

### PRODUCTION OF CREAM TOUCHES PEAK OF SEASON

Portland, June 24—Cream production in coast territory has apparently passed the peak for this season and from now on receipts will gradually fall off. The next few weeks can only mean higher prices as the make of butter becomes smaller.

Already local creamerymen report a decrease in butterfat receipts and prices on the dairy exchange are responding promptly. Today bids on extras and prime first cubes are a cent higher at 44 and 44 1/2 cents respectively. Standard cubes are a half cent higher at 45 cents. Further advances on cubes will mean higher price for cream.

Less butter is going into storage although local coolers show a gain of 156,406 pounds over last week. A considerable portion of the local make is going south. Total holdings in coast coolers this week show 2,801,600 pounds, a gain of 56,004 pounds of the previous week.

Egg prices are steady and unchanged. Warm weather is causing egg prices to decline. Demand for eggs on the local market, however, is easier and prices held steady. Choice light veal 13 cents choice light hogs 13 to 13 1/2.

The poultry supply remains plentiful but prices are holding. Demand is only moderate. Light hens 22 to 23 cents, springs 21 to 24; young white ducks nominal at 30 cents.

### Prospects For Advance In Cherry Market Held Good

Cherries from the districts east of the mountains which have recently flooded the eastern markets have been cleared away and the market will be bare within ten days to provide an excellent market for the crops of this district. Is the statement of Roy R. Hirsch, western division manager for the Denney firm, who arrived in Salem Monday to direct handling of the Denney deal here. Headquarters for the Denney packing was established this morning in the old King's Products plant on North Front street. Telephone number at the plant is 291.

The Denney people are ready to receive available black cherries and will take any amount of satisfactory quality that is offered in addition to what they have already signed, according to Hirsch. The firm is to be the only shipping center for the firm in western Oregon for the black cherries and will receive the Denney consignments from Albany, McMinnville, Forest Grove, Sheridan, Portland, and other outlying points where contracts are held or fruit available. The first lot of cherries will be received at the Kings plant today and if the receipts within the next few days are large enough, the first cars will go out this week. Other receipts should be in by the end of the week and will go Monday and Tuesday.

### PICK ROADS FOR FIVE YEAR PLAN OF IMPROVEMENT

Thirty-two public highways forming an aggregate of 108 1/2 miles are scheduled for construction or improvement in the new five-year road construction program of Marion county, made public by the county court yesterday. Linked up with the old system of 34 roads with an aggregate mileage of 150 miles, the county upon completion of the new road program will have 258 1/2 of improved county roads.

Selection of the new roads by the court was made from every part of the county with the idea of linking up highways of adjoining counties and offering undeveloped sections improved highway facilities. While a large part of the five-year program bills for the paving of roads, the majority of the new highways will only be drained, graded and designated as market roads macadamized.

Additional roads to be improved under the new program are: Jefferson and Marion road, Salem and St. Paul road via Fairfield, From Highway at Brooks to Lash. Woodburn to Pacific Highway via Layman place. Talbot to Pacific Highway. West Stayton to Aumsville. Turner to Pacific Highway by McKinney place. Sublimity to Willard. From east end of Market road No. 23 to Meridian line. Pratum to Willard. From Silverton via Davis S. H. to L. O. Hadley's place. Silverton to Central 2 via Skalf's. Silverton to Section Howell Bridge. Mt. Angel-Bethany road to Prairie. Pine Tree Corners to Jack's North Howell Prairie. North Howell S. H. to Lake Lash. Gervais via Parkerville to Simmons church. Chemawa to Hazel Green church. Livesley Station to Halls Ferry. Rosedale to Fairview S. H. Liberty to center line of section 17 on Skyline road. Girls Industrial school to Boys Industrial school. Woodburn to Reform School road. Hubbard to Boones Ferry road via Wolfers spring. Aurora on Boones Ferry road to County line. East Butteville to Cemetery four corners. Donald to Yergens Corner. Champeog to Monument park. Keler School house to North line section 33 (Spong road). Salem to Fruitland. West Woodburn to Broadacres. Cheese Factory to Santiam bridge at Stayton. The 34 roads heretofore designated as market roads by the 1919 bond election are as follows: Road. Jefferson and Green's Bridge. Jefferson and Sidney Road. Turner and Marion road. Brooks and Lash road. Cemetery road from Gervais.

### Salem Markets

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

**Wholesale Prices**  
Grain, No. 1 white wheat \$1.45; No. 1 red wheat \$1.43 (stacked).  
Meat: Top hogs 13 1/2c; sows \$9.50@10.50; dressed hogs 17c; top steers 6c; cows \$2.50@5.00; bulls \$3.50@4c; spring lambs, 80 lbs. and under \$9.99 1/2c; heavier 8 1/2c; veal 7.75@7c; dressed veal 12 1/2c.  
Poultry: Springers 14@20c; light hens 13@15c; heavy hens 18@20c; old roosters 6c.  
Butterfat 45c; creamery butter

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17@15c; eggs 26c; standards 28c; selects 30c; milk \$2.10 cwt.  
Vegetables and fruits: Cantaloupes \$4.50; water melons 3 1/2c lb.; cherries, early eating, 8c lb.; gooseberries 4c lb.; oranges \$7.75@8.25; lemons \$9.00@9.50; grapefruit \$7.75; bananas 8 1/2c lb.; pineapples \$2.50 per doz.; apples, extra fancy Winesaps \$4.00; asparagus \$1.25@1.75 box; peppers 30c lb.; peas 5c lb.; new potatoes 3 1/2c lb.; spinach 7c lb.; bunches vegetables, beets, carrots, turnips, local 40@80c; beets, carrots, onions 30@60c; radishes 25@40c doz. bunches; tomatoes \$2.50 crate; Missippi tomatoes \$2.50 lug; hot-house tomatoes 20c lb.; green beans 12c; lettuce dry pack crate \$1.25@1.75; doz. 60c; cucumbers, per doz. hothouse \$1.15@1.75; rhubarb, local 4c; celery, California new crop per dozen \$1.25; old potatoes \$3.50; smoked vegetable beets, 3 1/2c; new carrots 4 1/2c; utahs and turnips 3 1/2c; onions crystal wax, per crate \$3.75; California red, per cwt., \$5.00; local cauliflower, \$2.00 crate; strawberries \$1.75@2.00; California apricots \$2.25 for 4 basket crate; canning, \$2.00; plums \$2 for 4 basket crate; home grown cabbage 4c; new yellow onions, 6c by the sack; fresh parsley 60c dozen.



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### CASH PRICE FOR CHERRIES LIKELY TO BE ADVANCED

Young and Wells this morning opened packing headquarters in the old Salem Fruit Union building and announced readiness to receive black cherries for the market. Packing will start as soon as the fruit begins coming in and the first of the Young and Wells cars will roll for eastern markets the last of this week or Monday of next.

"We will pay eight and a half cents cash for our fruit now, but there is good reason to believe that this price will be advanced before the end of the season," Wells declared this morning. His prediction is based upon information received by long distance telephone from Chicago agents yesterday. He declared, however, that it was too early to predict how far the movement in the eastern market would boost the price here.

"We believe that a cash price in the 8c. way to handle the deal this year, because of the perishable quality of the fruit," Wells declared. "This year the fruit must move fast if it is to reach the market in saleable condition. We are paying a cash price and ourselves assuming the risk of transportation."

Wells will go to Vancouver today where his firm is opening their deal there and where they will handle a minimum of seven cars. Present estimates are for a pack of from 10 to 15 cars in Salem.

### SHORTAGE FELT OF PICKERS FOR RIPENING FRUIT

With report made of an acute shortage of cherry and loganberry pickers to gather crops being rapidly brought to ripeness by recent hot weather, indications today were that part of the fruit in the vicinity of Salem might be lost. Jim Phillips, manager of the local employment bureau operated by the Salem Y. M. C. A. in conjunction with the federal employment service, this morning wired to Portland asking for 75 laborers. Reports received back from Portland indicated that not all of the order can be filled, due to lack of laborers there who have equipment for carrying.

A few rumors had already begun to circulate in Salem this morning that a request might be made to have business establishments close down for one day to allow their employees to go into the country and pick fruit.

Cherry pickers are paid from one and one half to three cents a pound, according to the quantity and quality of cherries on the trees. Prices for loganberries run close to one and one half cents a pound. The acreage of loganberries has been materially reduced during the past two years, but there are still large quantities of them to be picked.

A distinct, although less acute, shortage of farm help is also reported.

### DIAMOND STORE ROBBERY DARING

New York, June 24—Two robbers held up the diamond store of Marcus Feldman on Broadway in the theatrical district today and escaped with diamonds said to be worth between \$150,000 and \$200,000. The robbers, with pistols drawn, entered the store and tied up two clerks on duty. They then ransacked the counters, piling diamonds and jewelry into a bag. The holdup occurred shortly after 10:30 o'clock when Broadway was crowded. The Feldman store is between 49th and 48th streets.

The robbers also emptied a safe. Marcus Feldman, the proprietor, entered a few minutes after the robbers had escaped and released the two clerks. Police were investigating descriptions of the robbers and a general alarm was sent out.

### AUSTRALIAN GROWERS RESUME WOOL SALES

Melbourne, June 24—(By Associated Press)—The Australian wool growers council and the national council of wool growing brokers of Australia today decided to resume wool sales July 12.

During July 12, 6,000 bales of wool will be offered and a like amount in August. It is hoped that the monthly sales, if started in that way, will be continued.

### YAKIMA PEARS SELL FOR \$75; NEW HIGH MARK

Yakima, Wash., June 24—Two contracts for pears at \$75 a ton, the top figure reported this season and the price fixed by the California Pear Growers' association, were made here yesterday. Pears are in great demand with some of the growers holding for a higher figure.

### LIVESTOCK

Portland, June 24—Hogs steady; receipts 170 heavy weight (250 to 350 pounds) medium, good and choice \$12.25@13.50; medium weight (200 to 250 lbs.) common, medium, good and choice \$13.75@14.25; light lights \$13 to 169 lbs.; common, medium, good and choice \$12.50@13.50; packing hogs smooth \$11.00@12.50; rough \$10.00@11.00; slaughter pigs (130 lbs. down) medium, good and choice \$11.50@12.75; feeder and stocker pigs (70 to 130 lbs.) common, medium, good and choice \$11.50@12.75; (50lb or oily hogs and roasting pigs excluded).  
Cattle steady; receipts 30; steers, good \$9.00@9.25; medium \$7.00@9.00; common \$6.50@8.00; canners and culler steers \$4.50@6.50; heifers, good \$8.50 (lbs. up) \$8.00@8.25; common and medium, all weights \$5.25@7.50; cows good \$7.50@7.75; common and medium \$4.75@7.00; medium and cull \$3.50@4.75; bulls, good (beef yearlings excluded) \$4.75@5.50; common to medium (canners and hologna) \$3.50@4.75; calves, medium to choice (130 lbs. down) \$7.00@9.00; cull and common (190 lbs. down) \$4.00@7.00; medium to choice (130 to 200 lbs.) \$6.50@8.50; medium and cull (260 lbs. up) \$4.50@6.00; cull and common (120 lbs. up) \$3.00@5.00.  
Sheep and lambs steady; receipts 920 lambs light and handweight medium to choice \$9.50@11.50; heavyweight (92 lbs. up) medium to prime \$8.00@9.50; all weights cull and common \$3.00@3.00; yearling wethers, medium to prime \$6.50@8.00; wethers 2 years old and over, medium to prime \$5.00@6.50; ewes, common to choice \$4.00@5.50; range and cull \$1.50@4.00. (Above quotations except spring lambs on short basis).

### PORTLAND GRAIN

Portland, June 24—Wheat, hard white, bluestem, hard, H. B. H. hard white \$1.60; soft white, north ern spring \$1.55; western white \$1.57; hard winter \$1.56; western red \$1.55. Today's car receipts: wheat 11, flour 5, corn 4.

### BUTTER AND EGGS

Portland, June 24—Butter firm; current receipts 21c; pullets 29@29 1/2c; firsts 31 1/2@32c; extras 22 1/2@23c delivered Portland.  
Butter firm; extra cubes, city 46c; standards 45c; prime firsts 44 1/2c; firsts 41 1/2c; undergrades nominal; prints 46c; cartons 47c.  
Butterfat firm; best churning cream 44c net shippers' track in tone 1.

### POULTRY

Portland, Or., June 24—Poultry steady; heavy hens 22@23c; light 15c; broilers 21@24c; young white ducks 20c.

### ONIONS AND POTATOES

Portland, June 24—Potatoes and onions nominal; old potatoes No. 2, \$2.75@3.50.

### NUTS, HOPS AND CASAHRA

Portland, June 24—Nuts steady; walnuts No. 1 28 1/2@32 1/2c; filberts nominal.

### How steady; 1924 crop 35@ 18c; 1925 crop nominal. New pea 7@8c per pound; Oregon grape root 3 1/2c.

### Trade Session Opens

Portland, Or., June 24—The ninth annual grand circle session Neighbor of Woodcraft with delegates from states west of Colorado, opened here today. Mrs. Minnie Hiner, grand guardian, called the meeting to order. The sessions will continue the rest of the week. Reports of the grand officers showed a big growth in the past year.

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