

# CASH MARKET FOR BLACK CHERRIES ASSURED

## YOUNG & WELLS TO OPEN OFFICES HERE MARCH 15

Announcing that Young & Wells will be here by March 15 to open offices with offers of highest cash prices on an unlimited tonnage of black cherries, all that are procurable, L. W. Wells of the firm with wife and children, was here today for a few hours en route from Long Beach, Cal., to New York City. Mr. Wells will return himself in March to be in personal charge of the offices. He declares that by March 25 he will know the cherry price to be paid and will be prepared to pay a substantial cash advance at that time to all growers contracting their black cherries with his firm, the balance to be paid on delivery.

"But for the fact that I was compelled to bury my father at Long Beach and was delayed there by state matters, I would have been in Salem considerably before this," stated Mr. Wells. "But I wish to make the statement positively now that we will be here after all the tonnage we can get, at the highest market price. We have made connections through which we will be able to handle an unlimited supply of cherries."

**Eastern Connections**  
 "One of my reasons for going into New York is to hook up with connections there with a firm which handled some of our cherries last year, but this year we want to make a deal with them to handle our cherries exclusively. I expect to go on to Washington, D. C., and line up some people there and will visit a number of other leading market centers before returning to Salem."

"We already have connections at Boston, Philadelphia, Detroit, Rochester, Cincinnati, Pittsburgh, Cleveland, Chicago, Minneapolis, Duluth and Kansas City. "Incidentally I may say that when we come here it will be to handle all of the fruit available for shipment from the Willamette valley—and not for cherries alone. The single exception I know of this year is strawberries. We will not attempt to enter the strawberry game as far as I know now, this year at least."

"I wish to make the declaration that the grower who gives up any kind of a contract on his cherries now is taking a long chance. In fact they are signing up at the lowest possible price rather than the highest price obtainable."

**Good Fruit Year**  
 "There is no question that this looks like a good fruit year. Indications point that way. The grower who jumps in now at the first contract fluttered before him is making an irrevocable mistake."

"We know that we will be prepared to offer the best there is to offer, and to make the offer in solid cash, with counts. We will attempt no consignment business, but when the cherries come to our delivery stations the money will be ready to pay for them, and a substantial advance will be ready for them in cash when the contract is signed. We urge growers not to be too precipitate in signing up contracts. It is a certain thing that whatever contract is out now, there will be no lower price offered for cherries than present prices. The grower cannot possibly lose by keeping his signature off from a contract now and it is very likely he will gain quite materially if he holds his signature in abeyance until the market shapes itself and it develops just what can be said for cherries."

**Foreman Coming**  
 "We intend to have Charlie Anderson our foreman over here as soon as he can leave Spokane. He will probably get here before March 15 to make preparations for the opening of the season."

Mr. Wells came here also to make connections with Ed Behn relative to getting in line tonnage for the season that is to open in the positive advent of Young & Wells into the field is another indication of possibilities in the coming fruit year here. They handled black cherries, green prunes and apples in great quantities here last year. Already Denny & company have been securing the whole field for black cherries and unquestionably other buyers will be here.

Mr. Wells stated that indications were that cherries in the California field will be higher than last year, which will avoid the overlapping of shipments that marred the market last year and will give even better chances for good sales.

## White House Cops Must Measure Six Feet



WHITE HOUSE GUARDS

All the guards of the White House in Washington must be over six feet tall, according to a bill signed in Congress authorizing addition of new members to the force, so that Government officials will be afforded the highest possible standard of protection. Sergeant Dalrymple is shown inspecting the "rookies." The new officers are R. G. Ford, P. A. McDuffie, Dick Ballard, W. Haywood, P. E. Allen and R. H. Bradley.

## SALEM APPLES GOOD KEEPERS

The popular fallacy that Salem apples are poor keepers seems to get something of a black eye from a statement made by L. W. Wells of Young & Wells today. This firm which shipped scores of carloads of apples from here last year, took a chance on the Willamette valley apple in spite of all reports as to its keeping qualities as a shipper. "We still have 11 cars of apples in storage. Every one of these cars was shipped from Salem and are held in Oklahoma City, Austin, Texas, Chicago and New York."

"An inspection made on January 15 revealed practically no decay and the apples in first class condition. They had ripened some what but were still in high class merchantable shape."

"The market on present basis will bring us out on the cars in about the same shape as if we had sold them at shipping stage. While prices are considerably higher the storage costs will about absorb the differential."

## EGG ADVANCE CHECKED BY DROP IN ALL GRADES

Portland, Feb. 19.—The advance in the egg market has been checked, according to reports from the exchange today range from a half to one point lower on all grades. Extras are back to 30 cents; firsts are quoted at 29 cents and pulllets at 28 cents. Current receipts are down to the 26 cent level net.

Storage operations to date have been limited with most of the operators planning on putting stocks in the coolers at 27 to 28 cents. There is a good demand for fancy eggs at this time, although receipts continue to flow.

Weakness in outside markets with a narrower shipping outlet is partly responsible for the decline today.

The local butter market continues firm at the recent advance. Most of the buttermakers can handle more cream than is being produced and hiding in the country for fats is keen. Prices as high as 46 and 47 cents are reported as compared to a 47 cent quotation for buttermilk, delivered at Portland.

Cubes are steady on the exchange with standards quoted a half cent higher than extras at 44 cents. The half cent advance on standard cubes is the only change on the local board.

Live heavy hogs are hard to move. The trade seems to be awaiting the filling up and commission houses are disposing of their hogs in the packers at 21 cents. Light hogs continue in brisk demand. Other lines of poultry are unchanged.

Local wool and hide houses have advanced their country offers for wool at least five cents a pound during the past week. Bids now for valley fine, half bloods and mediums range from 35 to 40 cents a pound. Choice light wools 16 1/2 to 17 cents; choice light hogs 15 1/2 cents with an occasional sale at 16 cents.

**LIVESTOCK**  
 Portland, Feb. 19.—Cattle market active; receipts 490; steers good \$7.50@8.00; medium \$6.50@7.50; common \$5.50@6.50; canner and cutter steers \$4.50@5.50; heifers, good (850 pounds) \$6.00@6.75; common and medium, all weights \$4.50@6.50; cows, good \$5.75@6.25; common and medium \$4.50@5.75; canners and cutters \$1.50@4.50; bulls, good (three yearlings excluded) \$4.00@4.50; so-called medium to medium (canner) hogs, 120-150 lbs. 4.00; calves medium to choice (120 lbs. down) \$8.00@11.00; cull and common (120 lbs. down) \$6.00@7.50; medium to choice (120 lbs. down) \$7.50@10.00; medium to choice (120 lbs. down) \$7.50@10.00; heavyweight (250 to 350 pounds) medium, good and choice \$10.50@11.75; medium weight (200 to 250 lbs.) medium, good and choice \$11.00@12.00; lightweight (160 to 200 lbs.) common, medium good and choice \$11.75@12.25; packing hogs, smooth \$19.00@19.50; packing hogs, rough \$19.50@20.00; slaughter pigs (120 lbs. down) medium, good and choice \$10.00@11.00; feeder and stocker pigs (70 to 120 lbs.) common, medium, good and choice \$13.50@15.50. Soft or oily hogs and roasting pigs excluded in above quotations.

Kingston, St. Vincent, Feb. 18.—Advices received here from Grenada (British island in the Windward group) announce that a prolonged earthquake was experienced there at 10:40 o'clock last night. The advices make no mention of casual ties or damage.

## NORTHWEST PACKERS DISCUSS SITUATION

The Northwest Packers association met in Salem yesterday with a luncheon at the Marion hotel followed by a business meeting. The main features were reports by Secretary Arlos of the northwest association on the northwest situation and also on the work of the California Dried Fruit association, the secretary having attended the California meeting with W. T. Jenks, president.

General consensus of opinion among the packers at the meeting was to the effect that from 8,000,000 to 9,000,000 pounds of the 1924 crop of prunes are still held in the northwest.

## LEGISLATURE FIGURING ON EXTRA LEVY

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crease in a way that swayed the committee.

Also the committee will stand for a cosmetic tax and an additional corporation tax.

Secretary of State Keizer's hope to get a new office building for the state went glimmering last night when the committee voted to report adversely on house bill 135, proposing an annual tax to raise \$400,000 for that purpose.

Also one of the fond dreams of the late Governor Willcomb was knocked galley west when the committee kicked the last prop from under the state land settlement commission by voting an adverse report on house bill 199, providing for the \$15,000 with which the commission hoped to clean up its debts.

During the evening's battle the royal committee also booted out of the arena house bill 275, which proposed an appropriation of \$100,000 to promote industrial development in Oregon. This was a state chamber of commerce measure. One member reported, however, that he had received word from headquarters that the money would not be needed if the Dennis anti-income and anti-inheritance resolution is adopted.

The normal school question was again thrashed over and Senator Dunn's bill to rehabilitate the Ashland normal is still hanging in the balance, while various schemes that appear to the observer to be utterly impossible are given serious and lengthy consideration.

Dunn's bill, by his last resort request, will be reported out without recommendation, although a bill to locate a normal at Seaside has passed both houses.

A brand new normal school bill was presented last night, as a sort of final effort to get some sort of line on land that he inherited something along that line. This proposed a \$400,000 appropriation to meet the Monmouth needs and also re-establish the Ashland school.

The army question, which was disapproved in toto a few nights ago, has been revived and will again be gone over tonight. The "nights" program is normal schools, armories and revenue bills.

**POTATOES**  
 Portland, Or., Feb. 19.—Potatoes weak with \$1.50@1.60 for Oregon stock; on sea slow \$2.75@3.25 paid in country.

**WHEAT**  
 Portland, Feb. 19.—Wheat bids: hard white, blue stem, hard \$1.90; soft white \$1.81; hard winter \$1.80; western white \$1.81; western red \$1.78; H.H.H. hard white \$1.70. Today's car receipts: wheat \$1.80. (Above quotations except lamba on short basis.)

## WHEAT AND CORN BOTH UNSETTLED

Chicago, Feb. 19.—The wheat opening, which ranged from 1 1/4 to 2 1/4 higher, May \$1.86 to \$1.87 and July \$1.57 to \$1.58 was followed by something of a reaction, but then by fresh gains, with May up 7 1/2 cents above Tuesday's low point.

After opening at 1/4 to 3/4 advance, May \$1.30 1/2 to \$1.30 3/4, corn sagged somewhat and then rose higher than before.

Oats started at 1/4 to 3/4 up, May \$5. Later there was a slight further upturn.

Provisions were responsive to higher quotations on hogs and grain.

The wheat close was unsettled, ranging from 1/4 decline to 1/4 advance, May \$1.85 1/2 to \$1.85 3/4 and July \$1.55 1/2 to \$1.55 3/4.

Corn prices closed nervous at the same as yesterday's finish to 1/2 cent higher, May \$1.30 1/2 to \$1.30 3/4.

## SENATE KILLS BILL TO SLICE CLACKAMAS

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high school. "We are proud of them," he said. "Multnomah county is trying to steal some of them and we are trying to prevent it."

Tooze referred to the measure as the "Harvey G. Starkweather bill," and branded it as an attempt to take from Clackamas county its richest portion. He denied that the portion of Clackamas county involved is a political orphan, mentioning that nearly all the county officers are from that portion of the county.

"This is an attempt," said Tooze "to bolster up the political power of Harvey G. Starkweather, who did not earn his money but sits snugly near the Multnomah county line on land that he inherited. And the bill is introduced by the Multnomah senator who wants to be the next president of this senate and add to his political influence."

Tooze denied that the people of Milwaukie, Oswego and other places in the district want to be annexed to Multnomah county. From the point of view of taxation, he declared, passage of the bill would leave Clackamas county stranded.

"Presumably," said Tooze, "the people of this county are governed by their sonnet, but there is an attempted robbery. Harvey G. Starkweather is selling land that he inherited at \$2000 an acre. If he gets into Multnomah county he will sell it at \$5000. That is the scheme of Harvey G. Starkweather."

**BUTTER AND BUTTERFAT**  
 Portland, Or., Feb. 19.—Butter firm; extra cubes, city, standards 44 1/2; prime firsts 41; firsts 39c; undergrade nominal; prints 47c; cartons 45c.

**POULTRY AND EGGS**  
 Portland, Feb. 19.—Eggs lower; current receipts 25c; pullets 23 1/2@24c; firsts 24 1/2@25c; henneries 25 1/2@26c delivered Portland.

Portland, Or., Feb. 19.—Poultry firm; heavy hens 20@22c; light 17@18c; springs 22@23c; old roosters 16c; ducks white Pekin 25c; live turkeys 23c; dressed turkeys 23@24c; geese 16c.

## SAYS FARMERS CAN GET \$2 FOR SPRING WHEAT

While farmers are holding their wheat for \$2 a bushel in this section and buyers cannot touch what is being held at present market prices, Charles H. Archer states that any farmer can secure \$2 a bushel easily for his spring wheat for seeding purposes.

"Anyone having Minnetonka, Wonder, Redwing, Marquis, Harbank, Foisie or any other spring wheat to offer for sale should advise the public through the press," stated Archer. "There is a big demand for this spring wheat for seeding purposes and I have no doubt that it will go for \$2 a bushel easily if offered for sale."

Archer states that the clover crop is about cleaned up, although he is now offering 2 1/2 cents for it. Farmers are still sowing clover.

He says it is impossible to predict the condition of the coming crop, or as to what damage has been done by insects or other causes until the latter part of April when the weather warms up.

er, who runs for every political office in the category of politics from United States senator down, and who is always defeated. Annex the territory to Multnomah and they will want another congressman and more senators and representatives in the legislature."

"Tooze accused Staples of saying the governor will not sign veto the bill. Tooze mentioned the mayors of all the cities involved as being opposed to the bill. He declared efforts had been made to force him to vote for certain bills by holding the Clackamas bill up to him as a club."

"You may rob Clackamas county," he said, "but you can't bluff me, for I am here to fight for righteousness."

Senator Corbett opposed the bill. "I can't be a party to this vivisection," he said. "This bill attempts to take chunks of living, quivering flesh from Clackamas county and feed it down the capacious maw of Multnomah county. It is too much for my pity."

Senator Hare sarcastically remarked that the bill didn't go far enough, that it ought to give Washington and Marion counties the remaining portion of Clackamas.

Senator Garland, who also opposed the bill said it was "like taking candy from a child," and that if Multnomah's motive was humane it would better begin its reform at home. "The bill should be called the rapa of Clackamas county," he said.

Dunn and Eddy were against the bill. Eddy said he hoped the senate organization would not line up for the bill, because it would create a spirit or reprisal that would work a hardship on legislation in the next few days.

In closing, Staples said Multnomah actually should have all the territory north of Clackamas county. Referring to Tooze's assertion that Staples was an aspirant for president of the senate, Staples said Tooze was a "wind-jammer" and that Tooze was a non-partisan league candidate for governor.

"If he is," shouted Senator LaFollette, shaking his fist, "he'll be elected."

Staples said if the bill was defeated he would bring in a bill in two years that would demand more territory.

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