

RAINS KEEPING PRODUCE PRICES AT HIGH LEVELS

Portland, April 23—Cold rainy weather, unfavorable to the growing of fruits and vegetables, is holding back the crop and keeping prices high when ordinarily at this time of year values are declining as receipts in the market become heavier.

Asparagus is an outstanding example with the daily shipments hardly sufficient to supply the demand. As a result prices are actually higher now than at the opening of the season. Best local grade is being held at \$1.50 per dozen bunches.

Rhubarb and spinach appear to be the only two commodities in the produce list that are plentiful and cheap. The weather has apparently aided their growth as receipts are heavy in the local market.

Best home grown raspberries of the strawberry variety, can be had at 4 cents a pound. Local spinach is excellent quality, and plentiful at \$1.25 to \$1.35 a crate.

Country chickens are unchanged; few choices, light weight of the fancy type might bring 15 cents but the trade is pretty well filled up and 14 to 14 1/2 cents is the highest bid.

No change shown in live hens but broilers are a fraction lower at 38 to 40 cents.

A half cent advance in price of the first cubes to 40 cents is the only change in the local butter market.

Stocks here are well taken and the surplus at this time is negligible. Egg bids are posted and unchanged on the local board.

Portland, Apr. 23—Cattle active: receipts 740; steers, good \$3.75 @ 10.25; medium \$3.75 @ 9.50; common \$3.50 @ 8.75; canners and cut-

ting steers \$3.50 @ 7.50; heifers, good \$3.50 @ 7.50; medium \$3.25 @ 7.00; common and medium, all weights \$3.00 @ 6.25; cows, good \$3.00 @ 6.25; common and medium \$2.65 @ 5.00; others unchanged.

Hog steady; receipts 440; packing hogs, smooth \$11.50 @ 12.00; packing hogs, rough \$11.50 @ 11.00.

Sheep steady; receipts 210; lambs, light and handweight, medium to choice \$5.50 @ 10.00; heavyweight (2 1/2 lbs. up) medium to prime \$5.00 @ 9.50; all weights, cut and commo. \$5.00 @ 9.00; spring lambs, medium to choice \$13.00 @ 15.00; spring lambs, cut and commo. \$6.00 @ 13.00; yearling wethers medium to prime \$5.50 @ 8.00; wethers, 2 1/2 years old and over medium to prime \$5.00 @ 7.00; ewes, common to choice \$4.00 @ 6.50; wethers and cull \$1.50 @ 4.00.

(Above quotations except spring lambs on shorn basis.)

EGGS AND BUTTER Portland, April 23—Eggs firm; current receipts 25 1/2; pullets 25 1/2 @ 24; firsts 24 1/2 @ 23 1/2; hens 24 1/2 @ 23 1/2 delivered Portland.

Portland, Ore., April 23—Butter: extra, cubed, 41c; standards 40 1/2c; firsts 39 1/2c; second 38 1/2c; prints 42c; cartons 44c. Butterfat steady; best churning cream 49c; net shippers track in zone 1; 42c delivered Portland.

PORTLAND GRAIN Portland, April 23—Wheat: hard white, bluestem, hard, \$1.40; soft white, \$1.42; western white, \$1.50; western white \$1.50; H.B.B. hard white \$1.40. Today's car receipts: wheat 1, barley 10, flour 6, oats 7, hay 7.

POULTRY Portland, Ore., April 23—Poultry easy; heavy hens 23 @ 24; light 22 @ 23; broilers 40c.

ONIONS AND POTATOES Portland, Apr. 23—Onions steady \$3.50 @ 1.75 in country. Potatoes steady \$1.65 @ 1.75.

NUTS, HOPS AND CASCARA Portland, April 23—Nuts quiet; Walnuts 23 @ 23 1/2; almonds, new clusters 16c; tangles 15 @ 18c old crop nominal.

Portland, Apr. 23—Cascara bark quiet; new peel 2.85c per lb.; Oregon grape root 4c.

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

Grain: No. 1 white wheat \$1.38; No. 1 red wheat \$1.41 (stacked) 1c.

Wheat—see Prices Flour: 100 lbs. 15c; 50 lbs. 8 1/2c; 25 lbs. 4 1/2c; 12 1/2 lbs. 2 1/2c; 6 1/2 lbs. 1 1/2c; 3 1/2 lbs. 7/8c; 1 1/2 lbs. 3/4c; 1/2 lb. 3/8c; 1/4 lb. 1/8c; 1/8 lb. 1/16c; 1/16 lb. 1/32c; 1/32 lb. 1/64c; 1/64 lb. 1/128c; 1/128 lb. 1/256c; 1/256 lb. 1/512c; 1/512 lb. 1/1024c; 1/1024 lb. 1/2048c; 1/2048 lb. 1/4096c; 1/4096 lb. 1/8192c; 1/8192 lb. 1/16384c; 1/16384 lb. 1/32768c; 1/32768 lb. 1/65536c; 1/65536 lb. 1/131072c; 1/131072 lb. 1/262144c; 1/262144 lb. 1/524288c; 1/524288 lb. 1/1048576c; 1/1048576 lb. 1/2097152c; 1/2097152 lb. 1/4194304c; 1/4194304 lb. 1/8388608c; 1/8388608 lb. 1/16777216c; 1/16777216 lb. 1/33554432c; 1/33554432 lb. 1/67108864c; 1/67108864 lb. 1/134217728c; 1/134217728 lb. 1/268435456c; 1/268435456 lb. 1/536870912c; 1/536870912 lb. 1/1073741824c; 1/1073741824 lb. 1/2147483648c; 1/2147483648 lb. 1/4294967296c; 1/4294967296 lb. 1/8589934592c; 1/8589934592 lb. 1/17179869184c; 1/17179869184 lb. 1/34359738368c; 1/34359738368 lb. 1/68719476736c; 1/68719476736 lb. 1/137438953472c; 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