WHEAT IS UP AGAIN

Another Advance in the Bluestem Market.

REPORTED SALE AT $1.13

Patent Flour Now at $6 Per Barrel, According to the New Prices Announced Yesterday — Oats Market Is Uncertain.

Bluestem wheat went up another notch yesterday, when the buyers quoted a price of $1.12 on track here. Sellers asked $1.13 generally and it was reported there was one sale at that price. There was no change made in club or the other varieties. The market was strong everywhere, country advices reporting farmers as indifferent to buyers' offers.

Barley was very firm, with holders inclined to ask over $28 for both feed and brewing, but it is not known that any business has been done beyond this price.

Oats were quoted steady at $26@28.50. There was a difference of opinion as to the actual condition of the market, some large dealers declaring that prices were on too low a basis, while others said the market, at present prices, was shaky.

The expected advance in the local flour market was announced yesterday. The rise on patents was 20 cents, making the new price $6 per barrel. Valley grades were advanced 20 cents to $5.50 per barrel. There was also an advance of $1 per ton on shorts and 50 cents per ton on rolled barley.

Local receipts in cars were reported by the Merchants Exchange as follows:

	Wheat	Barley	Flour	Oats	Hay
Monday	57	14	14	7	19
Tuesday	17	2	10	1	2
Wednesday	19	2	2	7	12
Year ago	41	15	1	..	15
Season to date	6523	321	747	644	1301
Year ago	7272	1120	812	512	1441

WIND-UP OF THE TURKEY MARKET.

Prices Close Strong at 27½ to 30 Cents. Receipts Very Small.

The most remarkable Thanksgiving turkey season the local trade has ever known came to an end yesterday. Except to a few speculators the deal was successful; to the shippers and raisers it was highly so.

The receipts yesterday were very light, as everyone expected, and the birds were quickly snapped up at 27½@30 cents, buyers discriminating but little between culls and choice.

The retailers exhausted their supply at an early hour in the evening, and but for some belated receipts yesterday would have had nothing to sell after the noon hour. The retail prices were 30 to 35 cents.

That the supply of turkeys in Oregon this year was inadequate was amply proved by the course of the market. Bad roads held back some small shipments but had they arrived they could have hardly affected the market. It was the strong competition by Seattle and San Francisco buyers in the producing districts that made the Portland supply so light and prices so high.

The market for live poultry was slower yesterday, but all prices were well maintained.

DECREASE IN OCTOBER BEER SALES.

Output 194,579 Barrels Less Than in Same Month Last Year.

The beer output of the United States breweries in October, according to the Government returns issued yesterday, was 4,481,396 barrels, a decrease of 194,780 barrels as compared with October last year, 482,116 barrels less than in October, 1907, and 108,141 barrels less than produced in the corresponding month of 1906.

There was a fair amount of business in the local hop market yesterday, but there were no definite reports of operations by exporters. The Seavey Hop Company purchased about 800 bales.

McNeff Bros. bought 360 bales at 18 to 19 cents and H. L. Hart made a number of purchases.

A New York wire stated that Hugo Loewi had bought 1000 bales of New York State hops for export at 24 cents.

EGG RECEIPTS SHOW SOME INCREASE.

But Strong Demand Readily Absorbs All Offerings.

There has been some increase in egg receipts in the past two days. This larger movement, however, is only temporary and was to be expected, preceding the holiday. There was a place for all of them, however, and the market has held firm at 45 cents.

Creamery men reported a somewhat easier feeling in the butter market yesterday. This was due, not to any larger local make, but to increased offerings of Eastern butter. Prices were without change.

The cheese market was quoted firm in view of the shortened supply.

GOOD FRUIT TRADE IN FORENOON.

Front Street Dealers Busy Removing Goods From Basement.

Business in the fruit and vegetable market was active up to noon, when the retailers' wants were supplied. The Front street dealers were occupied most of the day in getting their basement goods out of reach of high water.

The receipts included two cars of ripe oranges and three cars of bananas, two of them green.

Grapes cleaned up well. Prices throughout the list were practically those of the preceding day.

Bank Clearings.

Bank clearings of the Northwestern cities yesterday were as follows:

	Clearings.	Balances.
Portland	$1,284,917	$114,971
Seattle	2,280,123	326,405
Tacoma	383,285	63,245
Spokane	736,811	74,211

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Grain, Flour, Feed, Etc.

WHEAT—Track prices: Bluestem, $1.12; club, $1; red Russian, 98c; Valley, $1; Turkey red, $1.04; 40-fold, $1.04.

BARLEY—Feed, $28; brewing, $28 per ton.

FLOUR—Patents, $6 per barrel; straights, $4.65; export, $4.25; Valley, $5.50; graham, $5; whole wheat, quarters, $5.25.

CORN—Whole, $33.50; cracked, $34.50 per ton.

MILLSTUFFS—Bran, $26 per ton; middlings, $31; shorts, $28.50@29.50; rolled barley, $29.50@30.50.

OATS—No. 1 white, $30@30.50 per ton.

HAY—Timothy, Willamette Valley $13@19 per ton; Eastern Oregon, $18@20; alfalfa, $16@16.50; clover, $15; cheat, $14@15.50; grain hay, $15@16.

Vegetables and Fruits.

FRESH FRUITS—Apples, $1@1 box; pears, $1@1.50 per box; grapes, $1@1.50 per crate; 75c per basket; Spanish Malaga, $7 per barrel; quinces, $1.75@1.50 per box; cranberries, $9@9.50 per barrel; persimmons, $1.50 per box.

POTATOES—Buying prices: Oregon, 60@70c per sack; sweet potatoes, 1½c per pound.

TROPICAL FRUITS—Oranges, $2.75@3; lemons, fancy, $4; choice, $3.50; grapefruit, $3.50@4 per box; bananas, 5@5½c per pound; pomegranates, $1.50 per box.

VEGETABLES — Artichokes, 75c per dozen; beans, 10c per pound; cabbage, ¾@1c per lb.; cauliflower, 90c@$1.25 per doz.; celery, $3.50@4 per crate; eggplant, $1.75 per box; garlic, 10c per pound; horseradish, 9@10c per dozen; hothouse lettuce, $1@1.25 per box; peas, 10c per pound; peppers, $1.50 per box; pumpkins, 1@1½c; radishes, 15c per dozen; sprouts, 8c per lb.; squash, $1@1.10; tomatoes, 75c@$1.

SACK VEGETABLES—Turnips, 75c@$1 per sack; carrots, $1; beets, $1.35; rutabagas, $1.10 per sack; parsnips, $1.25.

ONIONS—Oregon, $1.25@1.50 per sack.

Dairy and Country Produce.

BUTTER—City creamery extras, 36c; fancy outside creamery, 32½@35c per lb.; store, 22½@24c. (Butter fat prices average 1½c per pound under regular butter prices.)

EGGS—Fresh Oregon extras, 45c per dozen; Eastern, 32@35c per dozen.

CHEESE—Full cream twins, 17½@18c per pound; Young Americas, 18½@19c.

POULTRY—Hens, 15c; Springs, 15c; roosters, 9@10c; ducks, 16c; geese, 10½c; turkeys, live, 22½@25c; dressed, 27½@30c.

PORK—Fancy, 10c per pound.

VEAL—Extras, 11½c per pound.

Provisions.

BACON—Fancy, 17c per pound; standard, 22c; choice, 21c; English, 20@20½c.

DRY SALT CURED—Regular short clears, dry salt, 15½c; smoked, 16½c; short clear backs, heavy dry salted, 15½c; smoked, 16½c; Oregon exports, dry salted, 15c; smoked, 17c.

HAMS—10 to 12 pounds, 17½c; 14 to 16 pounds, 17½c; 18 to 20 pounds, 17½c; hams, skinned, 18c; picnics, 12½c; cottage rolls, 15c; boiled hams, 24@25c; boiled picnics, 21c.

LARD—Kettle rendered, 16s, 17½c; standard purest, 16s, 16½c; choice, 16s, 15½c. Compound, 10s, 12½c.

SMOKED BEEF—Beef tongues, each, 60c; dried beef sets, 19c; dried beef outsides, 17c; dried beef insides, 21c; dried beef knuckles, 20c.

PICKLED GOODS—Barrels: Pigs' feet, $12.50; regular tripe, $10; honeycomb tripe, $12; lunch tongues, $19.50; mess beef, extra, $12; mess pork, $25.

Groceries, Dried Fruits, Etc.

DRIED FRUIT—Apples, 9¾c per pound; peaches, 7¾@8c; prunes, Italians, 5¾@6½c; prunes, French, 4@6c; currants, unwashed, cases, 9½c; currants, washed, cases, 10c; figs, white fancy, 90-lb. boxes, 6½c; dates, 8@8½c.

SALMON—Columbia River, 1-pound talls, $3 per dozen; 2-pound talls, $2.95; 1-pound flats, $2.10½; Alaska pink, 1-pound talls, 90c; red, 1-pound talls, $1.45; sockeyes, 1-pound talls, $2.

COFFEE—Mocha, 24@28c; Java, ordinary, 17@20c; Costa Rica, fancy, 18@20c; good, 16@18c; ordinary, 12½@16c per pound.

NUTS—Walnuts, 14@16c per pound; Brazil nuts, 12½@15c; filberts, 14@16c; almonds, 14½@15½c; chestnuts, Ohio, 20c; cocoanuts, 90c@$1 per dozen.

BEANS—Small white, 5½c; large white, 4½c; Lima, 5¾c; bayou, 5½c; pink, 4½c.

SUGAR—Granulated, 5.75; extra C, $5.25; golden C, $5.15; fruit and berry sugar, $5.85; beet, $5.65; cubes (barrel), $6.30; powdered (barrel), $6. Terms on remittances within 15 days, deduct ¼c per pound, if later than 15 days and within 30 days, deduct ⅛c per pound. Maple sugar, 15@18c per pound.

SALT—Granulated, $13 per ton, $1.90 per bale; half ground, 100s, $7.50 per ton; 50s, $8 per ton.

HONEY—Choice, $3.25@3.50 per case.

Hops, Wool, Hides, Etc.

HOPS—1909 crop, 15@22c; 1908 crop, nominal, 1907 crop, 12c; 1906 crop, 8c.

WOOL—Eastern Oregon, 16@22c pound.

MOHAIR—Choice, 24c pound.

CASCARA BARK—4½c per pound.

HIDES—Dry hides, 18@19c per pound; dry kip, 17@18c pound; dry calfskin, 19@21c pound; salted hides, 10½@11c; salted calfskin, 15@16c pound; green, 1c less.

FURS—No. 1 skins: Goatskins, 15c@$1.25; badger, 25@50c; bear, $8@20; beaver, $6.50@8.50; cat, wild, 75c@1.50; coyote, perfect head and claws, $3@10; fisher, dark, $7.50@11; pale, $4.90@7; fox, cross, $3@5; fox, gray, 60@80c; fox, red, $3@5; fox, silver, $35@100; lynx, $8@15; marten, dark, $8@12; mink, $3.50@6.50; muskrat, 15@25c; otter, $2.50@4; raccoon, 50@75c; sea otter, $100@250, as to size and color; skunks, 55@80c; civet cat, 10@15c; wolf, $3@5.50; coyote, 75c@$1.25; wolverine, dark, $5@8; wolverine, pale, $2@2.50.

Oils, Turpentine, Etc.

COAL OIL—Pearl, astral and star, cases, 19c per gallon; eocene, cases, 22c per gallon; Elaine, cases, 28c per gallon; extra star, cases, 22c per gallon; water white, iron barrels, 11½c per gallon; wood barrels, 13½c per gallon; special water white, iron barrels, 16c per gallon.

GASOLINE—Red crown and motor gasoline, iron barrels, 16c per gallon; cases, 23c per gallon; 86 gasoline, iron barrels, 30c per gallon; cases, 37½c per gallon.

BENZINE—V. M. and naptha, iron barrels, 13½c per gallon; cases, 20½c per gallon; engine distillate, iron barrels, 9c per gallon; cases, 16c per gallon.

TURPENTINE—In cases, 73c per gallon; wood barrels, 75½c per gallon; arcturps (turpentine substitute), iron barrels, 38c per gallon; cases, 45c per gallon.

LINSEED OIL—Raw, in barrels, 71c; boiled, in barrels, 73c; raw, in cases, 76c; boiled, in cases, 78c.

TURKEYS ARE PLENTIFUL

SUPPLY IN SEATTLE WAS NOT EXHAUSTED.

But Little Stock Is Carried Over, However—Prices Steady at 28 to 30 Cents.

SEATTLE, Wash., Nov. 24.—(Special.)—Turkeys did not clean up today. Nearly every dealer in town has a few birds left. In spite of the carry-over stocks, prices held steady at 28 and 30 cents. Few sales were made above 30 today. Cull stock moved slowly. Hens were in very brisk demand, everything cleaning up. There was a good demand for geese, but stocks were light. Eggs moved briskly.

Two carloads of Hood River apples reached Seattle today and two more are in transit. The fruit consisted of Ben Davis and Spitzenberg varieties. The latter are offered at $2.75; the former at $2@2.50.

Three chests of Southern California strawberries reached here under ice. Grapes are all cleaned up. Overripe stock sold as low as 25 cents. The holiday trade was the best experienced here in several years.

Wheat was firm. Prices are mixed, owing to the recent advances in the country. The hay market is stiffening. Traffic troubles and the poor condition of country roads have delayed shipments.

QUOTATIONS AT SAN FRANCISCO.

Prices Paid for Produce in the Bay City Market.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 24.—The following prices were quoted in the produce market today:

Vegetables — Cucumbers, 60@85c; string beans, 4@7c; tomatoes, 50c@$1; garlic, 4@6c; green peas, 4@8c; eggplant, 75c@$1.

Millstuffs—Bran, $28.50@30; middlings, $36.50@$1.50.

Butter — Fancy creamery, 32½c; creamery seconds, 29½c; fancy dairy, 29c.

Eggs—Store, 50c; fancy ranch, 58c.

Cheese—New, 17@18c; Young Americas, 17@18c.

Hay—Wheat, $15@19; wheat and oats, $14@17; alfalfa, $9@12; stock, $7@10; barley, $10@13; straw, per bale, 50@70c.

Fruits—Apples, choice, 75c@$90c; common, 50@60c; bananas, 75@$4.50; limes, $4@5; lemons, choice, $3.50@4; common, $1.75@2.75; oranges, navels, $1.50@2.75; pineapples, $2@3.50.

Oats—South Platte and San Joaquin, 8@10c; Spring Humboldt and Mendocino, 12@16c.

Hops—20@23c per pound.

Potatoes — Oregon Burbanks, 75c@$1; Salinas Burbanks, $1.10@1.30; sweets, $1@1.25.

Receipts—Flour, 10,963 quarter sacks; wheat, 3815 centals; barley, 7320 centals; oats, 520 centals; beans, 2312 sacks; potatoes, 2725 sacks; bran, 90 sacks; middlings, 10 sacks; hay, 288 tons; wool, 31 bales; hides, 3670.

Wool at St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, Nov. 24.—Wool, dull; Medium grades, combing and clothing, 24@30c; light fine, 23@27c; heavy fine, 14@22c; tub washed, 26@38c.

New York Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, Nov. 24.—Cotton closed steady at a net loss of 2 to 10 points.

PRESSED FOR SALE

Liquidation Continues in the Copper Group.

NEW YORK CENTRAL WEAK

Reading One of the Strongest Features of the Market—Wall Street's Views on Standard Oil Case.

NEW YORK, Nov. 24.—The contrast of the wide movements in opposite directions of a few stocks today did not conceal the unsettlement in the speculative sentiment over the issues presented in the Standard Oil case.

A feature was the alteration in the attitude of corporation authorities toward the policy of moving for repeal or modification of the Sherman anti-trust law. This change was accompanied by intimations from Washington that the views of the administration regarding changes in the law had been modified in the face of the Standard Oil decision. It was asserted that an effective a weapon against the power of the corporations was disclosed in the decision that is determined and effective opposition would be offered to any effort to change it.

Large speculative activity centered in the copper stocks and fears that the proposed consolidation of copper producers would be prevented by the Sherman law caused selling pressure to be resumed in that group.

The extreme depression shown by New York Central was attributed to the announcement of subscription rights of stockholders to the new stock at par. The subscription rights were dealt in in the outside market as low as 6c to the share. This seemed only to increase the pressure to sell the present stock to obtain resources for securing the new stock at par.

Reading resumed its function of a supporting factor against the tone of depression elsewhere in the market. The buying of the stock was concentrated and said to come from banking interests connected with the company. Wabash preferred reacted sharply from its advance of yesterday, owing to the disbelief in the rumors of a merger with the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western.

There was a further engagement of gold for shipment to South America. The eve of the Thanksgiving holiday reduced the volume of the transaction to some extent.

Bonds were irregular. Total sales, par value, $3,652,000. United States 4s coupon declined ¼ on call.

CLOSING STOCK QUOTATIONS.

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Closing Bid.
Atlis Chalmers pf	900	54½	54½	53¾
Amal. Copper	134,400	76½	71¾	72¾
Am Agricultural	100	48½	48½	48
Am Beet Sugar	900	47¾	46½	46¾
Am Can pf	900	84	83¾	83¾
Am Car & Foun.	8,900	73¾	71¾	72
Am Cotton Oil	200	69	69	68¾
Am Bd & Lt pf	300	46	45¾	48½
Am Ice Securi	400	26¼	26	25¾
Am Linseed Oil	100	15¼	15¼	15¼
Am Locomotive	2,700	61	60	59¾
Am Smelt & Ref	26,100	100½	99½	99½
do preferred	200	111¾	111¾	111¾
Am Sugar Ref	1,300	125	124	124½
Am Tel & Tel	300	142¾	142½	142¼
Am Tobacco pf	100	90¼	90	90
Am Woolen	100	34	34	34¼
Anaconda Min Co.	1,000	50¼	49	49¾
Atchison	7,500	119¾	119	119¼
do preferred	300	104½	104¾	104¾
Atl Coast Line	.....	.....	.....	124
Balt & Ohio	2,500	116¼	115¾	115¾
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	90
Bethlehem Steel	.....	.....	.....	33½
Brooklyn R. Trans.	1,200	77½	76¾	77¾
Canadian Pacific	700	176½	176½	176¾
Central Leather	3,800	46¾	45¾	45½
do preferred	200	108¾	108¾	108½
Central N J	.....	.....	.....	312
Ches & Ohio	10,400	87¼	86	86¾
Chicago & Alton	.....	.....	.....	66½
Chicago Gt West.	1,600	20¼	19¾	19¾
Chicago & N W	400	182¾	182½	182
Chicago & St Paul	8,900	155½	154¾	154¾
C. C. C & St L	.....	.....	.....	75
Colo Fuel & Iron	3,800	49¾	48¾	48¾
Colo & Southern	100	55½	55½	55
do 1st preferred	700	81	80	81
do 2d preferred	.....	.....	.....	80
Consolidated Gas	26,000	151½	149½	149½
Corn Products	300	22	21¾	21¾
Del & Hudson	500	185½	184½	184¾
D & R G Denver	1,000	48	47	47¾
do preferred	200	84	84	83½
Distillers' Securit	.....	.....	.....	36¾
Erie	500	33	32¾	32
do 1st preferred	.....	.....	.....	48¼
do 2d preferred	.....	.....	.....	39½
General Electric	3,900	161¼	160	161¼
Gt Northern pf	6,400	142¾	141¾	142
Gt Northern Ore	1,600	81	80	80½
Illinois Central	100	147¼	147¼	147½
Interborough Met	4,800	22¾	22	22¾
do preferred	15,000	55¼	54¾	54½
Inter Harvester	400	107¾	107½	107
Inter Marine pf	.....	.....	.....	24¾
Int Paper	200	15¾	15¾	15½
Int Pump	.....	.....	.....	51¼
Iowa Central	.....	.....	.....	27½
K C Southern	100	43¾	43½	43½
do preferred	400	70¾	70¾	70¾
Louisville & Nash	1,000	151¼	151	151
Minn & St Louis	200	53½	53½	52½
M. St P & S S M	1,100	134¾	133	134½
Missouri Pacific	2,300	69½	68½	68¾
Mo, Kan & Texas	6,100	48	47½	47¾
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	73¾
National Biscuit	300	115¾	114¾	115½
National Lead	2,300	88½	87¾	88
Mex Nat Ry 1st pf	.....	.....	.....	55
N Y Central	40,300	127	125½	127½
N Y Ont & West	400	46	45½	46¼
Norfolk & West	2,000	95½	94¾	95
North American	200	78½	78	77½
Northern Pacific	5,100	144¾	143½	143¾
Pacific Mail	300	44	43½	43¾
Pennsylvania	14,700	132½	131½	131¾
People's Gas	800	114¾	113¾	113¾
P C C & St Louis	.....	.....	.....	94½
Pressed Steel Car	1,300	52½	51¾	51¾
Pullman Pal Car	.....	.....	.....	162
Ry Steel Spring	500	50½	x50	50
Reading	291,800	172	168¾	170¾
Republic Steel	1,900	47	46¾	46¾
do preferred	200	105½	105½	105½
Rock Island Co	7,500	39½	38½	38½
do preferred	6,500	78¾	77¾	78½
St L & S F 2 pf	1,200	67	65	56½
St L Southwestern	5,000	34½	32¾	32¾
do preferred	2,100	72¾	71¾	72¾
Sloss-Sheffield	400	88½	88	88½
Southern Pacific	37,100	129¾	128¼	129¾
Southern Railway	4,700	31½	30¾	31½
do preferred	100	69	69	68
Tenn Copper	1,200	41	40	40¾
Texas & Pacific	600	34½	34½	34¾
Tol, St L & West	.....	.....	.....	33¾
do preferred	600	69	68½	68¾
Union Pacific	81,600	201¾	200½	201½
do preferred	600	102¾	102½	102½
U S Realty	100	81¾	81¾	81¾
U S Rubber	3,700	51¾	50½	51¼
U S Steel	165,500	88¾	87½	87¾
do preferred	1,500	125	124	123½
Utah Copper	35,400	62	59½	61¾
Va-Caro Chemical	1,300	49½	49	48¾
Wabash	1,600	21¼	20½	20½
do preferred	29,100	57	57¾	55¾
Western Md	.....	.....	.....	32½
Westinghouse Elec	700	85	84¾	84½
Western Union	1,000	79	78¾	78¾
Wheel & L Erie	.....	.....	.....	8
Wisconsin Central	100	50	50	50

Total sales for the day, 952,600 shares.

NEW YORK, Nov. 24—Closing quotations:			
U S ref 2s reg.	100	N Y C gen 3½s	91
do coupon	100	North Pacific 3s	72¾
U S 3s reg	101¼	North Pacific 4s	102¾
do coupon	101¼	Union Pacific 4s	102¾
U S new 4s reg	135¼	Wis Central 4s	94
do coupon	110¼	Japanese 4s	87¼
D & R G 4s	96		

Treasury Statement.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24.—The condition of the Treasury at the beginning of business today was as follows:

Trust funds—	
Gold coin	$882,154,819
Silver dollars	486,460,000
Silver dollars of 1890	4,000,000
Silver certificates outstanding	486,460,000
General fund—	
Standard silver dollars in general fund	3,827,727
Current liabilities	104,427,254
Working balance in Treasury offices	37,152,986
In banks to credit of Treasurer of the United States	36,825,819
Subsidiary silver coin	16,558,102
Minor coin	1,600,265
Total balance in general fund	84,209,587

Money, Exchange, Etc.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 24.—Sterling, 60 days, $4.84; sight, $4.87½.

Silver bars—50¾c.

Mexican dollars—45c.

Drafts—Sight, 2c; telegraph, 4c.

LONDON, Nov. 24.—Bar silver quiet, 23⅝d per ounce.

Money—4½@5 per cent.

The rate of discount in the open market for short bills is 4¾ per cent; three months, 5⅛ per cent.

Consols for money, 82 5-16; for account, 82½.

NEW YORK, Nov. 24.—Prime mercantile paper, 5@5½ per cent.

Sterling exchange strong, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.8380@4.8390 for 60-day bills and at $4.8750 for demand. Commercial bills, $4.82@4.82½.

Bar silver—50¾c.

Mexican dollars, 43c.

Bonds—Government, easy; railroad, irregular.

Money on call firm, 4@5 per cent; ruling rate, 4¾ per cent; closing bid, and offered, 4½ per cent. Time loans dull and steady; 60 days, 5 per cent; 90 days, 4¾ per cent; six months, 4½@4¾ per cent.

Metal Markets.

NEW YORK, Nov. 24.—Standard copper on the New York Metal Exchange was weak again today. London market was strong at the close, recovering part of an opening decline, with spot quoted at £59 2s 6d and futures at £60 5s. Local dealers report that the situation is still unsettled, with prices more or less nominal. Electrolytic at 13.00@13.50c and casting at 12.87½@12.37½c.

Tin closed weak, with spot and November quoted at 30.85@31.05c; December at 30.95@31.05c; January, 30.95@31.10c. The London market was lower, with spot quoted at £140 7s 6d and futures at £142 7s 6d.

Lead was quiet, with spot quoted at 4.37½@4.42½c New York, 4.26@4.28c East St. Louis. The London market was unchanged.

Spelter quiet, with spot quoted at 6.30@6.45 New York and 6.15@6.25c East St. Louis. London was unchanged at £23 2s 6d.

The English iron market was lower. Locally iron was easy.

BEST STOCK AT THE TOP

FANCY HOGS AGAIN SELL AT $8.10 AT THE YARDS.

Good Demand for Prime Cattle, Receipts Are Light—No Trading Today.

The livestock market was in good trim yesterday and the best quality stock sold at top quotations. Trade was fairly active. Receipts were 68 cattle, 13 calves and 412 hogs.

Two lots of fancy hogs sold at $8.10 and others close to the same grade brought $8.05. There was a sale of a small bunch of good cows at $3.60 and the best steers offered were moved at $4.55.

There will be no trading or weighing at the stockyards today.

Shippers at the yards yesterday were: Frank Dimpes of Junction City, with one car of cattle and hogs; E. G. Young & Co., of Oakland, one car of hogs; E. Connell, of Deer Island, 19 cattle; J. L. Ainsworth, of Shoshone, Idaho, one car of hogs; Albert Albertson, of Shoshone, Idaho, one car of hogs; W. K. Ladd, of Lewiston, Idaho, two cars of cattle, and P. D. Long, of Ontario, one car of hogs.

The day's sales were as follows:

	Wt.	Price.		Wt.	Price
67 hogs	219	$8.05	27 cows	1007	$3.25
15 hogs	288	8.05	22 cows	932	3.70
62 hogs	240	8.10	1 cow	980	2.50
12 hogs	204	8.10	81 hogs	100	8.00
4 hogs	150	7.50	85 hogs	230	8.00
19 steers	1081	4.00	30 hogs	210	8.00
7 cows	1050	3.60	86 hogs	210	8.00
1 steer	1060	4.00	7 cows	942	3.25
3 steers	986	4.50	1 bull	1300	2.25
26 steers	1215	4.50	7 steers	1140	4.50
28 cows	1023	3.35			

Prices quoted at the yards yesterday were as follows:

CATTLE—Best steers, $4.25@4.50; fair to good, $3.85@4; medium and feeders, $3.50@3.75; best cows, $3.50@3.65; medium, $3@3.25; common to medium, $2.50@2.75; bulls, $2@2.50; stags, $2.50@3.50; calves, light, $5.25@5.50; heavy, $4@4.75.

HOGS—Best, $8@8.10; medium, $7.50@7.85; stockers, $4@4.75.

SHEEP—Best wethers, $4.25@4.50; fair to good, $3.75@4; best ewes, $3.75@4; fair to good, $3.50@3.75; lambs, $5@5.25.

Eastern Livestock Market.

CHICAGO, Nov. 24.—Cattle—Estimated receipts, 14,000. Market, steady. 10c higher. Beeves, $4.00@9.15; Texas steers, $5.75@4.80; Western steers, $4.00@7.40; stockers and feeders, $3.10@5.20; cows and heifers, $2.10@5.65; calves, $6.25@8.75.

Hogs—Estimated receipts, 22,000. Market, 5c higher. Light, $7.60@8.05; mixed, $7.65@8.15; heavy, $7.70@8.20; rough, $7.70@7.90; good to choice heavy, $7.90@8.20; pigs, $6.40@7.65; bulk of sales, $7.95@8.10.

Sheep—Estimated receipts, 20,000. Market, strong. Native, $2.75@4.90; Western, $2.90@4.90; yearlings, $5.25@6.40; lambs, native, $4.75@7.40; Western, $4.75@7.80.

KANSAS CITY, Nov. 24.—Cattle—Receipts, 9000. Market, steady. Native steers, $4.80@8.50; native cows and heifers, $2.25@6.30; stockers and feeders, $3.00@5.00; Western steers, $4.00@5.60; Western cows, $2.75@4.50.

Hogs—Receipts, 16,000. Steady to strong. Heavy, $7.95@8.10; packers and butchers, $7.80@8.05; light, $7.35@7.95; pigs, $6.25@7.15.

Sheep—Receipts, 8000. Steady. Muttons, $4.50@5.60; lights, $3.75@7.65; range wethers and yearlings, $4.25@6.00; range ewes, $3.25@5.25.

Eastern Mining Stocks.

BOSTON, Nov. 24.—Closing quotations:

Adventure	5¾	Mohawk	62½
Amalgamated	89	Nevada	27¾
Ariz Com	45	Old Dominion	52½
Atlantic	11½	Osceola	150
Butte Coal	30¾	Parrot	30
Cal & Ariz	105	Quincy	80
Cal & Hecla	680	Shannon	10¼
Centennial	38¾	Tamarack	66
Copper Range	83¾	Trinity	11
Daly West	19	U S Mining	55
Franklin	16½	Utah	40¼
Granby	102	Victoria	3½
Greene Cananea	124	Winona	7¾
Isle Royale	21¾	Wolverine	145
Mass Mining	7	North Butte	64¼
Michigan	6¾		

Dried Fruit at New York.

NEW YORK, Nov. 24.—Evaporated apples, easier; November delivery, 8c. Spot; fancy new crop, 11c; choice, 10@9 9-10c; prime, 8c; common to fair, 6¾@7½c.

Prunes, firm; California up to 30-40s, 2¾@8c; Oregons, 6@9c.

Apricots, firm; choice, 11@11½c; extra choice, 11½@11¾c, and fancy, 12@12½c.

Peaches, strong; choice, 6¾@7c; extra choice, 7@7½c; fancy, 7¾@8c.

Raisins, steady; loose muscatel, 4@5c; choice to fancy, 5¼@6½c; seedless, 8¾@5½c; London layers, $1.20@1.25.

Coffee and Sugar.

NEW YORK, Nov. 24.—Coffee futures closed steady. Sales, 95,500 bags, including November and December at 6.30c, January at 6.35c, March at 6.45c, May at 6.60c and July at 6.65@6.70c. Spot quiet. No. 7 Rio, 8¾c, nominal; No. 4 Santos, 8¾@8¾c. Mild, quiet. Cordova, 9@11½c.

Sugar—Raw, quiet. Fair refining, 3.86@3.92c; centrifugal, 96 test, 4.36@4.42c; molasses sugar, 3.61@3.67c. Refined, quiet.

Dairy Produce in the East.

CHICAGO, Nov. 24.—Butter—Steady. Creameries, 26@31c; dairies, 24@28c.

Eggs—Receipts, 4848 cases. Steady, at mark, cases included, 20½@25½c; firsts, 28½c; prime firsts, 30½c.

Cheese—Firm. Daisies, 16¾@16½c; twins, 16@16½c; Young Americas, 16@16½c; long horns, 16c.

METHODISTS TO CONFER

Forty Leading Ministers Expect to Attend Meeting Next Week.

The annual Portland district convention of Methodist Episcopal Churches will be held in the Taylor-Street Methodist Church next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Forty leading Methodist ministers of Western Oregon will be present.

Discussions of methods of church work and the division of missionary funds are some of the leading topics to be discussed. The business meetings will be held during the daytime and the evenings will be devoted to mass meetings. The Ladies' Aid Society will serve luncheon on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Monday evening will be given over to the Portland District Epworth League rally. An effort will be made to organize mission study classes. Addresses will be delivered as follows: "Needs of the Field," Dr. D. L. Rader; "Work of the Missions," George B. Blake; "Tithing," W. H. Ney. Discussion will follow each address. The Methodist Church Extension Society will meet Wednesday evening.

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PREMIUM CUT DOWN

December Wheat Approaches Price of May.

HEAVY SELLING BY LONGS

Million Bushels of Duluth and Nebraska Wheat to Be Shipped to Chicago for Delivery on Next Month's Contracts.

CHICAGO, Nov. 24.—The liquidation of December wheat by a leading long was one of the chief features of trading in the market and as a result of the selling pressure, the premium of this option over May was cut down materially. A report that a leading elevator interest had purchased in the neighborhood of 1,000,000 bushels of Duluth and Nebraska wheat to be shipped here for delivery on December contracts was partly responsible for the heaviness of the nearby option. The market displayed considerable firmness at the start, owing to covering by shorts, based on wet weather reports from Argentina. A rather weak tone developed, owing to profit-taking in December, but the market again became quite firm because of renewed buying by shorts. The range for the day on December was between $1.08¼ and $1.09¼. May sold between $1.06¼ and and $1.06¾@1.06¾. Final quotations were ¼c lower to ¼c higher.

Unsettled weather in the corn belt brought out moderate covering by shorts, resulting in a firm tone in the corn market the greater part of the day. At the close, prices were unchanged to a shade higher.

Trading in oats was extremely quiet and prices moved within a ¼c range. The close was steady, with December and May precisely at the same point as on the previous day, while July was only a shade higher.

Provisions closed 5 to 40c higher.

The Board of Trade will be closed tomorrow.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
WHEAT.				
Dec	$1.08⅞	$1.09¼	$1.08