

BUTTER AND EGGS BOTH REGISTER GAINS IN PRICE

Portland, May 12—Values in the local egg market are on a higher level today with extras and firsts posted at higher on the daily exchange. Top grades are now up to 33 cents with firsts at 32 cents. Pullets and current receipts are steady and unchanged at 29 and 25 1/2 cents respectively.

The local butter market is showing a healthy undertone. Extras are a half cent higher for the day, being posted at 40 1/4 cents on the exchange. Other grades of cubes are steady and unchanged.

The poultry market is about steady. Receipts are good but prices are holding. Receipts of high strawberry prices is in sight. Prices still held around \$4 and \$4.25 this morning, although the demand has been curbed by some of the extreme levels. Local berries are held at \$4 to \$4.50 with some stock from Puasco up to \$5.25. Banner berries \$3.50 to \$3.50.

Old Oregon onions are cleaned up with prices nominal. New wax onions \$3 per 50 pound cask. Few yellow Danvers and Australian browns held at \$6 to \$6.25 per cwt.

Interest in the local dairy market centers on the hearing being held today in regard to a reduction in the rates on butter.

LIVESTOCK
Portland, May 12—Cattle steady receipts none; steers, good \$9.50 @10.00; medium \$8.00@9.50; common \$7.00@8.00; canners and cutters \$5.50@7.00; heifers, good \$8.00 (800 lbs. up) \$5.00@8.50; common and medium, all weights \$5.50@8.00; cows, good \$7.75@8.50; common and medium \$5.00@6.75; canners and cutters \$3.50@5.00; bulls, good (free yearlings) \$4.75@5.50; common to medium (yearners and bolognas) \$3.50@4.75; calves, medium to choice (190 lbs. down) \$3.00@4.10; calf and common (150 lbs. down) \$2.00@3.00; medium to choice (190 to 260 lbs.) \$6.50@10.00; medium to choice (260 lbs. up) \$5.00@7.00; calf and common (120 lbs. up) \$3.50@5.50.

Hogs steady; receipts none; heavyweight (250 to 350 pounds) medium, good and choice \$11.75@12.25; medium weight (200 to 300 lbs.) medium, good and choice \$12.00@12.50; light weight (150 to 200 lbs.) common, medium, good and choice \$12.50@13.00; packing hogs, smooth \$10.00@11.00; rough \$10.00@11.00; slaughter pigs (130 lbs. down) medium, good and choice \$10.00@10.50; feeder and stocker pigs (75 to 130 lbs.) common, medium, good and choice \$9.00@10.00. (Soft or oily hogs and roasting pigs excluded in above.)

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Portland, Ore., May 12—Butter extra cubes, city, 40 1/4; standards 39 1/4; prime firsts 33 1/4; firsts 32c; prints 42c; cartons 43c.
Butterfat steady, best churning cream 40c net shippers' track in case 1, 41c delivered Portland.

PORTLAND GRAIN
Portland, May 12—Wheat bids: hard white, bluestem, hard \$1.65; soft white, western white, hard \$1.55; northern spring, western red \$1.55; H. H. hard white \$1.55. Today's car receipts: wheat 12, flour 3, corn 1, oats 3, hay 3.

POULTRY
Portland, Ore., May 12—Poultry steady; heavy hens 23@24c; light 22@23c; broilers 26@30c; white ducks 28@35c.

ONIONS AND POTATOES
Portland, May 12—Onions nominal, \$2.25@5.50 in country. Potatoes sold \$2.50@2.65.
PUSH HOPE AND CASCARA
Portland, May 12—Nuts quiet; Walnuts 23@35c; filberts none.

REYNOLDS ARREST RECALLS RISE HE TRIED TO WORK
Lloyd T. Reynolds was re-elected president of the Producers Cooperative Canning & Packing company yesterday and Frank Gibson remained a secretary-treasurer of the organization.

Cooperative Cannery to Discontinue Packing of Black Cherries Here

Discontinuance of the pack of black cherries entirely as a canned product except in case of necessity to save the cherries from a total wastage, was announced by Bert Fanning, manager of the Oregon Fruit Selling company, in his report to the Producers Packing & Canning company at its stockholders meeting yesterday. The Oregon Fruit Selling company is the selling concern for the producers. Last season's pack, he stated, because of pinholing and leaks was a total loss, it was found on its arrival in Philadelphia and past experience has been such as to make the handling of the line as a canned cherry unprofitable.

He made the assertion in his report relative to gooseberries that he believes the trade will come back on that article, but whether in sufficient volume to absorb the increased tonnage in sight is a serious question.

In his report to the stockholders Fanning had the following to say: Gooseberries—Radican changes made in the method of processing this article have been such as to swell of past seasons resulted in an unsatisfactory pack in both appearance and quality. Michigan's product was superior and took the entire pack had we any means of knowing what it would be. When the pack was over we had 3000 cases unsold and no chance of sale until recently, and then at prices much reduced. This fact reduced our return by at least 7 1/2 per cent.

Royal Anne cherries—We have always contended that given the tonnage necessary to make it possible to manufacture economically we could show favorable results. Last season's return bear out this statement. Of course fine quality fruit helped materially.

Black cherries—At the time of our last season's report we were just making shipment of the bulk of our 1923 pack. When they arrived in Philadelphia they had pinholed and were leaking, resulting in a total loss. Our past experience with this line has been such that we will discontinue entirely the packing of this variety except in the event that it may become an absolute necessity to save what appears a total wastage. It is to be hoped that fresh shipment will offer the growers a satisfactory solution on this line.

Black raspberries—At the suggestion of our English connections with whom we had had very satisfactory results on other lines, we shipped the bulk of the 1923 pack to them about this time one year ago. Much to the disappointment of all concerned, we found that their consuming trade while they take large quantities of red raspberries, absolutely refused to accept the blacks on any basis and we were obliged to have them returned to New York. Since that time we have sold a part of the parcel, but still have about 175 cases unsold, which are being tried every effort to clean up. Our last season's pack was moved with reasonable promptness, returning at least 20 above the average market.

Pears—Fruit was of exceptionally fine quality and marked our best season with this commodity. We were able to pack 59 per cent in the fancy and choice grades as compared with 41 per cent of the year previous, which fact assisted us materially in returning to our growers what we believe was the highest price paid for canning pears on the Pacific coast last season.

Prunes—Very much to our surprise the result of our last season's pack was a disappointment in size of fruit as well as color and general quality, resulting in some complaint from the trade. With the lighter tonnage of last season we foresee no such contingency, but considering the demands of buyers we are convinced that larger and more uniform size is absolutely essential and in the average season this will be heavier and more thorough pruning. For obvious reasons we will not go into detail in this connection for the present, but as the season advances this matter will be taken care of during the regular canvass of our field men.

At the annual meeting of the Cannery League of California, and Apriler this spring, decision was made by the canners present to work for the more uniform adoption of size specifications on Royal Anne cherries and plums for canning purposes in buying from growers than heretofore and along similar lines to the buying size specifications to be made after the end of the 1925 crop season. Other changes are to be suggested and announced later.

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PLANS ARE LAID TO FACILITATE BIG CHERRY DEAL

London, May 12—(By Associated Press)—American made automobiles are being shipped to Great Britain at the rate of a thousand a day as a result of Chancellor Churchill's threat to advance the date for the imposition of the McKenna duties, which placed a tax of 33 per cent on foreign cars of parts, retroactive.

With the paving of the alley at the side of their building some important changes are being made in the new plant of the Pacific Fruit & Produce company. The improvement will primarily benefit the Salem Black Cherry association's plant which expects to handle 24 cars of cherries at a time through the plant, as the produce company will completely divide its plant for the benefit of the pool during the cherry shipping season. The improvements are being so made that they will be used for the benefit of the company following the shipping season.

The improvements include the making of a new door at the side of the plant, installation of big scales between the plant and the pavement so that cherries or other produce can be moved from the wagon directly into the plant and on into the big cooling room. The cooling room can accommodate three cars of cherries at a time and under the arrangement the cherries will go at once into the cooler and from there into the cars.

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Shearing is now becoming general in the eastern counties and as the wool begins to accumulate it is probable that buyers and sellers will be more disposed to get together and something like an active market develop. Trade is still handicapped by the setback given the markets abroad last week, but a healthier tone is beginning to be apparent and while prices may not be favorably affected, it is likely that dealers will be more inclined to enter the market.

Quotations are more or less nominal with the better class of wools held to be worth 35 to 37 cents, but most growers are asking 40 cents.

New wool is coming to this city in liberal quantities to be stored until the producers deem the time right to sell. It is probable the amount stored here this season will be the largest in any year since the war.

Reporting on Boston market conditions yesterday the government daily bulletin said: "Only an occasional sale of wool is being made. A limited amount of fat sheep wool from the fleece wool section has moved at about 42 cents, grease basis, this market. This was of the fine and fine medium quality and would shrink 53 or 54 per cent. Some Arizona fine staple is still available here."

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THE FIRST DEAL IN SHORN WOOL IN OREGON THIS SEASON WAS IN THE ECHO DISTRICT, WHERE THE E. J. BURKE WOOL COMPANY PURCHASED A 50,000-POUND CLIP OF FINE AND FINE MEDIUM. THE PRICE WAS NOT MADE PUBLIC.

Shearing is now becoming general in the eastern counties and as the wool begins to accumulate it is probable that buyers and sellers will be more disposed to get together and something like an active market develop. Trade is still handicapped by the setback given the markets abroad last week, but a healthier tone is beginning to be apparent and while prices may not be favorably affected, it is likely that dealers will be more inclined to enter the market.

Quotations are more or less nominal with the better class of wools held to be worth 35 to 37 cents, but most growers are asking 40 cents.

New wool is coming to this city in liberal quantities to be stored until the producers deem the time right to sell. It is probable the amount stored here this season will be the largest in any year since the war.

Reporting on Boston market conditions yesterday the government daily bulletin said: "Only an occasional sale of wool is being made. A limited amount of fat sheep wool from the fleece wool section has moved at about 42 cents, grease basis, this market. This was of the fine and fine medium quality and would shrink 53 or 54 per cent. Some Arizona fine staple is still available here."

ASSOCIATION IN CALIFORNIA TO REVISE CONTRACT
UNIFORM SIZES ON CHERRIES AND PRUNES DESIRED

The committee on reorganization of the California Fruit and Apricot Growers' association, of which J. O. Hayes of San Jose is the chairman, has suggested to the growers, and the suggestion has been published to them in the association's monthly publication, the Sun-Sweet Standard, two important changes in the present contract to be made after the end of the 1925 crop season. Other changes are to be suggested and announced later.

But at the conclusion of the 1925 crop two important changes in the contract are now proposed by the committee—first, a withdrawal clause allowing members to withdraw from the association in any year during a stated period, probably a brief time in the early spring months of the year; second, a recommendation that through some form of local unit organization the members of the association be given a more direct voice in the control of the affairs of the organization.

It is proposed by the committee to accomplish this latter partially by the direct annual election of directors and to do away with the vesting board as it is at present constituted, so that each district have its own specific director. The present contract of the California Fruit and Apricot Growers' association after the present season's crop provides an opportunity for an option of the association to continue as before with the crop of 1926, 1927 and 1928, providing the option is exercised before April 30, 1926. The reorganization committee, under Chairman Hayes, however, is suggesting these two definite changes and will, it says, announce others later, which indicates that new grower-member contracts will be undertaken following the 1925 crop.

SHIPS RETURN HOME
Up in Glace Bay, Nova Scotia, whence have come many of the craft that have sold liquor for thirty New Yorkers in the last four years, liquor could be bought cheaply from two schooners if the Canadian authorities would permit it. Whiskey was offered on board yesterday at \$12 a case. Presumably the vessels came from off the New York coast, driven home by lack of customers and need of food and water. They did no business, however, as two Canadian revenue cutters stood by.

In the annual report of the department of commerce, published today, Secretary Hoover, in statistics on the country's foreign trade last year gives \$40,000,000 as an estimate of the cost of bootlegged foreign liquor. Officials connected with the customs service are said to regard this as a low estimate.