RAIN RETARDING BERRIES; EGGS ARE CENT LOWER

Portland, May 21—Cold, Rainy weather has retarded the local strawberry crop and arrivals on the early growers market this morning fell off considerably. Prices opened fully $1 higher on the best crates with improved Oregons selling up to $4.25. Later the growers sold out remaining lots at $4 straight. Gold Dollar and Marshalls went at $3.50 with some ordinary stock selling at $3.50.

Cheaper buys were made in some instances, depending on quality and fruit contracted for the day before. The berry market as a whole, however, was a strong affair and a surprise to the trade.

The strawberry harvest is just getting under way and the peak will not be reached for another week or ten days, depending largely on weather conditions.

Growers say the crop will run close to normal this year, the increased acreage being sufficient to counter balance the damage from winter freeze.

First grade eggs are a cent lower on the exchange today although the market maintains a steady undertone at current levels. Firsts are posted at 32 cents with all other grades steady and unchanged. Butter is steady and unchanged.

Thirteen cents is the extreme top on country dressed veal in the local market today, with butchers more or less indifferent at that. Only fancy calves are selling and undergrades are hard to move at any price. Receipts are liberal. Choice light hogs hold steady at 15½ to 16c.

Poultry prices are steady and unchanged.

LIVESTOCK

Portland, May 21—Hogs firm; receipts 570; heavy weight (250 to 350 pounds) medium, good and choice $12.00@13.00; medium weight (200 to 300 lbs.) medium, good and choice $12.25@13.25; lightweight (160 to 200 lbs.) common, medium, good and choice $12.00@13.50; light lights (130 to 160 lbs.) common, medium, good and choice $11.50@12.50; packing hogs smooth $11.50@12.00; rough $10.50@11.00; slaughter pigs (130 lbs. down) medium, good and choice $11.00@12.00; feeder and stocker pigs (70 to 130 lbs.) common, medium, good and choice $11.00@12.00. (Soft or oily hogs and roasting pigs excluded.)

Cattle nom. steady; receipts 160. (154 direct or through.) Steers, good $9.50@9.75; medium $8.00@9.50; common $7.00@8.00; canners and cutter steers $5.00@7.00; heifers, good (850 lbs. up) $8.00@8.75; common and medium, all weights $5.50@8.00; cows, good $7.50@8.50; common and medium $5.00@7.25; canners and cutters $2.50@5.00; bulls, good (beef yearlings included $4.50@5.50; common to medium (canners and bolognas) $3.50@5.75; calves, medium to choice (190 lbs. down) $8.00@11.00; cull and common (190 lbs. down) $5.00@8.00; medium to choice (190 to 200 lbs.) $7.00@10.50; medium to choice (200 lbs. up) $5.00@7.00; cull and common (120 lbs. up) $3.50@5.50.

Sheep and lambs steady; receipts 1100; lambs light and handyweight medium to choice $7.50@9.00; heavyweight (92 lbs. up) medium to prime $7.00@8.00; all weights, cull and common $6.00@8.00; spring lambs, medium to choice $9.00@11.50; spring lambs, cull and common $5.00@9.00; yearling wethers, medium to prime $6.50@8.00; wethers (2 years old and over) medium to prime $5.00@7.50; ewes, common to choice $4.00@4.50; canner and cull $1.50@4.00. (Above quotations except spring lambs on short basis).

BUTTER AND EGGS

Portland, May 21—Eggs steady current receipts 28½c; pullets 25½@26c; firsts 25½@26c; henneries 27½@28c delivered Portland.

Butter firm, extra cubes, city 41c; standards 40½c; prime firsts 40c; firsts 39c; undergrades, nominal; prints 42c; cartons 44c.

Butterfat firm. Best churning cream 40c net shippers' track in zone 1; 42c delivered Portland.

PORTLAND GRAIN

Portland, May 21—Wheat: hard white, blue stem, hart $1.46; soft white, western white, hard winter, northern spring $1.58; western red $1.56; R. R. R. hard white $1.75. Today's car receipts: wheat 6, flour 10, corn 2, oats 1, hay 4.

POULTRY

Portland, Ore., May 21—Poultry steady; heavy hens 24@25c; light 22@23c; broilers 22@27c; young white ducks 20@22c.

ONIONS AND POTATOES

Portland, May 21—Onions nominal. Potatoes nominal, scarce. No. 2, $2.25@2.50.

NUTS, HOPS AND CASCARA

Portland, May 21—Nuts steady; walnuts No. 1, 29@32c; filberts nominal.

Hops steady; 1924 crop 13@14c; 1923 crop nominal.

Cascara bark quiet. New peal 7@8c per pound; Oregon grape root 4c.

Salem Markets

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

Wholesale Prices

Grain: No. 1 white wheat $1.48; No. 1 red wheat $1.46 (sacked.)

Meat: Top hogs 16c; sows 8@11c; dressed hogs 16c; top steers 6@7c, cows $4.00@5.50; canner cows 1½ up; bulls 3½@5c, spring lambs up to 90 lbs., 14c; veal 9c; dressed veal 12c.

Poultry: Springers 25c; light hens 15c; heavy hens 20c; old roosters 6c; dressed ducks 15@18c.

Butterfat 46c; creamery butter 14@15c; eggs 23c; standards 25c; selects 27c; milk $2.20 cwt.

Vegetables: California new potatoes 7¼c; old potatoes $3.00@3.50 sack; local lettuce $1.75 crate; Washington cabbage 5¼c; crate onions $3.50@4.00; spinach 5c; peppers 25c; rutabagas $3.00; parsnips 2½c; sack carrots $4.00; local turnips 3¼c; California bunch vegetables; carrots 90c; beets, turnips 85c doz.; parsley 60c doz.; local radishes 40@80c; green onions 40@50c doz.; grapefruit $5.50@6.50; local rhubarb 5c lb.; tomatoes $5.00; asparagus $1.25@1.75 doz. lb. bunches; new telephone peas 14c; new mustard greens 5c; Oregon, local strawberries 24 basket crate $1.75@2.75; artichokes $1.00 dozen; oranges, small naval $5.75@7.50; green beans 18c; wax onions $3.50@4.00; California broccoli $2.75; pineapple $3.50@4.00; Oregon hothouse tomatoes 30c lb.; cantaloupes 8@10c; Oregon gooseberries 5c in lugs.

CANNERIES OPEN ON GOOSEBERRY PACK HERE SOON

With gooseberry canning to open up in the next few days, the first signal of the coming canning season, indications are that the pack will be short and snappy, according to all reports.

There is little question that canners have drawn a sigh of relief over a situation that promised to be binding, as some of them had long term, high priced contracts on gooseberries, the demand was big, prices high and the wares having little trouble in disposal at a good profit. Things are different now than they were in the olden days, but the contracts are still here and early in the season it began to look as if some of the canneries with these contracts on their hands would have to accept large quantities of gooseberries and handle a big pack, with a dubious market outlook.

But mildew has set in in a number of gooseberry patches and for one reason or another the crop of gooseberries that will be harvested will be very small in comparison to what had been expected at an earlier date in the season.

This unquestionably is a relief to the canners, although it will hit some growers hard. Now and then a gooseberry patch is reported in top notch shape with an exceedingly heavy crop, free from mildew and disease. It is expected, these few growers will realize pretty well on their crop.

So serious had the gooseberry outlook been for some canners confronted with the contracts, that in one instance, Hunt brothers, plans had been made for experimenting with shipping the gooseberries east in a green stage to see what could be done with them. When anthracnose developed in the yards cutting the crops under contract materially this plan was abandoned, although there was some discussion on the part of growers relative to trying it out anyway. This plan, it is believed, will not be attempted this year as the harvestable crop has been cut down considerably.

Just when and how the gooseberry market for the canned product will develop is a matter of great interest to this section as there were heavy plantings. Then came difficulty with swells in the cans due to spray on unwashed berries, large numbers of orders were turned back for this reason and eastern buyers began to look askance at the product. It is believed that the years will wear out this prejudice, however, and gooseberries may come back into their own—but just how strong they will come back remains to be seen.

GRAIN CROPS IN GOOD CONDITION

Portland, May 21—Rye is ripening in Umatilla county and is being cut for green feed in the Willamette valley, says the weekly crop report issued by the weather bureau here. Seeding of spring wheat and oats continues in elevated districts, while in some western localities spring wheat is heading in most of the milder sections. Conditions have been mostly favorable for small grain. Planting of corn continues and early plantings are coming up well.

Prunes are good in some eastern localities, but are poor elsewhere and are very poor in parts of the Willamette valley. Cherries are mostly poor. Pears are dropping heavily in southern Oregon. The set of apples is uneven. Strawberries are in market in increasing quantities.

There is little clover in some western sections, owing to unfavorable weather in 1924, and alfalfa in places shows much winter killing. Some alfalfa has been cut. Vetch is doing well.

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FIRST BERRIES ARE RECEIVED FOR BARRELING

The strawberry season is getting under way in the Salem district and the first of the berries are being received by Baker, Kelly & McLaughlin at their quarters in the Northwest Food Products company plant at Commercial and Trade, with entrance on the alley. The first consignment being received for their enormous barreling operations are Oregons and finer berries were never seen in this section—or anywhere else for that matter.

The active barreling operations of the concern will not start here until the first of the week, the berries now being received being shipped to the Albany plant which has been operating for two or three days. It is expected early next week the operations here will get under way in full swing.

The company is installing an innovation by washing all berries this year, being completely equipped for a rainy season. In past seasons all dirty berries were washed, but this year every berry going through the plant will be put through the bath.

The company is still in the market it announces for all of the Oregons and Marshalls it can get at the market price.

The plant of the company at Woodburn is now in full swing and plants also will be operated at Lebanon and LaCombe. The barreling operations for those plants will be done at Lebanon while berries will be received at both points.

From every indication this will be the biggest year in the history of Baker, Kelly & McLaughlin operations here which have extended over a period of seven years with a constant increase in business from the start.

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It is expected that some canneries will start on strawberries next week.

Next Wednesday another big strawberry drive will start when Libby, McNeil & Libby open in the Salem Fruit Union building to receive over 150 tons of Wilson strawberries which were bought up early in the spring for them by Earl Pearcy. While the company went after 150 tons it is understood a great many more than that will be received.

Reports are to the effect that the rain is causing rot in some of the early pickings of strawberries, but the berries so far coming in are superb looking and there seems no doubt but the crop will be a bumper one. This is particularly true of the Ettersbergs which are not effected by the rains, save only to benefit from them. The Ettersberg is the big canning berry of this section.

WOOL PRICES AT LOW LEVEL SAYS MARKET EXPERT

Salt Lake City, Utah, May 21—The world wool situation was discussed in a statement issued today by F. R. Marshall, secretary of the National Wool Growers association, which has headquarters here.

In the opinion of Mr. Marshall, the low point of prices has been reached "even with the sales closed in England and Australia and the bulk of the United States wools already owned by concerns fully familiar with market conditions it seems certain the real statistical position of wool will determine further prices."

Manufacturing are against advanced wool prices, according to Marshall, declared that the values now being established will be accepted for some time by the wool buying interests.

Mr. Marshall's statement went into the question of supply and demand and stocks on hand in this country and in the world.

"There is a strong demand for wool clothing and carpets and the indicated demand for the present stocks and new clips is not likely to permit the continuation of recent low prices," he said. "The grower has been forced to insist upon recognition of his cost of production under the new condition of business and economics and at least a part of the trade has recognized that a price of forty cents or upwards for average range wools is necessary today to make wool growing profitable or attractive."

Society

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Other officers are as follows: George J. Wenderoth, vice president; Mrs. Ethel Chapman, treasurer, and Mrs. J. H. Stapleton, secretary.

An announcement was made of the program which will be given on the school lawn tomorrow afternoon beginning at 1:30 when the physical education classes of the school will exhibit their work of the year. Later an art exhibit will be held and candy and ice cream will be sold with the proceeds going into a fund with which to defray the cost of the framing of pictures received recently for the school. It was also announced that the school picnic will be held the first week in June. A pageant on the "history of our country," written by the pupils of the fifth and sixth grades, will be presented by them on May 29. It was decided to discontinue the branch library during the summer months.

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Miss Margaret Lacy was a charming hostess for a get acquainted party for her sister Geneva Lacy, who has just arrived from the east.

The evening was spent in games and dancing and at a late hour dainty refreshments were served.

Those present were Lorena Lehold, Gladys La Forest, Honora Reidy, Eva Albrich, Beverly May, Lenore Mickel, Winifred Albrich, Geneva Lac, and the hostess, Miss Margaret Lacy.

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Mr. and Mrs. Frank Durbin, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Cornoyer and Miss Josephine Cornoyer will leave tomorrow to spend the week end at the Durbin summer home at Neskowin.

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The woman's auxiliary of St. Paul's church will meet at the rectory tomorrow afternoon. Mrs. H. Duncan Chambers will be hostess.

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Friends of Mrs. E. A. Pauleen will be happy to hear that she is recovering from the effects of a recent operation. Mrs. Pauleen is at the Salem hospital.

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Mrs. J. A. Carson, Mrs. R. J. Hendricks, Mrs. J. F. Humphreys, Mrs. W. P. Fowle, Mrs. J. A. Bernardi, Mrs. F. A. Baker and Mrs. Mark Skiff—all Salem war mothers, are in Albany today where they are special guests of the Albany chapter of war mothers at their regular meeting.

Mrs. J. A. Carson and Mrs. W. P. Fowle motored down early this morning and were the luncheon guests today of Mrs. R. C. Kreisel (Theresa Fowle.)

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Mrs. J. A. Mills received word this morning from her son, Harry Q. Mills who is in Los Angeles, that he will play two organ solos and several accompaniments over radio KNX at the Wurlitzer studio in Hollywood on Friday evening between eight and nine o'clock.

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Mrs. Russell Catlin, Mrs. C. P. Bishop, Mrs. Edwin Cross and Mrs. Henry W. Thielsen are the luncheon guests in Portland today of Mrs. Conway.

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NOTICE
of Intention to Improve North Winter Street from Market Street to South Street

Notice is hereby given that the Common Council of the city of Salem, Oregon, deems it necessary and expedient and hereby declares its purpose and intention to improve north Winter street from the north line of Market street to the south line of South street, at the expense of the abutting and adjacent property, excepting the street and alley intersections, the expense of which will be assumed by the city of Salem, by bringing said portion of said street to the established grade, constructing Portland cement concrete curbs, and paving said portion of said street with a six inch Portland cement concrete pavement thirty feet wide in accordance with the plans, specifications and estimates therefor, which were adopted by the Common Council May 18, 1925, now on file in the office of the city recorder and which said plans, specifications and estimates are hereby referred to and made a part of this notice.

Written remonstrance may be filed with the city recorder of said city against the above proposed improvement within ten days from date of final publication hereof.

By order of the Common Council May 18, 1925.

M. POULSEN, City Recorder.

Date of first publication hereof is May 21, 1925. 131*

NOTICE
of Intention to Improve North Summer Street from Market Street to Mill Creek

Notice is hereby given that the Common Council of the city of Salem, Oregon, deems it necessary and expedient and hereby declares its purpose and intention to reconstruct and improve north Summer street from the south line of Market street to the north bank of Mill creek, at the expense of the abutting and adjacent property, except the street and alley intersections, the expense of which will be assumed by the city of Salem, by removing the old broken pavement from said street, bringing said street to the established grade and paving said portion of said street with a six inch cement concrete pavement forty five feet wide in accordance with the plans, specifications and estimates therefor, which were adopted by the Common Council May 18, 1925, now on file in the office of the city recorder and which are hereby made a part of this notice.

The Common Council hereby declares its purpose and intention to make the above described improvement by and through the Street Improvement Department of the city of Salem.

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NOTICE
of Intention to Improve Columbia Street from Commercial Street to Broadway Street

Notice is hereby given that the Common Council of the city of Salem, Oregon, deems it necessary and expedient and hereby declares its purpose and intention to improve Columbia street from the east line of Commercial street to the east curb line of Broadway street, at the expense of the abutting and adjacent property, excepting the street and alley intersections, the expense of which will be assumed by the city of Salem, by bringing said portion of said street to the established grade, constructing Portland cement concrete curbs, and paving said portion of said street with a six inch Portland cement concrete pavement thirty feet wide in accordance with the plans, specifications and estimates therefor, which were adopted by the Common Council May 18, 1925, now on file in the office of the city recorder and which said plans, specifications and estimates are hereby referred to and made a part of this notice.

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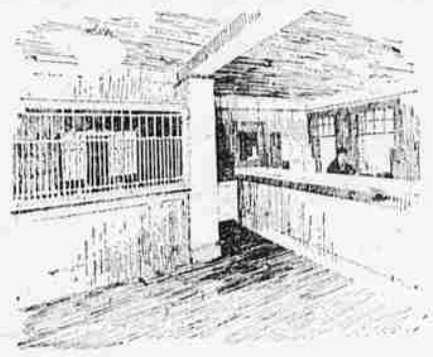

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