

National Potato Letter

Rain, Cold Damage Spuds Over Nation, Shipping On Heavy Side, Market Dull

Current potato supply data is mostly informed guesses. For the late crop, local interests in Maine continue to claim an urgent need for heavy government purchases to hold the market at support. Other observers, many without direct interest, are not so sure. In past years, Maine has shipped as many potatoes after the date as are left now and with the delay in the early crop plus the relative shortages in the west, commercial shipments should account for the balance of the crop. We hold to the latter view, but will be unable to see it proved as long as growers and shippers ignore the need for orderly distribution and insist on shipping as fast as they can.

However, Colorado has few cars left to ship and should be cleaned up soon. Idaho is a bright spot, with firm to stronger tendencies and prices nearly \$2 over support. Washington and Oregon are sharing in Idaho's prices for the limited stocks remaining. Florida is still firm at \$1.75 over support. If Dade county can wind up at this level, the Hastings area should be able to start on firm ground. Terminal markets have shown rather consistent dullness, with little real strength anywhere. Arrivals and trackholdings have increased considerably.

Miscellaneous . . . We understand that DOA may soon make available a full interpretation of the 1948 support program. If this does not come along we shall continue our own efforts to explain the doubtful points . . . We hear that most late areas are not too satisfied with the December 31 cut-off of price support. This cut-off date may be due to the fact that congress seems to wrinkle up its nose when potatoes are mentioned. Many in the potato industry are blissfully unaware of the very black eye it received last winter and spring. If you have any doubts of where the industry stands, note that potatoes have received little consideration in proposed long-range farm legislation . . . Red River valley potatoes have been rather poorly received in west coast markets. Reports say "too small, too dry, and too many deep eyes." Burests are retelling for a certain crop for 10, but the waller stock has trouble finding buyers at a nickel . . . DOA starch program in Maine is chewing up low grades and culls at a fairly good rate; about 44 cars daily. This should be enough to solve any remaining problem in the northeast and could be stepped up some if necessary. We still think the No. 1 stock could move at support prices, and would if held in strong hands. Kern county water supply still is a big question. Added to the low water table, is a power shortage which will not help when the area starts pumping in earnest.

Support Action Asked

In a letter to the house and senate committees on agriculture, Secretary of Agriculture Anderson urged that congress give early consideration to the price support program, pointing out that "the time has come when we must give potato growers an indication of what is to be expected with regard to the 1948 crop." "In the absence of any action by congress this is the present situation: The department of agriculture will, of course, continue to support potato prices at 90 per cent of parity until December 31, 1948, the end of the two-year support period following the termination of hostilities as provided by the Steagall amendment.

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R. Ralph Clark, OSC extension horticulturist, says it is time to plant the main family garden. That is, if you can do it between showers. He said it has been an unusually poor spring for gardening.

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SEED

Over 200 cars of certified seed potatoes have been tagged and shipped from Klamath county up to the end of March.

Farmers are going to have a hard time getting fertilizer for their crops, and the big reason is the ammonia shortage. Most ammonia now is going into production of plastics, nylon and explosives, and there isn't enough left for fertilizer.

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Garden Time Just Around Corner Now

By JAMES T. ELINGS, Assistant County Agent

Early garden planting time for Klamath county is just around the corner. Just as soon as our so-called second winter is over and spring is here to stay, then a few of the more hardy vegetables can be planted.

Some of the more hardy vegetables that may be planted by April 15 are spinach, radishes, onions (seed), rutabagas, carrots, lettuce and possibly one or two others. In the meantime, while waiting for spring to put in an appearance, the garden soil may be put into shape for planting.

Fertilizers will pay off. Farm manures are used at the rate of about 50 lbs. to each 100 square feet, or about a ton to a garden plot 50 by 100 feet. Mix the manures with the topsoil. Sheep, rabbit and poultry manures are more concentrated and are used at from one-third to one-half the rates of farm manures. Gardeners will find that commercial or chemical fertilizer with the analysis of 8-10-4 is excellent for vegetable production. When chemical fertilizers are used, apply about a pound to each 100 square feet of garden space before plowing or spading. However, when manures are used, lesser amounts of chemical fertilizers are necessary.

Preparing a good seed bed is vital for successful gardening. Good soil texture is necessary and is obtained by high content of organic matter in the soil and proper cultivation. Good drainage is also important. Gardening efforts in 1948 will pay high dividends in cash, quality, health and happiness.

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Four-H News

Klamath county 4-H club leaders will meet Saturday at 1:30 at the chamber of commerce to discuss final plans for the county spring fair. Mrs. Earl Mack, president, reminded leaders today.

Premium lists will be available for leaders at the Saturday meeting, and contests and exhibits will be discussed. Francis A. Skinner, county club agent, announced. Premium lists will be mailed to all leaders.

Committees for arranging the exhibits will meet immediately following the short business meeting to plan the display of 4-H club members' project work at the fair, April 22, 23 and 24. Projects that will be on display include cooking, clothing, homemaking, forestry, wood-working and posters. Special contests will be held for club members during the fair.

Malin Beef Club. Demonstration teams were chosen.

KEN STRONG has the "EDGE" among football kickers. PAL HOLLOW GROUND has the "EDGE". PAL Hollow Ground has the "EDGE".

for the county spring fair at the meeting of the Malin Beef club held at the home of Jerry and Marvin Macken on April 4.

Chosen for the teams were Jerry Macken and Buddy Smith, who demonstrate on "Best Feed for the Calf" and Stuart Hessel and Jimmie Parker, "Making Rope Halters." There were discussions on having a party and different cattle shows. After the meeting refreshments were served by Mrs. Macken to members Ilyis Smalley, Patti and Buddy Smith, Stuart Hessel, Jimmy Parker, Eddie McAniff, Kathleen . . .

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