

# MORE COMPETITION FOR CHERRIES IS ASSURED

## COVE SHIPPER INVADERS CHERRY BUYING FIELD

Karl J. Stackman, of Cove, oldest shipper of cherries in the Pacific Northwest was in Salem today trying to win the situation with the object in view of invading the cherry buying field this year as a cash buyer of black for fresh shipment east.

Stackman states that he is not definitely determined whether he will be in here, but if the situation warrants it he plans to come in seeking a good sized block.

"It don't look like 14 cent cherries to me this year, but it does look possibly like 8 or 9 cent cherries," declared Stackman. "Of course, if there is a heavy crop, there will be a tendency toward timidity, but if the crop is light there should be a strong market."

Stackman has been shipping cherries from the Pacific Northwest for 32 consecutive seasons.

Cove has a reputation for fine cherry shipments, probably the latest in the Pacific Northwest, and for that reason generally good prices have been realized there.

"Last year," stated Stackman, "we had a light crop shipping out 31 cars, not many going to the canners and we even shipped Royal Annes east. We have had an high as 84 cars of cherries going out of Cove in a single season."

"Our present crop at Cove is about 40 per cent Royal Annes and the other 60 per cent black. But the crop will develop a heavier percentage of black as the years go on as the plantings are mainly in those varieties."

"You can't know something about shipping cherries as I have been at it for 32 years and am the oldest shipper of cherries in the Pacific Northwest."

Stackman stated that he also knew of Yakima shippers who are contemplating getting into the Willamette valley field this year.

With the advent of Stackman outlook for some keen competition for Salem and Willamette valley cherries continues to show up. Denny & company already has signed up a heavy tonnage through out the valley on consignment plan.

Young & Wells have announced that they will surely return here paying the highest cash price that is offered.

The Salem cherry pool has 31 cars signed up waiting for the highest bidder to put over a sale. There also have been hints of other buyers coming in, and it is probable the Ryan Fruit company will follow their lead of last year and again embark in the cherry shipping proposition.

Apparently all that remains now to make it a fine cherry year for local growers, is the crop and good weather. The latter is probably the most vital factor in the whole situation.

## News Spotlight Centres on Them



**B.L. FRIEDLAND & NORA BAYES**  
 Below: **WILLIAM E. BORAH & GENE TUNNEY**

Nora Bayes, famous comedienne, has been married aboard the liner Leviathan, in mid-Atlantic, to Benjamin Lester Friedland, wealthy New York garage owner, who thus became the actress's fifth husband.

U. S. Senator William E. Borah, of Idaho, chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee, has denied reports from Moscow that he will take up the question of American recognition of Russia with Soviet representatives at an early date. Unable to get a match with Mike McTigue, world's champion light heavyweight, Gene Tunney, American champion, has relinquished his championship and announced that in the future he will fight only in the heavyweight division.

## BOOM IN HOGS SENDS PRICES UP TO NEW LEVEL

Portland, Mar. 10.—Eighteen cents is being paid freely along the coast this morning for choice light, country killed hogs. Receipts were small and the demand brisk. Local commission houses look for a 20 cent price on good country dressed hogs before the end of the week.

Strength at the yards where live hogs are selling at \$14.65 together with the high price of feed and light production, make a bullish combination that may force prices up to the war time peak.

All lines of pork products are participating in the advance. Ham, bacon and lard are steadily working higher.

Other meats are aided by the advance in hogs. Both veal and beef prices are higher. Country dressed calves brought as high as 16 1/2 cents this morning although receipts were fairly good.

Lard is steady with receipts moderate.

Butter continues to show a steady tone with the advance in outside markets not reflected here. On the exchange cube firsts are a half cent lower at 38 1/2 cents. Other grades are posted unchanged. Fancy butter is none too plentiful.

Another advance of 10 cents a cask in sugar has been announced by local jobbers. Effective tomorrow morning best cane granulated will sell wholesale at \$7.90 with beet at \$6.85. Local sugar authorities doubt very much if cheaper granulated will be available between now and fruit canning season.

## POULTRY ONIONS AND POTATOES

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**POULTRY**  
 Portland, Or., Mar. 9.—Poultry nom., steady. Heavy hens 20¢; light 17¢; broilers 22¢; 23¢; old roosters 15¢; ducks, white 25¢; live turkeys 22¢; dressed turkeys 23¢; geese 16¢.

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**NUTS, HOPS AND CASCARA**  
 Portland, Mar. 10.—Nuts steady. Walnuts 28¢; filberts 15¢-18¢.

Portland, Mar. 10.—Hops steady. New clusters 16¢-17¢; fuggles 15¢-16¢; old crop nominal.

Portland, Mar. 10.—Cascara bark quiet; new peel 8¢ per pound; Oregon grape root 4¢.

## RADIO USED IN BATTLE TO SECURE BERRY POOL

Modern science to the top degree entered into the fruit buying game here last week, when two rival producers, the growers and the buyers, made frantic efforts to get it. One of the rivals outbid the other. The head of the concern for which the suit was operating was in San Francisco. He went to the holders of the block and pleaded for 24 hours time, after he had sent a special delivery to San Francisco without answer. Then he telegraphed. No response. Then came long distance which brought the advice that the man wanted was on board a boat from San Francisco to Portland. The voice of the air was then used.

It has not been learned who landed the block of berries.

## FRUIT UNION IS ASSESSED \$110,243.19

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pany will draw for its judgment is the price of the fruit union building will bring, and the more modest sum that can be collected through suits against growers for 10 cents a crate damage. These suits can be the only against certain growers and against those who were defendants in the present suit and whose cases are dismissed in the mandate coming down today.

## RECEIVERSHIP NEXT STEP

The procedure now to be followed will be to throw the Salem Fruit Union into a receivership. The two principal duties of the receiver will be to put up the Salem Fruit union building for sale and to start the suits against the growers for the damage at 10 cents per crate. It would not be stated today by representatives of the Phex company whether they will come in and bid on the fruit union building or trust to chance to get all they can to apply on their judgment from cash received through sale of the building. If the Phex company wants the building and puts up its judgment against the best cash bidder there is little doubt it will get the building. Just what the building would bring in a bidding competition for cash, of course, is entirely problematical. The building, however, is considered one of the choicest locations along Salem's rapidly expanding "fruit row," and unquestionably in the minds of fruit men, holds large potential value for future development in the fruit game. The building itself is not considered of such great value as the property on which it is situated and the location.

## SOME SUITS LIKELY

The fruits to be instituted for damages of 10 cents a crate grow out of two contracts between the fruit men and the growers. The growers connected with the fruit union all originally signed a contract to deliver their berries to the union, and in event of failure to deliver to forfeit 10 cents a crate for all undelivered berries. Later this contract was changed, the union getting out a new contract eliminating the damage of 10 cents a crate. Those who were released in the mandate today were signers of the second contract. Those who are to be sued

## WHEAT AND CORN CLOSE UNSETTLED

Chicago, Mar. 10.—Wheat returns in all grain prices today resulted from wheat buying on a big scale. May delivery of wheat advanced to \$1.39 1/2, an overnight advance of as much as 5/8 cent a bushel.

Chicago, Mar. 10.—The wheat opening, which varied from 1/4 to 1 1/2 advance, with May \$1.34 1/2 to \$1.35 1/2 and July \$1.63 1/2 to \$1.64 1/2 was followed by numerous changes within limits of about 1/8.

After opening at 1/4 to 1/2 up, May \$1.25 1/2 to \$1.29, corn scored moderate general gains, but later reacted.

Rate started at 1/2 decline to 3/4 advance, May 50 to 50 1/2, and then showed a little more firmness.

Provisions averaged somewhat higher.

The wheat close was unsettled, 1 to 4 net higher, May \$1.87 1/2 to \$1.87 3/4 and July \$1.64 1/2 to \$1.64 3/4.

Corn closed nervous, 1 1/2 to 1 3/4 net higher, May \$1.30 1/2 to \$1.30 3/4.

## PRUNES SELLING LOW IN HAMBURG

In a letter received here from Liverpool by Robert C. Paulus, it is stated that Hamburg is packing prunes of the new crop and offering them at prices equivalent to old crop prices. The prunes were purchased in sacks at low prices and packed in Germany. The seller states there are indications that Hamburg will offer these same prunes in New York at low prices which may cause a weakening of the market there.

In addition the communication states that one firm in Liverpool is reported to have received 180,000 pounds of 1923 crop California prunes on consignment with rumors it will receive more and that this report has made the English trade cautious.

The letter also states that new season Oregon prunes are being offered on the Liverpool market.

## EXPORT PRUNES TO 58 COUNTRIES

Dried prunes were exported out of San Francisco Bay in December by over 58 countries. Comparative figures, showing a decrease for December last year from the preceding year follow:

	1923	1924
Egypt	248,400	13,750
Czechoslovakia	200,122	95,063
Denmark	87,920	18,000
France	18,810	519,951
Germany	1,737,152	13,687,517
Italy	—	66,800
Netherlands	808,627	2,401,316
Norway	5,225	2,521
Sweden	107,292	155,513
Denmark	1,355,074	1,999,028
Switzerland	138,996	296,202
Ireland	12,900	36,125
Canada	84,992	228,194
Costa Rica	—	1,510
Guatemala	2,203	3,713
Nicaragua	—	1,865
Panama	5,507	3,891
Paraguay	4,216	—
Peru	3,725	41,674
Cuba	1,250	18,000
Argentina	6,474	121,000
Bolivia	3,000	2,750
Colombia	2,480	—
Uruguay	13,800	10,742
British India	10,928	1,300
Straits Settlements	2,464	4,125
China	26,422	25,715
Spain	5,225	225,500
Scotland	54,000	189,221
Ireland	4,800	72,900
Canada	884,996	270,800
Costa Rica	1,072	2,220
Guatemala	2,203	3,046
Honduras	1,250	—
Nicaragua	3,805	6,800
Panama	6,726	3,780
Salvador	5,480	14,115
Mexico	3,723	41,585
Cuba	81,700	—
Dutch W. I.	—	6,800
Argentina	21,550	—
Colombia	1,317	5,399
Peru	—	1,580
Uruguay	—	10,300
Venezuela	—	8,259
British India	—	1,125
Straits Settlements	—	18,979
China	—	210,535
Chosen	—	18,400
Java	—	2,766
French Indo-China	—	1,500
Hongkong	—	9,256
Japan	—	1,269,236
Kwantung	—	67,803
Philippines	—	16,900
Islands	—	18,210
Australia	—	2,420
New Zealand	—	299,223
Other countries	—	2,495

## 4-1-2 CENT PRICE OFFER IS DENIED

Hunt brothers have offered no 4 1/2 cent price on lumberberries this year, or any other price yet stated. Will H. Allen, manager of the plant here in reply to a statement published in the Journal that a trader had been put out in the shape of a four cent price.

"We have put out no such or any other price," stated Mr. Allen today. "We have figured the market knows just what the condition of the cases is, and no price could be fixed intelligently yet."

"Some early prices were made last year because of sales in England but we surely have fixed no price this year of 4 1/2 cents or any other figure. The statement is wrong."

## CANNED PRUNES FIND WIDE DISTRIBUTION

Canned prunes shipped out to various foreign countries from San Francisco in December amounted to nearly 215,000 pounds, according to figures just available, these being as follows:

	1924	1923
England	6,011	—
Canada	3,466	—
Nicaragua	5,278	—
Panama	4,322	—
Salvador	1,392	—
Mexico	7,154	—
Cuba	2,480	—
Colombia	2,525	—
Pera	3,144	—
Venezuela	1,740	—
British India	23,197	—
Straits Settlements	5,518	—
Java	21,489	—
Other Dutch East Indies	2,064	—
Japan	2,910	—
Philippine Islands	97,668	—
Argentina	15,430	—
Other countries	5,782	—
Total pounds	211,403	—

## SUGAR PRICES ADVANCE

San Francisco, Mar. 10.—The price of refined sugar to wholesalers at the refineries will be advanced ten cents a hundred pounds tomorrow, making the new cane base \$6.35 and the new beet base \$6.35.

In due course, it was said, Pruno shipments now are going to outside markets in large volume. It was reported at the meeting that M. J. Newhouse will return from his European trip in the interest of the prune association early in April. He is about due now in New York.

## Salem Markets

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

Grain: No. 1 white wheat \$1.70; No. 1 red wheat \$1.66 (stocked).

Wholesale Prices

Meat: Top hogs 10¢; sows 7¢; dressed hogs 16¢; top steers 4¢; cows 4¢; canner cows 1 1/2¢; bulls 3¢; spring lambs up to 30 lbs. 14¢; veal 3¢; dressed veal 15¢.

Poultry: Springers 16¢; light hens 15¢; heavy hens 20¢; old roosters 10¢; ducks 16¢; turkeys 22¢; dressed, alive 23¢; geese 13¢; dressed, live 12¢; white Pekin ducks, alive 16¢; India Runner ducks, alive 14¢.

Butterfat 44¢; creamery butter 45¢; eggs 20¢; standard 22¢; select 24¢; milk \$2.20 cwt.

Vegetables: Potatoes \$1.75-2.25 cwt.; head lettuce \$2.25-2.50 crate; California cabbage 3 1/2¢; celery hearts \$1.25-2.15 doz.; crate \$6.00-8.50 cwt.; onions \$2.50-3.00 cwt.; No. 1, bullers \$1.50 per cwt.; sweet potatoes, fancy \$4.00; spinach greens 3¢; peppers 40¢; green Hubbard squash \$2.50 per cwt.; rutabagas 2 1/2¢; carrots 3 1/2¢; sacked, cauliflower \$1.50-1.75; sacked, carrots \$2.50; local turnips 3 1/2¢; California bunch vegetables; carrots, beets and turnips 30¢ doz.; parsley 25¢; radishes, green onions 60¢; grape fruit \$4.00-4.75 crate; rhubarb 15¢; tomatoes \$3.50-5.00 lug; Texas cabbage 5 1/2¢ lb.; sacked beets 4¢; cucumbers \$2.00-2.25; asparagus 35¢ lb.; new telephone peas 20¢; new mustard greens 7 1/2¢.

## CHERRY EXPORTS SHOW BIG EXPORTS IN 1924

Canned cherry exports from San Francisco for December, 1924, showed a decided increase over those of 1923, these being to various countries as follows:

	1923	1924
England	1,965	28,258
Canada	1,958	2,515
Mexico	—	5,403
Cuba	1,839	—
Argentina	—	2,250
Bolivia	—	2,040
British India	4,253	8,127
Straits Settlements	1,719	1,443
China	4,665	1,797
Java	4,902	3,400
Other Dutch E. I.	—	2,390
Hongkong	1,344	1,480
Japan	31,440	2,457
Philippine Islands	6,317	5,121
Other countries	6,892	5,268
Total pounds	62,128	92,284

## PRUNE EXCHANGE PAYS GROWERS QUARTER CENT

Portland, Mar. 10.—The Oregon Prune Exchange directors have announced that a further payment of one fourth of a cent a pound had been authorized to growers at making four cents paid so far on last year's crop. A total of 10,000,000 pounds of Italian prunes is in the pool and the remainder of the payments will come along

for the damage of 10 cents a crate signed the first contract but failed to sign the second contract. Damages to be collected from them are estimated at around \$10,000 or \$12,000, if all the damages are collectible.

The mandate states that the decree of the lower court is nullified by eliminating from damages for berries grown on property of defendant growers after their properties were sold or after said growers had died and after deducting the judgment in favor of the Salem Fruit union of \$1410 against the Phex company rendered in the court below reducing the amount of the judgment against the fruit union to \$110,243.19 in which amount judgment is rendered and all in favor of the plaintiff against the fruit union. Between plaintiff and the fruit union there are no costs or disbursements but appellants other than the fruit union are awarded costs and disbursements against the plaintiff of \$140.

Several Growers Released

As to the growers the decree of the lower court is reversed and suit as to them dismissed as all defendants except the Salem Fruit Union and defendants specifically named.

Defendants as to whom the suit is dismissed are as follows: E. Abjplann, Knute Anderson, E. A. Aufmann, William Berndt, C. Bernhard, H. M. Birdsell, A. H. Bunn, F. Calaba, R. E. Cartwright, M. J. Cernik, Mrs. A. W. Cox, J. E. Crothers, E. Daugierly, K. Elbert, F. C. Ewing, John Fabry, B. D. Fidler, John Fleher, Frank Flint, E. Folk, Frank Gibson, G. W. Gibson, H. H. Gralapp, R. G. Greens, Paul Gururick, Joe Hasepek, A. Hilfker, J. H. Hoffman, Fran Hrubetz, J. K.

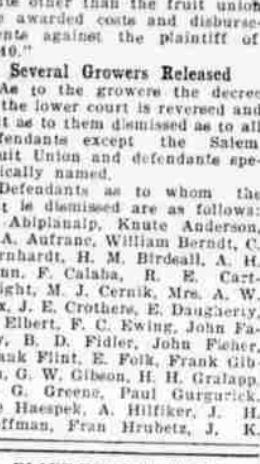
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