

PRUNE BUYING ACTIVE; QUALITY GOOD, PRICES HIGH

IMMEDIATE NEED OF PACKERS ALSO STIFFENS PRICE

With prune drying in this section practically over the buying market is active here, although the eastern market is still rather quiet. However, from indications with the crop shorter than originally estimated and buyers scurrying around there seems every likelihood that all of the prunes around here will be sold by growers at good prices and in short order.

The crop is running strong to 30s, in fact with the Italians the sizes are reported to be running within a range of 10 points, most by from 25 to 40 and some prunes are drying out as high as 24 pounds to a bushel, the average running about 26 pounds. Forties are reported to be running about 26 pounds, 2/3 for 30-35, 1/2 for 35-40, 3/4 for 40-45 and 1/4 for 45-50. Even better prices are being paid for some choice lots and peckers run about a half or three-quarters of a cent a pound more.

A number of packers have staff ordered to go out on certain boats and this is making present buying exceedingly active, according to word coming in from the orchards. It is considered likely that the bulk of Oregon prunes this year will be sold directly into domestic markets, although some have been bought for export, but the export business will not size up, even proportionately, to anything like the enjoyed last year when Germany absorbed great quantities of American prunes.

In drying this year a peculiar condition existed in that the early stuff dried out as well as the later stuff, which is an unusual situation. There are practically no scabby prunes observable and quality prevails in the present crop, with prunes running to a very heavy sugar content.

It is considered too early yet to give any definite idea as to the exact total of this year's crop in this section, although growers are reducing their ideas quite materially. This, however, is an axiom, that growers reduce their ideas on a light crop, after drying, and increase their ideas in a heavy crop year.

Canners were very active this year in buying green prunes and great quantities of them went to the canneries at a price averaging around \$40 a ton.

FULL AVERAGE HOP CROP IN BRITISH FIELDS

W. H. and H. LeMay, English hop brokers, in issuing an annual circular to the trade covering the hop situation in England declares a full average will be picked although some yards were hard hit by heat in midsummer.

The circular says: "We have made an extensive inspection of all the hop-growing districts, and we are of the opinion that, with the improvement which has taken place during the last few weeks there will be a full average crop of fine hops picked. The hop plant in the early part of the season was visited by a severe attack of aphid, but by the up-to-date method of fighting the pest, this was mastered before any serious damage was done, and we feel confident that the crop as a whole will be of excellent quality, very sound and clean. The Golden Hop enjoyed the spell of hot weather and are in splendid condition. But many of the gardens in the West and Sussex suffered considerably from the great heat of the latter part of June and July; the rains came in time, however, to be of value to the plant. Worcester and Hereford yards are very various, some are good, producing a full average, others very slight, which also applies to Surrey and Hampshire, but all have benefited by the rains. The general run of the line is on the light side, and therefore the cones are of splendid development, having had the full benefit of the sun. We are pleased to say that there is a gradual increase in the harvest taking place, but the present output does not warrant an increase in the average of hops. The hop control expired on the 15th of August, and it must be very gratifying to all growers to know that the government have recognized the needs of the industry by placing a 4 pound per cwt. duty on all imported hops, giving a preference of one-third to our colonies. This should be eventually of great benefit to the English growers, as it will prevent cheap foreign hops being dumped on our market. A big effort is being made to form a company for the cooperative selling of the English hop crop. This scheme met with our greatest support from its first suggestion and we feel sure that it will be in the interests of every grower to join. It is meeting with very great support from all districts, and we are confident that sufficient acreage will be obtained."

1925 PEAR CROP IN OREGON GAINS

The pear crop of the United States is now forecast at 18,012,000 bushels, compared with 18,425,000 in 1924; 17,445,000 in 1923; and 20,745,000 in 1922. The forecast for Oregon this year is 1,316,000 bushels. Last year the crop was 1,225,000 bushels, and in 1923 it was 1,550,000. The figures include the entire production, both commercial and non-commercial. In California and Washington, also, the pear crops this year are expected to exceed last year. The California crop is forecast at 6,329,000 bushels, compared with 5,542,000 in 1924, and the Washington crop is forecast at 1,220,000 bushels, compared with 1,500,000 bushels last year. In New York the pear crop is about 300,000 bushels above last year. In Michigan conditions are very poor, and only 41,000 bushels are expected, compared with 510,000 in 1924.

EXPERIMENTS WITH HOPS ARE TOLD IN REPORT

CREAM SCARCE BUT PRICES FOR PRINTS STEADY

Portland, Sept. 21.—Although there is still a dearth of cream in this market, prospects of an advance in price are very remote. This is the general opinion expressed by local butter makers this morning. While it is true that production is very low and creameries cutting back on their normal capacity, the range between fat prices and what they are actually getting for prints, is so great that little or no profit can be made.

Some of the creamery trade is openly complaining about fat prices as high as 55c and 55c in this market while prints sell around 22 1/2 to 23c. They say further and state as long as this condition exists there will be no further increase in print prices.

Butterfat has been high all season and dairymen have come into their own. With production hardly sufficient to meet this market's requirements, the dairymen have enjoyed top prices, quite a change from a year ago, when high feed prices and low cream bids hit the dairymen hard.

The egg market opened steady today; receipts light; demand good; prices 45c; pullets 45c; current receipts 32c (net).

Offerings of country dressed meats along the street were very light this morning and there was very little trading. Prices nominal at 17 to 17 1/2 cents on veal and 18 to 18 1/2 cents on pork.

Live springs are in demand with heavy bringing 26 to 27 cents. Other lines of poultry steady; heavy hens 23 to 24c; light 14 to 15c; white Pekin ducks 24 to 25c. The fruit and vegetable market opened today at prices ruling last night. There was nominal demand.

LIVESTOCK

Portland, Sept. 21.—Cattle steady receipts, Sept. 21: 2175 (876 through) calves 260; steers medium 17.25-49 8.25; common 16.00-17.25; canners and cutters 14.50-16.00; heifers, common and medium 12.50-14.50; cows, common and medium 12.25-13.75; canners and cutters 11.50-13.25; bulls, good (best yearlings excluded) 14.00-15.00; common to medium canners and heifers 11.00-12.00; calves, medium to choice milk feds excluded 17.50-19.00; cull and common 15.00-17.50; vealers, medium to choice 18.00-19.00; cull and common 15.00-17.00. Hogs steady, receipts 2475 (1204 through) heavyweight (250 to 350 pounds) 21c higher medium, good and choice 12.00-12.75; medium, common and choice 11.25-13.00; lightweight (160 to 200 lbs.) common, medium, good and choice 12.00-13.75; light hogs (120 to 140 lbs.) common, medium, good and choice 12.00-13.50. (Soft or oily hogs and roasting pigs excluded in above quotations.) Steady receipts 1200; (about half run on contract) lambs, good and choice (ML Adams) 12.50-13.00; lambs, medium to good (valley) 11.00-12.00; heavyweights (102 lbs. up) 12.00-13.00; all weights, cull and common 10.00-11.00; yearling wethers, medium to choice 12.00-13.00; ewes, common to choice 11.00-12.00; canner and cull 11.50-12.00.

PORTLAND GRAIN

Portland, Sept. 21.—Wheat R. B. H. hard white 11.48; hard white, bluestem, hard 11.47; soft white, western white 11.45; hard winter, northern spring, western red 11.40. Today's car receipts: wheat 131; barley 17; flour 22; oats 11; hay 2.

BUTTER AND EGGS

Portland, Sept. 21.—Eggs steady; current receipts 37c; pullets 32c; @24c; prints 37c-37 1/2c; extras 41c @41 1/2c delivered Portland. Butter steady to strong; extra cubes, city 52c; standard 51 1/2c; prime 50c; western 49c; under grades nominal; prints 53c; cartons 54c. Butterfat firm; best churning cream 52c net; shippers' track in some 1; raw milk 4 per cent 22.55 cwt. f. o. b. Portland.

POULTRY

Portland, Or., Sept. 21.—Poultry steady; less 2 per cent commission; heavy hens 24@25c; light white ducks 22c.

ONIONS AND POTATOES

Portland, Or., Sept. 21.—Potatoes steady; 11.75-12.00; onions steady; 11.25-11.50.

NUTS, HOPS AND CASABA

Portland, Sept. 21.—Nuts steady walnuts No. 1, 23@24c; filberts nominal; almonds 25@27c. Hops firm; new crop clusters 26@26 1/2c; faggles 27@27 1/2c. Casaba bark steady. Old peel 16@17c; new peel 7c; Oregon grape root nominal.

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SHIPMENTS OF DRIED FRUITS GET UNDER WAY

Dried fruit shipping is especially active just now and new crop goods are going forward in volume in most of the varieties at this time, says the California Fruit News.

Drying weather has not been as satisfactory throughout California as would be liked, as it has been too cool in many sections. We have been visited by some early showers and growers have had to stack a couple of times during the last week in nearly all the districts. This also retards drying, although no material damage has been done by the rainfall, which has been light and of short duration. In western Oregon and Washington, however, they have had some heavy rains during the recent past and some interference with prune drying has been experienced there. We do not know at this writing just how much damage has been done. But in view of their very short prune crop there already, it is to be hoped that there will be no material loss of tonnage.

There is not a great deal of new business doing in California just at the moment in dried fruits, the main concern of operators here now being in shipping out previously bought goods. In the meantime, values are, in the main, unchanged. There is shading here and there.

1. Of the one hundred and eleven varieties tested, no less than twenty-nine cropped at the rate of over 30 cwt. to the acre. Of the early varieties, the three heaviest cropping were the new varieties L23 with 34 1/2 cwt., and L21 and 458 with 22 1/2 cwt.; the highest commercial variety, the Brantling, was tenth on the list, with 26 1/2 cwt. Of the midseason hops, the Mathon was top, with 27 1/2 cwt., followed by the new variety L40, with 36 cwt. Of the late hops, the new varieties OHS and OGI cropped at the rate of 26 cwt. and 34 1/2 cwt. respectively, followed by the Colgate, with 32 1/2 cwt.

2. Hops "weighed lighter" in 1924 than in 1923. The number of bushels (imperial) of green hops varied in the new varieties from 78 to 137, and in the commercial varieties from 52 to 132.

3. In all the classes (early, midseason, and late) certain new seedling varieties were preferred by the judges to any of the commercial varieties.

4. Except in the class of early hops, many of the new seedling varieties produced a higher percentage of both soft and total resin than the commercial varieties tested.

5. One new variety, viz., OF28, produced 20.53 per cent total resin and 12.22 per cent soft resin, an increase of 0.86 and 0.87 per cent, respectively, over the rich old American hop tested, and of 3.73 and 3.80 per cent respectively, over the richest English commercial variety tested.

6. A somewhat severe outbreak of the "mosaic" disease occurred during 1924, the number of acres affected being 13.2 per cent in the commercial varieties, and 1.9 per cent in the new varieties. Many of the new varieties, and the commercial variety Faggles, have proved to be completely resistant to this disease.

7. In common with other gardeners and nurseries in Kent, those at the research station experienced a visitation of the "Downy Mildew" of the hop.

Salem Markets

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

Wholesale Prices

Grain: No. 1 white wheat 11.23; No. 1 red wheat 11.28 (sacked); oats 46c bu.; hay, oat and vetch 14 tons.
Meat: Top hogs 12.75; sows 12.75; dressed hogs 17c; top steers 5.65; cows 2.50-5.00; bulls 3.25-3.50; spring lambs 30 lbs. and under 11.00-11.50; heavier 10.00-10.50; dressed veal 15c.
Poultry: Springers 20@22c; light hens 13c; heavy hens 18@19c; old roosters 8c.
Butterfat 52c; crossbutter 50c; eggs 25c; standard 38c; select 40c; milk 22.50 cwt.
Vegetables and fruits: Cantaloupes 11.50 w.a.s. in 10 lbs. boxes; watermelons 17.75 @ 2.75; melons 10.00-11.00; grapefruit 12.00; bananas 9 1/2c; apples 11.50 box; new potatoes 22.50; nuched vegetables: beets 2c; carrots 1 1/2c; turnips 2 1/2c; local 40@50c; onions 40c doz; bunches; tomatoes 75c bushel; green beans 6c; Oregon celery 80c doz; home grown cabbage 2c; local cauliflower 1.50 doz.; fresh parsley 60c doz.; peppers 10c lb.; fancy dill 12c lb.; dill size cucumbers 3 1/2c; gherkins 7 1/2c lb.; outdoor limes 11.00 carton; seedless grapes 5c lb.; sweet corn 12 1/2c; new Malaga grapes 7c; garlic 20c lb.; new pickling onions 7@7 1/2c; onions 12.50; lettuce 2.25 crate; 2.50 head; sweet potatoes 6 1/2c lb.; cranberries 15c.

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This lot comprises 3 show cases, 2 1/2-ft. counters, soda fountain, glassware, 12 tables, 20 chairs, Fisher piano, Victrola, electric plate, pictures, cash register, cigars, tobacco, a quantity of sweets, dishes, 2 refrigerators, all stove, and numerous other articles. In fact every article in this store must go to the highest bidder, as Mr. Frost is compelled to retire from business on account of illness.
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STOCK PRICES FORCED DOWN

Wall Street, New York, Sept. 21.—(AP)—Marking up of the call money rate to 5 1/2 per cent inspiring sufficient selling in today's stock market to turn the course of prices downward after an opening display of strength of a number of the motor, public utility and tobacco shares. Some of the high priced specialties broke sharply, American Can falling six points below last week's close before the end of the third hour. It was apparent that bear traders were working hard for reaction on the theory that the technical condition of the market had been weakened by the rapid advance in prices last week.

Berkeley, Cal.—Helen Willis won again Sunday when she defeated Johanna Gunzberger, San Francisco city champion, 6-0, 6-0, in the second round of the women's singles for the California state championship.

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NOTICE OF STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING

We, the undersigned incorporators of the Oregon Linen Mills, Inc., hereby call a meeting of the subscribers to the capital stock of said corporation to be held at the rooms of the Salem chamber of commerce in Salem, Oregon, on the 24th day of September, 1925, at the hour of 10 o'clock, a. m. for the purpose of organizing said company, electing a board of directors, adopting by-laws and transacting such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

E. M. PAGE,
T. A. LIVESLEY,
T. M. HICKS.

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO IMPROVE TWENTY-FOURTH STREET FROM BLOCK 5 TO BLOCK 11 OF RICHMOND ADDITION
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 Twenty-fourth street from the south line of block 5 of Richmond addition to the City of Salem, Marion county, Oregon, if said block line were extended easterly across said Twenty-fourth 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 concrete curbs and paving said portion of said avenue with a six inch concrete pavement twenty four feet wide in accordance with the plans, specifications and estimates therefor, which were adopted by the Common Council Sept. 8th, 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. 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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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.

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- Overland 91 Model touring—The new hasn't been worn off yet... \$225
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- 1923 Star touring... \$250
- 1923 Willys-Knight touring, Balloon tires, new paint in excellent condition... \$990
- 1922 Oakland Coupe, new tires, wonderful shape... \$600

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