs. down) \$5.00@7.00; medium to choice (190 to 240 lbs.) \$6.75@9.50; medium to choice (250 lbs. up) \$15.00@17.25; calf and common (190 lbs. up) \$4.50@5.50.

Hogs steady; receipts none; heavyweight (200 to 250 pounds) medium, good and choice \$12.50@11.00; lightweight (150 to 200 lbs.) common, medium and choice \$11.00@11.50; light hogs (120 to 160 lbs.) common, medium, good and choice \$10.50@11.00; packing hogs, smooth \$8.50@9.25; packing hogs rough \$8.00@8.50; slaughter pigs (120 lbs. down) medium, good and choice \$8.50@9.75; feeder and stocker pigs (70 to 120 lbs.) common, medium, good and choice \$8.00@8.50. Soft or oily hogs and roasting pigs excluded in above quotations.

Sheep steady; receipts none; lambs, light and handyweight, medium to choice \$14.00@16.00; heavyweight (100 to 120 lbs.) medium to prime \$12.50@14.00; all weights, cull and common \$11.00@14.00; yearling wethers, medium to prime \$15.00@12.50; wethers (2 years old) over medium to prime \$8.50@10.50; ewes, common to choice \$6.00@8.50; (Above quotations except lambs on short basis.)

POTATOES

Portland, Or., Jan. 14—Potatoes firm with \$1.60@1.75 for Oregon stock; onions firm; \$2.25@2.40 paid in country.

BUTTER AND BUTTERFAT

Portland, Or., Jan. 14—Butter lower; extra cubes, city, 44c; standards 42c; prime firsts 41c; firsts 39c; undergrade nominal; prints 47c; cartons 48c.

WHEAT

Portland, Jan. 14—Wheat bids: hard white \$2.00; soft white \$1.84; western white \$1.82; hard winter \$1.81; medium spring \$1.92; western red \$1.78; D.H.H. hard white \$2.14. Today's car receipts: wheat 11, flour 7, hay 4, corn 8, oats 2.

POULTRY AND EGGS

Portland, Jan. 14—Eggs weak; current receipts 48c; pullets 45c; 45c; firsts 47c; old roosters 47c; 47c; delivered Portland.

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CHERRY GROWERS TO BE HEARD JANUARY 28

Washington, D. C., Jan. 14—Oregon, Washington and Idaho cherry growers, who have been protesting against a customs ruling with regard to the tariff on cherries will be heard through their representatives by the board of general appraisers at New York on January 28.

Flour Up in Portland

Flour again went up 20 cents a barrel in Portland yesterday on heavy winter and bakers grades, but no reaction to the advance has been felt here as yet, although local grocers report that there may be a price increase here within a short time. Flour went up 15 cents a sack about a week or 10 days ago just before a similar rise in Portland but has remained at that point since.

TARIF ON HIDES; LOW RATES ASKED BY CATTLEMEN

Albuquerque, N. M., Jan. 14—(By Associated Press)—A protective tariff on hides, reduction of freight rates on agricultural products, including livestock and a more satisfactory administration of the present banking facilities in relation to the export of hides are things that President Coolidge's agricultural conference has decided are necessary to the welfare of the livestock industry. Fred H. Kirby, member of the conference, told the American National Livestock association in convention here today.

Mr. Kirby, whose home is in Long Beach, California, is president of the association which opened its twenty-eighth national convention here today.

Mr. Kirby's statement was made during his annual report to the convention. As the report of the conference has not yet been completed, Mr. Kirby did not go into its details.

The president's report was full of optimism for the future of the livestock industry.

"It is the opinion of every one in the cattle business that there will be an improvement in conditions by the coming spring."

WOOD RESIGNS MANAGEMENT OF COOPERATIVE

Yancouver, Wash., Jan. 14—(By Associated Press)—W. J. Woods, for the past three years general manager of the Washington Growers Cooperative association, has tendered his resignation to the board of directors of the association to become effective at the next annual directors meeting, January 30. He gave as reason for his resignation the fact that he has a large private orchard of his own near Washington which requires so much of his time and attention that he desires to be relieved of the managerial duties. A movement is on foot among many of the growers to try to get Woods to change his mind and remain with the association. As far as is known no successor for Woods has yet been stated.

Woods took up the work when M. J. Newhouse, now manager of the North Pacific Prune Exchange left the association here.

GRAIN DEALERS IN CONVENTION

Willamette Valley Grain & Feed Dealers' association is holding a special meeting at the Marion hotel today with the object as far as possible to bring the grain and feed dealers in the valley together and to talk over the present laws on the statute books. They say that they are satisfied with the situation as it exists and want no change.

Members of the association say they are here for no particular purpose, merely to hold the association together and to talk over the situation. Prof. Hyslop of the agricultural college is also here to attend the meeting. About 30 dealers are present out of the membership of 75 from all parts of the valley.

SILVERTON CANNERY ENJOYS GOOD YEAR

Silverton, Jan. 14—The Silverton Food Products company, which is the Silverton co-operative cannery, held its annual business meeting Monday afternoon. Reports showed a very successful year during 1924. Products sold during the year amounted to \$53,000 while the company had \$22,000 worth on hand. The board of directors report that it expects an increase of 50 per cent in the pack for 1925 over that of 1924. Several berries will be the specialty. The cannery pack will be comparatively small as a great number of the vines were damaged during the recent severe frosts and no growers will set out more loganberries. The evergreen vines were also damaged to some extent although not so severely as were the loganberries.

A large number of stockholders were present at the annual meeting and considerable interest was taken in the company. The board of directors chosen to serve for the coming year were John Geopel, chairman; W. S. Green, E. Nelson, Norris Ames and A. Corbett.

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Rice before coming here formerly was connected with Libby, McNeill & Libby at The Dalles and has had many years of experience in the cannery plant.

Rice not long ago made a tour of the east and Canada for the Oregon Growers' association and while on the trip sold practically all of the dried loganberry crop held by the association from the 1922 crop.

Wool Growers Hold Meeting at Pendleton

Pendleton, Jan. 14—Sheep men of Oregon and many from Washington and Idaho are gathered in Pendleton today for the annual convention of the Oregon Wool Growers association. The session started this morning at 10 o'clock in the rooms of the Pendleton commercial association and will continue through tomorrow. The outstanding feature of the session this morning is the annual address of Fred W. Falconer, president of the association.

Hog Crop Is Small

Washington, Jan. 14—A hog crop this year as small as any year in the last ten years and an "acute shortage" of hog products in 1925 were indicated in a December survey as announced today by the department of agriculture.

He that upon a true principle lives without any disquiet thought may be said to be happy.

PRINCIPALS IN DAY'S NEWS DRAMA



Pearl White, "movie" actress, who has braved a thousand deaths in film thrillers, is reported critically ill in Paris, where she was stricken suddenly with appendicitis. . . . A wave of feeling against Gregory Zinoviev, president of the executive council of the Communist International, has been reported from Leningrad following his capture by a mob in a notorious resort. Dispatches stated Zinoviev's wife led the mob after she had learned her husband was in the resort with two women and that the Soviet leader was badly beaten. . . . Vicente Blasco Ibañez, noted Spanish author and recipient of many challenges to duels as a result of his attacks upon those in power in Spain, has announced his readiness to meet King Alfonso and General Primo de Rivera, head of the directory, in combat. Virtually an exile, he is staying at Mentona, France. . . . Federal District Judge J. W. Thompson, of Philadelphia, has ruled that prohibition Commissioner Roy A. Haynes is not vested with absolute power to grant or refuse a permit for the manufacture of certain beverages and that manufacturers of non-alcoholic drinks are entitled to obtain a permit so long as they obey the law. Haynes had refused a permit to a Philadelphia brewing company, which brought suit against him.

PRUNE MARKET NEARLY CLEANED

The California Prune and Apricot Growers' association in a just issued circular to the trade, advises the latter that its information indicates that nearly every market in this country will have cleaned up the prune buying market to fill requirements for early months of the year, a recent survey of the situation by the Prune association indicating to it that prune stocks throughout the country in the hands of the trade constitute hardly a 30-day supply says the California Prune association. The Prune association also states that the remaining stocks in its hands show probability of the price spread between 40c and 50c tending to disappear, as instead of an excess of 50c and 60c, the association has a larger than normal proportion of 50c and 40c now in its unsold stocks. And, in addition, 50c and 60c will have to be retained in some quantities to take care of certain business. This latter is showing increasing demand and the prune association reports that many jobbers have radically changed their attitude toward prunes in cartons during the past six months and retailers are very receptive in considering this method of handling prunes. We have always thought that that situation would occur about some time, as being in our opinion one of the most desirable progresses toward really putting the prune into its own. Discouragements met in practice in a desultory attempt to have delayed the larger and industry activity in this matter. But it seems now to have been put upon its feet by the Prune Growers' association and as in the direction in which, in our opinion, sales development work in this line should "major," as they say in colleges.

NEWBERG FRUIT ESCAPES DAMAGE

Clarence Butt of Newberg, formerly member of the lower house in the legislature in 1899-1901 was in Salem today, but said he did not even expect to attend the legislature, having some personal business to look after.

He states as far as he knows no particular damage has been done to fruit up in his section. Blackbees have predominance over loganberries in his country and these are said to be more frost resistant than the logans and he believes no material damage has been done to them.

While here he discussed with County Commissioner Smith the proposition of paving the gap between St. Paul and the river and Newberg and the river to take out the two small muddy stretches between Newberg and Salem on the Paul road, the balance of it being already paved. There is about a mile stretch unpaved on this side of the river and a half a mile on the other.

Salem Markets

Compiled from reports of Salem dealers for the guidance of Capital Journal readers. (Revised daily.)

Grain: No. 1 white wheat \$1.71; No. 1 red wheat \$1.67 1/2 (sacked).

Meat: Top hogs 10 1/2c; hogs 7 1/2c; dressed hogs 12c; top steers 4 1/2c; cows 4 1/2c; steer cows 1 1/2 up; bulls 3 1/2@5c; spring lambs up to 90 lbs., 14c; veal 2c; dressed veal 13c.

Poultry: Springers 14c; light hens 15 1/2c; heavy hens 20c; old roosters 8c; ducks 16@18c; turkeys 22c dressed; alive 23@25c; geese 18@20c dressed; live 12@14c.

Vegetables: cauliflower \$1.75@2.25 cwt; head lettuce \$4.00 crate; Oregon cabbage 2@3 1/2c celery hearts \$1.20 doz.; crate \$4.00; cut onions \$4.00, No. 1, boilers \$1.75 per cwt.; sweet potatoes, fancy, 8c; spinach greens 8c lb.; peppers 25c; green Hubbard squash \$2.50 per cwt.; pumpkins 2c lb.; rutabagas 2 1/2c; parsnips 1c; sacked cauliflower \$2.25 crate; carrots 2 1/2c lb.; brussels sprouts, home grown 15c pound; local turnips 2 1/2c pound; jumbo oranges \$2.50 box; Japanese oranges \$2.00 California bunch vegetables; carrots, beets and turnips 11c doz.; parsley, radishes 6c; green peas 16c lb.

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GRAZING FEES DISCUSSED BY LIVESTOCK MEN

Albuquerque, N. M., Jan. 14—(By Associated Press)—Stockmen should get behind the Phelps' grazing fee bill, now pending in congress, W. K. Whinnery of Lake City, Colo., told the annual convention of the American National Livestock association here today.

"The bill, Mr. Whinnery said, 'fixes the maximum amount by law that can be charged for grazing fees at the reasonable cost of administration, plus 50 per cent to be returned to the states with national forest lands within their boundaries.'"

"The enactment of this law will reduce the present grazing fees about one third, and pay into the treasury of the counties 25 per cent more than at present."

"One of the potential questions for this meeting to consider is, can we by closer cooperation, control our production and the orderly marketing of the same, so we at times equal the consuming demands of the market," he continued.

"Some seem to think that it can not be done—I believe it can. Nearly all agreed that there has been and still is an over production of cattle. This should not be continued. The spraying of the better calves or some other methods should be found to limit the production of the actual consuming demand."

Dr. J. R. Iverson, chief of the division of animal husbandry of the California department of agriculture, Sacramento, in discussing the "need for uniform quarantine" today declared that "a quarantine should not be a vehicle for mob rule established by enforcing vicious ruling on the public sympathy to satisfy a desire or unreasonable demand to do something."

WHEAT AND CORN VARY IN PRICE

Chicago, Jan. 14—Opening wheat prices, which varied from unchanged figures to 3/4 lower, with May \$1.85 1/2 to \$1.86 and July \$1.56 1/2 to \$1.56 3/4, were followed by a moderate general downturn and then by a sharp ascent to well above yesterday's finish.

After opening at 1/2 to 3/4 cents lower, May \$1.20 1/2 to \$1.20 3/4, the corn market surged a bit more and then made material gains.

Oats started at 3/4 to 5/8 cent off, May 62, and closed down somewhat further. Later all months showed an advance.

Provisions were without support.

The wheat close was easy at 1 1/2 cent decline to 5/8 advance, May \$1.84 1/2 to \$1.84 3/4 and July \$1.57 1/2 to \$1.57 3/4.

Corn closed firm, 3/4 to 1/2 cent higher, May \$1.21 1/2 to \$1.22.

WOMEN'S HATS ARE 17TH CENTURY MODE

London—"Pikeman's pot" styles in women's hats, designed after the steel helmets of the 17th century pikemen, represented in the collection of arms and armor of the Tower of London, are the latest sensation in fashionable London millinery.

For some time, milliners have hunted for designs that would, by their novelty of appeal, lure women away from the popular cloche fashion. Earlier in the season they thought that a successful rival had been found in the square-crowned hat, but this was voted down by fastidious clients.

Now the 17th century helmet is being used as a model for the solid-winter hat. The weather-resistant felt of the season—steel grey is the favorite color choice for realistic effect—is blocked to the 17th century outline and a tuft of feathers gives the feminine touch.

GILE QUOTING PRUNES AT HIGHEST PRICES

According to telegraphic advices from New York, H. S. Gile & company is quoting out straight 30s at 1 1/4 cents, the highest price yet reached for the 1925 crop.

Draper has come back into the market again at the old price, however, with 20s at 11 cents, but asserted with 40s at 8 1/2 cents. He is not offering any straight 30s. It is thought that 12 cents could probably be obtained for straight 30s, but very few offerings of straight 30s have been made since the first of the season.

CALIFORNIA PRUNE PRICES INCREASED

San Jose, Cal., Jan. 14—Announcement of an increase in prune prices was made here last night by the California Prune and Apricot Growers' association to become effective Monday. Impulse came a week or two ago when was assigned as the major reason for the advance.

Blind Ex-Athlete Elected

Perry T. W. Hale, a Yale football star twenty years ago and an All-American center at the time, but now totally blind, has been elected tax collector of Portland, Conn., getting the support of all parties and factions practically. He lost his sight in an explosion about fifteen years ago. He will keep his records in the Braille system of raised letters and figures.



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