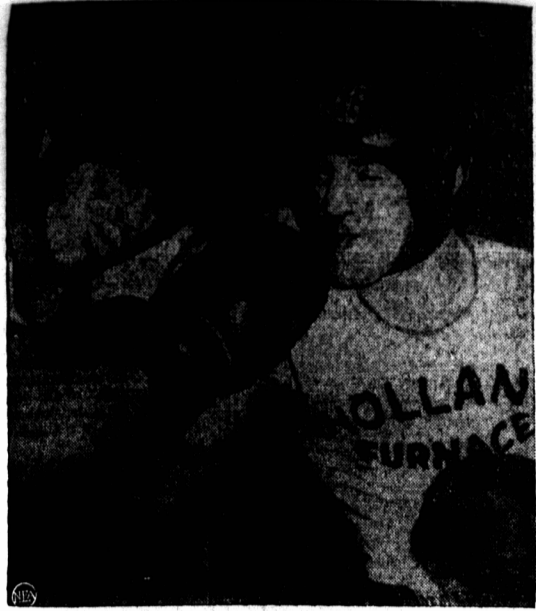


Big Fight Postponed



The April 10th heavyweight championship boxing match between Champion Rocky Marciano and contender Jersey Joe Walcott has been postponed until sometime in

May. Marciano (right), nose bleeding, is shown sparring with one of his training partners in Chicago. It was a nose injury during training that caused his request to have the bout postponed.

Farm Prices & Market Report

Following are excerpts from the weekly marketing report of the Provincial Department of Agriculture, prepared by Mr. W. R. Shaw, Deputy Minister:

Meat prices are steady with last week, with a slight strengthening at Charlottetown on steers and grass calves. All other quotations, however, are steady.

The following are the details:
Hogs at Moncton: Grade A 27.00; Grade B1 26.50; No. 1 sows 20.00; No. 2 sows 19.00 hot dressed weight delivered.

Hogs at Charlottetown: F.O.B. country points. Grade A 26.00; Grade B1 25.50; No. 1 sows 19.00; No. 2 sows 18.00.

Cattle at Moncton: Delivered to plant. Steers: Choice 19.50 to 20.00; Good 18.50 to 19.00; Medium 17.50 to 18.00; Common 12.00 to 13.00. Heifers: Choice 18.50 to 19.50; Good 18.00 to 18.50; Medium 16.50 to 17.50; Common 12.00 to 13.00. Cows: Good 13.00; Medium 11.50 to 12.00; Common 10.50 to 11.00. Canners and Cutters 8.50 to 9.50. Bulls: Good 12.00 to 13.00; Medium 11.00; Common 10.00.

Cattle at Charlottetown: Delivered to plant. Steers: Choice 19.50 to 20.00; Good 18.50 to 19.00; Medium 16.00; Common 11.00 to 12.00. Heifers: Choice 19.00; Good 18.00; Medium 15.50; Common 10.00 to 11.00. Cows: Good 12.00; Medium 10.50 to 11.00; Common 9.00 to 10.00. Canners and Cutters 7.50 to 8.50. Bulls: Good 12.50; Medium 11.00; Common 9.00 to 10.00.

Calves at Moncton: Delivered to plant. Choice 21.00 to 22.00; Good 18.00 to 20.00; Medium 14.00 to 15.00; Common 12.00 to 14.00; Grassers 11.00 to 12.00.

Calves at Charlottetown: Delivered to plant. Good to Choice 21.00 to 22.00; Medium 17.00 to 19.00; Common 12.00 to 15.00; Grassers 10.00 to 12.00.

Lambs at Moncton: Delivered to plant. Live grade quotations, Good 17.00 to 18.00. Rail grade price for A's, 41.00 up to 46 lbs.

Lambs at Charlottetown: Delivered to plant. Live grade quotations, 17.50 for Good lambs. Rail grade prices for A's, 42.00 up to 46 lbs.

Sheep at Moncton: Delivered to plant. Live grade quotations, Good 7.00; Medium 5.00; Common 2.50. Rail grade prices for A's, 15.00 up to 70 lbs.

Sheep at Charlottetown: Delivered to plant. Live grade quotations, Good 7.00; Medium 5.00; Common 3.00. Rail grade price for A's 16.00 up to 70 lbs.

It is interesting to note the change in meat prices in the last eighteen months in Canada. The national average cattle price dropped from a record high of \$30.37 per hundred to an average of slightly in excess of \$19.00. Cattle averaged 29 per cent lower in 1952 than in 1951, and hogs 22 per cent lower. In round figures the estimated total value of livestock marketed was 575 million dollars compared with 735 million in 1951. Since March 1st there has been a downward adjustment in line with the United States.

There is some criticism that the drop in retail meat prices has

not kept pace with wholesale figures. Consumption, however, is at a higher rate than a year ago. The per capita in Canada in 1952 was 128.2 pounds, compared with 133.9 in 1951. The estimated per head values are: Cattle 192.00 in 1952 as against 266.00 in 1951. Calves \$1.90 as against 79.00; hogs 39.50 as against 51.00, and sheep 20.00 as against 28.00. April, by the way, is never a reliable guide for farm market prices. Bad roads,

the Lenten Season, and other factors, make it so. Total exports of beef cattle from Canada to the United States since the removal of the embargo are only 181 head. Total importations on the other hand are 1,646 head, which verifies our suggestions made earlier that there might be greater imports into Canada than out of Canada in the adjustment period. Shipments of dairy and purebred cattle, however, total 4,837 head to

the United States. Quite a nice trade. The following price levels at Chicago for the week ending March 28th are 20.83 for Goo' steers, with hog prices at 27.65, and lambs 22.60.

Eggs and Poultry
The egg market remains steady with prices generally unchanged. As reported, surplus stocks are moving freely to other Atlantic

provinces. Production is steadily increasing and quality is generally good. As we are now into the season of heavy production, which means a much heavier volume of eggs be marketed, we would stress on all concerned to put up a well graded, well packaged product. Remember the carelessness of a few. Grade in accordance with Canadian standards and protect your markets. Charlottetown

dealers are quoting for ungraded eggs delivered AL 46, AM 43, B 33-34, C 20; and for the graded pack delivered: AL 54, AM 51, B 41, C 27; and are quoting retailers in cartons: AL 60-61, AM 57-58, B 47-48, C 33-34. To consumers: AL 66-9, AM 68-65, B 53-54, C 40.
Rural Stations—ungraded: delivered:
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