WHEAT PRICES SOAR

Local and Country Markets Are Excited.

DEMAND NEVER STRONGER

Wave of Export Buying Sweeps Over Entire Country-Farmers and Speculative Holders Not Tempted by High Offers.

1 to 2 cents on the Merchants Exchange vesterday sellers could not be tempted to let go The market was stronger and more excited than it has been any time this season. In the country the excitement was

even greater than here.

For club wheat \$1.20 was freely offered on the Merchants Exchange. This is the highest price, so may a known, that was ever bid for this kind of wheat in this market. Sellers, however, would not take less than \$1.21%. Forty-fold and bluestem were also a ccht higher than on the prowere also a cent higher than on the proceeding day, \$1.20% being offered for the former and \$1.21 for the latter, but holders demanded full 2 cents above these quotations. Red fife again exhibited its former strength with \$1.16 offered, a 2-cent advance over Wednesday. In the market for futures the strength was equally pronounced.

The country wheat markets appeared to be going wild, and the reports received in-

Steamer freights are at 32s 5d and salling ships at 37s 6d, with some talk of 35s.

Barley and onts were strong in this city and at country points, largely in sympathy with the strength of wheat One hundred tons of May outs sold on the exchange at \$32.50, a 50-cent and a country of the strength of wheat one hundred tons of May outs sold on the exchange at \$32.50, a 50-cent and a country of the strength of wheat one hundred tons of May outs sold on the exchange at \$32.50, a 50-cent and a country of the strength of wheat one hundred tons of May outs sold on the exchange at \$32.50, a 50-cent and a country of the strength of wheat one hundred tons of May outs sold on the exchange at \$32.50, a 50-cent and a country of the strength of wheat one hundred tons of May outs sold on the exchange at \$32.50, a 50-cent and a country of the strength of wheat one hundred tons of May outs sold on the exchange at \$32.50, a 50-cent and a country of the strength of \$32.50, a 50-cent advance over Wednesday's

Although wheat is climbing there is no indication of any early advance in patent flour prices. Export grades are said to be too high to permit of foreign business. Local receipts in cars were reported by the Merchants Exchange as follows: Wheat Barley Flour Oats Hay

Monday.... 107 15 10 11 12
Thesday.... 55 8 1 2 6
Wednesday. 199 5 4 4 11
Thursday... 199 5 3 7 7
Year ago.... 87 14 7 4
Season to date 10845 1947 1258 1263 1051
Year ago.... 10460 1525 1248 1075 1561

COMMODITY TREND IS DOWNWARD General Average Is for Lower Prices, but Leading Staples Are Fairly Firm.

The number of alterations in the past doxin; pecans, 1992cc, week in the 518 quotations of leading commodities reported to Dun's Review was only 45, the smallest for many weeks, and 5.15c; Lima, 6½c; pink, 4½c; Mexican, 6½c; bayou, 6.35c.

COFFEE—Roasted, in drums, 18½@33½c of these 36 were declines against 19 ad-vances. Although receipts were moderate volume, trading in butter and cheese was rather light and there was practically no change in any grade, but continued scarechange in any grade, but continued scare-ity of choice quality eggs caused higher prices to be asked for all desirable stock. There was very fittle change in the grain RICE—Southern head, 8% 96%; broken, markets, wheat and corn closing at about last week's figures, while flour was stationary, the only advances worthy of mention being in outs and rye. Live beef was steady and hogs and sheep slightly higher,

but provisions as a rule were easy.

Foreign demand gave strong support to all kinds of leather suitable for military purposes and resulted in further advances all varieties of heavyweight hides. Sentiment showed additional improvement in the iron and steel markets, support being derived from more numerous inquiries and the slightly more liberal placing of business, calf, 27c.

HIDES—Saited hides, 14c; saited kip, 14c; green hides, 12½c; green buils, 5½c; green calf, 18c; green kip, 14c; dry hides, 25c; dry and though there was some shading in the saited hides, 12½c; green kip, 14c; dry hides, 25c; dry and though there was some shading in the saited hides, 12½c; green kip, 14c; saited hides, 12c; green buils, 14c; green calf, 18c; green kip, 14c; dry hides, 25c; dry and though there was some shading in the saited hides, 14c; saited hides, 14c; green hides, 14c; saited buils, 14c; green hides, 14c; saited buils, 14c; green hides, 12½c; green buils, 14c; green calf, 18c; saited kip, 14c; sai and though there was some shading in the quotations of wire products, concessions in both raw and finished materials were more tin was weak, but copper and lead were firm, and speiter developed considerable attength.

Higher prices for coffee were effect by a decline in copper, while cotton was easy and wool very steady. There was an improvement in silk and more confidence are played in rubber.

SARK—Old and new, 4944c Us Ref 2s, reg. 86 NY C G 3%s, b. 79 do coupon...96 Nor Pac 1s......83% do coupon...100 do 4s......89% do coupon...100 Union Pac 4s.....95% abeep pelts, November, 75@00c each, salted sheep pelts, November, 75@00c each.

Provided:

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played in rubber, but beans, cotton goods, to 18 calfekins, cottonseed oil, spices, naval stores and numerous drugs were inclined to recade.

BIG YEAR FOR FARMER IS COMING. Small Business Man Will also Prosper in

ton. The war in Europe and other causes fre; makes this now almost an assured fact. Legislation and natural causes all trend to-ward making things generally better, par-Ucularly for the farmer and small dealer
"We feel that the new year will be a
prosperous one for all concerned. Our new
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 17.—Fruit—Pinc-"We feel that the new year will be a prosperous one for all concerned. Our new banking laws have been made for the benetit of the farmer and the small dealer. The big man in business has been made to uffer temperarity, but is rapidly becoming accusstomed to the new order of this man and the small dealer. The standard of the same of the

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Twelve Cents Bid for Hops. The cessation of buying in the early part of the week evidently had no effect on hop prices, as 12 cents was being offered yes terday for the best grades. Two dealers were bidding this price in the Independence sec-tion, but they found growers firm.

Portland		\$1,904.38S 2,165,849	214.6
Tacoma Spokane	*********	283,798 653,320	97.2

Grain, Flour, Feed, Etc. Merchants' Exchange, noon session Prompt delivery.

Wheat-

| Bid. | Ask | Section | S Oats— O. 1 white feed 28.50 Burley— Although bids for wheat were raised from Brewing 25.50
Bran 24.90
Shorts 24.50 29.00

Dairy and Country Produce.

Local jobbing quotations

EGGS—Fresh Oregon ranch, case count,

37c; candled, 3%@40c; storage, 26@30c.

POULTRY—Hens, small, 12@13c; Springs,
11@12c; turkeys, dreased, 20@21c; Hve, 18

219c; ducks, 12@15c; geese, 11@12c.

BLTTER—Creamory, prints, extras, 34%c

per pound in case lots; %c more in less
than case lot; cubes, 30c.

CHEESE—Oregon triplets, jobbers' buying

price, 13c ner nound f. o. b. dock, Portland;

Young Americas, 16c ner pound.

VEAL—Fancy, 12@12%c per pound.

PORK—Block, 3%@16c per pound.

Staple Groceries.

Local jobbing quotations:
SALMON — Columbia River one-pound talls, \$2.30 per dozen; half-pound fints, \$1.50; one-pound fints, \$2.50; Alaska pink, one-pound talls, \$1.05;
Honey—Choice, \$3.25 per case,
NUTS — Wainuts, 15@2ic per pound;
Brazil nuts, 10c: filberts, 15@2ic; almonds, 23@2ic; peanuts, \$1.00 per dozen; pecans, 10@20c; chestnuts, 12%@15c.

SUGAR - Fruit and berry, \$5.75; beet, \$5.55; extra C. \$5.25; powdered, in barrels, \$6.00.

DRIED FRUITS—Apples, 8c per pound: apricots, 13@15c; peaches, 8c; prunes, Italians, 8@3c; raisins, loose Muscatels, 8c; unbicached Sultanas, 7%c; seeded, 8%c; dates, Persian, 7@7%c per pound; fard, \$1.40 per box; currants, 9%@12c.

Hops, Wools, Hides, Etc.

HOPS-1914 crop, 9@12c; 1918 crop, nomi-

WOOL. Valley, 17@18c; Eastern Oregon, Western Union. 1,000 BS% 58 Westing Elec ... Westing Elec ... Total sales for the day, 78,100 shares. 50 20c nominal.

MOHAIR—1914 clip. 27%c per pound.

CASCARA BARK—Old and new, 494%c

All indications point to an increase in business and better times, according to a circular letter issued by H. F. Norton & Co., hide desiers of this city. The letter says, in part:

"It is our opinion that the year 1915 will be a big one for the farmer and the small business man in both Oregon and Washington. The war in Europe and other causes makes this now almost an assured fact. Olls.

SAN FRANCISCO PRODUCE MARKET 2%

temporarity, but is rapidly becoming accussioned to the new order of things and will have to take a fair profit on his business the same as you and we do."

INQUIRY FROM NORTH FOR TURKEYS

Buyers Indicate 21 Cents as Top Prico—Live Chickens Drag.

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Wall-Street Trading Is on More Contracted Scale.

LAST PRICES AT BOTTOM

Bond Market Is Also Irregular. Pool Is Now Ready to Finance Cotton Movement--Exchange on Germany and France Easier.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—Stocks continued to droop today on a smaller and more contracted volume of operations. Trading seemed to be largely for that fraction of the professional element committed to the short account and when the demand from that quarter had spent its force the list drifted idly toward lower quotations. The significance of the session, as a whole, may be judged from the fact that a relatively unconspicuous specialty—Central Leather—was the most active feature, with a gain of 142 points.

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Irregularity characterized the opening.

For a point of the international list, it took only a few thousand shares to reverse the rising movement and send the average under yesterday's closing. Numerous additions were made to the group of stocks selling at a minimum price. In keeping with the recent custom, final quotations were at or near the low level of the day.

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NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—Call money steady, High, 3% per cent; low, 3 per cent; ruling rate, 3 per cent; last loan, 3% per cent; closing bid, 3 per cent; offered at 3% per

Provisions.

HAMS — Ten to 12 pounds, 18@19c; 14 to 18 pounds, 18@19c; piente, 12c.

BACON—Fancy, 27@29c; standard, 28@ cent.

DRY SALT CURED—Short clear backs, 18@19c; exports, 14@15c; pates, 11@13c.
LARD — Theree basis; pure, 12@12½c; compound, 8½c.

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High, 3½ per cent; low, 3 per cent; ruling rate, 3 per cent; ruling rate, 3 per cent; last loan, 3½ per cent; closing bid, 3 per cent; offered at 3½ per cent.

Mercantile paper, 4@4½ per cent; low, 3 per cent; ruling rate, 3 per cent; low, 3 per cent; ruling rate, 3 per cent; low, 3 per cent; ruling rate, 3 per cent; low, 3 per cent; ruling rate, 3 per cent; low, 3 per cent; ruling rate, 3 per cent; low, 3 per cent; ruling rate, 3 per cent; low, 4 per cent;

Bar silver, 494c.
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Mexican dollars, 37%c.
Government bonds, steady; railroad bonds, rregular,
Time loans, dull, Sixty days, 4 per cent;
0 days, 404k per cent; six months, 46 SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 17 .- Silver bars,

01; cents. Drafts—Telegraph, Sc. Sterling—Demand, \$4,84%; cable, \$4.87%. LONDON, Dec. 17 .- Bur eilver, 22%d per Money, 1% per cent. Discount rates, short and three months

AREA SOWN TO WINTER GRAIN GREATEST EVER PLANTED.

Condition Is Not Equal to That of Average Years, Owing to Dry Fall and Hessian Fly.

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Naval Stores,
SAVANNAH, Ga., Dec. 17.—Turpentine,
nething doing; 44 cents; no sales; receipts,
221 barrels; shipments, none; stock, 34,030 231 Darrels; Shiphens, 290 barrels; receipts, barrels.

Rosin firm. Sales, 390 barrels; receipts, 1905 barrels; shipments, none; stock, 138.-388 barrels, Quote: A, B, C, D, \$3.50; F, G, H, \$3.35; I, \$2.50; K, \$3.90@4; H, M, \$4.45; N, \$5.45; WG, \$5.70; WW, \$5.85.

Cotton Market. NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—Futures closed firm with prices 2 to 5 points net higher Fobruary, 2.84c; May, 2c; June, 2.05c; July, Spot cotton quiet. Middling uplands, 7.40c.

Metal Markets.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—Copper quiet, Electrolytic, 13.37@13.50c; casting, 13.12@13.25c Lead, quiet at 3.75@3.85c. Chicago Dairy Produce,
CHICAGO, Dec. 17.—Butter, unchanged.
Eggs—Receipts. 2658 cases; at mark, cases
included. 22@34c; ordinary firsts. 50@32c;
firsts. 33@35c.

Dried Fruit at New York. NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—Evaporated apples rm, Prunes quiet. Peaches steady.

Duluth Linseed Market. DULUTH, Dec. 17.—Linseed, cash, \$1.57% @ 1.58%; December, \$1.57; May, \$1.57%. NEW YORK, Dec. 17 .- Hops quiet,

ANOTHER DIMEIS GAINED

LOCAL HOG MARKET CONTINUES TO ADVANCE.

With Light Receipts, Top Grade of May 69% Swine Brings \$7.50—Lamb Trade Is Active.

The continued lightness of hog receipts is May18.32 1 18.40 18.32 1 18.70 18.70 eing accompanied by a strong and ad-ancing market. Another dime was added o local values at the stockyards yesterday. Most of the trading, which, however, was not extensive, was in the swine division. The best light hogs brought \$7.50, and other

was not extensive, was in the swine division. The best light hogs brought \$7.50, and other grades sold in proportion.

The sheep market held steady. The bulk of the sales were of lambs, the best of which brought \$7.30 and \$7.40.

Cattle sales were light. One load of choice steers was disposed of at \$7.20.

Recelpts were 62 cattle, 7 calves and 424 hogs. Shippers were:

With cattle — J. M. Evans, Caldwell, 2 Clover, \$12.50 @14.50.

Cars.

SHORT RIBS.

Jan.10.02½ 10.02½ 10.00 10.02½ May10.21½ 10.25 10.32½
Cash prices were as follows:

Wheat—No. 2 yellow, 64½ 65c; No. 3 yellow, 84 @64½c.

Rye—No. 2. \$1.09£4.

Barley, 60 @70c.

Timothy, \$4.50 @625c.

Clover, \$12.50 @14.50.

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

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 17.—Spot quotations: Walla Walla, \$1.06\(\pi_0\) follows:

Choice steers

\$5.00\(\pi_0\) follows:

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Omaha Livestock Market.

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SOUTH OMAHA, Dec. 17. — Hogs—Receipts, 14,000; market, lower. Heavy, \$6.85 \$7.00; light, \$6.95@7.10; pigs, \$5.75@6.75; bulk of sales, \$6.90@7.7.

Cattlo—Receipts, 3400; market, slow. Native steers, \$6.50@9.75; cows and helfers, \$5.50@7.25; Western steers, \$6@8; Texas steers, \$5.75@7.15; cows and helfers, \$5.50.00.7.25; Western steers, \$6.90.8; Texas steers, \$6.75@7.15; cows and helfers, \$5.90.00; calves, \$7.80.

Chicago Livestock Market. Chicago Livestock Market.

CHICAGO, Dec. 17.—Hogs—Receipts. 36;
000; market, strong to 10c higher. Bulk of
sales, \$7.05@7.30; light, \$6.85@7.35; mixed,
\$6.85@7.35; heavy, \$6.85@7.40; rough, \$6.85

@6.90; pigs. \$5.50@7.30.
Cattle—Receipts. 7000; market, weak. Nativa steers, \$5@10; Western, \$4.90@7.55;
cows and heifers, \$2.90@7.75; calves, \$6@
\$8.50. 8.50, Sheep—Receipts, 15,000; market, slow, Sheep, \$5.50 @ 6.65; yearlings, \$6.75 @ 7.80; lambs, \$6.75 @ 7.80;

WENATCHEE GETS BRANCH

Big Grocery Firm of Spokane Sees Opportunity for More Business.

WENATCHEE, Wash., Dec. 17 -(Special.)-The Powel-Sanders Company, the largest wholesale grocery firm in Spokane, will open a distributing house in Wenatchee January 1. This was the decision reached after a conference by members of the firm and representatives of the leading retail houses in this city. The members of the firm of Powel-Sanders who were here on business connected with opening the new house were Percy Powel, general manager; Glen Powel, credit man; J. W. Hicks and J. B. Eagan. The latter will have charge of the house

The company expects to carry a large stock here and will take care of the country to the north as far as Oro-ville, as far west as Leavenworth and

The route which has been proposed lies entirely on the east side of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle Railroad line from Warrenton to Seaside, but Mr. Walsh has suggested to the members of the Canal Club that inasmuch as there is a possibility that a canal on the west side of the railroad might be feasible, the conditions there should be investigated before proceeding Mr. Walsh has suggested to the members of the Canal Club that inasmuch as there is a possibility that a canal on the west side of the railroad might be feasible, the conditions there should be investigated before proceeding further with estimates of quantities that will be essential to his report.

About 3,000,000 feet of logs are now of logs are now change in temperature; winds mostly northeracted with the farmers of that district to furnish, this Winter, an additional 7,000,000 feet, Acting District Forecaster. Acting District Forecaster. In Armenia there is a copper mine that has been worked continuously since pre-

Exporters Are in Market Stronger Than Ever.

PURCHASES, 5,000,000 BU.

Wheat Rises Sharply at Chlcago as Result of Heavy Foreign Business - Government Acreage Report Has No Effect.

CHICAGO, Dec. 17.— Immense export sales, said to amount to nore than 5,000,000 bushels in the last 13 leurs, carried the wheat market today she ply up-grade. Closing prices were strong, % %% to 1% above last night. Other leading staples, too, sate % 5% to 1c, oats % 5% to to %c, and provisions 5c to 10c. It was apparent from the start that sentiment in the wheat trade had turned against the bears. Signs were discovered early that business with foreigners was of uch larger proportions than had been re-pred and that contrary to popular belief is European demand, instead of being di-inished by naval exploits, had suddenly own extremely urgent. Anxiety to pur-case for export, however, showed the entest increase of force immediately after mountement was made that for the first me this year primary receives had fallen me this year primary receives had fallen

well.

Corn swept higher with wheat. Besides receipts were smaller and there was an improved call from feeders, the result of cold weather. Offerings to Europe were all accepted, about 250,000 bushels.

The strength of other grain spread to cats. Sales to the seaboard aggregated 400,000 bushels.

Liberal receipts of hogs and the fact that Western packers were pressing the sale of lard gave the provision market a setback at first. The bulge in cercals, however, reversed the course of prices and more than offset the early decline.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

WHEAT.

WHEAT. CORN. OATS. .51% MESS PORK. LARD. Jan. 10.00 10.12 10.00 10.12 10.00 10.12 10.00 10.37 16 SHORT RIBS.

European Grain Markets, LONDON, Dec. 17 .- Cargoes on passage LIVERPOOL, Dec. 17 .- Wheat -- Decem-

ber opened 2s &d. Corn—December closed 6s %d; January closed 6s %d. Minneapolis Grain Market. MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 17.—Wheat, December, \$1.15%; May, \$1.19%; No. 1 hard, \$1.21%; No. 2 Northern, \$1.13%; \$1.18%; \$1.20%; No. Barley, \$56.965 cents. Flax, \$1.55.21.55.

Puget Sound Grain Market. SEATTLE, Dec. 17. — Wheat—Bluestem, 1.20; Turkey red, \$1.17; fortyfold, \$1.13; lab, \$1.13; Fife, \$1.15; red Russian, \$1.13. Bariey, \$24.50 per ton, Yesterday's car receipts—Wheat 18, oats, barley 5, hay 10, flour 5. TACOMA, Dec. 17. — Wheat—Bluestem, 1.19; fortyfold, \$1.17; club, \$1.15; Fife,

KELSO UNION BUYS MILL

Car receipts-Wheat 57, corn 1, hay 2.

Ice on Pond Forces Closing of Ostrander Plant.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Dec. 17.—(Special.)—The Allen mill, at the mouth of the Cowlitz River, has been taken over by the shingle-weavers' union in Kelso, and the plant will be placed in operation as soon as arrangements for logs can be completed. The company will be known as the Crescent Shingle Compay, with \$17,000 capital. Each of the men working in the mill will hold common stock and will accept a per-centage of their wages in preferred

The weavers were planning erection of a mill in Kelso, but when they hear that the Allen mill was to be dis-mantled they purchased it. Ice on the pond of the Ostrander Railway & Timber Company has forced the closing of the mill.

TENINO HAS NEW BANK Affairs of Closed Institution Wil Be Taken Over.

CENTRALIA, Wash. Dec. 17.—(Special.)—The Citizens' Bank of Tenino, organized yesterday to take the place of the Tenino State Bank, which closed its doors in September, following the failure of the United States Nationa in this city, is capitalized for 10,000. It will open for business this week. The officers are S. M. Peterson, president: P. C. Kibbe, vice-president; J. J. Rob-erts, cashier, and George Mayes, H. J. Keithahn and Oscar Neuerburg direc-

The Tenino State Bank was the only ne in Tenino and the new institution

mill would not shut down for at least a year. About 3,000,000 feet of logs are now

The First National Bank

CAPITAL AND SURPLUS......\$3,500,000 Interest Paid on Savings and Time Deposits

Security Savings and Trust Company

Fifth and Morrison Streets. CAPITAL AND SURPLUS.....\$400,000

LADD & TILTON BANK

Capital and Surplus \$2,000,000 Commercial and Savings Deposits

amounts to about 200,000 feet. This is made possible by the addition of four sets of the big 12-Inch wheels for log-

RIVER RIGHTS GO TO CITY Lewiston Gains Decision Against

Northern Pacific for Title.

LEWISTON, Idaho, Dec. 17 .- (Special.)-In a decision handed down by District Judge Edgar C. Steele, Citiy of Lewiston, as intervenor, a decision against the Northern cific Railway Company and others for title to the riparian rights on the Lewiston front at the confluence of the Snake and Clearwater Rivers, This was an important case and the ques-tions involved revert to what rights the Nez Perce Indians and the Federal Government conveyed to Robert Newell by a grant of five and one-half acres at that point.

The Northern Pacific acquired title to most of the lands adjacent to the rivers from a point well to the east of Lewiston, following down the Clearwater River to the Snake and up the Snake for a considerable distance, and brought this action to have its alleged riparian rights settled. The decision holds that it was never the intention of the Federal Government when it patented to Robert Newell the five and one-half acres to give him five and one-half acres to give him thereby exclusive rights to the middle of the two rivers.

MILL OUTPUT INCREASED

Falls City Company Finds Business Conditions on Mend.

MONMOUTH, Or., Dec. 17,—(Special.)
-The Falls City lumber mill, 12 miles west of this city, has an increased output this year, according to the sales made and the general amount of timber that has been sent to the mill from the Siletz district. Large quantities of logs, measuring in circumference from 18 to 25 feet have been used. Logwing 18 to 25 feet, have been used. Logging railroads owned by the company itself now expedite shipping to the mill. The last year has seen a larger amount of lumber used in Polk Coun-

ROSEBURG, Or., Dec. 17.—(Special.)
—The tax levy for Douglas County, according to a decision of the County Court today, will be 13 mills, or one-balf of 1 mill less than a year ago. This levy will raise approximately \$245,716.97, segregated as follows: State tax, \$86,412.54; county tax, \$74,677.50; school tax, \$55,008.12; school library, \$890.12; Indian soldlers \$300.12; high school, \$13,335,27; roads, \$114,683.20.

DAILY METEOROLOGICAL REPORT. PORTLAND, Dec. 17 .- Maximum tempe PORTLAND, Dec. 17.—Maximum temperature, 33.6 degrees minimum, 25.4 degrees River reading, 3 A. M., 4.0 feet; change in last 24 hours, 0.5 foot rise. Total rainfall, 5 P. M. to 5 P. M. none; total sainfall since September 1, 1914, 11.49 inches, normal, 15.95 inches, deficiency, 4.57 inches, Total sunshine, 5 hours 39 minutes; possible, 8 hours 39 minutes, Barometer (reduced to sea level) at 5 P. M., 39.06 inches.

THE WEATHER.

1 -1	STATIONS.	mum temp.	t 24 hours.	ogity	ention	State of Weather
1	Baker	0.4	0.00	41	2	Clear
ì	Bolse	22	0.00	11/23	NEW	Clear
	Boston	0.50	0.00	1.6	W	Clear
	Boston	世報	0.00	101	NYW	Clear
6	Chicago	92.51	0.00	性的	14.	Snow
	Denver	4.5	0.200	1048	242	Cleur
t	Des Moines	18	0.01	6	15	Cloudy
	Duluth	1.8	0.00	25	S	Clear
	Eureka		0.00	4	N.	Clear
	Galveston	46	0.54	18	NE	Cloudy
3	Helena	16	0.00	4	SW	Clear
ч	Jacksonville	50	9.00	50	N.	Cloudy
Ž.	Kansas City	28	0.01	10	819	Cloudy
	Las Angeles	9.8	1.02	10.00		Cloudy
1	Marabfield	9.10	0.00	1000	N	Clour
n	Minneapolis	221	0.00	100		Cloudy
	New Orleans4	530	0.00	29013 20013	5.39	Pt. cloudy Clear
71	Mineral Woods	36.00	es initi	W 16 To	NAMES	Clear
Н	North Head North Yakima Phoenix	4.9	0.00	100	E	Clear
t)	North Vaktma	201	0.00	0.41	41	Clear
ш	Phoenix	EO.	0.20	21 C	EZ I	Rain
91	Pocatello	20	0.01	0.41	NW	Cloudy
ill	Portland	33	0.00	1.00	E	Clear
4	Roseburg	20	0.00	43	WW	Clear
3	Sacramento		0.58			Hain
ч	St. Louis		0,00		S	Cloudy
3		30	0.01	31	VIV	Snow
ч	San Francisco	48	1.53	14/2	SEL	Rain
3	Scattle	40	0.00	14	NE	Clear
	Spokune					Clear
	Tatoosh Island	73	0.00	A 9 2	SE 1	Chemy
1	Walla Walla	7.0	0.00	- 1	134	Clear
	Washington					Snow
П	Winnipeg	147	0.00	14115	7.33	Pt. cloudy
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will relieve the financial stress under which the town has been laboring for the past three months.

LUMBER MARKET BETTER

Craig Mountain Plant May Continue for Year at Least.

WINCHESTER, Idaho, Dec. 17.—
(Special.)—The Craig Mountain Lumber Company has resumed operations.
E. H. Van Ostrand, president of the company, stated that market conditions were better and in all likelihood the mill would not shut down for at least WEATHER CONDITIONS. FORECASTS.

Portland and vienity—Fair and continued cold; northeasterly wind,
Oregon and Washington—Fair, not much change in temperature; winds mostly northeasterly.

Idaho—Generally

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