

# BUTTER SCARCE FORCING HIGHER VALUES IN CUBES

Portland, Mar. 25.—Shortage in the local butter market is forcing higher values in cubes. Eventually this means an advance in price unless there is relief from outside butter. Production is not picking up as rapidly as expected, and it will take several warm days before there is any noticeable increase in cream receipts, according to local butter makers.

Another month will most likely see butter holdings down to normal with most of the surplus moved out. In the meantime cows will go out on new pasture in a poorer condition than a year ago due to the high price of feed during the winter.

Brisk trading for cubes has forced extra and prime firsts up a half cent on the local exchange at 45 cents and 45 cents respectively. Other grades unchanged but market firm with light offerings well absorbed.

Fancy country killed hogs brought 18 cents above anything coming under the class of "choice light" as snapped at 18 cents. The local market is short of pork and buyers take shipments as fast as they arrive. Choice light calves went out readily at 16 to 16 1/2 cents.

The live poultry market is firm. The undertone of the egg market is easier. Bids on the dairy exchange are a cent lower on firsts at 30 cents and a half cent off on current receipts at 27 cents net.

Local cheese houses are boosting their prices on Wisconsin brick. Local jobbers have advanced their prices two cents to 40 and 32 cents a pound, Portland.

Asparagus prices are declining rapidly with best stock quoted at 15 and 16 cents today. Local stock from White Salmon coming on and one or two warm days are expected to bring heavy receipts on this market.

## PORTLAND LIVESTOCK

Portland, Mar. 25.—Cattle steady receipts none; steers, good \$8.25 to \$9.00; medium \$7.75 to \$8.25; common \$6.75 to \$7.50. Canner and cutter steers \$5.50 to \$6.25; heifers, good \$5.50 (lb. up) \$7.00 to \$7.50; common and medium, all weights, \$5.00 to \$7.00. Cows, good \$6.50 to \$7.25; common and medium \$5.00 to \$6.50; canner and cutter \$4.00 to \$5.00; bulls, good (beef yearlings excluded) \$4.75 to \$5.50; common to medium (canner and hollower) \$3.00 to \$4.75; calves, medium to choice \$1.00 to \$1.50; cull and common \$1.00 to \$1.50; cull and common \$1.00 to \$1.50.

Hogs steady receipts none; heavyweight (224 to 250 pounds) medium, good and choice \$13.00 to \$14.25; medium weight (200 to 200 pounds) medium, good and choice \$12.50 to \$14.50; light weight (150 to 200 pounds) common, medium, good and choice \$11.25 to \$14.75; light lights (130 to 160 lbs.) common, medium, good and choice \$11.00 to \$13.50; packing hogs, smooth, \$12.00 to \$13.00; rough hogs, rough \$12.00 to \$12.50; slaughter pigs (130 lbs. down) medium, good and choice \$12.50 to \$14.00; prime and stocker pigs (70 to 130 lbs.) common, medium, good and choice \$10.00 to \$11.50. (Soft or sily hogs and roasting pigs excluded in above quotation.)

Sheep steady receipts none; lambs, light and handy weight, medium to prime \$12.00 to \$14.00; heavyweight (92 pounds up) medium to prime \$10.00 to \$13.00; all weights cull and common \$11.00 to \$14.00; yearling wethers, medium to prime \$10.10 to \$13.00; wethers (2 years old and over) medium to prime \$9.00 to \$11.00; ewes, common to choice \$5.00 to \$10.00; canner and cull \$5.00 to \$8.00.

## EGGS AND BUTTER

Portland, Mar. 25.—Eggs weak; current receipts 26c; pullets 24 1/2 to 25 1/2; firsts 24 1/2 to 25 1/2; second 23 1/2 to 24 1/2; delivered Portland.

Portland, Or., Mar. 25.—Butter extra cube, city 46 1/2; standards 46c; prime firsts 45c; firsts 44c; culls 43c; cartons 42c.

Butterfat firm; best churning cream 44 1/2 to net shippers track none 1; 4 1/2 delivered Portland.

## GRAIN MARKET

Portland, Mar. 25.—Wheat bid: hard white, hard \$1.57; hard winter \$1.64; soft white \$1.64; western white \$1.64; common spring \$1.62; western red \$1.63; today's car receipts: flour 2, say 6.

## POULTRY

Portland, Or., Mar. 25.—Poultry scarce, firm; heavy hens 24c; light \$22c; springs none; old roosters 10c; ducks, white, best \$25c; turkeys 25c, dressed turkeys 12 1/2 to 25c; geese 15c.

## ONIONS AND POTATOES

Portland, Mar. 25.—Onions firm 12.25 to \$3.40 in country. Potatoes steady \$1.50 to \$1.60.

## NUTS, HOPS AND CASCARA

Portland, Mar. 25.—Nuts steady values 28 to 23c; filberts none.

Portland, Mar. 25.—Hops steady new clusters 16 to 17c; fuggies 15 to 16c; old crop nominal.

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Portland, Mar. 25.—Cascara bark quiet; new peel 7 to 8c per lb.; Oregon grape root 4c.

## BOND ROBBERS ARE CAUGHT

New York, March 25.—The arrest of six men today as members of gangs that have preyed on Wall Street bond and brokerage houses for months revealed that the bands employed slight of hand experts to steal securities from messenger boys in crowded trains and elevators, the police said.

The men are charged specifically with the theft of \$55,000 belonging to four firms in the Wall Street district and are suspected of stealing a total of more than \$200,000. The messenger boys have been absolved of blame and securities valued at \$50,000 have been recovered.

New Incorporations. Articles of incorporation were filed with the state corporation department yesterday by the Brownell-Slocum Insurance Agency, Inc., of Portland, capitalized at \$10,000. The incorporators are H. C. Leifer, Cyril G. Brownell and S. H. Slocum.

Notice of a decrease in capital from \$100,000 to \$25,000 was filed by the Brennan Sheep company of Crook county.

# Three Most Popular Light Operas to be Sung Here this Week

(By Harry N. Crain.)

Three of America's most popular light or comic operas are included in the scheduled appearances of the Brandon Light Opera company in Salem on Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights of this week at the Grand theater, and unless present indications fail in the matter of attendance their welcome from the theater-goers will be one of the most encouraging ever extended here.

When the box office opened this morning the advance sale by mail and telegram from nearby valley points was near a record according to Manager J. C. Stille.

The performances this week are in the nature of a return engagement for the company, which something more than a month ago was so warmly received at the Grand, but the only number to be repeated this week will be that incomparable production "Robin Hood," slated for the Friday evening performance largely because of requests that it be repeated.

## SPUD ACREAGE TO BE SMALLER

Portland, Mar. 25.—Influenced by recent prices rather than the prospects of prices in the coming season, farmers are planning to grow a substantially larger acreage of crops of bread and feed grains this year, but a much smaller crop of potatoes.

Weather conditions last season in the heaviest producing sections were very favorable for potatoes and the crop was so large and the price so low that in some sections they were not worth digging. Many farmers seem to over look the fact that recent prices are the result of unusual weather conditions last season. The reports which the department of agriculture have received indicate that farmers are planning a smaller acreage of potatoes than has been planted in years. The indication is for an acreage 4 per cent under that of 1924. Such an acreage would be the lowest since 1909, but only slightly less than the low acreage of 1916 and 1917.

Should present intentions be carried out and a yield equal to the average of the past ten years (160.6 bushels) be secured, a production of 245,000,000 bushels would result. Should a yield be secured equal to the present trend of yields, an apparently influenced by the great improvement in the average quality of seed potatoes (approximately 109 bushels), a production of 333,000,000 bushels would result. A crop of 332,000,000 bushels would be the smallest since 1924. Last year's bumper crop was 455,000,000 bushels.

## BATTLESHIPS OPEN ANNUAL GUN PRACTICE

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causing the dreadnaughts to veer this way and that to avoid the one weapon that the dreadnaught fears most.

The "commence firing" pennant was the signal for hoisting the full gunnery power of the battle divisions, the sixteen, twelve and ten inch rifles from those massive turrets, many of which testify to the unerring aim of the American gun pointer by the prized letter "E".

The ten projectiles of the mighty sixteen inch guns are belched twenty miles with a force that no armor can withstand and the turrets can hurl them one every five seconds.

Droning overhead, far above the smoke screens and tied to the coming towers of the dreadnaughts by radio telephone and telegraph were the observation planes catapulted from the decks. They spot the fall of the shot and correct the range to the targets. Flitting about them were the speedy fighting planes simulating defense of the aerial observers from attack by air.

Force practice of the battle fleet looses for six minutes the most maddening inferno of noise that America produces and it is the crowning test for the year of the effectiveness of the great floating fortresses that the navy has developed.

## RUNAWAY PEAKS FOUND COMMON

Denver, Colo., March 25.—The antics of Meeker's moving mountain in Rio Blanco county in western Colorado, has led to the revelation that the state has a rival "runaway peak" in the foothills near Golden, according to Charles W. Henderson, mineral geologist of the United States geological survey. Golden is 15 miles west of Denver.

The condition is a common one, Henderson said. He reported that the Golden foothill has been for several years, interfering both with a highway and branch line of the Denver Tramway company. Every few weeks, according to Henderson, crews of workmen are required to shovel off tons of dirt.

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## Salem Markets

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

Grain: No. 1 white wheat \$1.54; No. 1 red wheat \$1.52 (sacked).

Meat: Top hogs \$12.50; sows \$12.00; dressed hogs 16 1/2c; top steers 8 1/2c; cows \$4.90 to \$5.50; canner and cutter 1 1/2c; up; bulls 2 1/2c; spring lambs up to 90 lbs. 14c; veal 9c; dressed veal 13c.

Poultry: Springs 16c; light hens 15 1/2c; heavy hens 20c; old roosters 8c; ducks 18 to 20c; turkeys 22c; dressed, alive 23 to 25c; geese 18 to 20c; dressed, live 12 to 14c; white Pekin ducks, alive 16 to 18c; fresh runner ducks, alive 14 to 16c; Butterfat: creamery butter 49 to 50c; eggs 20c; standards 22c; vegetables 24c; milk 22 to 23c.

Vegetables: potatoes \$1.75 to \$2.25; onions \$1.40 to \$1.75; carrots \$1.50; cauliflower \$1.75; cabbage 2 1/2 to 4c; celery hearts \$1.75; dozens; crates, \$4.00 to \$5.00; onions \$1.00 to \$1.50; No. 1, bolters \$1.50; No. 2, bolters \$1.25; spinach greens 9c; pumpkins 40c; rutabagas 22 to 25c; parsnips 2 1/2c; Roseburg broccoli \$1.75 to \$2.00; carrots 2 1/2 to 3c; local turkeys 2 1/2c; California bunch vegetables: carrots \$1; beets, turnips 90c; dox. parsley 12c; radishes, green onions 60c; grape fruit 40c; local fruit: rhubarb 15c; local tomatoes 1 1/2 to 2c; cucumbers 10 to 12c; beets 4c; cucumbers \$1.50 to \$3.00; asparagus 15 to 25c; new telephone peas 15c; new mustard greens 1 1/2c; California strawberries 20c; basket, 12 box crate, 14.50; artichokes \$1.00; dox. crate.

Fruit Trees in Bloom. Mill City, Mar. 25.—Spring weather has been taken over by the season by Earl Peary to operate as well as to sell the crop. The orchard has about 85 acres, mostly in Spitzenbergs. Report has it that the orchard went into the red figures in the neighborhood of \$2000 last year.

Widower Congratulated. "Since my wife's death, five years ago, I have suffered greatly from stomach and liver trouble and gas attacks. I lost over 50 lbs., and at times was as yellow as saffron. My doctors could not help me. Six doses of May's Wonderful Remedy have entirely cured me. I have regained my weight and every one is congratulating me how well I look." It is a simple, harmless preparation that removes the catarrhal mucus from the intestinal tract and allays the inflammation which causes practically all stomach, liver and intestinal ailments, including appendicitis. One dose will convince or money refunded. J. C. Perry, D. J. Fry and druggists everywhere.—Adv.

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# NEW CHARACTER IS DRAWN INTO BOLLMAN CASE

One V. B. Jones enters the scene as the latest actor in the drama of Alice Bollman against Celia Bollman, former private secretary to Governor Pierce, who is defending herself against heart-baiting demands of \$10,000 urged against her on the grounds that she alienated the affections of Mrs. Bollman's husband.

Heretofore the stage manager for Mrs. Bollman's scenes in the drama have kept said Jones cleverly concealed behind the wings. Today he stepped forth as co-star with the plaintiff.

For it is gathered from questions included in a list of interrogatories to be sent north to take depositions, that this said V. B. Jones was at the Wilson hotel in Centralia, Wash., on the night that a certain F. W. Bowman and his wife registered at the hotel.

The said Jones also questioned a certain Y. Robinson, employe of the hotel, and also one J. W. Keiser, according to the drift of the interrogatories. In addition it is gathered that the F. W. Bowman and wife referred to are, under the plaintiff's allegations, to be identified if possible as Fred Bollman and Miss Celia Bollman.

The questioning indicates that the parties known as F. W. Bowman and wife registered at the hotel on the night of November 26, 1924, and also on the night of November 28.

The questioning also will be along the line as to whether these parties stayed at a certain room 216 in the hotel on the night of November 26.

In addition a list of questions is being sent to one John Doe, who is indicated in a photograph who took certain pictures of certain signatures on certain pages of a certain hotel register in this very hotel.

It is not revealed in the interrogatories whether the certain V. B. Jones, who is to be questioned was commissioned by the attorneys for the plaintiff to watch after the coming to trial of the case of F. W. Bowman and wife or whether he "just happened" to ask the employees in regard to this particular couple.

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