HURST TO CONTEST LEGISLATIVE SEAT

Action Will Be Brought to Have All Votes Cast for Opponent Thrown Out.

HURLBURT STILL ABSENT

While Many Are Opposed to Seating Republican There Is No Enthusiasm Noted About Adding to Democratic Strength.

Roscoe P. Hurst is preparing to file a contest for the seat in the Seventeenth Representative District, to which C. M Hurlburt apparently was elected.

Hurlburt was the regular Republican nominee, but was repudiated by the organization of his own party on the grounds that he had disqualified himself for the office by entering into a corrupt agreement, by the terms of which he was to get a share of the proceeds from a relief bill that he was to introduce for one of his constituents.

Hurst was the regular Democratic nominee and was supported at the general election by many Republicans. However, he was defeated by an aggregate of approximately 1500 votes in the two counties of the district.

After charges of a damaging nature had been brought against him during the campaign, Hurlburt left Portland a few weeks before the election and has not returned. He is said to be in Wisconsin.

Return Now Predicted.

His friends here report that he expects now to come back and claim his seat. As he has been elected on the face of the returns, the Secretary of State, in the regular procedure, will be required to issue his certificate of election.

But Hurst and his friends are preparing to file a contest with the Secretary of State. They will make the allegation that Hurlburt, by his own admission of plans to profit from the proceeds of a relief bill that he proposed to introduce for a man who had been injured while working for the state, had disqualified himself for the office and that all the votes cast for him were illegal. Hurst was the only other candidate and it is Hurst's contention that if Hurlburt's votes are declared illegal, he himself has been elected.

It is probable that the case finally will be settled by the lower house of the Legislature itself. The Legislature is the sole judge of the qualifications of its own members.

Interesting Contest Expected.

The regular order of procedure will be for the case to be brought before the House committee on credentials. If Hurlburt makes an effort to retain his seat it is probable that an interesting contest will be waged. Even if he does not return, it is not certain that Hurst will be able to hold the seat.

There is a manifest disposition on the part of many legislators, including several from Multnomah County, to oust Hurlburt, but there is no similar display of intentions to give the seat to Hurst. Inasmuch as Hurlburt already has been repudiated by the Republican County Committee, many Republicans are insisting that he shall not be seated. They declare it will bring discredit on the party.

Hurst, however, is a Democrat and there is no organized movement among Republicans to give him the seat. Some members of the House declare it would be far better to allow the seat to remain vacant.

Hurst is said to have considerable support among the members of the Multnomah County delegation, all of whom are Republicans. It is probable that some of them will try to have him seated.

Hurst Defends Himself.

On the other hand, officers of the Republican County Committee don't want Hurst seated. They say he worked for the Democratic ticket and the Democratic candidates during the campaign. They point also to the fact that Hurst was defeated even after the record of his opponent was exposed, and declare this is conclusive evidence that the voters of Multnomah and Clackamas counties do not want a Democrat in the Legislature.

Hurst makes the answer that he was nominated on the Democratic ticket and that he did not seek the election on a non-partisan basis. As he wanted to keep his own party record clean and remain loyal to the party that nominated him, he could do naught but work for the Democratic ticket, he says.

Inasmuch as the speakership contest now seems disposed of by the almost certain election of Ben Selling, the Hurst-Hurlburt contest will not affect that issue.

Members in the upstate districts are looking to the Multnomah delegation for inspiration on this subject and it is probable that the attitude of the Multnomah Representatives will decide it.

LUMBER INDUSTRY GROWS

Dairymen Erecting New Barns Make Demand for Timbers Heavy.

MONMOUTH, Or., Dec. 4.—(Special.) The lumber industry in Monmouth has grown remarkably during the past year. New lumber sheds have been erected in the local yards, and a large yard provided. The farmers in the country about the Luckiamute Valley and in the vicinity about Monmouth have been doing extensive building, and many new residences have gone up in this city.

A feature of the building activity in the south section of the county is the work of the dairymen in erecting new barns and improving present buildings to give more room for the herds.

PAINT MAKES TWO WHITE

Negro Women Arrested Believed to Be Pickpockets.

With their faces painted white, two negro women, Daisy Taylor and Emma Harris, were arrested at Fifth and Jefferson streets Thursday night by Detectives Pat Moloney and Swennes.

The officers say they met the women as they were trying to lure a man into a stairway. Believing that the women were pickpockets the officers took them to the police station for investigation. Yesterday, the officers say, two men identified the Harris woman as the one who had picked their pockets. One man said he had lost $40, the other $20.

STORAGE PLANT PLANNED

Wenatchee Valley Fruitmen May Be Saved $1,000,000 Yearly.

WENATCHEE, Wash., Dec. 4.—(Special.)—William Turner, pioneer apple-grower of the Valley, who for the past six years, has made average yearly shipments of 30 carloads of apples, is interesting the growers of the Valley in a plan for a cold storage plant which he believes would pay for itself every year, and this year would have paid for itself three times over.

Mr. Turner already has had several sets of plans made for a storage plant of 2500 cars in cold storage and 2500 cars of packing-room. According to his estimates, the plant would cost from $250,000 to $300,000. Assessing each grower 10 cents a box would pay for the plant the first year. The plant may be built next year.

Business men already are engaged actively in promoting the plan suggested by Mr. Turner. With a big cold storage plant there could be sent out from the warehouse an entire shipload of 27 trains of 35 cars each to ship through the Panama Canal direct from Seattle to European points, thus saving 40 cents a box over the present charge. This item alone would mean a saving of more than $1,000,000 to the growers here in one year.

MINIMUM WAGE IS $10

WASHINGTON CONFERENCE HELD ON PAY FOR WOMEN CLERKS.

Miss Gertrude McComb, Representing Employes, Declares Young Women's Christian Association Luxury.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Dec. 4.—(Special.)—Young Women's Christian Associations, as conducted in the large cities of Washington, were described by Miss Gertrude McComb as luxuries which a girl earning the minimum wage salary of $10 a week could not afford. Miss McComb is a Seattle stenographer, representing employes on the minimum wage conference for office help, which completed its sessions here today.

While the conference was discussing, item by item, the cost of various necessities for a working girl, Miss McComb declared she had specifically excluded association dues.

"Although the general membership fee is comparatively small, the additional amounts required for baths, gymnasium fees, and cost of the uniforms and equipment required, puts the association beyond the reach of the minimum wage girl," Miss McComb declared.

The Rev. M. H. Marvin, of Sunnyside, member of the Industrial Welfare Commission, declared that Miss McComb was correct, and added:

"I am fully convinced that throughout the state both the Young Women's and the Young Men's Christian Associations are not doing the work for the girls and boys that need them the most. The general tendency of both organizations is to place dues too high, and the Men's Associations are found chiefly attracting the better class of high school boys, and not the lower-paid young men who work, who need the association most."

Frank L. Bayley, an attorney, representing employers at the conference, declared that he was a director of the Seattle Y. M. C. A. and could not allow the Rev. Mr. Marvin's statement to go unchallenged as regarded the Seattle Association, but the subject was not discussed further.

The office help conference fixed a minimum wage of $10 a week for women and girls of 18 years or over, which will apply not only to stenographers and general office help, but also to ticket sellers in "movie" and other theaters.

40 MORE HORSES ARE SOLD

French Pick for Artillery Service From Walla Walla Animals.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Dec. 4.—(Special.)—Forty artillery horses were bought here yesterday by representatives of the French government. There are 400 to choose from and the men expect to take between 200 and 300 with them.

Lieutenant Jean de Chivigny, of Bordeaux, France, is in charge of the buying. He is assisted by M. Robid, veterinarian, and E. Aixlas de Turrene, assistant buyer and tally-keeper. The buyers stated that every horse physically fit for rigorous life at the front would be purchased. The animals are branded "E U" on the hip as they are bought.

Baker-Made Goods to Be Known.

BAKER, Or., Dec. 4.—(Special.)—The Baker Commercial Club has decided to put on a big exhibit of Baker-made goods in January. Baker flour, lumber, cigars, beer, mineral water, meat products and vegetable products will be exploited with a view of inducing the citizens of Baker County to work as a unit, by buying goods manufactured in Baker, that other manufacturers may be induced to locate here.

DAILY METEOROLOGICAL REPORT.

PORTLAND, Dec. 4.—Maximum temperature, 47.8 degrees; minimum, 39.3 degrees. River reading at 8 A. M., 5.8 feet; change in last 24 hours, 0.2 foot fall. Total rainfall (5 P. M. to 5 P. M.), 0.04 inch; total rainfall since September 1, 1914, 10.92 inches; normal rainfall since September 1, 12.96 inches; deficiency of rainfall since September 1, 1914, 2.04 inches. Total sunshine December 4, 5 hours; possible sunshine, 8 hours, 51 minutes. Barometer (reduced to sea-level) at 5 P. M., 29.81 inches.

THE WEATHER.

STATIONS.	Maximum temp.	Precipitation past 24 hours	Wind Velocity	Wind Direction	State of Weather
Baker	38	0.00	8	SE	Clear
Boise	36	0.18	4	W	Clear
Boston	44	0.00	4	SE	Clear
Calgary	20	0.00	4	SE	Cloudy
Chicago	44	0.00	20	NE	Cloudy
Denver	46	0.00	4	NE	Cloudy
Des Moines	30	0.00	4	NE	Cloudy
Duluth	30	0.00	16	NE	Cloudy
Eureka	46	0.62	8	SE	Pt. cloudy
Galveston	52	0.00	4	N	Clear
Helena	34	0.00	8	W	Snow
Jacksonville	78	0.00	8	W	Clear
Kansas City	42	0.00	14	N	Clear
Los Angeles	60	0.04	8	SW	Pt. cloudy
Marshfield	46	0.80	4	SW	Cloudy
Medford	44	0.06	4	SE	Cloudy
Minneapolis	30	0.00	6	SE	Clear
Montreal	28	0.00	4	E	Pt. cloudy
New Orleans	56	0.00	8	NW	Cloudy
New York	46	0.00	12	NE	Cloudy
North Head	48	0.02	10	E	Cloudy
North Yakima	40	0.00	8	N	Cloudy
Phoenix	66	0.00	4	NW	Clear
Pocatello	46	0.02	4	NW	Snow
Portland	47	0.04	3	NE	Cloudy
Roseburg	44	0.23	4	S	Cloudy
Sacramento	52	0.20	10	S	Cloudy
St. Louis	40	0.82	12	N	Cloudy
Salt Lake	52	0.00	8	SE	Clear
San Francisco	56	0.26	4	W	Cloudy
Seattle	30	0.01	14	N	Clear
Spokane	38	0.00	6	E	Pt. cloudy
Tacoma	48	0.00	4	N	Pt. cloudy
Tatoosh Island	48	0.40	26	E	Clear
Walla Walla	32	0.00			Cloudy
Washington	48	0.00	14	NE	Cloudy
Winnipeg	22	0.00			Pt. cloudy

WEATHER CONDITIONS.

A depression of slight energy is central over Southern Oregon and another depression of similar character overlies the South Atlantic and East Gulf States. A large high-pressure area is central over the Upper St. Lawrence Valley. Light rain has fallen on the Pacific Slope as far south as San Diego and moderately heavy rain has fallen in the Middle Mississippi Valley and South Atlantic States. The changes in temperature since yesterday have been unimportant.

The conditions are favorable for occasional rain Saturday in Western Oregon and for light snow in Eastern Oregon and Southern Idaho. Fair weather will prevail in Washington and Northern Idaho.

FORECASTS:

Portland and vicinity—Unsettled, probably occasional light rain; variable winds.

Oregon—Occasional light rain west, light snow east portion; winds mostly southerly.

Washington—Probably fair; northeasterly winds.

Idaho—Light snow south, probably fair north portion.

EDWARD A. BEALS, District Forecaster.

HIDE PRICES AT TOP

Local Dealers Do Not Look for Further Advance.

TONE OF MARKET STRONG

Current Quotations Higher Than Ever Before Known—Strength of Markets in East Is Fully Maintained.

Local hide dealers believe that prices are now at the top notch, as there is difficulty in making sales on the current basis. There is no questioning the strength of the market, however.

The prices now prevailing, taking the market as a whole, are higher than dealers ever knew them to be before. The advance was occasioned almost entirely by the European demand for leather. As long as the war lasts, this urgent war demand for leather is likely to continue, and hide prices are almost certain to be maintained. Dealers are not so certain, however, that hide prices will continue to advance.

In the East, the phenomenal strength of the market is fully sustained and some advances have been scored in the past week, according to advices just at hand. At Chicago, packer hides are exceptionally stiff in price, particularly native varieties, with active trading noted in most descriptions. Native steers in December-January salting ahead have sold at the record price of 22½c, with heavy trading at 22c and both light and heavy weight native cows have brought up to 22c. Sales for the week total over 100,000 hides and some varieties of branded have shared in the heavy movement, butt brands bringing up to 20c, while light Texas brought 19½c, and in one instance extreme light Texas steers sold at as high as 19¾c. Packers continue to ask successive increases as each high mark is reached on new sales. Branded cows are held at 19½c and some are even asking as high as 20c, while 19½c is firmly talked for Colorados.

Country hides reflect the strong position prevailing in packer takeoff, with late sales of buffs at 20c, and little likelihood of further lots obtainable under 20½c. The most noteworthy feature of the situation to take into consideration is the fact that packer hides of January kill are selling at as much, if not even more than the usual premium over country hides, which represent October-November slaughter.

FIRST SALES OF NEXT YEAR'S HOPS

Contracts Are Made in California for 1915s at 10 Cents.

Contracting for next year's hops has started in California. Two large contracts were announced in wires received yesterday, one for 550 bales at Wheatland and the other for 250 bales of Yolos. The price agreed upon was 10 cents.

No business in the local market was announced, but a 260-bale lot of Western Washingtons changed hands.

London hop dealers' circulars, bearing dates of November 16 to 18, say of the English market:

Wilde, Neame & Co.—There has been a better demand during the past week for medium grades, which have found purchasers at from 5s to 10s advance on values recently ruling.

Thornton & Manger—A considerable trade is being done and prices have advanced 5s to 10s per cwt. Business is mainly in medium qualities, for which prices are still quite moderate.

Manger & Henley—A good, steady demand for medium and usful copper hops has prevailed during the past week and a stronger tone is apparent all round. There is also a stronger enquiry for choice Goldings and bright coloury hops, which are very scarce.

W. H. & H. Le May—There is now a good demand for hops suitable for copper purposes, consequently prices for these are very firm, and in a few instances 5s per cwt. advance has been obtained on prices ruling last week. Choice hops, suitable for dry hopping, are now in a very small compass and prices are very firm for this class.

Worcester—During the past week 2200 pockets of hops were weighed at the Worcester market, making a total of 21,737 to date. The attendance on the market on Saturday was very limited, and chiefly confined to larger growers. The demand being good for the finest and cheapest sorts, holders are firmer in their prices and when business results very full rates are paid.

LONDON APPLE MARKET IS BETTER

Advances Recorded in Prices of Pacific Coast Fruit.

Reporting on the British apple markets, W. Dennis & Sons, of London, say under date of November 20:

"The London market has shown a decided improvement today on box apples, California Newtowns meeting a ready sale at 5s 9d and 6s for the four and one-half and four-tiers, respectively, the four and one-half-tiers being especially wanted. Liverpool is not quite as good as London on California Newtowns, these being a very slow sale at 5s and 5s 6d for the four and one-half and four-tiers, respectively. Oregon Newtowns realize about the same prices as in London. The trade for apples in Glasgow is decidedly in the way of improving and we look for much better results in the near future. Supplies have been short this week. Quotations:

"At London—Californian Winter Nelis, 9s per half box; Washington Comice, 13s per box; Californian Newtowns, four tiers, 5s 6d per box; four and one-half tiers, 5s 3d@5s 6d per box; Oregon Newtowns, 5s 6d@7s 6d per box.

At Liverpool — Washington Winter Nelis, 7s 3d@10s 3d per box (wasty); Washington Kelffers, 6s 9d@7s per box; California Newtowns, four tiers, 5s 6d per box; four and one-half tiers, 5s per box; Oregon Newtowns, 6s 6d@7s 6d per box."

WHEAT MARKET STRONG AND HIGHER

Buyers Raise Their Offers but There Are Not Many Sellers.

The wheat market is decidedly strong. Buyers raised their bids yesterday, but even these advances failed to make an impression on sellers. At many country points a complete deadlock exists. Portland exchange prices were offered throughout the interior and produced but little business.

There were only two sellers at the Merchants' Exchange yesterday at the higher prices bid, 10,000 bushels of January Fife changing hands at $1.13½, or 2½ cents more than was bid for this delivery on Thursday. Other futures were from half a cent to a full cent higher and there were similar advances in the bid prices for prompt delivery.

Oats were also firm, January selling at a 25-cent advance. Barley was steady.

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

	Wheat	Barley	Flour	Oats	Hay
Monday	93	11	13	10	5
Tuesday	77	6	6	3	1
Wednesday	112	21	7	7	14
Thursday	62	5	12	3	13
Friday	62	3	5	2	5
Sea'n to date	10,122	981	1209	1204	964
Year ago	9,508	1453	1218	992	1418

WOOL DEALERS CONTRACT FOR CLIP

Actual Business With Western Growers Is Being Kept Secret.

First suggestions of operations in the next domestic clip of wool have been made during the past week, according to mail advices from Boston. No trace can be found of actual transactions, but the word has gone forth that Eastern dealers have contracted in the West. The attitude of the woolgrower at present is against any such business on a basis which would allow of a profitable turnover. Furthermore, no desire of contract was found among growers at the recent convention of their National Association. Yet these conditions do not preclude activities and the hints of business remain.

In this connection it is interesting to note that the trade and American manufacturers are in somewhat of a quandray as to where the necessary supplies are to be secured between now and the time when the domestic clip begins to move. Foreign supplies, except from South America, will offer no relief. Even from that country the situation for the moment at least is rather discouraging. Old wools are steadily going into consumption, though stocks already are the smallest for years at this season.

It would not take much improvement in the demand for goods to send mill buyers into the market with a rush for the remaining supplies, according to authorities in the trade. In fact, it is asserted that some indications of a growing demand already have been given, though the buying has been done quietly. Despite the conditions of supply and demand, dealers have been willing to let go of their holdings fairly readily, even houses most confident as to future prices. Under the circumstances the suggestions of a famine in wool within the next few months seem to have considerable warrant.

CAR OF GRAPES IS DUE TODAY

Apples Selling Fairly Well—Vegetable Supplies Larger.

A mixed car of Cornichon and Malaga grapes will arrive today. There was a limited supply of grapes on the street yesterday and there was a fair demand for them. Ripe bananas were scarce. Apples are going into consumption at a somewhat better rate. Oranges continue to move actively.

Among the vegetable receipts yesterday were two cars of sweet potatoes, one car of lettuce and a mixed car of California vegetables, containing mostly cauliflower. The latter article was brought up a week or two too soon, as there is still plenty of local cauliflower on the market.

Poultry Buyers Holding Off.

The demand for poultry was slow and although receipts were light, the market continued weak. Dressed meats also dragged and were weak in price.

The egg market is still affected by the pressure to sell Eastern and storage stock. Butter and cheese were unchanged.

Bank Clearings.

Bank clearings of the Northwestern cities yesterday were as follows:

	Clearings.	Balances.
Portland	$1,464,721	$190,159
Seattle	2,520,592	210,583
Tacoma	293,823	50,994
Spokane	1,031,608	97,762

PORTLAND MARKET QUOTATIONS

Grain, Flour, Feed, etc.

Merchants Exchange, noon session:

Prompt delivery.

	Bid.	Ask.
Wheat—		
Bluestem	$ 1.17½	$ 1.18
Fortyfold	1.17	1.19
Club	1.15	1.16
Red Russian	1.09	1.10
Red Fife	1.11	1.12½
Oats—		
No. 1 white feed	27.75	28.50
Barley—		
No. 1 feed	24.00	25.25
Brewing	25.50	26.00
Bran	23.25	23.75
Shorts	24.00	25.00
Futures—		
January bluestem	1.19	1.20
February bluestem	1.20	1.22
Soft fortyfold	1.18½	1.21
February forty-fold	1.19	.....
January club	1.16½	1.17½
February club	1.17	1.19
January red Russian	1.09	1.12
February red Russian	1.10	1.14
January red Fife	1.13½	1.14
February red Fife	1.14½	1.15
January oats	28.75	29.00
February oats	29.25	29.75
May oats	31.75	32.50
January bran	23.50	24.25

Sales.

5000 bushels January red Fife.....$1.13½
5000 bushels January red Fife 1.13⅛
100 tons January oats 29.00
100 tons February oats 29.50

MILLFEED—Spot prices: Bran, $24@24.50 per ton; shorts, $24@26.50; rolled barley, $27.50@28.50.

FLOUR — Patents, $6 per barrel; straights, $4.80@5.60; whole wheat, $5.80; graham, $5.60.

CORN—Whole, $36 per ton; cracked, $37 per ton.

HAY—Eastern Oregon timothy, $14@16; grain hay, $10@11; alfalfa, $12@13; Valley timothy, $11@12.

Fruits and Vegetables

Local jobbing quotations:

TROPICAL FRUITS — Oranges, navels, $2@2.75 per box; Valencias, $3.25@3.50 per box; Japanese, per box, 20c@1.10; lemons, $3.50@4.50 per box; bananas, 4@4½c per pound; grapefruit, $3.75@4; pineapples, 7 cents per pound.

VEGETABLES — Cucumbers, 50c dozen; eggplant, 7c pound; peppers, 7@8c per pound; artichokes, 90c per dozen; tomatoes, 60c@$1 per crate; cabbage, ¾@1c per pound; beans, 12½c per pound; celery, 90@75c per dozen; cauliflower, $1@1.25 per dozen; sprouts, 8c per pound; head lettuce, $2 per crate; pumpkins, 1c per pound; squash, 1c per pound.

GREEN FRUITS—Apples, 65c@$1.50 per box; casabas, 1½c per pound; pears, $1@1.50; grapes, $1@1.50 per crate; cranberries, $8.50@9.50 per barrel.

POTATOES—Oregon, 90c per sack; sweet potatoes, 2c per pound.

ONIONS—Yellow, $1.25 per sack.

Dairy and Country Produce.

Local jobbing quotations:

Eggs—Fresh Oregon ranch, case count, 40@42½c; candled, 42½@45c; Oregon storage, 30c.

POULTRY—Hens, 11@12c; Springs, 11@12c; turkeys, dressed, 20@21c; live, 17@18c; ducks, 10@12½c; geese, 10@11c.

BUTTER—Creamery, prints, extras, 34½c per pound in case lots; ½c more in less than case lot; cubes, 30c.

CHEESE—Oregon triplets, jobbers' buying price, 15c per pound; c. h. dock Portland; Young Americas, 16c per pound.

VEAL—Fancy, 10½@11c per pound.

PORK—Block, 9@9½c per pound.

Staple Groceries.

Local jobbing quotations:

SALMON — Columbia River one-pound talls, $2.30 per dozen; half-pound flats $1.30; one-pound flats, $2.55; Alaska pink, one-pound tall, $1.05.

Honey—Choice, $3.25 per case.

NUTS — Walnuts, 15@24c per pound; Brazil nuts, 15c; filberts, 15@24c; almonds, 23@24c; peanuts, 6¾c; cocoanuts, $1 per dozen; pecans, 19@20c.

BEANS—Small white, $5.15; large white, 5c; Lima, 5¾@6¼c; pink, 4.80c; Mexican, 6½c; bayou, 5.65c.

COFFEE—Roasted, in drums, 18¼@31½c.

SUGAR — Fruit and berry, $6.90; beet, $5.70; extra C, $5.40; powdered, in barrels, $6.15.

SALT—Granulated, $15.50 per ton; half-ground, 100s, $19.75 per totn; 50s, $11.50 per ton; dairy, $14 per ton.

RICE—Southern head, 6¼@6½c; broken, 4c.

DRIED FRUITS — Apples, 8c per pound; apricots, 13@15c; peaches, 8c; prunes, Italians, 8@9c; raisins, loose Muscatels, 8c; unbleached Sultanas, 7½c, seeded, 8¾c; Currus, Persian, 7@7½c per pound; fard, $1.40 per box; currants, 9¾@12c.

Hops, Wool Hides, Etc.

HOPS—1914 crop, 8@11c; 1913 crop, nominal.

HIDES—Salted hides, 14c; salted bulls, 10c; salted calf, 18c; salted kip, 14c; green hides, 12½c; green bulls, 8½c; green calf, 18c; green kip, 14c; dry hides, 25c; dry calf, 27c.

WOOL—Valley, 17@19c; Eastern Oregon, 15@20c, nominal.

MOHAIR—1914 clip, 27½c per pound.

CASCARA BARK—Old and new, 4c per pound.

PELTS—Long wool dry pelts, 11c; short wool dry pelts, 8c; dry sheep shearlings, 10@15c each; salt sheep shearlings, 15@25c each; dry goat skins, long hair, 12@12½c; dry goat shearlings, 10@10c each; salted sheep pelts, November, 75@90c each.

Provisions.

HAMS—Ten to 12 pounds, 19½@20½c; 14 to 18 pounds, 19½@20½c; skinned, 17½@21c; picnic, 14½c.

BACON—Fancy, 28@30c; standard, 18@26c.

DRY SALT CURED—Short clear backs, 14@17c; exports, 15@17c; pates, 11@12c.

LARD—Tierce basis: Pure, 13½@14c; compound, 9c.

Oils.

KEROSENE—Water white, drums, barrels or tank wagons, 10c, special drums or barrels, 13½c; cases, 17½@20½c.

GASOLINE—Bulk, 13c; cases, 20c; engine distillate, drums, 7½c; cases, 14½c; naphtha, drums, 12c; cases, 19c.

LINSEED OIL—Raw, barrels, 55c; raw, cases, 60c; boiled, barrels, 57c; boiled, cases, 62c.

TURPENTINE—In tanks, 60c; in cases, 67c; 10-case lots, 1c less.

Duluth Linseed Market.

DULUTH, Dec. 3.—Linseed, cash, $1.49¼; December, $1.48¼; May, $1.51½.

Metal Markets.

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—Lead quiet, 3.70@3.80c.

STOCK PRICES GAIN

Upward Tendency of Quotations in Wall Street.

BOND OFFERINGS LIGHTER

Ready Sale of Canadian Pacific's New Issue of Trust Certificates. Wider Demand for Short-Term Notes.

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—Investment conditions were more promising today. This was demonstrated by the ready sale of the $12,700,000 worth of Canadian Pacific Railway 4½ per cent trust certificates offered by a banking syndicate. There was also a further extension of the inquiry for various short-term notes, including New York City 6s, which retained their recent advantage.

Monetary conditions were again a pronounced factor, the relaxation of rates in 30 and 60-day loans being most apparent. There was an evident larger supply of call money at 2½ per cent, this figure being scaled on prime collateral.

A few chances, mainly in the direction of improvement, were seen in the lists of stock prices issued by the exchange. Peoples Gas of Chicago gained 2 points, and St. Paul 1¼, with fractional advances in Pennsylvania and Union Pacific.

Trading in bonds was marked by more narrowness and smaller offerings, with an irregular mixture of gains and losses, the latter being more pronounced in relatively unknown issues. Gains extended generally from ½ to 4 points. Virginia debenture certificates rose 9 points.

Foreign exhange played less than its usual part in the day's business, bills and drafts on London being in light request. Rates, however, lost little of their recent strength, the advance being ascribed to German sales of our bonds in this market.

Private London cables hinted at a hitch in the proposed reopening of that exchange, with a resultant depressing effect on speculative sentiment.

Following are the final prices of stocks as issued by the Stock Exchange committee today:

Beet Sugar	27¾
American Can	26¾
American Cotton Oil	33½
American Smelting preferred	97
American Sugar	121
American Telephone & Telegraph	117
Atchison	90
Bethlehem Steel	42
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	87½
Canadian Pacific	156
Central Leather	33½
Chesapeake & Ohio	42
St. Paul	84
Denver	4
Denver preferred	9½
Erie, first	32
General Electric	137½
Illinois Central	103½
Inter Metropolitan	14
Harvester	91½
Lehigh Valley	125
Lead	408
New York Central	81
New Haven	51½
Norfolk & Western	97
Northern Pacific	98
Ontario & Western	19¼
Pennsylvania	105½
Reading	158
Southern Pacific	83¾
Union Pacific	134½
Union Pacific preferred	77½
Utah Copper	46
Western Union	57½
Texas Oil	135

BONDS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—Closing quotations:			
U S Ref 2s Reg.	96	N Y C Gen 3½s.	80
do Coupon	96	Northern Pac. 3s	63
U S 3s Reg.	99¾	Northern Pac 4s.	29½
do Coupon	100	Union Pacific 4s.	95
U S New 4s Reg.	108	Wis. Central 4s.	89¾
do Coupon	108		

Money, Exchange, Etc.

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—Call money easy. High, 3½ per cent; low, 2½ per cent; ruling rate, 3¼ per cent; closing bid, 2 per cent; offered at 2¾ per cent; last loan, 2¼ per cent.

Mercantile paper, 4¼@5 per cent.

Sterling exchange easy; 60-day bills, $4.86; cables, $4.8550; demand, $4.8815.

Bar silver, 49⅝c.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 4.—Silver bars, 49⅝c.

Mexican dollars, 42@43c.

Drafts, telegraph 2c.

Sterling, demand, $4.88½; cable, $4.89.

LONDON, Dec. 4.—Bar silver, 23d per ounce.

Naval Stores.

SAVANNAH, Dec. 4.—Turpentine firm, 44½c. Sales, 96 barrels; receipts, 462 barrels; shipments, 290 barrels; stock, 38,559 barrels.

Rosin firm. Sales, 661 barrels; receipts, 1936 barrels; shipments, 235 barrels; stock, 128,173 barrels. A, B, $3.25; C, D, $3.27½; E, $3.32½; $3.30; F, G, $3.30 to $3.35; H, $3.35 to $3.40; I, $3.40 to $3.50; K, $4; M, $4.55; N, $5.25; WG, 5.65; WW, 5.80.

Dried Fruit at New York.

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—Evaporated apples steady. Prunes firm. Peaches quiet.

Hops at New York.

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—Hops quiet.

HOG MARKET IS LOWER

LOCAL PRICES DECLINE TO SEVEN-CENT BASIS.

Receipts Have Been Large All Week. Trading in Other Lines Is Quiet.

There is no letup to the steady marketing of hogs and prices continue to decline at the local yards. Yesterday the 7-cent basis was again reached. Arrivals were unusually large.

Trading in other lines was quiet. A few steer sales were made at $6.25 to $7.25 and cows and heifers brought former prices. A small mixed lot of sheep and lambs sold at $6.

Receipts were 150 cattle, 1291 hogs and 445 sheep. Shippers were:

With cattle—Barnes & Warren, Nampa, 1 car; J. Wilson, Condon, 1 car; Stroude Bros., Condon, 1 car; J. A. Vaughn, Robinette, 1 car; Pacific Cold Storage Company, Stanfield, 1 car.

With hogs—J. E. Drake, Montour, 1 car; D. Wheldon, Payette, 1 car; Otto Conrad, Weiser, 1 car; D. J. Donnelly, Weiser, 1 car; L. W. Lloyd, Haines, 1 car; D. A. Huff, Haines, 1 car; O. B. Barlow, Sheridan, 1 car; F. E. Decker, Woodburn, 1 car; M. M. Hector, Goldendale, 1 car; C. O. Davis, Goldendale, 1 car; Leo Richardson, Wahkiakum, 1 car; F. E. Botha, Washougal, 1 car.

With sheep—Orson Moody, Robinette, 1 car.

With mixed loads—George Zimmerman, Yamhill, 2 cars cattle, hogs and sheep; C. E Lucky, Molalla, 1 car hogs and sheep.

The day's sales were as follows:

	Wt.	Price.		Wt.	Price.
4 steers	980	$6.25	1 steer	1110	$7.25
1 heifer	960	6.25	4 cows	975	5.25
1 steer	1070	6.75	24 m. sheep	92	6.00
1 heifer	1020	6.25	105 hogs	174	7.00
3 cows	960	5.50	119 hogs	148	6.90
13 cows	980	5.75	105 hogs	190	7.00
2 heifers	755	5.25	89 hogs	171	7.00
1 bull	1450	4.25	2 hogs	245	6.50
12 steers	902	6.35			

Current prices of the various classes of stock at the yards follow:

Cattle—	
Prime steers	$7.00@7.25
Choice cows	5.75@6.00
Choice steers	6.50@6.75
Medium steers	6.25@6.50
Choice cows	5.75@6.25
Medium cows	5.25@5.75
Heifers	5.25@6.25
Calves	6.00@8.00
Bulls	5.00@5.75
Stags	4.50@6.00
Hogs—	
Light	6.80@7.00
Heavy	5.80@6.00
Sheep—	
Wethers	6.00@6.50
Ewes	5.25@5.60
Lambs	6.00@7.00

Omaha Livestock Market.

SOUTH OMAHA, Dec 4.—Hogs—Receipts, 5500; market, strong. Heavy, $6.60@6.75; light, $6.70@6.90; pigs, $5.50@6.50; bulk of sales, $6.65@6.75.

Cattle—Receipts, 600; market, strong. Native steers, $6.75@9.75; cows and heifers, $5.30@8; Western steers, $6@8.50; Texas steers, $5.75@7.25; cows and heifers, $5.25@7.00; calves, $8@10.

Sheep—Receipts, 5000; market, higher. Yearlings, $6.75@7.25; wethers, $5.50@6.10; lambs, $7.75@8.75.

Chicago Livestock Market.

CHICAGO, Dec. 4.—Hogs—Receipts, 26,000; market, strong, 20c to 40c above yesterday's average. Bulk of sales, $6.80@9.15; light, $6.40@7.20; mixed, $6.65@7.35; heavy, $6.65@7.30; rough, $6.65@6.80; pigs, $3.75@6.75.

Cattle—Receipts, 2000; market, strong. Beeves, $5.70@10.50; Western steers, $5.25@8.50; cows and heifers, $3.25@8.40; calves, $7@10.

Sheep—Receipts, 16,000; market, steady. Sheep, $5.20@6.25; yearlings, $6.30@7.50; lambs, $6.50@9.

WHEAT IN NEED OF RAIN

WINTER CROP BELT SUFFERS FROM LONG DRY SPELL.

Export Buying Also Helps Bring About Sharp Advance in Chicago Wheat Market.

CHICAGO, Dec. 4.—Export buying and a good deal of uneasiness about harm from prolonged dry weather in the domestic winter crop belt ran up prices today in the wheat market here. The outcome was a strong close at 1@1⅜c to 2½c above last night. Other leading staples, too, all scored a net gain—corn ⅜@¾c to ⅝c; oats ⅜@¾c to ¾c, and provisions 10 to 15c.

Drought in Western Kansas and Nebraska received more attention than heretofore in the wheat pit. According to an authority, there was no doubt that the growing crop had been unfavorably affected and that moisture was much needed through all the Winter wheat states. In Western and Central Kansas the lack of rain was said to be the worst at this time for 20 years. The bulls were made cautious, however, by assertions from British trade authorities that imports from the United States would gradually be reduced to 4,000,000 a week. Besides, the Argentine harvest was said to be making excellent progress.

Export sales finally turned corn upward with wheat.

Oats moved higher with other grain and because of a moderate renewal of European call.

Rising prices for hogs carried provisions upgrade. There was free buying on the part of shorts, mainly in lard and ribs.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
WHEAT.