

Frost Hits Maine Spuds; Shipments Drop Off During Week; Market Still Dull

SUPPLY

Changes in the potato supply prospect are still not likely to show up until the official December crop report. We still hear of damage by frost, ringrot and blight in Maine. If the damage is as serious as some say, it may affect January 1 stocks, but the spuds were harvested and will count in the crop total.

MOVEMENT

Shipments last week decreased to the very low figure of 3488 cars (2 government). That is a commercial movement decline of 85 cars and marks a real low, probably caused by a number of things: post-Thanksgiving decline in demand, doubtful quality here and there, and high prices, which is probably causing folks to pare and prepare carefully to avoid waste. If people really watch their preparation waste, the difference in actual intake represents a surprising number of cars. Price seems the biggest factor. Distributors seem unwilling to risk inventory losses due either to shrinkage or a price break. It's a normal reaction to high prices. Also they may have had more in terminal storage than most of us thought and have not been compelled to buy at the actual rate of consumption. Maine was on top but even so fell from 1428 to 1120 cars. Idaho held exactly even at 681. North Dakota moved 333. Colorado 245, and Oregon 217. No other state reached the 200 mark.

DEMAND AND MARKETS

Maine reports a very slow demand, the market dull with some weakness, prices about unchanged at 15 cents under the floor in 10's. Note, however, that 10-pound consumer packs are going for the equivalent of 20 cents over the floor, and pecks at 7 cents over the floor. These differentials above the floor are close enough to pay the cost difference, and there are indications that Maine probably will ship more small bags than ever before, and last year was a big one. Upstate New York, the demand has ruled slow, the market dull after a weaker day, and prices off a dime at 15 cents under the floor. North Dakota demand continued very slow, improving to fair, the market dull to firm and stronger; Clobber prices up a dime at 20 cents under the floor; not enough Bliss sales to quote. Colorado demand ruled fair to light, the market about steady, with prices unchanged at 40-45 cents over the floor. Idaho demand ruled slow, the market dull, with prices up a nickel at 90 cents over the floor, washed basis. Washington, practically no demand, the market dull with weaker tendency, the prices still a dollar over the floor but most days sales are too few to quote. Michigan demand has ruled slow, the market dull, with prices at 15 cents under the floor for Rurals, and a dime over the floor for Chippewas. Nebraska demand has ruled slow to moderate, the market about steady, with insufficient sales to quote since November 18.

Terminal reports show Chicago with the demand mostly fair, the market firming after weakness; New York, dull; Atlanta, steady; Boston, dull after weakening; Detroit, about steady to slightly weaker for six straight days; Minneapolis, dull; Philadelphia, about steady after a mixed week; San Francisco, about steady with Klamath Russets bringing \$4.40-4.65 in LCL wholesale lots.

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Four-H News

The 4-H clubs met Friday, December 5, 1947. Each group was organized and found their leader. One group is the "Home Room Improvement." This group is to improve home or bedrooms.

There are 11 members, who are Sally Jo Angus, Irma Cambron, Carole Ellington, Frances McMillan, Elmore Fagon, Bernice Morris, Virginia Clapp, Kathryn McLain, Grace Myer, and the individual members are Miriam Wagner and Opal Baty. Grace Myer, news reporter.

The first meeting of the Bly Camp Cooking club was held December 3, at 2:30.

The members of the club are Warren Winfield, Harold Winfield, Joseph LaCasse, Robert Winfield, Rosal Larson, J. C. Harrison, Alfred LaCasse, Eugene Larson, Dan Bagley and Norman Winfield.

Election of officers was held, naming the president, Robert Winfield; vice president, Alfred LaCasse; secretary, Harold Winfield, and the news reporter, Norman Winfield. The meeting of camp cooking will be every Friday at 2:30.

AAA Performance Reports Due In

Growers who have not yet submitted their report of performance under the AAA program for 1947 should aim to do so at the earliest opportunity. The absolute deadline is February 1, 1948 to report on work accomplished in 1947. This, of course, applies to those practices coming under the AAA program, eligible for practice payments.

To date, only a very small portion of the nearly 700 farms signed up have completed their performance reports. Delaying this work until the last two weeks will cause unnecessary delay at the county office and undoubtedly many reports will not be finished.

Practically all seasonal practices are now completed and reports should be made at the earliest possible date for those who have participated in the 1947 program.

Permitting potato supports throughout the marketing season for 1948 potatoes will be immediately sent to the local association.

At the present time it would seem that provisions of the Steagall amendment do not provide for support prices after expiration of the year 1948.

Gifts for the boss or office. Pioneer Printing & Stationery Co.

B. W. Short Heads AAA Committee

By C. A. Henderson, County Agent
At the annual meetings held last week throughout the county to select AAA community and county officials for the 1948 year most of the old members on both county and community committees were reelected by association members.

B. W. Short was elected as chairman and R. S. Looney, vice chairman, of the county committee. Earl Wilson of Malin was elected as the third regular member of the committee, and E. E. Kilpatrick, first alternate, and J. W. Dolan, Henley, as second alternate.

The Merrill-Malin community elected Louis Lyons, chairman; Floyd King, Malin, vice chairman; Roy Beasley, Merrill, third regular member.

For the Henley-Keno-Midland district, William M. Williams was re-elected chairman with Lee Holliday being re-elected vice chairman. Third regular member was Robert Hunt; first alternate, David McComb and second alternate, Leland Cheyne.

Bonanza-Poe valley district elected Paul Brethaupt as chairman; Cecil Haley, vice chairman; O. H. Osborn, Bly, third regular member; William Burnett, Bonanza, first alternate; and I. L. Harris, Bonanza, second alternate.

For the Fort Klamath district, George Hagelstein was re-elected chairman; Fred Brown, vice chairman; Olaf C. Carpenter, Fort Klamath, third regular member; Leroy Gienker, Chiloquin, first alternate; and H. T. Williams, Fort Klamath, second alternate.

All new officials take over on January 1 to guide the affairs of the AAA through the 1948 year. The last meeting of the 1947 committee will be held Friday, December 19, at 10:00 a. m. both old and new members taking part. The purpose of the meeting is to establish potato goals for all potato growers in Klamath county for the year 1948.

Ersel Newbill Honored At Dinner

Ersel Newbill, local manager for the Shell Oil company, was honored at a dinner Wednesday night at the Multnomah hotel, Portland, commemorating his completion of 22 years of service with the company. Newbill resides on Lakeshore drive.

Adamsdale Guernseys Set Advanced Register Records

PETERBOROUGH, N. H. — Five registered Guernsey cows, owned by F. C. Adams, Adamsdale Guernsey Farm, Klamath Falls, Ore., have completed advanced register records that were supervised by the Oregon State college and reported to The American Guernsey Cattle club for approval and publication.

On twice daily milking for a ten-month period, starting their official records as junior two-year-olds, Pine Manor King's Graceful produced 7028 pounds of milk and 383 pounds of butterfat. Adamsdale Lily's Lois produced 6936 pounds of milk and 379 pounds of butterfat and Oak Park's Charlene produced 6209 pounds of milk and 385 pounds of butterfat. Graceful is sired by the famous Guernsey, Coronation King of Pine Manor, that has 60 sons and daughters in the performance register. Lois is the third daughter of the registered Guernsey sire Cloverhill Milton, and Charlene is sired by the famous Guernsey, Foremost Repeater, that has two sons and 26 daughters in the performance register.

Expectation of Hapoleta produced 10,768 pounds of milk and 620 pounds of butterfat, starting her outstanding record as a thirteen-year-old, and she is the fourth

daughter of the registered Guernsey sire Shannon of Sunnyslope.

Happyholme Baron's Lydia produced an outstanding record of 10,414 pounds of milk and 615 pounds of butterfat as a five-year-old, and she is the fourth daughter of the registered Guernsey sire, Douglas-ton Baron Ashdown.

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Vigilance Needed For Farm Security

CHICAGO, Dec. 18 (AP)—Continued vigilance by the government is essential to prevent "a return of the ruinous agricultural conditions of the depression years," Senator Thye (R-Minn.) said today.

In a speech prepared for the annual meeting of the American farm bureau federation, Thye said there is no certainty that the present favorable position of the farmer will last.

"A lessening of foreign food needs and the recurrence of surplus problems could bring about conditions similar to those in the years following the first World War and in the depression of the thirties," he said.

The Minnesotan is a member of a senate agriculture subcommittee which is making a study of long-range farm legislation to be proposed to congress.

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